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WATERS COVER FERTILE DELTA

merges Arkansas and Louisiana Farm Lands.

DAMAGE TO PROPERTY WILL TOTAL BIG SUM

Crevasses 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 Alsatia. It is feared many lives were lost. Eight hundred square miles were flooded and thou-sands of families will be made

Greenville, Miss., April 12.—The Mississippi river is playing havoc in southern Arkansas and northern Louisiana with the mighty force of the greatest tide in the waterway's though the greatest tide in the waterway's history. The flood is pouring through two gaps in the levee at Panther Forest, Ark., and near Roosevelt, La., over the fertile lands of the Louisiana-Aritansas delta. Before nightfall it is estimated a thousand square miles in East Carroll and Madison parishes. parishes, La., and Chicot and Desha counties, Ark., will be flooded.

The breaks last night are regarded as the most serious since the flood;

townships in Chicot, east Asheley, Drew and Desha counties, in Arkansas

loss of life accompanied the collapse of the enrichment. Panther Point is directly across the river from Miller's Bend. Miss. reserved. ler's Bend, Miss., regarded as one of the weakest dikes along the river. The crevesses will decrease the strain on the east bank both at this point and at Greenville, where it was feared a gineer of the United States geological break would occur. Chief Engineer Shackelford, of the Mississippi levee board, last night predicted that the survey. Washington, D. C., was selections where the headquarters are located, and fixed as the date for the precinct rector of the drafinge congress to asmeetings to be held April 27 and the water here would fall a foot within 24 hours and at Miller's Bend 21/2 feet. When the flood came through, a gap 100 feet wide was torn in the levee

and later reports tell of the fast wid-ening of the breach. Supplies Sent to Luxora, Memphis, April 13.—Wire communication with Luxora and Osceola, Ark., interrupted since yesterday morning, was temporarily restored last night.

were still standing, the situation was described as critical to an extreme. Flood fighting materials and implements are badly needed and an appeal was made to President Taft asking that the local United States engineers' office be directed to hurry engineers and burlap to the scene. A steamer with men and bags has started for

The adjacent country's population has been ready for flight for days. A pre-arranged signal will warn them to flee. No loss of life is feared in the event of a breach.

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. Work of caring for refugees at various points it moving rapidly under United States army officers' supervision. Depots for this section are maintained at Memphis, Hickman, Ky., Little Rock, and Helena, Ark. Substations are movable and boats.

forers or taking supplies.

New Orleans, April 13.—Reports received last night from points in the Louisjana levee district told of heavy rains throughout the day. A heavy guard is being maintained day and night all along the stretches in this state, and should weak apots develop, material and men are close at hand.

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 harges equipped with material which could be rushed to any danger point at a moment's notice.

Woman Is Pardoned.

Gasette-News Bureau,
The Hotel Raielan,
Raielan, April 12.
Whitley, a woman convicts

Worst Break Resulting from MEET TO DISCUSS

Is Called by Chairman of Railroad Managers' Committee

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' 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 nake a counter proposition,

"We will await the result of the general managers' conference." War-ren S. Stone declared. "There will be no strike called in the meantime."

URGES BIG EXPENDITION FOR LAND RECLAMATION

Drainage Body Will Ask Congress to Make Comprehensive Plan Effective.

New Orleans, April 13.-Resolution period began. Damage to property urging the appropriation of a million 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 finding its way over 200 squares miles of rich farming lands and several prosperous towns toward the Kansas and Arkansas rivers. Sixty townshins in Chicot, east Arkansas of 32 states and four for the second states and four for the panama canal and fifty millions 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 Wash-ing the second states and the panama canal and fifty millions annual thereafter for land reclamation and other purposes, and calling for an immediate conference in Wash-ing the second states and the panama canal and fifty millions annual thereafter for land reclamation and other purposes, and calling for an immediate conference in Wash-ing the second states and the panama canal and fifty millions annual thereafter for land reclamation and other purposes, and calling for an immediate conference in Wash-ing the second states and the panama canal and fifty millions annually until the completion of the Panama canal and fifty millions annually until the completion of the Panama canal and fifty millions annually until the completion of the Panama canal and fifty millions annually until the completion of the Panama canal and fifty millions annually until the completion of the Panama canal and fifty millions annually until the completion of the Panama canal and fifty millions annually until the completion of the Panama canal and fifty millions annually until the completion of the Panama canal and fifty millions annually until the Panama canal and fifty millions annu delegates of 32 states and four for-

Drainage congress, and East Carol parish, Louisiana, will be inundated. Lake Village, the county seat of Chicot county, with a population of 1500, is the most important town in the water's path.

