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## CRISIS IS OVER NOW AT MEMPHIS

There Has Been No Lessening of Vigilance However

## DAMAGE DONE AT VICKSBURG

Lowlands Flooded By Breaking of Levee and Men Are Now Thrown Out of Employment

## PART CITY UNDER WATER

High Winds Cause Considerable Uneasiness and the Engineers are Still watching Levees Closely

New York, March 24.—Press despatches from Memphis say, the river there had remained stationary all day at 95.5 feet, and was slowly falling. Danger from the flood in this territory is now considered to be practically over and the center of interest is now the situation south of Memphis along levees of Mississippi, Louisiana and Arkansas.

High winds yesterday caused considerable uneasiness, at those points along the southern levees that are only a foot or more above the flood. While engineers feel that there is no danger to be feared in the territory about Helena, they know of the uncertainties of the Mississippi and no lessening of vigilance has occurred.

**Serious At Vicksburg.**  
Vicksburg, March 24.—The protection levee in the southern part of the city broke last evening, causing the flooding of a large area in the lowland and a big furniture factory and lumber yards, throwing some hundred and fifty men out of employment. All the local packets coming in are loaded with refugees and stock from the overflowed sections above and below the city.

**No Change Today.**  
Washington, March 24.—The special river bulletin today says the Mississippi continues to rise below Memphis and fall northward to Cairo at about same rate as during the two days preceding. No changes from the previous forecasts are indicated.

## WARSHIP SEIZED AS PIRATE.

Venezuelan Boat Is Captured By a British Cruiser.  
Port of Spain, Trinidad, March 24.—The British cruiser Pallias has seized the Venezuelan warship Restaurador on the ground that she is a pirate. The case against the Restaurador dates that soon after she was handed over to the Venezuelan authorities by the German commodore she began acts of piracy and robbery on the high seas. It is charged that she seized the cargo of vessels and then dismantled and abandoned the craft. The Restaurador was formerly the American yacht Atlanta and belonged to Mr. George J. Gould.

**A Hitch in Thaw Engagement?**  
Chicago, March 24.—A Washington dispatch to a local paper reports the rumor that a hitch has occurred in the engagement between Miss Thaw and the Earl of Yarmouth. It is said that the trustees having control of Miss Thaw's property refuse to make her allowance more than \$25,000 a year.

## HAZLETON HAS ALL SORTS OF TROUBLE

Amazons in the Italian Colony Pull Hair and Someone Fires the Italian Church of That Colony

Hazleton, March 24.—In a fracas between Italian women in McAdoo this morning Mrs. Joseph L. Moss was shot and instantly killed by Mrs. Raphaela Siorrentino. Bad blood had existed between the women for some time. The whole Italian colony is up in arms and further trouble is expected. St. Joseph's Italian Catholic church in Hazleton, just outside the city limits, was burned down early this morning. Mayor Reinhardt refused to permit firemen to extinguish the flames owing to the township residents refusal to join an annexation government some time ago for Greater Hazleton. The loss is 20,000 dollars and the fire was of incendiary origin.

## ARMOURS TO BUILD A CITY.

Place Of 5,000 Inhabitants Near East St. Louis Plant Is Planned.

St. Louis, March 24.—A city of 5,000 houses and with a population of 5,000 is to be established near East St. Louis during the coming summer. The town is to be known as Armourville, and plans are being made to be filed with the Recorder of St. Clair county. The Armour Packing Company is back of the new city, and, in fact, will have the buildings erected on ground now owned by the company, a short distance from its present large packing plant, near the National Stockyards. The company intends to give its employees an opportunity to own their own homes, and after the town is established the buildings will be erected under the supervision of the company, which will sell them to the employees at cost, on small monthly payments.

## Fins Remain At Home.

Berlin, March 24.—Die Post today says the Russian Government has taken drastic measures to suppress emigration from Finland, which threatens to depopulate the country. In the future they must smuggle themselves out of Finland.

## ACCEPTED CALL TO INDIAN TERRITORY

Mecklenburg Presbytery Dissolves Pastoral Relations Between Sharron and Rev. G. T. Thompson

There was a called meeting of Mecklenburg Presbytery held in the Second Presbyterian church this morning at 11 o'clock.

The object of the meeting was to dissolve the pastoral relations of Rev. G. T. Thompson and the church at Sharon.

