

CONGRESS GIVES \$350,000 FOR RELIEF FOR RECORD FLOOD OF MISSISSIPPI

RECORD FLOOD BREAKS LEVEES MANY PLACES

By Unanimous Vote Congress Appropriates Relief Fund Following Special Message From President—Water Highest Ever Known.

Hundreds of Thousands of Acres Inundated—Ice Gorges Dynamited But Many Towns Threatened.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 2.—By a unanimous vote the house today passed the bill introduced by Congressman Randle of Louisiana, a member of the rivers and harbors committee, providing for an appropriation of \$350,000 with which to strengthen the levees along the Mississippi river. It is expected that the senate will pass the bill this afternoon when President Taft will sign it.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 2.—In a special message to congress today President Taft asked for an appropriation of \$500,000 to fight the flood raging along the Mississippi river, the fund to be placed at the disposal of army engineers to prevent the bursting of levees.

CAIRO, Ill., April 2.—With the Mississippi river at 53 1/2 feet today, the water is now three inches above all previous records. All trains have been annulled on account of the floods.

Nearly every able bodied man in Cairo worked all night to prevent a collapse of the levees.

HAMMOND, Ind., April 2.—With hundreds of thousands of acres inundated today hundreds of citizens are floodbound, floods caused by the bursting of the Kankakee river through the Chenobier dike forming a new river bed through a portion of Hammond. The damage exceeds a million dollars.

The ice gorges of the Calumet river have been dynamited but the relieving of the jams failed to check the rising waters which are threatening Hammond and Gary.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., April 2.—The new town of New Madrid, Mo., is reported to have been destroyed in a flood and many persons killed. Confirmation is impossible, as communication has not been yet restored. The governor has been requested to order the state militia to protect the town. The inhabitants there are unable to cope with the situation.

HICKMAN, Ky., April 2.—Two thousand persons are homeless here (Continued on Page 6.)

SEIDEL FIGHTS FOR REELECTION



EMIL SEIDEL

LA FOLLETTE IN WISCONSIN LEADS; MILWAUKEE CLOSE

MILWAUKEE, Wis., April 2.—With clear weather prevailing today, indications were that the vote in the municipal election here would be heavy. The republicans, democrats and other parties, who have merged behind Dr. G. A. Bading in the mayoralty fight in an attempt to defeat Mayor Emil Seidel and his socialist administration, claimed victory by at least 5000 votes. They pointed to the fact that Bading received 14,246 votes at the city primary against Seidel's 17,900.

Presidential primaries are also being held throughout Wisconsin today with Senator La Follette regarded as an easy winner for the republican endorsement. The opponents of the socialists issued an edition of a newspaper here today on the front page of which is an American flag and a red flag on another side. The paper asks the voters: "Which?"

At noon it was estimated that half the entire vote had been cast. Supporters of the candidacy of Woodrow Wilson for the democratic presidential nomination claim that he is leading Champ Clark in the state primary. Republican reports show that La Follette is leading. A heavy republican vote is reported from all parts of the state.

COUPLE FLY ACROSS ENGLISH CHANNEL

BOLOGNE, France, April 2.—Aviator Helen and his passenger, Miss Davis, arrived here today after having crossed the English channel on their flight from London to Paris. They descended at Ambletoups for luncheon. Miss Davis is the first woman to cross the channel in an aeroplane.

OUTLOOK MEXICO MORE FAVORABLE

Madero Hopes to Raise Army of 60,000 to Crush Rebellion—Arozo Temporarily Abandons Attack Upon Capital—Is Harassed by Federal Activities.

WASHINGTON, April 2.—That the outlook in Mexico is becoming more favorable is declared by officials of the state department here today. This is due, it is said, to the announcement that President Madero hopes to raise an army of 60,000 men with which to crush the rebellion headed by General Orozco.

EL PASO, Texas, April 2.—Harassed by the federal activities around Escalon and Jimenez, General Pascual Orozco, commander-in-chief of the Mexican rebel forces, has temporarily abandoned his plan to attack Torreon and Mexico City, according to reports received here today.

The Mexican federals are reported to have turned the tables on the revolutionary army and General Orozco is reported today as retreating from

the combined forces of Generals Ahuerri and Sajines, whose combined armies total 2,100 fighting men. Other federal troops are hurrying on to Torreon, and when the entire government forces are mobilized at Torreon the federals will engage the rebel army in a great battle, the outcome of which will figure largely in the fate of Mexico.

