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ARKANSAS TOWNS SUBMERGED

Mississippi's Big Flood Still Working Havoc Along That River's Borders.

Memphis, Tenn., April 10.—Between 1,700 and 2,000 square miles, including more than 600,000 acres of rich farming lands in northeastern Arkansas in the St. Francis basin, are affected by an overflow from the Mississippi river as a result of a break in the main levee of the system about 50 miles north of Memphis, near Golden Lake, Ark.

At least two thriving towns—Marked Tree and Wilson, Ark.—are inundated and many other villages and country store settlements are threatened. No loss of life has occurred, so far as is known here. Telephone lines to Marked Tree and Wilson are down, but those acquainted with the territory express hope that all the inhabitants are safe. The damage will run into millions. Thousands of head of livestock perished. Hundreds of farmers probably will suffer loss of household goods, barns, people are certain to be heavy losers. Boats bearing rescue parties already are in the parts of the flooded area nearest Memphis. Relief parties have also been organized and dispatches from Osceola, Ark., and other towns near the edge of the northern part of the inland sea formed by the water.

News from the other sections of the northern river district is a little more cheering.

The diversion of a vast quantity of water into the St. Francis basin should afford relief to the stretch of the river between Bayfield and Helena, about 200 miles at least, temporarily.

Towns which experienced engineers say are certainly under water from three to ten feet in depth are: Marked Tree, Poinsett county, about 1,200 people; Wilson, Mississippi county, about 500; Big Lake, Crittenden county, 200; Deckerville, Poinsett county, 50; Tyson, S. A., Poinsett county, 150. Besides these, many minor settlements are probably inundated.

At Wilson and Marked Tree large saw mill interests are located. The loss to these in machinery, lumber and stores, possibly will reach a total of \$1,000,000. Scenes of de-olation, personal experiences of privation and possibly extreme suffering, heretofore recorded elsewhere, are expected to be reenacted through the territory affected by this last collapse.

New vaudeville at The Athens tonight—Worrell and Kenney, comedy singers, talkers and "SOME" eccentric dancing.

John Pearce, Sr., Passes.

News reached here yesterday of the death at his home in Pollockville of Mr. John Pearce, one of the leading and most highly regarded residents of Jones county. Mr. Pearce was a Canadian by birth, a sailor in his early life, came here when yet a young man, settled near Pollockville and married a Jones county lady. Three children were the issue of this happy union, who now survive, Mr. John Pearce, Jr., Mrs. H. A. Chadwick and Mrs. John Taylor, all of whom reside in their native town. Mr. Pearce had passed his three score and ten, being 73 years of age, a long, useful and honored life. He leaves a widow to whom he had been married only a few years, his first wife having passed away long ago.

Perhaps Mr. Pearce's greatest usefulness, except as an example of a progressive, successful farmer and a bright citizen was his good work in restoring order in the troubled political condition in Jones county which followed the close of the Civil War. He was Sheriff at that period when Jones county needed a strong character for the office. Jones county has cause to deplore the death of John Pearce.

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In the Interest of Drainage.

Chapel Hill, N. C., April 10th, 1912.
Dr. Joseph Hyde Pratt is now in Nashville, Tenn., taking part in the Southern Commercial Congress. During the sessions of this Congress he will make three addresses— one before the section on forestry, another before the section on drainage, and a third before the section on good roads. From there he will go to New Orleans to make an address before the National Drainage Association. Enroute to Nashville on a holiday last he made an address at Nashville, N. C., in the interest of good roads for that county. His interest is felt among the delegates to the National Drainage Congress in what Dr. Pratt will have to say there, because of the fact that the drainage work in North Carolina is

SHORT PASSING EVENTS

There will be no prayer meeting at the Presbyterian church tonight so that the congregation may have the opportunity of worshipping with the Methodists.

Every man, woman and child in New Bern should hear Mr. Herbert Booth at Centenary Methodist Church tonight. Sea's are free and a cordial invitation is extended to all.

As is always the case on circus day there were a large number of visitors in the city yesterday. However, it was an exceptionally orderly crowd and not the least disturbance of any kind was reported.

The Ladies Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church will meet Thursday afternoon, April 11th, at the residence of Mrs. C. E. Slover at 3.30 o'clock instead of at 4 o'clock as previously announced. Subject, 'Hinduism.'

The City Beautiful Club again urges the citizens of New Bern to clean up their premises. Summer is fast approaching and thousands of flies will infect your home if you do not take the necessary precaution in keeping all filth cleaned from your yard.

Jesse McDaniel, colored, was arrested yesterday at Pollockville by Deputy Marshall Samuel Lilly on a warrant charging him with retailing spirituous liquor without a government license. He was brought to this city last night and will be given a hearing before U. S. Commissioner Chas. B. Hill tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.

U. S. Deputy Collector J. E. Cameron and U. S. Deputy Marshall Samuel Lilly spent yesterday in the city. The revenue officers are doing everything possible to exterminate the selling of whiskey in eastern North Carolina. They have made hundreds of arrests but from all appearances there is a new one going into the business every day.