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South Carolina, Colonel William C. South Carolina, Colonel William C.

sume charge May 1.

ernment with the engineering corps and while the levees holding back the the president," and a board of experts, Mississippi river flood at these points with the view of planning "regulanavigation, irrigation, swamps and reclamation, development of water powers, reforestation and prevention soil erosion and waste."

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

New York, April 13 .- The most inresting political event of the pre onvention campaign here will be the continually ply the river bringing suf-ferers or taking supplies.

Jefferson birthday dinner of the Na tional Democratic club tonight. Gov ernor Woodrow Wilson, Governor Dix Mayor Gaynor and Senator O'Gorman will be among the speakers.

Prominent democrats from all over

> CARRIES A PASSENGER OVER THE CHANNEL

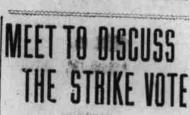
the country will attend.

Maurice Prevost Travels in Airship From Paris to London in 6 3-4

in an aeroplane, corrying a passenger He landed at 1:30 o'clock at East church, having crossed the from Calais, France.

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 Laimont.
The general's widow has been the
recipient today of hundreds of teleprins acceptance collapsed from an unthy from all paris of the country.



for April 17.

New York, April 13.-Chairman

dollars annually until the completion

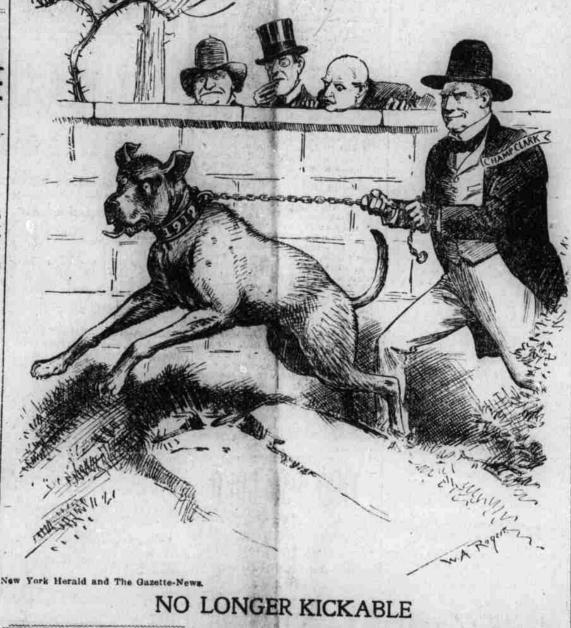
next meeting, January, 1913.

M. O. Leighton, chief hydraulic en

The members of the executive com-mittee will arrive in Washington while the rivers and harbers bill is and in the city wards at 8 o'clock p under consideration by the senate, and will urge upon congress immediate action, involving the co-ordination of the scientific services of the govof the army, and eminent engineers and constructors "to be appointed by tions of the rivers for the purpose of

AT JEFFERSON DINNER BODY OF GRANT TO LIE

land. It was planned to move the body today from Hotel Buckingham, where he died yesterday of heart dis-



Ev'ry time I come to town

The boys keep a-klekin' my .dog

ory in Search for Slaver of

Marsh.

Lynn, Mass., April 13 .- The mur-

ler of George E. Marsh, the wealthy

soap manufacturer whose body, con-

taining four bullets, was found yes-

police are working on information

terday, remains a deep mystery.

TOHOLO PRECINCI

Date Is Fixed by the County Republican Executive

Committee.

The republican executive committee of Buncombe county met here today meetings to be held April 27 and the county convention for May 4. The precinct meetings will be held in the country at 2 o'clock in the afternoon

The meeting was very harmonio and trouble which some expected to occur over the fixing of the dates did not materialize. A majority of the members of the committee was pres-

At the precinct meetings, delegates will be elected to the county conven-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. The didntes will be chosen, will be held

IN STATE FOR 10 DAYS

General Grant will be given a ful be buried at West Point, where mili-tary services also will be held. This was announced after Brigadier Gen-Hours.

London, April 13.—Maurice Prevost the French aeronaut, left Paris at a quarter to seven o'clock this morning in an aeroplane, corrying a passenger ham with Mrs. Grant and Capitaln ham with Mrs. Grant and Captain Illysses 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 Michael Cantscusene-Speransky, who is now in Russia. The princess cabled that she would start for this country at once.