The Presbytery heard the representatives of the church at Sharon, all of whom were opposed to the release of Mr. Thompson. And then the body listened to Mr. Thompson, after which it was decided that Mr. Thompson's wishes should be regarded with favor. Accordingly the relations of pastor and people were dissolved and Mr. Thompson will now take up his abode in the far West.

After the meeting of the Presbytery, a News man saw Mr. Thompson and asked him as to his plans. He stated that he will make his headquarters at Tahlequah, Indian Territory. He has three sons residing at Muskogee, which is about ten miles from Tahlequah. These are: Rev. J. K. Thompson, who is pastor of a church at Muskogee, Dr. M. K. Thompson, a practicing physician, and Mr. G. F. Thompson, Jr., who holds a position in a bank of that city. The fact that Mr. Thompson's sons are located so near his new field of labor was one of the main reasons why he wished to take up the work in the Territory.

Tahlequah, the town that Mr. Thompson will reside in, has about 3,000 inhabitants. It is located on a through trunk line and is said to be a progressive and hustling town. The people of Sharon dislike very much to give up Mr. Thompson. He has been pastor of the church for the past six years and every one in Sharon township likes him. Recently, he was elected Chaplain of the Mecklenburg Confederate Camp and the old veterans are very much grieved that he is to leave them.

## Sick Man Defies America.

Constantinople, March 24.—The court has granted English schools and instructions in Turkey and a number in Bering, about ninety, similar privileges to those enjoyed by the German schools and institutions. The American claims for similar treatment have been rejected and the Porte also continues to oppose the entry of American printed Bibles. The head of the American Bible Society is endeavoring to obtain joint action, by the ambassadors of the United States and Great Britain in the matter.

## Sullivan Dies Without a Tremor.

Plattsburg, March 24.—James P. "Whitney" Sullivan, was electrocuted in Clinton prison, Dannemora, at 11:38 this morning for the murder of Bank Watchman Matthew Wilson at Cobleskill, N. Y., October 1900. He walked to the death chair without a tremor and was cool and collected. He had previously said he was resigned to his fate.

## Francis Chats With Roosevelt.

Washington, March 24.—Hon. Charles S. Francis, editor of the Troy, N. Y. Times and former minister to Greece, took luncheon with the President today. He came to Washington upon invitation of the President to talk over political affairs in New York, and in Eastern Europe.

## Big Shipbuilding Firm Incorporated.

Belfast, Me., March 24.—The Pendleton Shipbuilding and Navigation Company with a capital of a million dollars was incorporated here. The Pendletons of Belfast and New York, are the principals in the enterprise.

## Proper Spirit Shown.

Davis, W. Va., March 24.—All the employees of the extensive plant of the United States Leather Co. at this place, have been granted a voluntary increase of ten cents per day.

## PERSON GETS THE WILSON POSTOFFICE

Roosevelt Uphold the Hands of Senator Pritchard

## VICK, COLORED, IS OUSTED

Postoffice Department Says Charges of Party Perfidy Are Sustained By the Investigation

## VICK HAS NO CLAIM

Forfeited His Stand at the Pie Counter - Payne Gives Out Carefully Worded Statement

Washington, March 24.—The President today appointed B. L. Person as postmaster at Wilson.

This is the office, to which Postmaster Vick, (colored) was a candidate for re-appointment, but against whom Senator Pritchard, brought charges of party perfidy.

In announcing the appointment of Person, the Postoffice Department today gave out the following statement:

"After careful investigation, this Department came to the conclusion that Senator Pritchard was right in his statement to the President that Vick had not supported the Republican ticket and has consequently forfeited his claim to party recognition, therefore Person, who was recommended by Senator Pritchard has been appointed."

## MRS. BURDICK IS AGAIN UNDER FIRE

Woman Spectators Crowd the Courtroom to Hear More of Pennell's Impassioned Love Letters Read

Buffalo, March 24.—The Burdick inquest was resumed shortly after ten this morning. The court room was crowded and at least half of the spectators were women, well dressed and evidently of social rank, but eager to hear more of the impassioned love letters of Pennell and the reluctant confessions of Mrs. Burdick's duplicity. Mrs. Burdick was escorted into court, the oath administered and she sat down and looked at her lawyer, who held a bunch of letters in his hand. The witness admitted there had been an upheaval in the Burdick home about two years ago, but Burdick had not struck her with a chair and did not wear court plaster after the affair was ended. It was the box episode referred to yesterday that Mrs. Burdick had in mind.

