

OPENING IN LEVEE IS WIDENING; NEW ORLEANS NOW SAFE

It May Be Necessary to Dynamite Again, But Apparently Breaks in Levee Will Care for Situation. RIVER GAUGE IS NOT CHANGING

This Indicates That Flood Waters Have Not Reached New Orleans and Experts Consider City Safe.

New Orleans, April 30.—(AP)—Flood waters of the Mississippi River rushing through the break in the Carondec levee blasted with dynamite, widened the gap during the night. At 8 o'clock today the principal gap was from 50 to 60 feet wide and two others showed small expansion.

The river gauge at New Orleans showed no change today. Preparations were being made for further dynamiting on the levee in attempt to open a large crevice before the rise further northward reached the city, reports from scene said.

George C. Shoemaker, chief state engineer, announced that the levee definitely had been broken, and there was an opening 60 feet wide at the end of the series of gaps through which water was rushing into the parishes of St. Bernard and Plaquemines. He added that he expected the opening to widen rapidly and that it would have an appreciable effect on the river level which would be felt at New Orleans within 48 hours.

A situation so serious that it was deemed necessary to deliberately break the dikes for the first time in history has served to focus the eyes of the world upon this city, but a spectacular rush of water that would sweep all before it failed to materialize.

More Dynamite Used.—Additional charges of dynamite were fired today at the opening of the Mississippi River levee on the east bank of the river 15 miles below this city, in an effort to widen the breach and allow for a greater flow of the flood waters. A call was sent to New Orleans today for two more tons of dynamite.

The request for more dynamite was sent by a motorcycle courier, by R. B. Kohnke, engineer, who sent the following message: "Don't fail to get two tons of dynamite by boat today. Will lay over and work tomorrow. Spare no expense."

Road to Mexico Finished.—San Francisco, Cal., April 30.—One week from tomorrow Mexican Government officials and representatives of business interests of the West Coast of the United States will gather at San Francisco to inaugurate the opening of the new line which will provide through train service over Southern Pacific lines from San Francisco to Guadalajara, Mexico, and thence via the National Railways of Mexico to Mexico City.

Delegations are expected to be present from the Chambers of Commerce in San Francisco, Los Angeles, Phoenix, Tucson and the West Coast of Mexico to witness the driving of the golden spike, signifying the completion of the project begun in 1923 and involving an expenditure of more than \$14,000,000.

Tree in Pickle 300,000 Years.—Ottawa, Ont., April 30.—Preserved in glacial ice for 300,000 years, a spruce tree was exposed again to the open air by the recent recession of the great North American ice cap in Glacier Bay, Alaska, and was found by a Canadian Government party. It grew for 124 years before the advance of the glacier enveloped it.

Volcano Becomes Active.—St. Dennis, Reunion Island, April 29.—(AP)—A hitherto inactive volcano erupted today. The disturbance was accompanied by a sharp earthquake and a torrential rain that destroyed roads and bridges, and was indirectly responsible for two deaths and a number of injuries.

Constant Flood Fund

Table with 2 columns: Name, Amount. Concord Contributions. Previously Acknowledged \$1,373.50. Ellen Lewis Sherrill 2.00. Eastern Star 25.00. C. S. Smart 5.00. Jas. A. Goodman 10.00. No. 2 School P. T. A. 5.00. Mrs. B. F. Rogers 5.00. Miss Pat Adams 2.00. J. Leonard Brown 5.00. Mrs. J. Leonard Brown 5.00. B. F. Wagoner 2.00. John Spencer 1.00. John Sossamon 5.00. Rev. H. B. Thomas 5.00. Miss Hattie Alexander 5.00. Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Taylor 5.00. Miss Muriel Bulwinkle 5.00. Mrs. Lewie Correll 5.00. Mrs. J. P. Query 5.00. J. A. Rankin 5.00. Campfire Girls 4.85. P. O. S. of A., Kannapolis 13.10. A. B. Palmer 5.00. A. W. Brumley 1.00. Mrs. Maggie J. Hill 10.00. Mrs. Clara S. Odell 25.00. Miss Jennie Smith 3.00. Miss Kate Smith 3.00. Pastime Theatre 5.00. Wade Spears 1.00. Total Concord \$1,542.45.

