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CRISIS PASSED AT MEMPHIS. FLOOD SITUATION MORE HOPEFUL.

A Barge and a Steamer Go Through Crevasses to Rescue Property and Stock—Five Hundred Tents Shipped to Memphis for the Use of the Flood Refugees—The River From Cairo Slowly Falling.

Memphis, March 21.—Tonight there are many hopeful features in the flood situation in the immediate territory about the city and the officers of the levee boards and river men are expressing more satisfaction with the conditions now prevailing than has been indulged at any time since the flood first assumed critical proportions. The gauge tonight shows 39.7 feet and falling which is a decline of .4 since last night at 6 o'clock, when the water became stationary on the gauge. It is now believed that the fall is due to natural natural conditions, rather than to the drainage of water from the Mississippi by the breaks in the Arkansas levees to the north. Although the fall might have been slower if these crevasses had not occurred, it is currently believed that the fall will continue without check and the crisis is passed. President Killough, of the St. Francis levee board to day succeeded in sending a large barge through the crevasses at Trice's Landing, for the rescue of stock and property at Marion, Ark. The steamer Hugo was dispatched to the crevasse later with a commission to enter the flooded territory and render assistance to such as might be in need. Mayor Williams has been notified by the government commissary of officers at Jeffersonville, Ind., that 600 tents were today shipped to this city for the shelter of the flood refugees.

TENTS ORDERED TO MEMPHIS AND MARION.

Washington, March 21.—Secretary Root today received telegrams from the Governors of Tennessee and Arkansas in response to his telegraphic inquiry in the matter of tents, etc., in consequence of the river floods. Governor Frazer, of Tennessee, telegraphed from Nashville as follows: "Please send at once 500 tents to Memphis consigned to Mayor J. J. Williams. City of Memphis will pay for transportation."

Governor Davis, of Arkansas, telegraphed from Little Rock as follows: "The flood condition along the Mississippi river in our State is distressing. We have no tents in the army for distribution. Please forward 100 tents to Judge Derrick, Marion, Ark., for use of floods sufferers. I pledge the honor of the State that the same will be carefully cared for and when no longer needed will be sent free of charge to Jeffersonville, Ind. Please rush tents, as the demand is pressing."

THE WORST OVER AT MEMPHIS

Memphis, March 22.—The river continues to slowly fall at this point the gauge tonight registering 39.6 feet. The flood conditions are becoming brighter and is generally accepted that the worst is over. Reports tonight from the levees, both north and south of Memphis, are that they are holding splendidly

against the enormous pressure of water. The railroads west of the river are not yet open for traffic, but it is believed trains will be running by Wednesday next.

More refugees arrived here today from the south and are being taken care of by the authorities. The shipment of tents by the government from Jeffersonville is expected to arrive here to-morrow and a refugee's camp will be pitched in the old circus grounds in the northeastern part of the city. All destitute refugees will be given ample accommodations. The waters are rapidly subsiding in North Memphis.

TWENTY FEET AT NEW ORLEANS, AND AN ADDITIONAL FOOT EXPECTED.

New Orleans, March 22.—The river tonight reached the 20-foot stage and as the Memphis wave is on the way 21 feet will be reached Saturday, if the levees hold along the Louisiana line. Engineers and levee boards are confident that they will hold and the week will see more great defensive work. In the Pontachrain district from New Orleans to Baton Rouge, less than 20 miles of levee was found below the highest standard, and these have been given false crowns two feet high. The only break reported to day was on Bayou La Fourche, in front of Collector of Internal Revenue Howell's Haverly plantation. It is about 150 feet wide.

ISSEAUQUENA LEVEE GIVES WAY.

Natchez, Miss., March 22.—The levee in Issaquena county, gave way late today, flooding thousands of acres of cultivated land. The breaking of this levee will seriously affect the weakened levee extending from Duvall's to Chestard, a distance of 4 miles, and news of a break in that line is momentarily expected.

Heavy Snow Storm in Missouri.

