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## PREPARING FOR ROOSEVELT

### "Darkest Africa" Will Welcome the Ex-President With Open Arms.

Mombasa, East Africa, By Cable.—Mombasa is preparing already to welcome Theodore Roosevelt when he lands here the latter part of next month on his much-heralded African trip, and the coming of the former president of the United States has given a decided impetus to the interest in the present hunting season. The governor of the protectorate, Lieut. Col. Sir James Sadler, is setting up entertainment for the distinguished visitor, but in spite of these arrangements, the greeting to Mr. Roosevelt will be more to the great sportsman whose fame is well known to local hunters than to the former president.

East African sportsmen were largely gratified to learn that Mr. Roosevelt had refused the offer of the authorities to grant him a special hunting license that would have permitted him to kill game to an unlimited extent instead of confining himself to the two elephants, two rhinoceroses, two hippopotami, etc. Lions and leopards are classed as vermin and consequently no license to kill them is required. The white population of Mombasa has heard much of Mr. Roosevelt's personality and in a joking way frequent references to the "big stick" are being made.

The prospects for good hunting this season are considered excellent. Many settlers in the outlying districts, realizing the increasing interest in the prospects for good sport because of the coming of Mr. Roosevelt, are voluntarily sending in information about the movements of game. According to a dispatch received here a record group of lions, numbering 32, was seen on the Nandi plateau Tuesday at a point about 50 miles north of Port Florence. (The Nandi plateau is on the west side of the great Rift valley.) Among them were three huge males.

## DECISION IN FAVOR OF THE OIL COMPANY

Chicago, Special.—The Standard Oil Company, of Indiana, found not guilty of accepting rebates from the Chicago & Alton Railroad on shipments of oil from Whiting, Ind., to East St. Louis, Ill. The verdict was returned by a jury in the Federal Court on instructions of Judge A. G. Anderson, who averred that he followed the Circuit Court of Appeals' decision as to the verdict returned at the former trial of the same case and on which verdict Judge Kenesaw Mountain Landis assessed a fine of \$29,240,000.

## GEORGIA TOWNS SUFFER FROM STORMS

Atlanta, Ga., Special.—With the completed death roll of Sunday night's Arkansas tornado just coming in, the tail end of the Arkansas storm which Tuesday night swept across Alabama and south Georgia Wednesday set in motion a new death count for the latter two States. This count was ten, five negroes killed in Cuthbert, Ga., and three whites and two negroes drowned at Montgomery, Ala., the latter deaths a result of high water following a record rainfall for the past 20 years.

Cumming, Ga., Tuesday got into telegraphic communication with the outside world and sent word that a tornado ploughed through miles of timber, farm yards and valuable property in that vicinity besides destroying half a dozen farmers' homes and seriously injuring a young man and a young woman.

Cuthbert, Ga., reported the damage at \$500,000 and Mayor D. A. McPherson issued an appeal for aid.

## SHIPS COLLIDE ON MASSACHUSETTS COAST

Chatham, Mass., Special.—The steamer Horatio Hall of the Maine Steamship Company, from Portland, New York and H. F. Dimock, of the Metropolitan line, from New York to Boston, collided at 7 o'clock Wednesday morning and the Hall went to the bottom in half an hour and the Dimock ran ashore six hours later on Cape Cod beach, where the passengers and crew of the Hall were landed unharmed. Wireless calls were made but the position of the ships was not well stated and in the dense fog assistance failed to reach the point of disaster.

## MUST NOT PLACE ON THE "UNFAIR LIST"

Washington, Special.—The American Federation of Labor hereafter may freely refer to the boycott against the Buck Stove and Range company of St. Louis, except by inclusion in the "We don't patronize list." This in substance of wide-spread importance to the labor world, to manufacturers and to newspapers generally, is the sweeping decision handed down Thursday by the court of appeals of the District of Columbia in the noted injunction case of the Buck Stove and Range company against the American Federation of Labor, which has been before the

## ANGRY FIRE IN SPARTANBURG DOES \$50,000 DAMAGE

Spartanburg, S. C., Special.—In a fierce and angry fire Friday night, that resisted all efforts of the fire department, the two-story brick building of J. B. and J. F. Cleveland and occupied by Harry Price, clothier, and B. L. Bowen, dry goods, was destroyed together with the stock of both merchants, entailing a loss of \$50,000. Assistant Fire Chief Mitchell and Fireman Stevens were injured by falling timbers, though it is not thought their injuries will prove serious.

## THE NEWS IN BRIEF

Items of Interest Gathered By Wire and Cable

### GLEANINGS FROM DAY TO DAY

Live Items Covering Events of More or Less Interest at Home and Abroad.

By an act of Congress on Feb. 1st the windows of President Harrison and President Cleveland may use the mails free of postage for the balance of their lives if their autographs be placed on the letters.

The annex for the demented at the county home of Rockingham, N. C., was burned on Tuesday and two aged inmates were burned to death.

The State of Washington has local option. Every incorporated town and every country district is a unit.

When Mr. Fairbanks was Vice-President he had an elaborate inkstand made for his desk. On hearing complaints of extravagance he sent in his check for \$200, which covered the cost and took it with him when he retired.

The federal grand jury in New York found a true bill for slander against the New York World in the Panama affair.

South Carolina makes it bad on the man that drums for liquor orders.

Diplomatic relations with Nicaragua were practically broken off Friday by the State Department, which ordered Secretary of Legation Gregory at Managua to return home, leaving the legation in charge of the consul, who will have no diplomatic capacity.

Six persons were hanged in Louisiana for murder and one for criminal assault March 5th.

Maj. Hale, editor of the Fayetteville Observer, presented to the N. C. Supreme Court last week an oil painting of Jno. De Rossett Toomer, who made the speech of welcome to Gen. LeFayette when he visited Fayetteville. Editor Hale also published the speech and the General's response.