Joseph Patterson, who went to work for the First National Bank of Ashland, O., in 1861, when he was 16 years old, is still an employe of the bank, but he's president now. He is one of the oldest bankers in point of service in the Middle West.

THE STOCK MARKET

Prices Displayed Another Reversal of Form, Selling Off Sharply in Last Hour.

New York, April 30.—(AP)—Stock prices displayed another reversal of form today, selling off sharply in the last hour, after an early period of strength. Except for a reduction of 50 cents in steel scrap prices in the Pittsburgh district there was nothing in the day's news to explain the sudden change in speculative sentiment which was influenced largely by apparent inability of speculators for the advance to attract an outside following.

The closing was irregular, total sales approximating 1,000,000 shares.

Triple Shooting.—Belzoni, Miss., April 30.—(AP)—A triple shooting threw this flooded town into excitement today. R. E. Adeock, 40, manager of a furniture store, shot and killed C. C. Rayburn, 30, a carpenter, perhaps fatally wounded his wife, and then turned the pistol on himself, the sheriff's office reported. Physicians said Adeock's wounds may not be fatal. Mrs. Adeock was being taken to a hospital in Yazoo City by boat.

THE STOCK MARKET (Continued) Reported by Fenner & Beane (Closing Quotations)

Table with 2 columns: Name, Price. Atchison 180 1/2. American Tobacco B 127. American Smelting 146 1/2. American Locomotive 108. Atlantic Coast Line 178 1/2. Allied Chemical 137 1/2. American Tel. & Tel. 162 1/2. American Can 47 1/2. Allis Chalmers 109 1/2. Baldwin Locomotive 183 1/2. Baltimore & Ohio 117 1/2. Bangor 89 1/2. Bethlehem Steel 48 1/2. Chesapeake & Ohio 166 1/2. Coca-Cola 90 1/2. DuPont 240 1/2. Dodge Bros. 19. Erie 51 1/2. Frisco 112. General Motors 190 1/2. General Electric 96. Great Northern 86. Gulf State Steel 49 1/2. Gull Dust 134. Hudson 73 1/2. Int. Tel. 134. Kennecott Copper 63 1/2. Liggett & Myers B 100 1/2. Mack Truck 110. Mo. Pacific 53 1/2. Norfolk & Western 175 1/2. New York Central 145 1/2. Pan American Pet. B. 57 1/2. Rock Island 90 1/2. R. J. Reynolds 121 1/2. Rep. Iron & Steel 64 1/2. Stand. Oil of N. J. 35 1/2. Southern Railway 128 1/2. Studebaker 52 1/2. Tobacco Co. 45 1/2. Tobacco Products 98 1/2. U. S. Steel 165 1/2. U. S. Steel, New 119 1/2. Vest Chemical 55 1/2. Westinghouse 71 1/2. Western Maryland 36. Chrysler 48 1/2.

IS ASKED TO VISIT SCENE

Governors of Three States Have Asked President to Make Personal Survey of Damage Done by Water.

Memphis, Tenn., April 30.—(AP)—Two new levee breaks and the threat of at least five more under the slow surge of the Mississippi River today added to demands for relief which have caused President Coolidge in declining to call a special session of Congress, to appeal for a fund greater than the \$5,000,000 asked by the American Red Cross.

Herbert Hoover, secretary of commerce, who has spent a week in the flood zone from Memphis to below New Orleans, tonight will sketch for the nation a word picture of desolation in a radio address from station WMO of the Memphis Commercial Appeal. The station will be hooked up with probably thirty other stations in two national networks of the National Broadcasting Company.