EL PASO, Texas, April 2.—With his soldiers posted in the hills near the city General Campa today is battling with the federal forces under Generals Villa and Sota for possession of Parral. Campa is reported to have twice as strong a fighting force as the federal commanders, and although the government troops are now in possession, it is believed the rebels will be victorious.

ENTRIES CLOSE WEDNESDAY FOR NOMINATIONS

Each and Every Office in the County Has Proven a Lure to Candidates—County Treasurer Alone Has Matters His Own Way.

Twenty-eight Candidates Have Filed Petitions—Ten or Twelve More Will Soon Do So.

Wednesday afternoon at 5 o'clock entries will close for the great Jackson county free-for-all and the race for republican and democratic nominations will be on in earnest. All of the mounts are well groomed and while pawing and prancing around, it is believed that all will settle down to work when once the gong sends them away.

Each office has proven a lure to a large number of men scattered over the county and there has been no dearth of candidates, and would-be candidates. Only one office—county treasurer—is uncontested, the present incumbent having matters all his own way.

Developments in political circles have slowed down during the past 48 hours as the remainder of the time before filing is too short for the announcement of new candidates, and the circulating of their petitions.

Twenty-eight candidates to date have filed their declarations and petitions with the county clerk, thus assuring the appearance of the names on the ballots for the primary election on April 19. Candidates have until Wednesday, April 3, at 5 o'clock, to file their petitions. Those who had filed their petitions before the county clerk's office closed Monday night are:

- Emmett Beeson, rep., sheriff. T. W. Osgood, rep., surveyor. W. T. Grieve, rep., assessor. Frank Griez, rep., surveyor. H. A. Canaday, rep., justice of the peace, Medford. George W. Dunn, rep., county judge.

- Wilbur Jones, dem., sheriff. J. R. Neil, dem., county judge. Robert Taylor, dem., recorder. W. H. Miller, dem., county clerk. Jas. Cronemiller, rep., treasurer. L. L. Irwin, rep., constable, Ashland.

- J. H. Bellinger, rep., constable, Medford. J. P. Cox, rep., justice of the peace, Jacksonville. W. Watkins, rep., justice of the peace, Eagle Point. H. C. Stoeckman, rep., surveyor. John H. Carlin, rep., representative.

- George Lyman, rep., commissioner. G. C. Leever, rep., commissioner. G. Bernard, rep., assessor. Fred L. Colvig, rep., recorder. A. E. Kellogg, rep., coroner. A. D. Slagler, rep., sheriff. C. Florey, rep., recorder. J. P. Wells, rep., superintendent of schools.

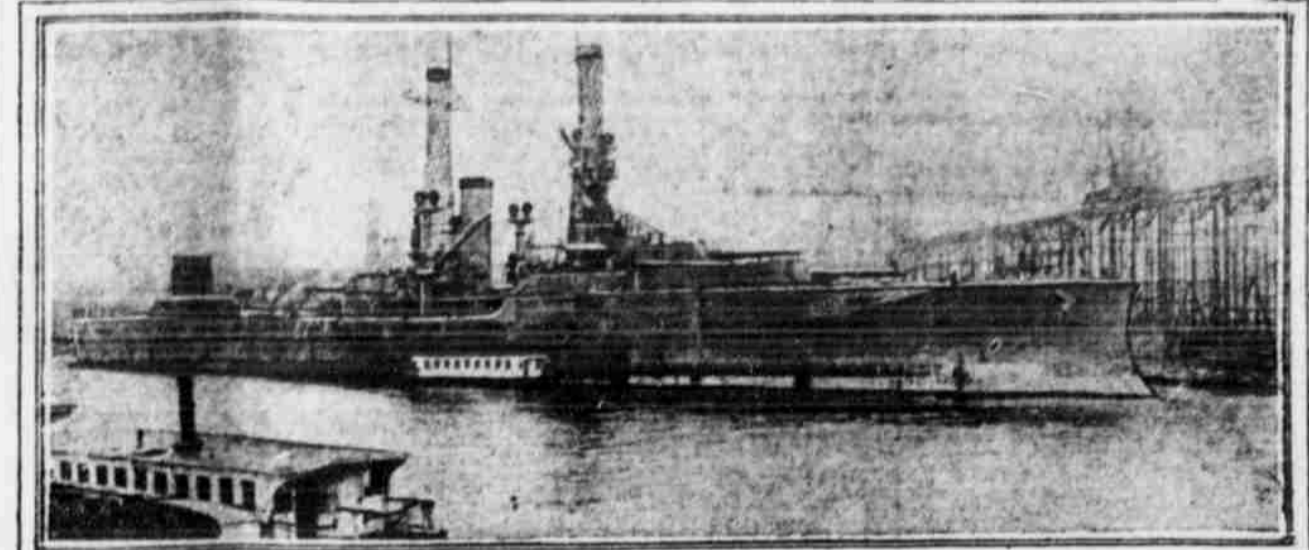
- N. L. Narregan, rep., county clerk. F. L. Tou Yelle, dem., county judge.

