

## THIRTY PERSONS DROWNED IN FLOOD

### A LEEVE BREAKS WITHOUT WARNING AT POINT COUPEE.

Twelve Bodies Are Recovered.—Death List May Reach 50.—Mississippi River Two Feet Higher Than Ever Before.—Further Rise Predicted.

New Orleans, May 6.—Thirty persons were drowned in the interior of Point Coupee Parish today when the waters from the break in the Mississippi levee rushed in without warning. Survivors reported that 12 bodies have been recovered. The death list may reach 50.

New Orleans, May 6.—The flood situation today is extremely serious. Baton Rouge, Bogalusa and Monroville are facing a crisis. Thousands are battling on levees against the rising waters. Women and children have been removed from stricken cities on special trains. The militia today are rounding up every negro and forcing them to work. There is great suffering for lack of food.

From Vicksburg, Miss., north to New Orleans, the Mississippi river is from half a foot to two and a half feet above any previous flood record stage.

An additional rise this week of approximately one foot from New Orleans north to Baton Rouge is predicted by the weather bureau.

Soundings made by United States army engineers show that this record-breaking volume of water in the big river is moving at the rate of 8.1 feet a second, or faster than ever before recorded in the Mississippi's flood history.

Danger points in the levees in Louisiana: Baton Rouge, Bonnet Carree, 25 miles north of New Orleans; Morristown, Plaquemine, Scott's Landing, Cypress Hill, New Roads and Third District, New Orleans.

## THE SUPERIOR COURT

Convened This Morning, Judge Lyon Presiding.—Mr. J. F. Goodson is Foreman of Grand Jury.

The May term of Cabarrus Superior Court convened this morning. The term is for both criminal and civil cases. Judge C. C. Lyon, of Elizabethton, is presiding and Solicitor George W. Wilson, of Gastonia, is prosecuting the criminal docket. The machinery of the court was speedily set in motion, Judge Lyon making an able and learned charge to the grand jury. Court took an early recess in order to allow the grand jury time to pass upon the bills before them. Only one case was disposed of before adjournment, Thomas Eudy, charged with assault with deadly weapon, through his counsel, Mr. H. S. Williams, waived finding a bill and pled guilty. He was taxed with the cost. The following citizens compose the grand jury: J. F. Goodson, foreman; R. L. Hartsell, G. F. Holland, G. L. Poplin, J. H. A. Holsinger, G. L. Klutz, J. M. Dry, W. H. Hudson, S. J. Eryin, C. N. Cook, L. W. Blackwelder, L. B. Auten, A. F. Goodman, J. A. Kimmons, John C. Garmon, J. W. Mullis, Adam Criscoe and D. L. Goodman.

### Robbery at the Piedmont Club.

Someone entered the Piedmont Club Saturday night and stole between \$15 and \$20 out of Manager Means' drawer. Entrance was gained through a window at the rear, the thief climbing up to the window by a ladder. The door opens from the inside and it is thought the culprit went out the front way. There was a watch and other valuables with the money but they were not taken. There is little question but that the deed was committed by someone familiar with the surroundings.

### The Confederate Reunion.

Macon, Ga., May 6.—The twenty-second annual reunion of the United Confederate Veterans opens here tomorrow. Never in the history of the city have such elaborate preparations been made for the reception and entertainment of people from abroad as has been made for this occasion. The entire city is profusely decorated. By tomorrow morning the great mass of visitors will have arrived, and it is estimated that fully 75,000 people will be here by the time the convention opens.

### County Tax Assessor A. E. Furr and the township assessors will begin work next week. They are now making the tax books and other clerical work.

## ANNUAL SERMON AT THE GRADED SCHOOL.

Beginning of Closing Exercises Yesterday.—Sermon by Rev. S. N. Watson.

The large auditorium at Central Graded School was crowded yesterday morning to hear Rev. S. N. Watson, pastor of the First Baptist church, preach the annual sermon to the graduating class. Services were dispensed with at some of the churches and the congregations joined in the services at the school. A special musical programme was rendered by a choir from the various churches. Two songs by the male quartet composed of Messrs. Ed. Sherrill, R. P. Benson and Kay Patterson and J. B. Sherrill were features of the excellent musical programme.

The services were opened by the choir and audience singing "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name," after which Rev. G. G. Harley, pastor of Epworth Methodist church, led in prayer. The Scripture lesson was read by Rev. J. H. West. The speaker was presented by Prof. A. S. Webb, superintendent of city schools.