At this writing Gen. Butler of South Carolina, and Hon. Cyrus R. Watson of North Carolina, seem to be in the power of fatal sickness.

Preparations are being pushed for the 12th conference for education in the South to be held in

April 14, 15 and 16.

Telegrams received from Carinthia, Austria, report that a series of devastating avalanches have occurred there and that numbers of houses have been swept away. It is already known that ten deaths have resulted.

Hirschel Hogg, a confessed member of the band of night-riders who murdered Captain Quentin Rankin at Walnut Log in October, escaped from jail at Dresden Sunday night.

It is said that there are 32,000 cases of land frauds for the Attorney General to see to as soon as practicable.

Mrs. Ruth Bryan Leavitt has won her divorce suit and is now free from her husband.

Miss Jennie Reed and Joseph Mueller were strolling in Baltimore a few nights ago when she was shot and killed. Mueller raised the cry that a highwayman had held him up and gotten his valuables and on approaching her received a slap in the face, whereupon the robber shot her. Mueller now says he himself shot her accidentally.

Bib Springs, Texas, had a fire Wednesday that destroyed a number of business blocks entailing a loss of \$100,000.

Lewis Nixon, the shipbuilder, predicts a great future for aeroplanes and airships.

Michael Donnelly, judge of Third District, Ohio Circuit Court, is charged with imbezementment of funds belonging to the Ohio German Insurance Co. to the extent of probably \$300,000. The company has failed.

A tornado struck Brinkley, Ark., last Sunday night and killed 35 persons, demolishing most of the houses and leaving few left for habitation.

Charles M. Schwab said the Bethlehem Steel Company would not reduce wages.

The Standard Oil Company won its suit that relieved it from paying the \$29,240,000 fine imposed by Judge Landis.

The United States District Court at Kansas City declared the 2-cent railroad rate in Missouri confiscatory and illegal.

Dr. W. D. Crum has resigned as collector of the port at Charleston and it is understood that Mr. Edwin W. Durant will become his successor.

The technical high school of Munich has conferred the honorary degree of doctor of technical sciences on Wilbur and Orville Wright, the American aeroplanists.

Washington Notes. A petition widely signed is being handled by former U. S. Senator C. W. Hinds, of Mississippi, to be presented to Congress to pension old people.

## TAFT A RIDER TOO

His First Sunday in the White House Spent With Simplicity

### FOLLOWS ROOSEVELT'S EXAMPLE

Refuses to See Any Callers Who Have Business in the White House. The First Lady of the Land Takes Up Her Duties Without Extravagance or Ceremony—Already Making the Changes She Desires in "Household Cabinet."

Washington, Special.—The simplicity of Mr. Taft's first Sunday in the White House was a striking contrast to the

known dead 14 are white people, the others colored.

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Baltimore Emerges. Baltimore, Special.—The isolation from the outside world of which this city has been a complete victim practically since early Thursday morning was broken Sunday and the city began to see the end of the difficulty.

The Associated Press office here managed to secure direct wire communication with the New York headquarters by the cordial co-operation of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company at this end and the American Telephone and Telegraph Company at the other.

Seven-Year-Old Boy Bound and Gagged by Burglar. Savannah, Ga., Special.—Seven-year-old Evelyn Raby was surprised alone in his father's home here Tuesday by a masked negro burglar who, threatening the boy with death from two pistols and a knife he carried, bound the lad with a rope to a chair and gagged him with a bundle of cloth until the child was near suffocated.

## TORNADO KILLS 30

Brinkley, Ark., a Scene of Terrible Desolation

### THE INJURED NUMBER OVER 50

Reports From the Storm-Swept Arkansas Town Reveal an Appalling Condition.

Brinkley, Ark., Special.—Further details of the great disaster here state that thirty or more lives were snuffed out, 60 people were injured and property estimated to be worth \$1,000,000 was destroyed as a result of the tornado which wrenched this

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## NORTH STATE HAPPENINGS

Occurrences of Interest Gleaned From All Sections of the Busy Tar Heel State

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In November last this Station published a press bulletin urging farmers to immediately collect and kill the terrapin bugs, then in their fields, to prevent their living in such numbers through the winter. Now it seems advisable to urge the equally important work of destroying those individuals that escaped last fall, and which will soon commence to come out from their winter hiding quarters.

Only Adult Bugs Survive the Winter. Eggs and young bugs do not live through the winter in this State; hence it is only full-grown, strong, adult males and females which survive by finding favorable hibernating quarters under rubbish around the gardens, under stones, in fence corners and similar places, where they are protected from the weather. As this has been a mild winter, they are liable to appear in greater numbers than in the trying seasons.

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Mountain County Enterprises. The Watagua Turnpike Company has leased the convict force from Watagua county and the first work will be to construct turnpike roads from Edgemont to Linville, Blowing Rock and Sholes Mill. It is stated that a narrow gauge railroad is contemplated from Edgemont to Boone. The idea is that the County of Watagua and private citizens and other interested parties will put up \$100,000. If this road should be built, it will have a station very near Blowing Rock. The resources named are considered sufficient if they can be gotten together. It is expected to get 150 convicts from the State. Talk is also heard of extending the Linville River narrow gauge road which runs from Cranberry to Pinola to a junction point with the proposed Watagua road, either in the Carey Flat's neighborhood or at Edgemont. So far all these plans are simply being talked of but it is hoped that out of the talk something will come.

Clayton Man a Suicide. Clayton, N. C., Special.—David W. Avery committed suicide Monday morning about 10 o'clock. No special reasons can be given for his act. He was suffering some slight depression but no fears of such an outcome were entertained. He used his shotgun with which he went out ostensibly to kill a bird for a sick father.

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