Mr. Hoover will go on the air at 6:30 p. m. Central Standard time, for a fifteen-minute talk. Immediately afterward he will leave for Washington to report personally to President Coolidge.

Red Cross officials at disaster relief headquarters in Memphis said today that more than 200,000 refugees had registered and that the figure doubtless represented hardly more than half the total number.

A fund of \$4,000,000 was necessary after South Florida was struck by a hurricane late September for the relief of less than half the number of refugees, the Red Cross announcement said. In the mid-western tornado of March 1925 in which 30,000 persons in Illinois, Indiana and Missouri were affected, a fund of \$3,000,000 was needed.

When the Arkansas River levee broke at South Bend last yesterday, hundreds of workers lost a ten-day battle and the evacuation of every small town in southeastern Arkansas was made necessary. Arkansas City, McGhee, Lake Village, and Dermott already suffering from the high water, were indicated as the chief sufferers in the new inundation.

Danger spots fought today were at Vidalia, La., opposite Natchez, Miss., at Glascock, La., 22 miles below Vidalia, St. Joseph, La., and both north and south of Vidalia, Miss.

DR. BATTLE WILL BE BURIED IN ASHEVILLE

Prominent Asheville Physician Died Friday Night in Raleigh Where He Became Ill Last Week.

Raleigh, April 30.—(AP)—Funeral services for Dr. S. Westray Battle, prominent Asheville physician who died last night at a local hospital, were planned for 4 o'clock this afternoon in Christ Church chapel.

The funeral party arranged to leave Raleigh tonight at midnight for Asheville, where services will be conducted Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock from All Souls Church, Biltmore, and interment in Riverside cemetery, Asheville.

At the venerable physician's bedside when a paralytic stroke had laid low his 72 years, were his wife and Mrs. L. M. Bourne, of Asheville, niece; Mrs. Virginia Battle, an only brother; Mrs. Vinton Luddell Pickett, of Atlanta, step-daughter, and C. J. Harris, of Hillsboro, a close friend.

DR. BATTLE WAS BORN August 4, 1854, at Westrayville, N. C. He was a United States naval officer for ten years, a diagnostician of eminence, and during the World War national chairman of the Belgian Relief Commission, for which he was decorated with honors by the Belgian government.

Strikes Match On Dynamite Cap, His Hand Blown Off.

Newton, April 29.—The 10-year-old son of H. C. Beard, farmer, eight miles east of Newton, blew his left hand off early this morning with a dynamite cap. Young Beard, it is said, was trying to strike a match to set a brush pile in a new ground on fire, and not readily finding an object on which to strike the match, he took a dynamite cap out of his pocket and struck the match on it. When he did, the cap exploded tearing off his hand.

The boy stated later that he had no idea that striking a match on the cap would explode it. He was first brought to Newton, and later taken to a Statesville hospital, where the hand was amputated.

Rocky Mount Woman Heads Episcopal Church Auxiliary.

Salisbury, April 29.—Mrs. Frank S. Spruill, of Rocky Mount, was elected president of the Woman's auxiliary of the Episcopal church in North Carolina, which has just finished its annual meeting in this city. Among the speakers of the closing day were Mrs. T. W. Bickett, Mrs. W. W. Way, the retiring president; Rev. Hugh A. Dobbin, Lewis C. Burwell, of Charlotte, and Rev. Kirkham G. Finley, bishop of upper South Carolina.

Old Gastonia Mill Burned.

Gastonia, April 29.—Gastonia's first textile mill, built in 1886 and known as the "Old Mill", was completely destroyed by fire tonight, together with 3,000 bales of waste cotton, entailing a loss of between \$125,000 and \$150,000.

WILL DECIDE UPON NEW DATE FOR BIG LABEL SUIT JULY 1

Federal Judge Raymond Sets Date for Hearing at Which Date for the New Trial Will Be Set.

