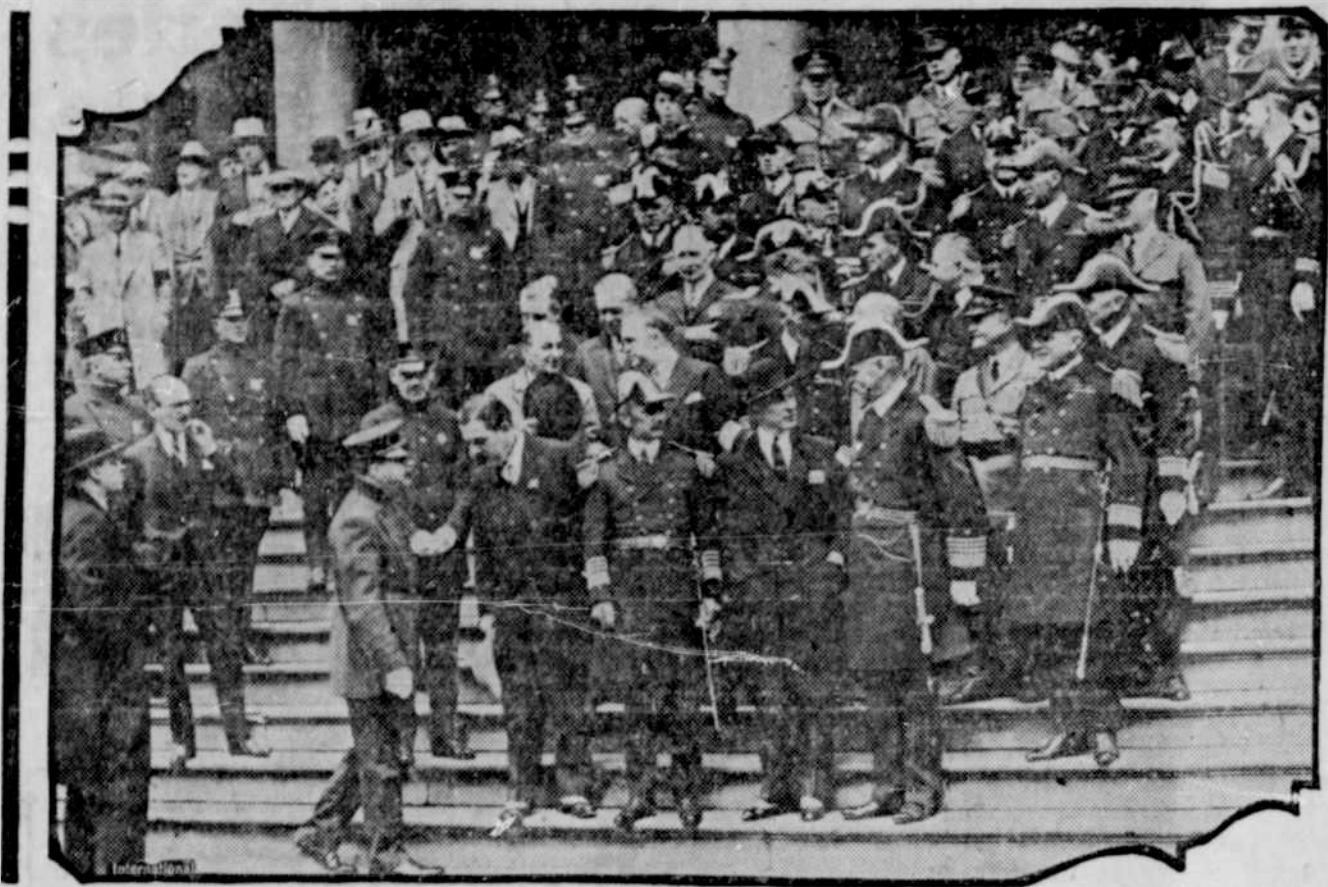
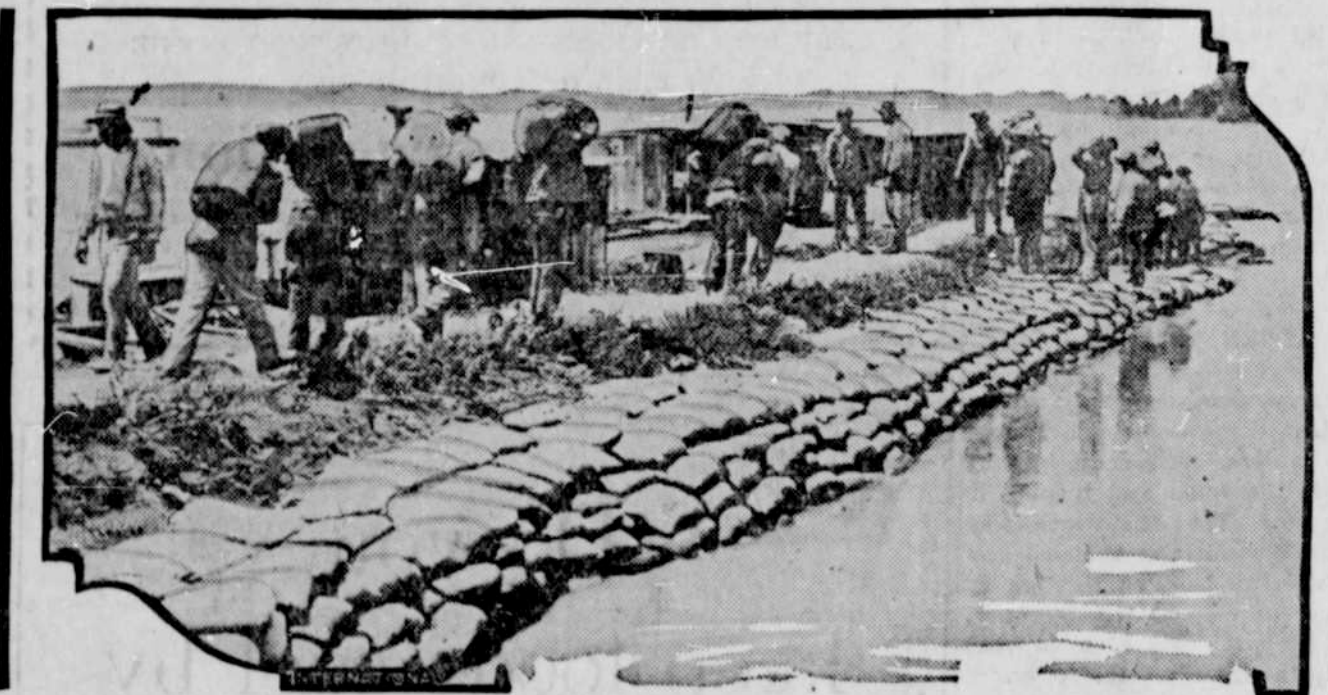