Woodrow Wilson the Democratic Favorite-The Taft Roosevelt Fight.

They gotta quit kickin' my dog nia voters are today participating in since the uniform primary law was enacted in 1906. Chief interest is in the contest for Pennsylvania's 76 delegates to the national convention. The egular republican organization is back IN MURDER MYSTERY of Taft. Roosevelt's supporters claim they will elect a large number of dele-

The democratic party in Pennsylvania favors Woodrow Wilson for presi-dent. Candidates favoring Champ Clark are on the ballot in many condates are not numero

ATTACKS MR. WILSON

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

Washington, April 13.-The admin that Marsh was seen Thursday night department of agriculture was severely riding with an unknown woman in criticised in the house of representatives last night in a speech by Lynn, Mass. April 13.—George E. Sentative Bathrick, democrat of Ohio. Marsh, aged 71, the wealthy president of a soap manufacturing com-Wilson's management of the departpany here, whose body, pierced by ment "has been a scandal and a dis-ive bullets, was found lying near the grace." Mr. Bathrick's attack includ-Point of Pines boulevard yesterday, ed the charge that Mr. Wilson had was murdered while riding in an au been tied to the "food dopers." He

Burial Will Be Delayed Until

Arrival oi Daughter from

Russia.

Was murdered while riding in an automobile, according to the theory adopted by the police. Chief of Police and abetted land boomers in the exploitation of the Florida everglades, "Like the pest of Sinbad," said Mr. "Like the pest of Sinbad," said Mr. Bathrick, "this old man sits astride the shoulders of the people's rights, and a gold watch were found on the body, indicating that robbery was not the motive. New York, April 13.—The body of Major General Frederick Dent Grant will the 10 days in the chapel of Cornellus the centurian at Government at of the big interests of this country.
Mr. Bathrick defended C. G. Elliot and A. D. Moorehouse, whom Secre

Roosevelt Gets 16, Taft 8 Delegates from State

Charlotte, April 13,-North Caro- ; this state. lina's representation at the republi-can national convention will be divid-ed so as to give Rocsevelt 16 delegates ed so as to give Roosevelt 16 delegates

Harmon in Chicago.

and Taff eight.

This announcement was made by state Chairman Moorehead, after party leaders held a conference to arrange a new plan of organization to convention.

A, the Lincolnton 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. 30 feet from a ladder at the Seaboard Air Line freight station, and received

painful, though not serious, injuries.

The body of J. D. Boney, who died Philadelphia, April 13.—Pennsylvaat the Soldiers' home yesterday at the age of 67 years, was carried to Walelection for interment. He entered the home from Duplin county in November North Carolina battalion of artillery and surrendered with General John son at Greensboro April 27, 1865 Comrade Boney was a Mason and Presbyterian

gressional districts. Harmon candi-

stration of Secretary Wilson of the

HENRY PUBLICITY BILL Chicago, April 13.—Coming from Comaba, where last night he replied to William J. Bryan's charges against him, Governor Harmon spent today here conferring with his campaign violations of law. Mr. Bathrick and managers.

Washington, April 13.-The hou mittee on the election of a president and vice president favorably re-ported today the Henry bill, which would provide for publicity of all con-tributions to campaign funds; togeth-er with their disbursement intended to advance the candidacies of aspirants for the two highest federal of fices. The vote was unanimous.

Social Functions in Knox's Honor.

Havana, April 13—Among the func-lious in honor of Secretary Knox be-fore his departure this evening were a reception at the American slub and a garden party by the municipality.

Statements Issued Today By Taft and Roosevelt Headquarters at Washington

Vary Widely.

CLAIMS MADE

SURVEY OF STATE

FROM THE CAPITAL

Distinguished Speakers at Ay-

cock Memorial-Senatorial

Headquarters Opened.

Gazette-News Bureau, The Hotel Raieigh,

With the opening of senatorial head-

puarters here by Messrs, Simmons and Citchin an dthe expected announce-

nent that Judge Clark's manager has been named, Raleigh has assumed a

political atmosphere for the first time since the memorable contest for gov-

ernor four years ago. It is true that democratic headquarters were main-

tained here two years ago, but there was not as much interest in the "dope"

furnished by the bureau as there will

charge of Senator Simmons' headquar-ters, 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 cam-paign, has already opened his office in

out Thursday night, that this com-

pany and the Greensboro Life Insur-ance company were considering amal-

gamation. The plan will be submitted

to the stockholders of the Raleigh

onnor, with the assistance of Dr beorge T. Winston of Asheville. Cavalry Troop to Fort Meyer. It was announced by Adjutant Gen-ral Leinster that the officers of Troop

as an individual, leader and governor. The addresses were by Hon. Locke

Craig of Asheville, Judge H. G. Con-nor of Wilson, Dr. J. Y. Joyner of Ral-

the opening address.

