

WATERS COVER FERTILE DELTA

Worst Break Resulting from The Mississippi Flood Submerges Arkansas and Louisiana Farm Lands.

DAMAGE TO PROPERTY WILL TOTAL BIG SUM

Crevasse Occur Near Panther Forest, Ark. and Roosevelt La.—Appeal for Aid From Luxora.

New Orleans, April 13.—Great property damage was wrought in north Louisiana today as the result of a sudden break in the levee near Abbeville.

Greenville, Miss., April 13.—The Mississippi river is playing havoc in southern Arkansas and northern Louisiana with the mighty force of the greatest tide in the waterway's history.

The breaks last night are regarded as the most serious since the flood period began. Damage to property will be large.

The Mississippi levee at Panther, 19 miles above Greenville on the Arkansas shore, gave way late yesterday under pressure of the flood and the water is flooding its way over 200 square miles of rich farming lands.

Supplies Sent to Luxora. Memphis, April 13.—Wire communication with Luxora and Osceola, Ark., interrupted since yesterday morning, was temporarily restored last night.

The adjacent country's population has been ready for flight for days. A pre-arranged signal will warn them to flee.

In the absence of late news from Marked Tree, an inland town inundated when the lake broke, persons acquainted in that section express the belief that there has been no loss of life.

The situation in New Orleans remained practically unchanged. At a conference of the Orleans levee board and the government engineers, the latter agreed to put at the disposal of the board of government tug and barges equipped with material which could be rushed to any danger point at a moment's notice.

Woman Is Pardoned. Gazette-News Bureau, The Hotel Raleigh, Raleigh, April 13.

Anna Whitley, a woman convicted in Wayne county in 1909 and sentenced to 15 years, was granted conditional pardon by Gov. Vance today on recommendation of a judge, doctor and others.

MEET TO DISCUSS THE STRIKE VOTE

Is Called by Chairman of Railroad Managers' Committee for April 17.

New York, April 13.—Chairman Stuart today issued a call for a meeting of the conference committee here on April 17 to discuss the recent strike vote of engineers and determine whether the railroads should make a counter proposition to their demands for increased pay.

In reply to the engineers' protest against the delay in resuming further negotiations on the demand for increased pay, Grand Chief Stone said the engineers are willing to wait a reasonable time for the railroads to make a counter proposition.

URGES BIG EXPENDITURE FOR LAND RECLAMATION

Drainage Body Will Ask Congress to Make Comprehensive Plan Effective.

New Orleans, April 13.—Resolutions urging the appropriation of a million dollars annually until the completion of the Panama canal and fifty millions annual thereafter for land reclamation and other purposes, and calling for an immediate conference in Washington of the drainage committee and officers of the drainage congress, were unanimously adopted yesterday by the delegates of 32 states and four foreign countries attending the National Drainage congress, which adjourned last night.

The congress elected former Governor David R. Francis of Missouri as president; Edmund T. Perkins, Ill., first vice president; E. J. Watson of South Carolina, Colonel William C. Gorgas, U. S. A., Bernard Baker, Maryland, and Edward Wisner, Louisiana, vice presidents. Charleston, S. C., was selected as the place of the next meeting, January, 1913.

PROMINENT SPEAKERS AT JEFFERSON DINNER

Wilson, Dix, Gaynor and O'Gorman to Make Speeches Tonight.

New York, April 13.—The most interesting political event of the pre-convention campaign here will be the Jefferson birthday dinner of the National Democratic club tonight.

London, April 13.—Maurice Prevost the French aviator, left Paris at a quarter to seven o'clock this morning in an aeroplane, carrying a passenger.

Aviator Killed in Fall. Paris, April 13.—Lieutenant Boncour was killed in an aeroplane accident today. The officer fell from a great height, passing over Lalmont. The aeroplane collapsed from an unknown cause.



New York Herald and The Gazette-News.

NO LONGER KICKABLE

TO HOLD PRECINCT MEETS APRIL 27 Date Is Fixed by the County Republican Executive Committee.