Mayor Walker and a Bunch of Admirals



Mayor James J. Walker of New York surrounded on the steps of the city hall by the admirals and aides who arrived there with the fleet. The largest array of battle cruisers in history entered the Hudson river. The warships in the fleet numbered 116, and they carried more than 30,000 sailors and 2,227 officers. The men had a fine time ashore for some days. They and their vessels were fresh from the war maneuvers in the Caribbean sea.

Saving the Vicksburg Railroad Transfer



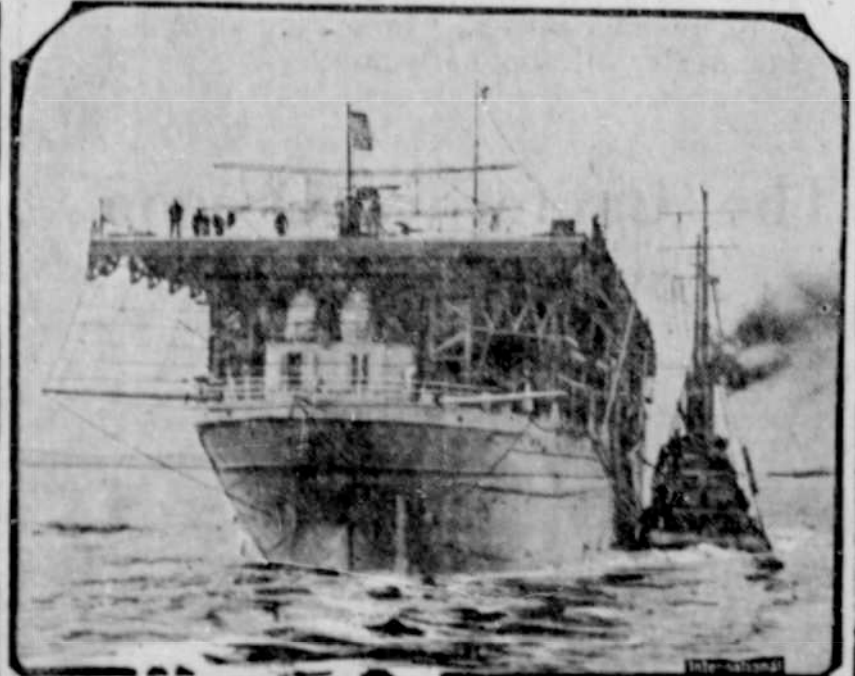
The railroad transfer of Vicksburg was in great danger of destruction by the flood waters of the Mississippi and an army of men was put to work reinforcing the levee with thousands of sacks of dirt.