Detroit, April 30.—(AP)—A date for a new trial in the million dollar libel suit of Aaron Sapiro against Henry Ford and the Dearborn Independent will be set at a hearing July 1st, Federal Judge Fred M. Raymond decided today at a conference with attorneys for both sides.

The judge's decision was given after it was learned yesterday that no funds would be available for the trial until after that time.

William H. Gallagher, chief counsel for Sapiro, who returned to Detroit for the conference, asked that an early date be set after July 1st, but the move was opposed by Stewart Hanley and C. B. Longley, of the automobile manufacturer's counsel.

Sapiro's counsel previously had offered to divide the expense of the trial with the defendants, or to pay the total cost.

A mistrial of the case was declared ten days ago on motion of counsel for Ford who alleged irregularities in the conduct of Mrs. Cora Hoffman, a woman juror.

BLAKENEY'S FATE IS NOW IN THE HANDS OF JURORS

The fate of Carl T. Blakeney, former cashier of the burned Bank of Midland, is with the jury. Judge Michael Schenck completed his charge this morning at 10:35 and the jury immediately retired for deliberation.

No verdict had been reached this afternoon at 2:15 o'clock.

LIGHTNING HITS PLANE; FOUR DEAD

Two Navy Lieutenants and Two Petty Officers Hurled Into Chesapeake Bay.

Norfolk, Va., April 29.—Four navy aviators, two lieutenants and two petty officers, were sent to their deaths this afternoon by a bolt of lightning that struck their seaplane 1,200 feet in the air and sent it hurtling into Chesapeake Bay off New Point Comfort, a splintered and scattered wreck.

Lieutenant junior grade, George Watson Lehman, aircraft squadron, scouting fleet.

Aviation Chief Machinist Mate L. E. Poyner.

Machinist Mate Second Class Geo. M. Michaels.

The wrecked plane was one of two en route from Philadelphia to Hampton Roads, the other piloted by Chief Boatswain George F. Kahle, attached to the local station, brought news of the tragedy, which occurred about 3:30 o'clock during a severe electrical and rain storm.

The plane carrying the four men was proceeding in front of his craft, according to Boatswain Kahle. Suddenly there came a flash of lightning, a puff of smoke and the plane control and plunged like a leaf 1,200 feet to the water where it was practically demolished. Kahle and his companions immediately descended to the spot where the stricken plane had crashed but were unable to find anything more than splintered wreckage. They searched for an hour in an effort to locate the body of the plane but without success. Neither did they see any of the bodies of those carried down in the wreckage. Kahle then flew to the Norfolk base and reported the disaster.

Queen's Novel Experience.

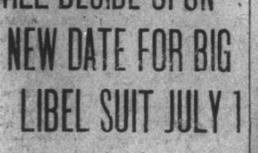
London, April 30.—Queen Mary had an unusual experience when she paid an informal visit to University College recently. She came face to face with the life-like body of Jeremy Bentham, the distinguished champion of Utilitarianism.

Few people know of the extraordinary will of Jeremy Bentham, who died in 1832. He bequeathed a large sum of money to the college on condition that his body should be preserved, and that, on the occasion of meetings of the professional board, it should sit with the staff.

Accordingly the mummified skin of Jeremy Bentham is preserved, stuffed, and clothed, and with an accurately delineated mask fitted for his face. This representation of the great donor is kept at the college seated in a kind of sedan chair, and is taken in when the conferences of professors are held.

Battleship Goes Aground.

OFF TO CONQUER GERMANY



A new offensive against Germany is on. William Tilden (left) and Francis T. Hunter, armed with thirty-six and fifteen rackets respectively, are off to take on Teutonic tennis terrors, their Berlin matches will be a test of American and German Davis Cup strength.

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New York, April 30.—(AP)—The first line battleship Colorado went aground this morning on Diamond Reef between Governor's Island and Manhattan. Seven tugs fought to free the big fighting ship.