The republican executive committee of Buncombe county met here today at 12 o'clock in the Electrical building, where the headquarters are located, and fixed as the date for the precinct meetings to be held April 27 and the county convention for May 4.

At the precinct meetings, delegates will be elected to the county convention. The county convention is held only for the purpose of electing delegates to the state convention to be held May 15 and the congressional convention to be held May 13 and is not a nominating convention.

BODY OF GRANT TO LIE IN STATE FOR 10 DAYS

Burial Will Be Delayed Until Arrival of Daughter from Russia.

New York, April 13.—The body of Major General Frederick Dent Grant will lie 10 days in the chapel of Cornelius the centurion at Governor's island. It was planned to move the body today from Hotel Buckingham, where he died yesterday of heart disease.

General Grant will be given a full military funeral in the city, and will be buried at West Point, where military services also will be held. This was announced after Brigadier General Tasker H. Bliss, now in command of the department of the east, and Lieutenant Marion Howze, the dead general's military aid, had held a consultation at the Hotel Buckingham with Mrs. Grant and Captain Ulysses S. Grant III, who arrived yesterday from Washington. The funeral will be delayed, it was stated, until the arrival here of General Grant's daughter, Princess Michaela Catuscene-Speransky, who is now in Russia. The princess cabled that she would start for this country at once.

Every time I come to town The boys keep a-kickin' my dog around. Makes no difference if he is a hound, They gotta quit kickin' my dog around.

KEYSTONE STATE PRIMARIES HELD

Woodrow Wilson the Democratic Favorite—The Taft Roosevelt Fight.

Philadelphia, April 13.—Pennsylvania voters are today participating in the most important primary election since the uniform primary law was enacted in 1906.

SEEK STRANGE WOMAN IN MURDER MYSTERY

Police Working on New Theory in Search for Slayer of Marsh.

Lynn, Mass., April 13.—The murder of George E. Marsh, the wealthy soap manufacturer whose body, containing four bullets, was found yesterday, remains a deep mystery.

ATTACKS MR. WILSON

Secretary of Agriculture's Alleged Misdeeds Subject of Scathing Remarks in the House.

Washington, April 13.—The administration of Secretary Wilson of the department of agriculture was severely criticized in the house of representatives last night in a speech by Representative Bathrick, democrat of Ohio.

ROOSEVELT GETS 16, TAFT 8 DELEGATES FROM STATE

Charlotte, April 13.—North Carolina's representation at the republican national convention will be divided so as to give Roosevelt 16 delegates and Taft eight.

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CLAIMS MADE BY CANDIDATES

SURVEY OF STATE FROM THE CAPITAL

Distinguished Speakers at Aycock Memorial—Senatorial Headquarters Opened.

Gazette-News Bureau, The Hotel Raleigh, Raleigh, April 13.

With the opening of senatorial headquarters here by Messrs. Simmons and Kitchin an intense excitement is being manifested by the bureau as there will be by the agencies of the senatorial aspirants.

A. D. Ward will be temporarily in charge of Senator Simmons' headquarters, until the manager is named, and he is expected to begin active work at once. Frank R. McNinch of Charlotte, in charge of Governor Kitchin's campaign, has already opened his office in the Yarbrough hotel. He has assisting him Alex Stronach and James Keelin.

Judge Clark has not announced his manager yet, but in the meantime his campaign is not neglected. Officers of the Jefferson Standard Life insurance company did not add any more to the announcement, sent Thursday night, that this company and the Greensboro Life insurance company were considering amalgamation. The plan will be submitted to the stockholders of the Raleigh company at a meeting two weeks from now. Interest here centers chiefly in the location of the home office.

"Life and Speeches of Aycock" will be the title to the volume being prepared by Clarence Poe and R. D. V. Connor, with the assistance of Dr. George T. Winston of Asheville. Cavalry Troop to Fort Meyer. It was announced by Adjutant General Leinster that the officers of Troop A, Lincoln cavalry company, would be sent to Fort Meyer, near Washington, May 6-11, to receive instructions. The officers are Capt. W. A. Fair and Lieutenants John O. Shuford and Robert S. Rhinehardt, Jr.