Some of the Flood Victims for Whom Aid Is Needed



Refugees from the Mississippi flood areas and part of the Red Cross tent city in the background. The train seen in the photograph brings supplies to this little tent city near Forrest City, Ark.

Explosion Cripples the Langley



The U. S. S. Langley, flagship of the fleet's air forces, being towed into Brooklyn navy yard for repairs after the explosion off Ambrose Light. Electric machinery aboard the craft was paralyzed, but no one was hurt.

MICHIGAN BEAUTY



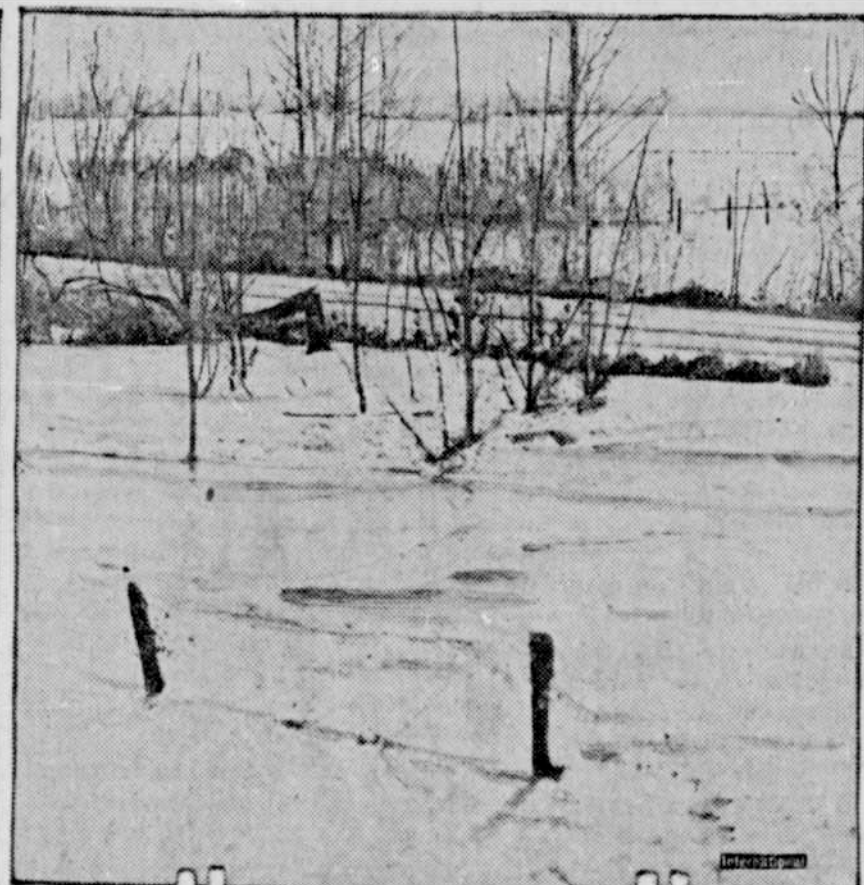
Miss Lillian Rowett, seventeen-year-old high school girl, chosen by the Bessemer (Mich.) Chamber of Commerce to represent Bessemer in the International Beauty contest at Galveston, Texas, May 21-23.

Big Offer for This Monstrance



Theresa Moser of New York holding a monstrance said to contain part of the holy cross. An art dealer has offered \$100,000 for the relic, but the girl has not yet decided to part with it. Her forebears received it 150 years ago from Joseph II, Austrian monarch.

When the West Bank Dikes Broke



Great tracts of central Louisiana were inundated when the levees on the west bank of the Mississippi river gave way. This picture, made across from Vicksburg, shows the flood waters rushing over the Dixie highway.

Apple Blossom Parade Prize Float



This float won first prize in the Apple Blossom parade at Winchester, Va. Beauties of the Shenandoah valley were garbed in old-fashioned dresses in the apple blossom colors, pink, white and green.

Unreliable

A "quarter horse" is a term applied to an individual who can make spectacular records but cannot be relied upon for a good, steady pace in his undertakings. The term was originally used on the race course, meaning a horse in a race which was capable of terrific speed for a short distance, such as one-quarter of a mile, and which ended the other three-quarters of the mile at greatly reduced speed.

Hugo's Notion of Genius

What! No critics? No. No censure? No. You explain everything? Yes. Genius is an entity like nature, and, like it, must be accepted purely and simply. A mountain is a thing to take or leave. . . . In genius everything has its reason for existing. It is because it is. Its shadow is the reverse of its clarity, existing. It is because it is. Its precipice is the condition of its height.—Victor Hugo.

Great Financial Concern

One of America's large life insurance companies has assets greater than those of the Bank of England.

Cypress 3,000 Years Old

Some of the cypress used by the Egyptians to make mummy cases is three thousand years old and is still in a good state of preservation.