Mr. Watson selected as his text Luke 17:21, "Behold the Kingdom of God is Within You." Taking up the two great forces of a man's life, the inner forces and the outward or worldly forces, the speaker made a most effective comparison of the influences that belong to both. His message was a strong and forceful plea for the young people to cultivate the great inner forces of their lives so that they would control and dominate their actions. The sovereign power is within us, the speaker declared, and it is a matter of first consideration that the spiritual power should control. His strong plea for the individual to strengthen his life sufficient to combat and overcome the worldly forces was the keynote of his message. Are you carried along by forces and currents you cannot resist or governed by a great central force? he asked. We are not the world's victims, we are put here to master the world for our creator and believe the man today in whose heart is the love of God can triumph over the flesh and the world. He urged men to rise above environment and take as an example the lives of Lincoln and Shakespeare as those who were not content to be governed by the shackles of environment. If the kingdom of God is set up in a man he is master of circumstances and he can set at defiance any obstacles of physical and intellectual environment and if he can triumph over environment physically and intellectually he can certainly triumph in morals. Mr. Watson concluded his discourse by declaring that the great paramount struggle of today is for a man to strengthen his inner self against the outward forces.

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Evidence to Convict Floyd Allen is Constantly Piled Up.

Wytheville, Va., May 3.—Evidence intended to show that the Allens came to Hillsville prepared to shoot up the Carroll county court, continued to be introduced today at the trial of Floyd Allen, the first of the band to face the indictments for the assassination of March 14.

Witnesses testified of Floyd Allen's threats toward the court, and Cyrus Plubbs, a civil engineer, swore that on the day before the shooting, when the Allen Jury came into court to report a disagreement, Claude and Victor Allen, prepared themselves for a verdict by reaching for their revolvers.

Dexter Goad, clerk of the court who was shot four times during the affair, refuting the charge that the court officers had begun the firing, testified that he did not see Sheriff Webb draw his revolver. On cross-examination it was developed that he had written a letter to the contrary. Webb was instantly killed.

## Fifteen More Bodies of Titanic's Victims.

Halifax, N. S., May 6.—The cable ship Minia, with fifteen bodies of Titanic victims aboard, docked today. The only well known victim is Charles M. Hays, president of the Grand Trunk Railway. The story of the Minia's trip duplicates that of the Mackay-Bennett, excepting fewer bodies were encountered. Minia's captain is not sanguine that the government steamer, Montmagny, which now will take up the death search, will recover many bodies.

### Kannapolis Trounced Spencer.

Kannapolis had a batting fest at Spencer Saturday afternoon, giving the Railroaders a drubbing by the score of 13 to 3. Besides hitting hard and often the team fielded cleverly. Irby, Laughlin, Fry and Overcash led with the willow. The score:

R. H. E. Kannapolis . . . . . 13 18 1  
Spencer . . . . . 3 5 7  
Batteries: Anderson and Willett; Barger and Cornelson.

### Contesting Delegation in Texas.—Wilson Beats the Combination.

Austin, Texas, May 6.—Contesting Republican delegates for Taft and Roosevelt will go to the Chicago convention from Saturday's primaries indicated that Roosevelt leads. Taft leaders, however, will send contesting delegation to Chicago convention. Wilson will beat Harmon and Clark combined three to one.

### Hot Fight in Maryland.

Baltimore, May 6.—The warmest fight in the State's turbulent political history culminated today. The primary battle is unequalled for bitterness and the result is in doubt as to both the Republican and Democratic parties on presidential preference primary. Taft and Roosevelt are both confident. Champ Clark and Woodrow Wilson are the leading Democratic candidates, but Judson Harmon's friends are confident. The results will not be known until tomorrow.

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## LUTHERAN SYNOD MEETS THIS WEEK.

Mother Body in the South and Third in American Convened in Charlotte.

The 109th convention of Lutheran Synod of North Carolina will be held in St. Mark's church, this city, beginning next Tuesday evening. All arrangements for the reception and entertainment of synod have been made by the pastor, Rev. Dr. R. L. Patterson, assisted by two committee-men.

The North Carolina Synod is the third-oldest Lutheran synod in the United States, organized in 1803; but two bodies antedating it, viz., the Ministerium of Pennsylvania and the Ministerium of New York.

The first Lutherans in North Carolina settled in Rowan and Mecklenburg counties, coming from the Cumberland valley of Pennsylvania in 1747, six years before the Moravians came to Forsyth. The first congregations were St. John's, Salisbury; St. John's, Cabarrus; and Organ (Zion) church, Rowan. The first pastor was the Rev. Adolphus Nussman, who came from Germany in 1773. He was brought over by two laymen, Christopher Layerly (Lylerly), of Salisbury, and Christopher Rintelman (Rendleman), of Organ church, who went to Germany for him. They brought also John Gottfried Arndt, a school teacher. Arndt was ordained a minister in 1775, the first Lutheran ordained in North Carolina.

These two pastors covered Rowan, Cabarrus, Lincoln, Catawba, Iredell, Stokes, Davidson and Guilford counties. Arndt lies buried in the Lutheran churchyard at Lincolnton.