In addition to these eight or ten more are expected to file their petitions soon, having filed their declarations. Among these are:

- F. E. Merrick, rep., county judge. W. E. Quisenberry, rep., county clerk. J. C. Smith, rep., commissioner. W. Daley, rep., commissioner. G. A. Gardner, rep., county clerk. M. McCown, rep., surveyor. R. P. Cowgill, rep., surveyor. J. E. Barkdull, dem., representative.

- J. A. Westerland, rep., representative. The following have filed with the secretary of state: E. E. Kelly, dem., district attorney. H. K. Hanna, rep., district attorney. J. H. Johnson, rep., district attorney.

NEW BATTLE SHIP FLORIDA SETS A WORLD'S RECORD FOR SPEED.



THE U.S.S. BATTLESHIP FLORIDA—The new United States battle ship Florida set a new world record for speed by dreadnoughts on her trial run, making 25.4 knots, which is .04 of a knot better than that of any other dreadnought in the world. A head-on sea and wigh wind acted as a handicap against the new war ship showing her top speed.

BRITISH MINERS REJECT WAGE BILL CONTINUE STRIKE

LONDON, April 2.—Continued suffering for hundreds of thousands of persons throughout England, Scotland and Wales promises to be indefinitely prolonged today by the continuation of the strike in the coal mines. Early predictions that the miners would accept the minimum wage bill of the government were shattered today by announcement that the close of the balloting would show that the men had voted not to return to work.

Reports issued from the Miners' federation headquarters at noon indicated that the miners were opposed to resuming operations under the terms suggested by J. Macdonald, leader of the conservative laborites. The vote up to that hour stood 106,252 against resuming work to 101,474 for resumption. The balloting ends tonight.

Officials of the government view the situation with alarm and are preparing to rush soldiers to the mines to guard strikebreakers from violence.

MEXICAN REBELS ATTACKING PUEBLO

MEXICO CITY, April 2.—Railroad communication is severed today between Mexico City and Cuernavaca as a result of the attack on the town of Pueblo. The government announced that it is unsafe to run trains through the disturbed territory.

The garrison has increased to 1500 men and President Madero announced today his belief that it will be ample to protect all foreign residents of the capital in case of rising. By actual count only seven congressmen applauded yesterday President Madero's appeal for all good Mexicans to rally to the aid of the government.

TWO TERMS ENOUGH FOR GOVERNOR VESSEY

LOS ANGELES, April 2.—Governor Robert Vessey of South Dakota will not accept a third term according to his statement today. Vessey declares that he has twice been honored, and that he will seek no further preferment in the gubernatorial line.

GOETHAL IS CALLED PARVENUE; TOLD WHAT KAISER SAID

BERLIN, April 2.—Aroused over reports from New York that Colonel Goethals, chief engineer of the Panama canal, reiterated his statement that Emperor William had told him the canal should be strongly fortified, German newspapers today are loud in their denunciation of "American parvenues." The general tone of editorial comment is well represented in the following from the Cologne Gazette:

"We hope these repeated disagreeable incidents with Americans, having no tradition, for whom entre at court is sought, will have the desired effect of preventing such creatures in future from advertising themselves by indiscretions and other legendary assertions."

Americans in Berlin point out in reply that Colonel Goethals not only did not seek an audience with the kaiser but delayed his departure from Berlin several days to accept the emperor's invitation to visit him.

BEGIN SUITS FOR CIVIC CENTER SITE

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., April 2.—Condemnation suits against 125 persons owning property in the heart of the city have been begun today by the city attorney, in the city's quest for the proposed civic center site, on which to erect a new city hall and other municipal buildings, in accordance with the vote of the people in favor of an \$8,800,000 bond issue for the purpose. The suits were filed through Mayor Rolph, the board of supervisors and City Attorney Long. The civic center site comprises property within the district bounded by Market and Hayes streets and Van Ness and Golden Gate avenues.