Dr. R. T. Vann, president of Mere-

dith college, pronounced the invoca-tion, and a quartette sang Tennyson's

service and the auditorium contained many persons from Raleigh and else

The Goldsboro chamber of com

est 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

IS FAVORABLY REPORTED

House Committee Favors Bar-

ring Sources of Presidential

Campaign Contributions.

nerce has donated a \$75 cup warded to the team making the high

'Crossing the Bar."

where

and trophies.

Raleigh, April 13.

BY CANDIDATES

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 been selected at the close of the Pennsylvania primaries today. Statements issued from the Taft and Roosevelt be by the agencies of the senatorial headquarters here show a wide divergance in the claims to delegates select-A. D. Ward will be temporarily in sed up to last night. The Taft claim is: targe of Senator Simmons' headquar-Cummins 4, uinstructed 2. The Roosevelt claims is: Roosevelt 151, Taft

49, LaFollette 36, Cummins 4, contest-ed 164, uninstructed 106. The chief differences between the the Yarborough hotel. He has assist-ing him Alex Stronach and James Keelin. rival managers lie in the southern states, where Roosevelt forces list as "contested" all delegates claimed by Judge Clark has not announced his Taft, in Mississippi, where a delegamanager yet, but in the meantime his tion of 20 is claimed outright by both sides, and in New York where 88 dele-Officers of the Jefferson Standard
Life Insurance company did not add
any more to the announcement, sent sides, and in New York where 88 dele-'uninstructed" in the Roosevelt state-

At Clark headquarters the following statement of democratic delegates was issued; For Clark 143, Marshall company at a meeting two weeks from 30, Wilson 27, Burke 10, uninstructed Interest here centers chiefly in 12. At Wilson headquarters an esti-"Life and Speeches of Aycock" will be the title to the volume being prepared by Clarence Poe and R. D. W. Connor, with the assistance of the title to the volume being prepared by Clarence Poe and R. D. W.

M. S. Johnson, an employe of the arolina Construction company, fell Mann Demands Explanation of Woman Lobbyist with

Committee.

Washington, April 13.-The lie was ssed on the house floor today when He was a member of the first Representative Graham of Illinois, chairman of the committee on interior department expenditures, branded as "absolutely and unqualified faise" the statement made yesterday by minor-ity Leader Mann that Graham told The Aycock Memorias.

Notable tributes were last night paid lobbyist, not to return a tee process of the memory of former Governor by an Indiana client. The ensuing debate was intensely bitter, Mann demanded that Graham exhas, B. Aycock at the memorial ser-vice in the auditorium. Prominent North Carolinians, without regard to plain the connection of Mrs. Gray with party, spoke words of praise for him the committee or that the committee as an individual, leader and governor, should be made the subject of investigation.

elgh, Col. Harry Skinner of Green-ville, and ex-Gov. R. B. Glenn of Winston-Salem. Hon. Thos. J. Jarvis of Greenville presided and delivered OFFICERS ANNOUNCED

There was unusual interest in the Admiral Howard in Command of the Third Division-Thomas to Retire.

> Washington, April 13.—Following the conclusion of the Atlantic fleet's spring drills, some changes among high ranking officers of the navy have been announced by the department. Rear Admiral Thomas B. Howard is placed in command of the third division. The fifth division is turned into a reserve fifth division is turned into a reserve division. Rear Admiral Chauncey Thomas is given notice of his retire-ment for age on April 17. He has turned over the command of the Pa-cific fleet to Rear Admiral Sutherland.

Beach Asks Immediate Trial.

Alken, S. C., April 11.—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.

week.

F. S. Puller, of the New York lawfirm representing Beach, arrived in
Alken vesterday afternoon and bus
taken charge of the case.

The regular term of circuit court
convenes in June but Beach's bond is
not returnable until the September

Philadelphia, April 13.—A spil ommittee of eight representating the following and operators met again is my in an effort to end the anthropy of the property of the control of the control