St Joseph, Mo., March 23.—The heaviest snow storm of the year began here to day and railway traffic is greatly impeded. Telegraph and telephone wires are crippled to-night. The temperature has been falling slowly. The snow covers the northern part of the State to a depth of from 6 to 12 inches.

ONE OF THE HEAVIEST SNOW STORMS OF THE YEAR IN KANSAS.

Kansas City, March 22.—Following a drop in the temperature which began at noon to-day, one of the heaviest snow storms of the year is in progress here to night. The storm is accompanied by a stiff north wind and is general over northern Missouri and Kansas. At Junction City, Kan., the snow is six inches deep, and at Abilene, Emporia, Atchison and other Kansas points there has been a heavy fall.

The Peabody Fund.

Raleigh, N. C., March 30.—State Superintendent Joyner today wrote a letter to each of the other southern states and to the Peabody fund trustees, containing the resolutions adopted at the recent session of the legislature urging that the Peabody fund be divided among the southern states.

THE CUBAN TREATY TANGLE.

It Now Appears Probable That a New Treaty Will Have to be Drawn—The Opposition in the Cuban Lower House Stronger than in the Senate.

Washington, March 21.—The defects in the Cuban treaty indicated in yesterday's press dispatches were discussed at the State Department today, by Secretary Hay, and a number of Senators, including Chairman Cullom, of the Senate committee of foreign relations. There was no disposition to minimize the extent of the complications, and in fact fresh ones were developed during the conferences. It was pointed out by one Senator that the provision that "this treaty shall not take effect until the same shall have been approved by the Congress, required such action, not only on the part of our own Congress, but by the Cuban Congress as well, and this it would perhaps be difficult to secure, for the opposition is much stronger in the Cuban lower house than in the Senate. Some of the Senators who called, bluntly stated that the treaty would surely be defeated if it again came before the United States Congress. The officials of the State Department have not yet given up hope of being able to strengthen out the tangle, but it appears more probable today than ever that a new treaty will be required.

HIGH OFFICIALS IN TROUBLE.

Charged of Fraudulent Practices Lodged With the President.

Washington, D. C.—Serious charges have been filed with President Roosevelt against a practicing attorney-at-law, who formerly was an official of the Post Office Department. The charges, which involve certain present officials of the Department, are of such a nature that at this time they cannot be disclosed.

The charges were placed in the hands of the President by T. C. Campbell, an attorney of Cincinnati, representing one or more of the big turf investments concerns about which recently there has been many scandals. It is understood that the burden of the charges is that the former official involved received a large sum of money from the turf investment concerns for preparing an opinion declaring the scheme of the investment for a promise of certain protection to be given the companies by officials. When the matter was brought to the President's attention he regarded it as so serious that he ordered an immediate and searching investigation to be made. All those cognizant of the facts are extremely reticent, but it is known that the President has declared that by no means will be left untried to develop the facts and to punish the guilty, if the guilt of any official is shown by the investigation.

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Legislative Appropriations.

Annual appropriation for school for Deaf Mutes, \$42,500 regular, \$5,000 special; School for White Blind and for Negro Deaf Mutes and Blind, \$60,000 regular, \$10,000 special; State Hospital for Raleigh, \$75,000 regular, \$12,000 special; Western Hospital, \$125,000 regular, \$4,760 special; Criminal Insane, \$5,000 regular; Soldiers' Home, \$13,000 regular \$2,400 special; State University, \$37,500 regular, \$7,500 special; Cullowhee High School, \$2,000 regular, \$2,000 special; State Normal and Industrial College, \$40,000 regular, \$7,000 special; Agricultural and Mechanical College at Raleigh, \$10,000 regular, and \$10,000 from the Agricultural Department's revenues, said Board of Agriculture to also provide out of the fertilizer tax fund not over \$12,000 annually to complete building and \$68,788 is appropriated out of the Treasury to pay the debt now existing; and after the passage of this act the scholarship of this college are limited to one to each member of the House of Representatives and 10 more; Agricultural and Mechanical College for Negroes at Greensboro, \$7,500 regular, and all other appropriations are revoked.—Col. Olds.

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