## Plum Pudding Man Dead.

Richmond, March 24.—William H. Cullingsworth, postmaster under President Cleveland, two terms, died at seven this morning aged 66. He was famous as the man who made a thousand pound plum pudding and served it at a banquet on Cleveland's first election.

## RAILROAD CHARTER HANGS IN BALANCE

Veiled in Damage Suit Lies Question Involving Right of Louisville Company to Use Streets

Louisville, March 24.—Veiled in a damage suit for ten thousand dollars, lies a question involving the right of the Louisville railroad company to operate in Louisville. The petition attacks the validity of the charter of the company.

Judge O'Doherty, attorney for the plaintiff, expects a demurrer and if sustained he will carry the case to the court of appeals. It is alleged the company's charter expired in 1897 and the question has never been settled.

## River Rising At Glens Falls.

Glens Falls, March 24.—The river is still rising slowly. Two houses were washed away at Spiere Falls, where a community of a thousand reside and not one slept last night.

## Earthquake In England.

Uttoxeter, Eng., March 24.—An earthquake shock was felt in this region this afternoon. Considerable damage was caused, but no damage was done.

## COTTON AND FINANCES.

Report of Bad Weather in the South Said to Be the Cause.

New York, March 24.—C. W. Lee & Co say: "It was about as hard to tell why cotton went up today as to assign reasons for its decline yesterday. All of which tends to show the peculiar situation in which we are placed and the difficulties in the way of expressing an opinion worth while. Some of the best traders we know on the floor are unwilling to advise their people one way or the other. It's a good market to watch. One trader said: "Our advice is to avoid danger." We take it he meant shorting it. The position is a strong one, that is beyond question. May people have sold some 150,000 to 200,000 bales. We want to know what shorts are going to do to get this cotton. If receipts are big that is a different proposition. But at the interior yesterday stocks 1,800,000 bales over last year. We can get cotton to bring here to New York under such conditions as this, if the May people really hold as much as this when it is short. In January one of the largest houses in the world was short of January and long of March and March and very little coming from plantations. There are lots of things to be said against buying cotton. We want to be able to sell August and stand on it. But time hardly seems to be ripe for that yet. We saw January sell at 12 3/4 two years ago with any amount of cotton in the country. What May not take place with the smallest supply in years."

## Prince Ferdinand Very Ill.

Constantinople, March 24.—The condition of Prince Ferdinand of Bulgaria, is reported most critical. His illness toward the committee of Macedonian revolutionists roused the people and the Prince has retired to Varna where he is secretly negotiating with the Sultan for a concession from Turkey in order to appease the people.

## TWO TRAINMEN DIE OF THEIR INJURIES

Engineer Edward Miller and Fireman Ed Thompson, of No. 36, Succumb to Hurts Received Yesterday

The wreck of No. 36 at Ayersville, Ga., yesterday morning, an account of which appeared in yesterday's News, was a most disastrous one.

Yesterday evening, after the News went to press, Engineer Edward Miller died from the effects of his injuries. Only a short while thereafter, the negro fireman, Edward Thompson, died from his injuries, making in all three lives as the result of the accident. Engineer Miller struck his post and when found he was pinned beneath a pile of wreckage and the escaping steam was literally cooking him alive. Besides being fearfully burned, he received internal injuries.

The negro fireman was found near the engine. He, too, suffered the same terrible experience. The point where the wreck occurred is on one side of the mountain, in a 30 foot cut. Just as the engine entered the cut, Engineer Miller saw the huge boulder drop on the track. He was trying to reverse his engine when the pilot struck the obstruction.

At the rate of speed the train was going it is nothing short of marvelous that the loss of life and property was not greater.

Capt. Finley Cox, the conductor in charge of the train was seated in the second class coach. He escaped injury as well as all the passengers. The postal car was turned almost completely over though none of the clerks were injured seriously. The baggage master also escaped unhurt.

The wreck of No. 36, blocked the track for more than 12 hours and today trains from the South were badly off schedule time, on account of the accident.

On the Knoxville division, beyond Asheville yesterday morning early there was a double-header wreck. The News man learns today that two engineers and a fireman were killed outright. No names were mentioned in the report that came to the Charlotte office.

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## TELLS OF TRAGEDY ON THE HIGH SEAS

Four Sailors Of British Bark Veronica Arraigned

## ONE TURNS KING'S EVIDENCE

Swears That Gustav Rau Was the Ring Leader of the Mutineers and Slew the Captain

## THREW A BELAYING PIN

Then Followed Captain to His Cabin and Shot Him - Ship Sailed in October From Mississippi

Liverpool, March 24.—Four sailors of the British bark Veronica, who have been in custody here for eight weeks past on a charge of having murdered the captain and crew and then set fire to the vessel, were brought up for trial this morning.