M. S. Johnson, an employee of the Carolina Construction company, fell 30 feet from a ladder at the Seaboard Air Line freight station, and received a painful, though not serious, injury. The body of J. D. Boney, who died at the Soldiers' home yesterday at the age of 67 years, was carried to Wallace, Duplin county, in the afternoon for interment. He entered the home from Duplin county in November, 1905. He was a member of the first North Carolina battalion of artillery and surrendered with General Johnston at Greensboro April 27, 1865. Comrade Boney was a Mason and Presbyterian.

Notable tributes were last night paid to the memory of former Governor Chas. B. Aycock at the memorial service in the auditorium. Prominent North Carolinians, without regard to party, spoke words of praise for him as an individual, leader and governor. The addresses were by Hon. Locke Craig of Asheville, Judge H. G. Connor of Wilson, Dr. J. Y. Joyner of Raleigh, Col. Harry Skinner of Greenville, and ex-Gov. R. B. Glenn of Winston-Salem. Hon. Thos. J. Jarvis of Greenville presided and delivered the opening address.

Dr. R. T. Vann, president of Meredith college, pronounced the invocation, and a quartette sang Tennyson's "Crossing the Bar." There was unusual interest in the service and the auditorium contained many persons from Raleigh and elsewhere.

The Goldsboro chamber of commerce has donated a \$75 cup to be awarded to the team making the highest score in the Second regiment rifle shoot there April 15-17. In addition to this the citizens of Goldsboro have come across with many cash prizes and trophies.

Beach Asks Immediate Trial. Alken, S. C., April 13.—D. S. Henderson, local counsel for F. O. Beach, received a cable from the New York broker now in Paris, yesterday afternoon stating that arrangements be made for an immediate trial of the case against him, charging that he cut Mrs. Beach's throat. It is said Beach intends to sail for America next week.

F. S. Fuller, of the New York law firm representing Beach, arrived in Alken yesterday afternoon and has taken charge of the case. The regular term of circuit court convenes in June but Beach's bond is not returnable until the September term.

Philadelphia, April 13.—A subcommittee of eight representing the miners and operators met again today in an effort to end the anthracite region labor troubles. One member said he expected an early agreement should be reached.

Statements Issued Today By Taft and Roosevelt Headquarters at Washington Vary Widely.

DELEGATES CONTESTED THROUGHOUT SOUTH

Colonel's Manager Lists Many Others Claimed by President as "Uninstructed"—Democratic Situation.

Washington, April 13.—Over one-half the 1076 delegates to the republican national convention will have been selected at the close of the Pennsylvania primaries today. Statements issued from the Taft and Roosevelt headquarters here show a wide divergence in the claims to delegates selected up to last night. The Taft claim is: Taft 339, Roosevelt 113, LaFollette 34, Cummins 4, uninstructed 2. The Roosevelt claims are: Roosevelt 151, Taft 49, LaFollette 26, Cummins 4, contested 164, uninstructed 166.

The chief differences between the rival managers lie in the southern states, where Roosevelt forces list as "contested" all delegates claimed by Taft, in Mississippi, where a delegation of 20 is claimed outright by both sides, and in New York where 88 delegates are listed "uninstructed" by Roosevelt managers while Taft managers claimed for Taft are held as "uninstructed" in the Roosevelt statement.

At Clark headquarters the following statement of democratic delegates was issued: For Clark 143, Marshall 30, Wilson 27, Burke 10, uninstructed 12. At Wilson headquarters an estimate of 72 delegates was given as the Wilson strength. Claims were not made public from other headquarters.

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Social Functions in Knox's Honor. Havana, April 13.—Among the functions in honor of Secretary Knox before his departure this evening were a reception at the American club and a garden party by the municipality.