### Goldston-Isenhour.

Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock Mr. John S. Goldston and Miss Cora Isenhour were united in bonds of holy matrimony. The wedding took place at the home of the bride on McGill street, Rev. W. M. Robbins officiating. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Isenhour and is well known and very popular among a large circle of friends. Mr. Goldston is the son of Mrs. J. S. Goldston and is a well known young man full of good qualities. The ceremony was witnessed by a large number of relatives and a few friends. K.

### South Carolina Conventions Today.

Columbia, S. C., May 6.—The Democrats of South Carolina are holding the county conventions today to elect delegates to the State convention to be held May 15. Tillman's friends are active. Champ Clark's friends are claiming control, but there is strong sentiment for Oscar Underwood and Governor Wilson.

### Stops Flight of Witnesses to Europe.

Washington, May 6.—The flight to Europe of the star witness in the alleged scandal threatening the impeachment of Judge Robert W. Archibald, of the commerce court, was stopped today by hurried subpoena by the House judiciary committee. The name of the witness or the nature of the testimony is not divulged.

## COMMENCEMENT AT MOUNT PLEASANT.

Collegiate Institute Exercises to Take Place May 19 to 22.

The annual commencement exercises of Mount Pleasant Collegiate Institute will take place from May 19th to the 22nd. The following is the complete programme:

Sunday, May 19, 11 a. m., Baccalaureate Sermon, Rev. W. A. Snyder, D. D.

Sunday, May 19, 8:00 p. m., address before the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. Hon. Whitehead Klutz.

Monday, May 20, 3:30 p. m., Debaters' Contest. Query: "Resolved, That the National Government should aid in the construction and maintenance of good roads." Affirmative, J. R. Cress, C. B. King, C. H. Ritchie, Negative, J. D. Thomas, J. G. Lysterly, G. F. Davis.

Monday, May 20, 8:30 p. m., annual drama.

Tuesday, May 21, 10:30 A. M., Literary Address, Doctor William Louis Potat, President of Wake Forest College.

Tuesday, May 21, 3:30 p. m., Orators' Contest, G. H. Crane, H. E. Isehour, H. M. Faggart, J. L. Yost, F. L. Harkey.

Tuesday, May 21, 8:30 p. m., Musical Concert, M. A. S.

Wednesday, May 22, 10:30 a. m., Graduating Exercises, awarding of Diplomas, presentation of Medals and announcements.

Marshals: J. L. Yost, chief; Gerhard Society, J. R. Cress, W. G. Newell; Ludwig Society, J. G. Lysterly, H. B. Teeter, F. L. Broad.

Music by Mount Pleasant Cornet Band.

There are five graduates this year, namely: Claude H. Crane, Hadrick M. Faggart, Fred L. Harkey, Harry E. Isehour, John L. Yost.

## THE STRIKE OF THE CHICAGO PRESSMEN

### NEWSPAPERS GET OUT REGULAR MORNING EDITIONS.

### Succeed in Publishing and Distributing Papers Yesterday.—Street Sales—Small on Account of News Boys' Strike.—Boys Brutally Assaulted.—Every Newspaper Office Surrounded by Policemen.

Chicago, Ill., May 6.—Newspapers made a big strike against the strike of five unions and today published and distributed regular morning editions. The street sales down town were small on account of the news boys' strike.

Scores of boys and men who endeavored to sell the papers were brutally assaulted by members of the drivers' union and sympathizers with the pressmen.

One boy was taken by seven strikers to the Chicago river at the Madison street bridge, and they were on the point of throwing him in when he was rescued by a platoon of police. His assailants were captured and taken to the Desplaines street station.

Another boy had his jaw split and scores were beaten unmercifully. Many victims are in various hospitals.

Supporting the strikers, the newsboys and street corner newsmen refused to handle the papers, and all attempts to sell copies on the streets were resisted by the newsboys. As a result there were attacks made on different sellers who refused to stick with the crowd and not handle the papers.

Every newspaper office is surrounded by policemen, and 200 extra men have been assigned to the neighborhood to prevent trouble.

## N. C. CLASSIS ADJOURNS.

### Formed a New Synod.—Takes Part of Potomac Synod.—Special Session in Salisbury May 24, Next Meeting Mt. Zion Church.

Dr. W. B. Duttera, who was elected president of the North Carolina Classis, at its meeting in St. Matthews church, Lincoln county, this week, returned home on Western No. 16 at 12:15 this morning. The Classis adjourned at 5:30 yesterday afternoon and was a history making session in that the formation of a North Carolina synod to embrace four Classes, was effected. The four Classes to be included in the synod are to be known as the Guilford Classis, the Davidson Classis, the Central Classis, which embraces Rowan, and the Catawba Classis. This new synod will be a part of the Potomac Synod and the action of the Classis, as taken this week, will be referred to the Potomac Synod for ratification at its next annual meeting at Mercersburg, Pa., about the middle of October. It will then have to be carried to the General Synod two years hence to be ratified before the synod is finally established.