Ludwig Flohr, one of the four, who was released that he might turn king's evidence, was called to the witness stand. He said Gustav Rau was the ringleader. Rau, he asserted, ordered him to kill the man at the wheel and then turn his attention to the captain.

Rau threw a belaying pin at the captain's chest and then fired two shots at him. The captain crawled into the cabin but Rau followed him again and shot him.

Otto Motson and William Smith, are the names of the other two implicated. The Veronica sailed from Ship Island, Mississippi, October 5th for Montevideo.

## PUT TWO BULLETS IN HER BETRAYER

Plucky Young Virginia Girl Goes the Right Way To take Revenge on the Young Scoundrel

Weston, Va., March 24.—Effie Waggy, daughter of William Waggy, a prosperous farmer, shot Ralph McDonald, son of ex-Sheriff McDonald, yesterday near the Waggy homestead.

Four years ago, Miss Waggy alleges, McDonald, who studied medicine in Louisville, Y. Y. College, betrayed her. She says she has been watching her chance ever since to kill him.

She fired five shots, two of which took effect in his back and side. There is little hope of his recovery. The woman has not been arrested.

## MRS. JENNER YAWNS IN ANOTHER WORLD

She Yawned So Much in This One That She Yawned Herself to Death Despite the Physicians Efforts

Oshkosh, Wis., March 24.—After yawning without interruption for three days, despite every effort at stoppage, Mrs. Henry Jenner is dead.

Physicians decided she was suffering from an obscure lesion of the brain, producing laryngeal spasms. Remedies and anesthetics were administered without effect. She was unable to sleep and yawned until no longer able from lack of strength.

## SMOKED-OUT TEACHER WINS

Fight Of Six Weeks Ends In Victory For Miss Mabel Ernest.

Lockport, N. Y., March 24.—After a fight of six weeks, in which Miss Mabel Ernest, teacher in school district No. 8, town of Royalton, has defied the residents, the School Commissioner and the State Department of Public Instruction, school will reopen on Monday with Miss Ernest in the chair.

The fight came about by Miss Ernest having an attack of scarlet fever and returning to school after an absence of three weeks. The authorities thought she ought to have remained indoors six weeks. She persisted in opening the school, and for two weeks she rang the bell twice a day and talked to empty benches.

The residents took strenuous methods to dislodge her, and twice the chimney was plugged and she was smoked out. She finally won her fight and will resume Monday. The State Department was appealed to twice to revoke her certificate and the teacher dared the authorities to do so without cause. The department weakened.

## WILL BE HERE THIS EVENING FOR INGRAM

The Ingram Muddle Will Be Settled Upon the Arrival of the New York Officer, But End is Uncertain

Chief of Police H. C. Irwin received a telegram last night at 11 o'clock from Detective Langan of New York. The purport of the dispatch was to inform the Charlotte officer that a special officer would reach Charlotte tonight for the purpose of taking Claude Ingram back to New York.

Ingram is the negro boy who was indicted in New York yesterday on the charge of grand larceny. He is also the negro that Mr. W. S. Orr arrested several days ago on suspicion that he had stolen property in his possession.

On the arrival of the New York officer tonight he will be confronted with a bill of \$154 that Mr. Orr claims is due him for arrest of Ingram and the recovery of some jewelry and a handsome gold watch, said to be the property of one John Burke of New York.

Mr. Orr has retained Jones and Tillett to represent him and these gentlemen have notified Governor Aycock not to recognize the request of the Governor of New York for requisition papers until Mr. Orr's claim is settled satisfactorily.

Mr. Orr took the matter up with the New York authorities soon after the arrest of Ingram and told them what he thought his compensation should be. They declined to accept the proposition and took the matter up with Chief Irwin. In yesterday's News was a copy of the telegram received by Chief Irwin, also the substance of his reply. On the strength of Mr. Irwin's reply, Detective Langan wired again last night stating that an officer would be in Charlotte tonight for Ingram.

Today, papers were served on Ingram charging him with receiving and concealing stolen goods. This charge, Ingram denies but the case will be heard in Soule Hillton's court next Thursday 26, provided Ingram is in Charlotte to answer the complaint.

