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CUTHBERT CYCLONE.

SEVEN DEAD THIRTY HURT AND \$100,000 LOSS BY STORM THAT VISITED CUTHBERT, GA.

Cuthbert, Ga., Mar. 10.—At 8:30 o'clock last night the entire business section of the town was swept away by a cyclone. Had it not been for protracted services, it is very probable that several hundred people would have been killed. One white man, a railroad employee, was found dead, and several wounded. As the town is in total darkness, it cannot be ascertained how many have met death or been injured.

The damage will probably amount to \$100,000, of which amount over \$50,000 can be accounted for.

Between 75 and 100 dwellings and business houses were demolished, most of the razed residences being in the negro settlement. Among the business houses destroyed are several brick buildings, which were literally demolished including four of the largest mercantile establishments in the town.

Six negroes, and probably seven, are dead and perhaps thirty seriously injured. No whites were killed, so far as is known tonight, but a half dozen were more or less injured.

More News From Brinkley, Ark.

Brinkley, Ark., Mar. 10.—Thirty or more lives were snuffed out, sixty people were injured and property estimated to be worth one million dollars was destroyed, as a result of the tornado which wrecked this little city last night.

Meeks Says no Crime in Killing Carmack.

Nashville, Tenn., Mar. 10.—The unwritten law was extended to cover editors who attack private or public men by General Meeks, counsel for defense in the Cooper-Sharp trial. The sensation was sprung during General Meeks' speech to the jury.

General Meeks devoted five hours to the speech. He painted the defendants as the finest types of southern aristocracy and breeding; declared no crime had been committed when Senator Carmack was shot to death, and closed with a dramatic appeal to the jury to "turn loose this gallant old soldier" (Colonel Cooper).

Appointments to be Made for the South.

Washington, Mar. 10.—President Taft took up with Postmaster General Hitchcock, who was a caller at the white house, the subject of federal appointments for the south, and the indications are that the man who handled the Taft campaign will have tremendous influence in connection with the distribution of patronage in the southern states.

Woodmen of the World in Atlanta.

Atlanta, Mar. 10.—Over two hundred delegates from all parts of the state are in attendance upon the second biennial convention of head Camp T of Georgia, of the Woodmen of the World, which began a three-day session in Atlanta yesterday morning with a public meeting in the assembly hall of the Aragon hotel.

Dr. Elliot to be Dined at Atlanta.

Atlanta, Mar. 10.—Dr. Charles W. Elliot, formerly president of Harvard university, has accepted an invitation from Mayor Maddox to attend a lunch in Atlanta at 12:30 o'clock next Saturday, March 13, at which the distinguished visitor will be entertained by the general council and the charter revision committee of forty-nine.

Killed Girl He Was to Wed.

Baltimore, Md., Mar. 10.—A part of the mystery connected with the shooting to death of Miss Jennie Reed at Mount Washington, a residence suburb, last night, was cleared up today when Joseph Mueller, her companion, confessed to the police that he himself killed her.

CONGRESS MEETS TO TALK TARIFF

EXTRA SESSION BEGUN TODAY IN BOTH HOUSES. BILL READY FOR COMMITTEE.

Washington, Mar. 15.—The coming together of the hands in the big clock in the hall of representatives at noon today and the fall of the speaker's gavel from the hand of Clerk McDowell marked the opening of the representatives' part of the extra session of the Sixty-first congress, called by proclamation of President Taft.

Today's proceedings in the house consisted mainly of organization. The senate is a continuous body and never dies, but when the house adjourned before the inauguration it passed out of existence. It was necessary, therefore, to attend today to such details as the swearing in of the members, the election of a speaker and other officials, the assignments of members to committees and the drawing for seats.



SERENO E. PAYNE.

Although the president's proclamation, issued on March 6, did not state the reason for the extra session, his message, prepared for transmission to the two houses at the beginning of the session, calls upon them to deliberate over the advisability of preparing and passing a new tariff law for the United States. Mr. Payne is the "father" of the new tariff bill, and its unofficial title is "the Payne bill."

The senate has been in continuous session since March 4. After the formal reading today of the president's proclamation calling the two houses together a committee was appointed by Vice President Sherman to wait on the president and inform him that the senate was ready to receive any communication he might be pleased to send. A recess was declared until the president's message should come.

Weston Begins Long Tramp Today.

New York, Mar. 15.—From New York to San Francisco on foot is the long tramp planned by Edward Payson Weston, the world's most famous walker, who began his journey today at the New York postoffice.

Today is Mr. Weston's seventieth birthday. He expects to cover the route, more than 4,000 miles long, in 100 days, excluding Sundays. It is a matter of principle with Mr. Weston never to walk on Sunday. He devotes the day to rest and to delivering temperance lectures. The expenses of his trips are paid from the proceeds of the lectures.