There will be an adjourned session of the Classis in Faith Reformed church, this city, on Friday, May 24, to hear the report from a special commission appointed to make investigations with reference to reconstructing a number of churches within the bounds of the Classis.

The next annual meeting of the Classis will be held at Mt. Zion church near China Grove, a year hence.

The session of the Classis this year was an interesting one and full of business for the good of the Reformed church.

## South Carolina Club Women.

Abbeville, S. C., May 6.—Abbeville extended a cordial welcome today to the many visitors who arrived from all parts of the State to attend the annual convention of the South Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs. The attractive programme and the perfection of the arrangements for the entertainment of the visitors combine to give promise of a highly successful gathering. The convention will last four days.

## African Methodists Meet.

Kansas City, Mo., May 6.—The quadrennial general conference of the African Methodist Episcopal church assembled in this city today with more than 500 delegates in attendance. Organization was completed at the initial session. Among important business to be transacted later in the week will be the election of general officers and of several additional bishops, to meet the growing demands of the church.

## FOREST HILL NEWS.

### The Revival Meeting at Forest Hill Church.—Personal Notes.

Miss Opella West is spending a few weeks in Kings Mountain with relative.

Mr. John Mills, of Mountville, spent Sunday in the city with relatives.

Miss Cora Carthens, of Kannapolis, spent Sunday in the city with Mrs. H. C. Rainer.

Mr. T. R. Penninger and children, of Sherron, S. C., spent Sunday and today in the city with Mr. S. C. Fisher.

Mr. C. E. Stratford, of Charlotte, spent Sunday in Concord with his family.

Mr. Lucy Williams moved to Concord last week from Raleigh, and is occupying a house on Vance street. Mr. Williams has a position with the Locke Mills.

Mr. W. P. Hurt, who is now traveling for a jewelry house, spent Sunday in the city with his family.

Mr. J. T. Garris has returned to Concord after being away four several months.

Rev. W. M. Robbins preached two strong sermons yesterday and last night. An immense throng filled the church. Four well attended prayer meetings were held yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Rev. Mr. Barber, of Ashboro, will arrive in the city today to assist Mr. Robbins in the revival work.

## TILLMAN APPEALS TO PEOPLE.

### Broken in Health He Again Seeks Senatorial Nomination.

Spartanburg, S. C., May 4.—South Carolina newspapers have received from Senator R. R. Tillman a communication addressed to the people of the State in which he says in part: "Twenty-two years ago I asked you to elect me to the office of governor. You did it after a very hot campaign in which I spoke in every county of the State. Two years later I asked for re-election. You gave me the office the second time by an overwhelming vote. After four years of service in the governor's office I asked you to send me to the senate; and again after a heated campaign you placed me in the office I now hold."

"I have held this office for nearly 18 years and I am now asking you to re-elect me to it although my health is broken and I am no longer the strong and vigorous man I once was. I have a ripe experience and thorough knowledge of the workings of the government and have many warm friends in the departments and in both branches of congress."

"I came to the Senate in a cloud of obloquy on account of newspaper abuse at home. I have fought my way in spite of it and have lived to see most of the newspaper men in the press gallery my friends."

"I have flattered no man and feared no man in debate and I have a strong desire to 'die in harness,' for sentimental reasons only."

"Owing to my poor health and in accordance with the advice of my physician I shall not make any speeches during the canvass this summer. The senatorship has always been regarded by me as a sacred trust and if I knew you wanted me to surrender it I would gladly lay it down conscious that I have done my duty always to the best of my ability."

## SCHOOL TAX ELECTION IN MOUNT PLEASANT.

### The Rumor of Indifference as to the Issue is Not Credited.

The town of Mount Pleasant will vote on a special school tax today. The result of this tax will greatly increase the facilities of the public schools there. This fact alone is sufficient to warrant the success of the issue in Mount Pleasant. It has been rumored here, however, that so far many of the people are very indifferent as to the outcome. Very little credence is placed in the rumor by reason of the fact that Mount Pleasant has always been looked upon as a community that leads in the educational life of this section. Mount Pleasant has been the seat of two well known educational institutions for years. The town has stood by them through thick and thin and is now making a most creditable fight for securing the location of the Seminary, which was destroyed by fire last fall. This special tax is for the public school there—the feeder to the institutions—and any town that has experienced the benefits and great influences that good schools have upon a community cannot look upon a local school tax election with indifference. For this reason it will cause great surprise if Mount Pleasant fails to win the special tax.

Eflord's are offering the greatest bargains they have ever offered in men's wear. They are selling \$15.00 blue serge suits for \$10, and other clothing and men's wear in proportion. See big ad today.