It is not known what kind of papers the New York officer will come armed with. It is known that a decided effort will be made to hold Ingram until that \$154 is paid over to the gentleman who captured him and recovered Mr. John Burke's watch, ring and other valuables.

## BLOODHOUND HIS ACCUSER.

Willard Catt Is Arrested While Searching For Murderer.

Indianapolis, March 24.—Mrs. Willard Catt and her two sisters were playing the piano and singing in their home in Pike county Friday night, when someone fired through the window, and Mrs. Catt sank to the floor, dying with a bullet in her brain.

Searching parties were organized this morning, and one of the parties, headed by Marshal Sumpter, of Howell, was accompanied by a bloodhound. Suspicion rested upon Willard Catt, the woman's divorced husband, but he and his father joined in the search.

When the bloodhound was taken to the scene of the shooting he started on a trail leading to Willard Catt's house. When this was reached the dog turned in another direction and led the party until it came upon the searchers who were led by Willard Catt.

The dog immediately stopped and was about to leap upon Mr. Catt when Marshal Sumpter held him back. The two parties started to continue the search, but the dog would trail no farther. It circled around Mr. Catt and again tried to jump at him.

Mr. Catt was arrested and charged with the crime. He refused to make any statement.

**Boys and Girls On Strike.**  
Woonsocket, March 24.—A hundred boys and girls employed on the frame spinning department at the Nourse mill struck yesterday when an increase of ten per cent in wages was refused.

## HAYWOOD CASE IS CONTINUED TO JULY

Slayer of Ludlow Skinner Enters His Own Plea

## SAID SIMPLY "NOT GUILTY"

Attorney Pou Charges Hostility to the Press as the Chief Reason For Motion

## JUDGE JUSTICE GRANTS IT

Three Hour Argument Was Presented - Court Room Was Packed and Haywood Was Center Attraction

Raleigh, N. C., March 24.—Ernest Haywood was arraigned before Judge Justice for the murder of Ludlow Skinner this morning. The court house was packed.

Haywood was neatly dressed, shook hands with his friends and sat near his three brothers. He entered the plea himself, saying simply, "I am not guilty."

James H. Pou, counsel for the defense, moved to continue the case till the July term. He presented a lengthy affidavit of Haywood setting forth that counsel had been unable to prepare the case. The affidavit also claimed that the excitement had created a sentiment hostile to the accused and guards had been obliged to sleep in the jail to protect him. The newspapers gave voice to this unjust and hostile public sentiment.

Will reports had been circulated, to-wit: That he was wealthy, that his property amounted to less than \$25,000; that he had lived in ease and comfort in jail, whereas he had fared as other prisoners, and ten rats were caught in his cell one night; that there was deliberate purpose to create sentiment against him; that Hon. Robt. N. Simms had been persecuted for testifying for the defense; that prejudice is so great that witnesses won't testify; that certain material witnesses have not been found; that three witnesses are out of the State.

After a three hour argument Judge Justice granted the defense a continuance till July 15th.

## MR. HARLAN GOING TO SPAIN.

Porto Rican Attorney General May Take Official Position There.

San Juan, P. R., March 24.—The departure of Attorney-General and Mrs. James S. Harlan, of Chicago, takes from Governor Hunt's Cabinet one of its strongest members and deprives San Juan society of a very popular couple.

Mr. and Mrs. Harlan will remain in Washington several days, and will then sail for Spain, where they will spend the summer. Since coming to Porto Rico Mr. Harlan has perfected his Spanish, and it is hinted here that his voyage to Madrid may assume an official color.

There is no intimation here as to Mr. Harlan's successor, but there is a rumor that an Indiana man named Senator Beveridge will be the next Attorney-General.

## Still Planning To Kill Czar.

Naples, March 24.—A search of Russians, who had just been arrested here revealed documents proving the existence of a plot of Russian nihilists to assassinate the Czar during his visit to Italy.

## FAMILY TROUBLES LEAD TO SUICIDE

Two Texans, Bosom Friends, Swallow Poison - One is Dead and the Other Will Not Live

Milano, Texas, March 24.—Because of family troubles D. E. Barmore and S. H. Worthington agreed to take morphine and end their lives. Barmore was the first to take the dose, and when discovered yesterday Worthington was among those worked over him in an effort at restoration.

Barmore died and Worthington immediately went to his room, wrote a letter to his wife from whom he had separated, took a large dose of poison. He was found shortly afterwards and an effort is being made to save him, but physicians say it is hardly probable.