Death From Blood Poisoning.

Milledgeville, Ga., Mar. 10.—One of the saddest deaths ever recorded in Milledgeville occurred yesterday at the Industrial college. Miss Cherry White, 18 years of age, from Cochran, died from blood poisoning. Three weeks ago she accidentally stuck a fork in her hand and inflammation followed, finally resulting in her death.

BATTLE AT SEA.

CENTRAL AMERICAN REPUBLICS AT WAR. UNITED STATES AND MEXICO MAY BE COMPELLED TO INTERVENE.

Mexico City, Mar. 13.—A private dispatch received here confirms the reported naval engagement between the ships of Nicaragua and Salvador.

Three Nicaraguan gunboats, led by the Momotombo, Tuesday attacked the Salvadorean gunboat Presidente. The latter, by a lucky shot, put the Momotombo out of action almost at the beginning of the engagement. The three Nicaraguans then withdrew. Later the Momotombo was repaired and went in pursuit of the Presidente.

The gunboat Presidente left the port of Acajutla under sealed orders, and proceeded to cruise along the Nicaraguan coast. President Zelaya, of Nicaragua, getting wind of this, ordered the Momotombo and two other ships to intercept the Salvadorean vessel and engage her in battle.

It is said here that a second engagement was fought yesterday. According to reports the Momotombo carries among its crew American officers and gunners.

Conditions in Central America are becoming so intolerable as to be a menace to civilization. It is a question of but a few weeks at the most when Mexico and the United States will be compelled to intervene in the affairs of at least three of the republics and bring them to a realization of the pledge signed by them at the recent peace conference."

Judge Anderson Makes Startling Assertion.

Nashville, Tenn., Mar. 13.—Judge James McFerrin Anderson began his argument in the trial of Colonel D. B. and Robin Cooper and John D. Sharp.

Judge Anderson, who is considered the ablest criminal lawyer in the state, is chief counsel for the defense. Strangely enough, he was a close personal friend and political supporter of Senator Carmack.

Although in bad health and worn with the strain of ten weeks of active work, his speech today, instead of dimming his reputation, has added only luster to it.

He startled his hearers by solemnly asserting that Robin would have been justified in killing Carmack before he did.

He claimed that Colonel Cooper, after having been assailed in print and upon the platform, had a right to seek out his defamer any place he might find him, and demand that these assaults stop.

Forty Thousand March for Gompers.

Boston, Mar. 13.—The greatest labor demonstration in the history of Boston Sunday. Forty thousand men, members of the unions of this city, march in parade and attend mass meetings as a protest against the sentencing of President Gompers, Vice President Mitchell and Secretary Morrison of the American Federation of Labor for contempt of court.

No Settlement in Mine Conference.

Philadelphia, Mar. 13.—The conference between the subcommittees of the anthracite mine workers and operators, to arrange a new agreement to go into effect at the expiration of the present working arrangement, came to an end late this afternoon, without result.

He Shot His Friend.

Kite, Ga., Mar. 15.—J. H. Claxton, a well-to-do farmer here, is dying today as the result of a pistol bullet wound inflicted late Saturday night by George W. Mixon, also a farmer, and formerly his good friend.

The two men had been working a farm together, and quarrelled over the settlement of the proceeds. Mixon disappeared after the shooting. Both men are highly connected.

TORNADO SWEEPS ARKANSAS.

BRINKLEY IN FLAMES AND OTHER TOWNS WRECKED BY TORNADO THAT SWEEP GREATER PART OF STATE.

Little Rock, Ark., Mar. 9.—Four persons are reported dead and a number injured, as the result of a violent storm which swept through western, eastern and southern Arkansas late yesterday afternoon.

Three are reported to have been killed at Brinkley, and dispatches at midnight on the only wire in operation between that place and Little Rock, a railroad wire, were to the effect that the town was in flames, and its complete destruction seemed inevitable.

Wires are down throughout the state, and only meager reports have reached Little Rock thus far.

At midnight a special train, bearing physicians and nurses and the fire-fighting apparatus of that place, was started from Forrest City for Brinkley.

A Cotton Belt passenger train is lost in the vicinity of Baucum, where a tornado struck, and is reported to have been swept off the track. Another report is to the effect that the train was struck by lightning.

Jurors Moved by Eloquence.

Nashville, Tenn., Mar. 9.—Captain Fitzhugh completed the opening argument for the state yesterday afternoon in the case against Colonel Duncan B. and Robin J. Cooper and John D. Sharp.

Captain Fitzhugh made a strong and striking argument. It lasted over five hours, and when he concluded he was exhausted. The court room was packed to suffocation, the ventilation was poor, and even the spectators felt the effects of the vitiated atmosphere. Fitzhugh is a dramatic orator, and his exertions left him nearly a physical wreck when he concluded.