RAIN AIDS FUGITIVES ESCAPE FROM POSSE

MOUNT AIRY, N. C., April 2.—Although rain last night ruined the scent of their bloodhounds and delayed the expected capture of Sidna Allen and Wesley Edwards, the posses who are pursuing the last of the Hillsville outlaw gang are closing in gradually today, and hope soon to capture their men. A battle is expected when the fugitives are sighted.

MOVEMENT TO BUILD ROAD IS LAUNCHED

Over 300 Business Men Meet at Opera House and Endorse Movement to Build Railroad to the Blue Ledge Mine.

Committees Are Appointed to Take the Work in Hand and Confer With Towne.

In a letter received by Dr. J. F. Reddy this morning from Robert S. Towne, owner of the Blue Ledge mine, Mr. Towne says: "More than likely with a thoroughly legitimate capitalization plan for building that road, we might be interested in subscribing or taking bonds at the proper time * * * If yourself and others at Medford went ahead and built that road there is substantially no doubt we would undertake the operation of the mine promptly."

Citizens of Medford, in mass meeting assembled again on Monday evening at the opera house, demonstrated that they have lost none of that spirit which has spread the city's fame over the entire country. With enthusiasm, earnestness and wholeheartedly, they endorsed a project of building a railroad to the Blue Ledge mine, pledged themselves to subscribe the \$75,000 necessary to start construction, and appointed committees to take the matter in hand.

The mass meeting was called following a correspondence between Robert S. Towne, of New York, owner of the Blue Ledge copper properties, and Dr. J. F. Reddy of this city, in which Mr. Towne stated that if such a road was constructed that he would at once develop and operate the mine guaranteeing a minimum output of 2000 tons of concentrates per month. The necessity of a payroll in this section led many business men to suggest a movement to have a road built to the mine, and as a result last night's meeting was called. Business men of the city responded well to the call, over 300 of them being present, all enthusiastic in regard to the movement. It was not a question of wanting the road but how to get it. (Continued on Page 6.)

COLONEL ROOSEVELT ON POLITICAL TOUR

OYSTER BAY, N. Y., April 2.—Bound for a three days' speaking tour of Ohio, Kentucky, Maryland and West Virginia, in the interest of his candidacy for the republican presidential nomination, Theodore Roosevelt leaves here at 5:08 this afternoon. The colonel spent today at Sagamore Hill.

TAXPAYERS SEEK VOICE IN AFFAIRS

Hundred and Fifty of Largest Property Owners in Valley Sign Agreement to Form Association to Secure Equitable Assessment in Future.

A mass meeting of all taxpayers of Jackson county is called to meet at the Medford opera house next Monday, April 8, at 8 p. m., to formulate an association which shall be known as the Taxpayers Protective association. The object of the association is to work for the best interests of Jackson county and its taxpayers as a whole. All are urged to be present.

"It is not our desire to retard the progress and upbuilding of our county, but it is our intention to have something to say as to how the money that is procured by taxation shall be spent," states F. V. Medynski, who is taking a leading part in the creation of the association. "We desire the money spent where it will do the greatest good for the greatest number with favors to none and by all means justice to all. We propose to organize ourselves so that we can demand (and enforce if necessary) this policy. "We intend to impress on the minds of all public officers that they

are the servants of the people and are paid by the people, and must work for the interest of all and not a few.

"We think there is room for great reform in the mode of assessing; there should be more deputy assessors, and chosen from the districts in which they work, and chosen especially as to their qualification of business judgment, so as to better know the real and not fictitious values of all properties. A just and equitable tax wrongs no one. "And we as a body will uphold the welfare and best interests of the county and stand for all progress that benefits the masses. "We invite every taxpayer in the county, large and small, to attend this meeting and help formulate this association. We are all interested in this matter, so come out and express your views. Street corner discussions are of no value. United action is the only practical plan to arrive at a more uniform assessment and the correction of past mistakes."

EVERY BODY'S DOIN' IT!

Doing what? Registering so as to vote at the primaries April 19. Any justice of the peace, any notary public or any deputy county clerk can register you.

You can register in Medford at Postal Telegraph office, or at Mail Tribune office.

Do It at Once—It's Important.