City Tax Notice

All property on which 1926 Taxes have not been paid will be advertised and sold after May 1st, 1927. Also all 1917 street assessments that expired December 1st, 1926, on the following streets: South Union, East Corbin, North Church, Franklin Avenue, North and South Spring, Buffalo, McGill and North Kerr.

CHAS. N. FIELD, City Tax Collector.

TO THE VOTERS OF CONCORD

I will greatly appreciate your vote and support in the election to be held Tuesday, May 3rd, and if re-elected to the office of Mayor, I will endeavor to serve the people to the best of my ability.

CLARENCE H. BARRIER

HARRY THOMASSON ADMITS IN COURT PART IN MURDER



19-Year Old Youth Tells Court He and Brother Now Dead, Killed Mayor Joe Adams in December.

SAYS WAS PAID FOR THE CRIME

Tells Court He and Brother Were Commanded to Commit Murder by Charles Birger, Gang Leader.

Benton, Ill., April 30.—(AP)—Harry A. Thomasson, 19, today confessed in court that he and his brother, Elmer, 17, now dead, killed Mayor Joe Adams, of West City, last December 12, at the command of Charles Birger, notorious piece of getting rid of a witness who had harbored the rival Slesinger gang.

Thomasson brought from Pontiac reformatory where he is serving a sentence of ten years to life for murdering Mayor Adams, and was sentenced by Circuit Judge Miller to life imprisonment in the southern Illinois penitentiary at Menard.

He will be the state's star witness against Birger and other Chicago gangsters alleged to have joined in a plan to assassinate Mayor Adams.

Birger, who was under \$40,000 bond on a complicity charge in the Adams killing, was re-arrested yesterday and a new indictment ordered filed without bond on a murder charge.

THE COTTON MARKET

Opened Firm Today at an Advance of 7 to 11 Points, July Selling Up to 15.35.

New York, April 30.—(AP)—The cotton market opened firm today at an advance of 7 to 11 points in response to unexpectedly higher Liverpool cables.

The advance met realizing and southern selling, but offerings were absorbed on very slight setbacks and fresh buying was reported on reports of additional overflows in the Mississippi valley section and the unsettled weather in the South.

July 15.35; Oct. 15.62; Dec. 15.80. Opening: Jan. 15.70; May 14.90; July 15.22; Oct. 15.50; Dec. 15.67.

"TREASON IN SCHOOLS" IS ISSUE IN CHICAGO

McAndrew Demands Inquiry Into Charges; Says Mayor Shames System.

Chicago, April 30.—Superintendent of Schools, William McAndrew, formerly of the New York Schools, has "gone to the mat" with Mayor Thompson on the issue of "treason in the schools." In a letter to the Board of Education he says the Mayor in his speech has shamed the school system and demands that the board investigate. He requests that these charges be delisted into:

"The true history of George Washington has been put out of your schools.

"Treason has been injected insidiously.

"Washington's picture was omitted as a frontispiece from a school history.

"Von Steuben, Kosciuszko and Pulaski were omitted.

"The schools have been influenced to substitute the King of England for George Washington.

"There is disloyalty in Chicago schools.

"King George can have the Superintendent back.

"The schools are in the hands of a bunch of high-brow pro-Britishers who are teaching the kiddies that the King was our best friend."

WEATHER

Cloudy with rain tonight and probably in the east portion Sunday morning, slightly colder tonight except extreme north portion, colder in the south portion Sunday.

INVESTMENTS

When looking for an investment, remember that our certificates for prepaid stock issued by this Association are both safe and profitable.

Why not invest some of your funds in Prepaid Building and Loan which is not taxable?

BE THRIFTY and be successful by living within your income. Save a part of your earnings and invest them in our BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATION which helps CONCORD to grow and expand.

May the first is tax returning time.

Citizens Building and Loan Association (Office in Citizens Bank)