The Memphis attorney's speech is considered a masterpiece of logical argument and bitter invective, and it had a noticeable effect upon the jurors, who leaned forward and listened breathlessly to every word spoken.

Keel of our Biggest Warship Laid Today.

New York, Mar. 9.—Ceremonies almost equal to those of a launching marked the laying of the keel of the new battleship Florida at the Brooklyn navy yard today. The occasion was marked by the presence of a large number of invited guests from Washington, New York and Brooklyn.

Today's date is a memorable one in the history of the navy. On March 9, 1862, the Monitor, which was constructed in Brooklyn, fought the Merrimack in Hampton Roads.

The Florida and her sister ship, the Utah, will be the two most powerful vessels of the United States navy and will be equal to any afloat. They will be 25,000 ton vessels.

Tariff Bill Revision.

Washington, Mar. 9.—Taving been practically completed by the tariff framers, portions of the new tariff bill were sent to the government printers.

Although no announcement has been made regarding any of the schedules it has been learned on unquestionable authority, because of the placing of hides on the free list, the duty on shoes will be considerably reduced.

A duty of 4 cents a pound on coffee is levied. A tax on telegrams, bank checks, playing cards and all stocks bought and sold. And a cut of one-half in the duty on lumber.

Captain Neel Dead.

Cartersville, Ga., Mar. 10.—Captain J. L. Neel, one of the oldest citizens of this city, died yesterday. He was the father of the late W. J. Neel, author of the Georgia prohibition bill. His age was 82 years.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY.

Operating the Transylvania Railroad.

No. Daily.	No. Daily.	(Eastern Standard Time.)	No. Daily.	No. Daily.
P. M.	A. M.	STATIONS.	P. M.	P. M.
4 06	8 05	Lv. Asheville	9 15	6 45
		Biltmore		
5 20	9 15	Hendersonville	9 30	6 50
5 31	9 26	Yale	9 41	7 01
5 36	9 31	Horse Shoe	9 46	7 06
5 41	9 36	Cannon	9 51	7 11
5 50	9 45	Etowah	9 58	7 18
5 56	9 51	Blantyre	10 04	7 24
6 02	9 57	Penrose	10 10	7 30
6 10	10 05	Davidson River	10 18	7 38
6 15	10 10	Fishback Forest	10 23	7 43
6 30	10 25	Ar. Brevard	10 38	7 58
6 44	10 39	Selma	10 52	8 12
6 51	10 46	Cherryfield	11 00	8 20
6 55	10 50	Calvert	11 04	8 24
6 59	10 54	Rosman	11 08	8 28
7 19	11 14	Quebec	11 28	8 48
7 45	11 40	Ar. Lake Tokaway	12 00	9 20

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County Government.

Representative—G. W. Wilson.
Clerk Superior Court—T. T. Loftis.
Sheriff and Tax Collector—C. C. Kilpatrick.

Register of Deeds—B. A. Gillespie.
Coroner—Dr. W. J. Wallis.
Commissioners—W. M. Henry, Ch'n; G. T. Lyday; W. E. Galloway.
Superintendent of Schools—T. C. Henderson.

Physician—Dr. Goode Cheatham.
Attorney—Gash & Galloway.

Town Government.

Mayor—T. W. Whitmire.
Board of Aldermen—T. M. Mitchell; F. L. DeYane; F. E. B. Jenkins; J. M. Kilpatrick; T. H. Shipman.
Marshal—J. A. Galloway.
Clerk and Tax Collector—T. H. Galloway.

Treasurer—T. H. Shipman.
Health Officer—Dr. W. J. Wallis.
Attorney—W. W. Zarnary.

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Entry No. 2545.

North Carolina—Transylvania County.
C. I. Owen enters and claims 24 acres more or less of land lying in Gloucester Township, on the west prong of French Broad river, adjoining the lands of Marion Owen and Jim Owen. Beginning on Marion Owen's south-west corner and runs various courses for complement, so as to include all adjoining vacant lands. Entered March 9, 1909.
B. A. GILLESPIE,
Entry Taker.

Near Death in Big Pond.

It was a thrilling experience to Mrs. Ida Soper to face death. "For years a severe lung trouble gave me intense suffering," she writes, "and several times nearly caused my death. All remedies failed and doctors said I was incurable. Then Dr. Kings New Discovery brought quick relief and a cure so permanent that I have not been troubled in twelve years." Mrs. Soper lives in Big Pond, Pa. It works wonders in Coughs and Colds, Sore Lungs, Hemorrhages, Lagrippe, Asthma, Croup, Whooping Cough and all Bronchial affections. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by Allison & Macfie.