Mr. A. Castet has recently installed in his meat market at Five Points, one of the latest models of the Hubert meat cutting machines. With the use of this machine hamburger steak can be made within a few minutes and all of the bone and gristle is entirely eliminated. The machine is a great improvement over the former method of cutting up the meat by hand and assures the purchaser a better grade of meat.

While everybody is beautifying their lawns we see nothing being done to the one around the post office building. Is George Sam going to have the worst looking lawn in New Bern this summer? We feel sure that if the City Beautiful Club would take the matter up with the proper authorities the government would attend to this or have it done under their supervision for a few flowers etc., would add greatly to the appearance of this plot and it could be made one of the prettiest in New Bern.

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A warrant for P. O. Beech, husband of the society woman reported to have been slashed by a negro at Aiken, S. C. was sworn out charging him with assault.

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TAFT'S CAMPAIGN MISMANAGED

Big Leaders Believe That President's Manager is a Peerless Loser, Otherwise a Big Hoodoo.

Washington, D. C., April 10.—Serious discussion regarding the management of the Taft campaign, which has been rumored for some time became immediately acute when the Taft campaign failed to annex Illinois in the primaries. From the day Congressman McKinley was placed in charge of the Taft headquarters, there have been grave concerns among the Taft backers. The situation was made vastly worse by the development that Mr. McKinley was to be chairman of the national committee if Taft was nominated.

Atop of this came the mismanaged Taft campaign in Indiana, which not only cost Taft half the delegates, but convinced the country that peculiarly coarse and objectionable methods were being employed—methods certain to injure the cause. Some of the big men behind the scenes of the Taft campaign, such as Root, Crane, Smoot, Penrose and others, appreciated the dangers of such a situation. Moreover, these eminently practical gentlemen early became convinced that the Taft was proving rather too large for the McKinley plans to cope with. They recollect with misgiving that two years ago Mr. McKinley managed a Republican in Congressional campaign, and lost the House by an overwhelming majority, the first time any Republican manager had succeeded in losing it in 16 years. This constituted a unique distinction that did not highly commend Mr. McKinley to politicians, whose one concern was to get results.

A favorable report has been made by the Senate Committee on fisheries on Senator Overman's bill to establish a fish culture station in western North Carolina. The fish commission has experienced much difficulty in finding pure water for fish, and they believe this problem can be solved by establishing culture stations and fish hatcheries in the western part of the State, where the water is said to be the purest in the world.

George Whitlock, of Baltimore, Md., Secretary of the American Bar Association, in a letter to Attorney General Wickersham sharply criticizes the course taken by the latter to have William H. Lewis, of Boston, the negro associate attorney general, retained as a member of the association. Applicable Attorney-General Lewis' application for membership was favorably passed upon, but the governing board later rescinded his election to the bar association.

This will be a Roosevelt week. Mis-outried off with primaries in several districts. Governor Hailey wires that the result insures control in the state convention for Roosevelt and two-thirds of the Congressional districts. Further detailed reports from Kentucky, show that Roosevelt forces undoubtedly received a majority of the Congressional districts of the state convention.

That points in North Carolina may ultimately hope to obtain some reduction in freight rates seem more certain now that the commerce court has upheld the State's contention in the cases against the N. & W. and other roads. These cases were started more than 2 years ago by the North Carolina corporation commission on behalf of the state before the interstate commerce commission and just after the state had successfully fought all the technicalities raised before court came into existence and the cases have been before this tribunal for several months.

A proposal to sell the Jamestown exposition grounds, near Norfolk, Va., to the government for use as a naval training station for \$400,000, was made to the House committee on naval affairs by members of the Norfolk chamber of commerce, \$2,300,000 being asked for the grounds and buildings. The committee took the matter under advisement.

Let the sun shine in by using Pittsburgh Perfect Fencing around your city lot. J. S. Basnight Hdw. Co.

The Circus Wednesday.

As was advertised, Downs and Wheeler's circus gave two performances here Wednesday which were very creditable indeed. The aggregation is rather small but everything is clean and new and well managed. The parade was a great deal better than some large ones that have visited New Bern. The acting was very good, especially the triple work, which was excellent, and the performing parties did their stunts elegantly. The antics of the clowns were continuous with some very real bits which kept the audience in a highly good humor. A Goldenrod paper saw its way to the show a "variety" with its exhibition there, which was enjoyed by other papers, including

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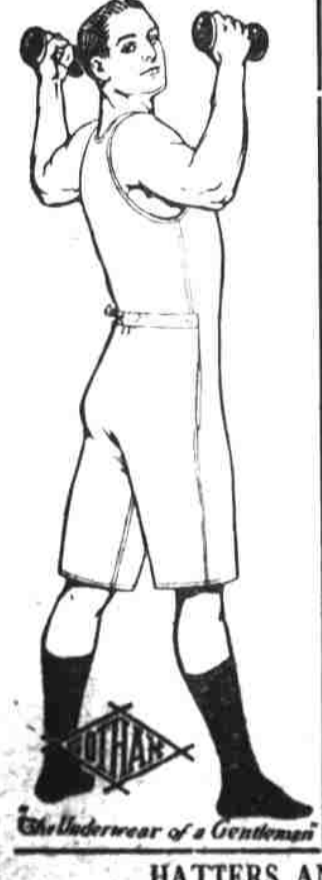


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