

MISSISSIPPI LEVEES ALONG ARKANSAS BANKS BREAK ENDANGERING MANY

100 PERSONS MAROONED BY FLOOD 2 DAYS

Party on Platform of Old Cotton Gin at Edmonton—With Roar Heard for Miles Levee at Wilson, Ark., Breaks—New Portions Flooded.

Osceola, With Population of 5000 Endangered by Flood Waters—Inhabitants Leaving City.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., April 9.—With a roar heard for miles, the levee at Wilson, Ark., broke this afternoon, according to reports received here today.

Reports late this afternoon tell of flood conditions in a new section of the St. Francis basin, including part of Mississippi, a district heretofore unaffected.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., April 9.—With the protecting levee weakening Osceola, with a population of 5,000 is endangered by the flood waters from the Mississippi river, according to a report received here today.

The weather bureau this afternoon announced that Mississippi and Louisiana probably would escape serious damage.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., April 9.—One hundred persons marooned for two days on the platform of an old cotton gin at Edmonton, in Crittenden county, are in imminent danger of being swept away by flood waters, according to a report received here this afternoon from Chairman Whipple of the Memphis rescue committee.

Part of the platform already has been swept away, and Chairman Whipple reports that the victims will be carried to death unless rescued soon. Whipple's message was sent from Round Point.

CUSHMAN NEW FEDERAL JUDGE

WASHINGTON, April 9.—President Taft today sent to the senate the nomination of Edward E. Cushman to be United States federal judge for the western district of Washington.

SEATTLE, Wn., April 9.—Edward E. Cushman, who was today nominated by President Taft to be federal judge to succeed Judge Donworth in western Washington is at present district judge in Alaska. He secured the latter appointment several years ago through the influence of his brother, the late Congressman Francis E. Cushman of Tacoma.

ROOSEVELT SPEAKS TO PITTSBURG CROWDS

PITTSBURG, Pa., April 9.—Colonel Theodore Roosevelt today occupies the spotlight in Pennsylvania's political situation. The former president arrived here today early and spent most of the day resting at a hotel.

240,000 TONS COPPER ORE AT BLUE LEDGE

Mining Engineer Reports to Citizens Committee Upon Examination of Big Mine—Ore is Nearly Balanced Smelting Flux.

One Handling of Ore Sufficient to Deliver It at Any Desired Place by Its Own Gravity.

E. W. Liljegrain, a mining engineer of note, former superintendent of the famous Le Roi mine, now in charge of the Southern Oregon Mining Bureau, at the request of the Citizens committee, made an examination of the Blue Ledge mine Monday and was most favorably impressed with what he found.

The following is an approximate estimate of tonnage at present available for stopping in the Blue Ledge mine, as determined by personal inspection by Superintendent Carnahan, in charge:

Ore blocked out, ready to stop, 1,000 feet long by 300 feet deep by 8 feet wide, which equals 2,400,000 cubic feet, at 10 cubic feet of ore in place to the ton, gives 240,000 tons, all in basic schist or lime schist. Vein filling consists of lime, largely replaced by iron copper sulphides, with an associated quartz gangue. This makes a nearly balanced smelting flux.

As to concentration, the rock requiring concentration is largely crystallized lime, affording easy eluviation and separation of metallic sulphides, thus avoiding excessive smelting. It is claimed that there are several other ore bodies partially exposed in the camp which indicate equal magnitude of ore as the Blue Ledge.

One handling of ore should be sufficient to deliver it at any desired place by its own gravity, as the surface outcrop is about fifty degrees from horizontal from the bottom of the canyon up over two thousand feet.

The region does not show heavy wind or snow slides. However, reasonable care should be observed in cutting off the timber to pile the brush and burn it in open places, so as to save the stumps so that they may hold the snow until the new growth can sustain it.

Respectfully submitted, E. W. LILJEGRAIN.

GIANT WEIGHING 870 GAINS UNTIL DEATH

BOSTON, April 9.—Abraham S. deKson, 26 years of age, died here today, having attained the remarkable weight of 870 pounds. Physicians declared that Sodekson gained twenty pounds a day during the last week of his life. He died of fatty degeneration of the heart.

TAFT FAILS TO GET NEW YORK TIED-UP TO HIM

Republican Machine Leaders in State Convention Side-stepped Question of Instructions for President—Barnes Declares Against.

Standpat Leaders Say Platform Can Ignore Initiative and Referendum But Must Denounce Judicial Recall

ROCHESTER, N. Y., April 9.—Republican machine leaders, in opening the state convention here today, side-stepped the question of instructing the state's delegates at large for President Taft. The session was devoted to organization and the drafting of a platform.

A heavy snowstorm prevailed today, but this failed to keep the delegates away from the convention.

William H. Barnes, junior, leader of the republican machine forces in the state, fought the efforts of Vice President Sherman and Senator Root to have the delegation instructed for Taft. He declared such instructions were unnecessary. The standpat leaders said the platform could ignore the initiative and referendum measures, "although the recall of judges demanded specific denunciation."

After the address of Nicholas Murray Butler, the temporary and permanent chairman of the convention, the session adjourned until 11 a. m. tomorrow, when speeches discussing the platform to be adopted will be made and various resolutions acted upon.

WICKERSHAM RETIRES AT END OF TERM

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 9.—Discussing reports that he is to quit President Taft's cabinet soon, Attorney General Wickersham said today: "It is merely another annual retirement rumor. Of course, I will resign March 4, next, as is customary for all cabinet members to resign when an administration ends."

It is understood, however, that Wickersham has informed the president that he intends to retire to private practice next March no matter how the election results.



A vote for Dunn is a vote to keep Jackson county sick.

BOB LA FOLLETTE'S MANAGER CERTAIN OF WINNING OUT

"The prospects in California for Mr. La Follette could not be better. He will carry the state easily. Governor Johnson's switch from La Follette to Roosevelt will be repudiated by a people who love fair play."

Such was Walter Houser's summary of the political situation in the Bear state, expressed while in Medford Tuesday morning. Mr. Houser is La Follette's national campaign manager and will return this afternoon from Gold Hill to address local voters at the city park, leaving for Grants Pass on Thursday 16. Mr. Houser is also making arrangements for Mr. La Follette's speech here on April 18.

"I believe that the love of fair play on the part of the American people will lead to Mr. La Follette's nomination," continued Mr. Houser. "The fact that many of the leaders who had pledged him support deserted him for Roosevelt has caused the mass of voters to be with him. We are confident of going to the convention in second place and the sentiment of the voters expressed at the primaries assure us the ultimate victory."

LA FOLLETTE SETS NEBRASKA AFLAME WITH ENTHUSIASM

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., April 9.—Holds of the La Follette campaign in California today received the following from John R. Hannan, secretary for Senator La Follette:

"La Follette is setting the Nebraska prairies afire. Politicians here anticipate a victory for him at the primaries. Even Taft's manager concedes he is stacking a large amount of hay."

HOLDREDGE, Neb., April 9.—Schools were dismissed and business houses closed in Nebraska cities today to permit children and business men to hear Senator Robert M. La Follette of Wisconsin, who was scheduled to make nearly a dozen speeches before his usual night meeting.

La Follette arrived here late last night after a trip through a section of the state that has been admittedly a Roosevelt hotbed.

HEAVY VOTE IS BEING POLLED IN ILLINOIS PRIMARY

CHICAGO, April 9.—With ideal weather conditions prevailing early conditions pointed to the heaviest vote in the history of Illinois being polled at the presidential preference primary election. Political sharps here declare that the vote up to noon had been heavier than the entire vote in 1908, and they predicted that between three and four hundred thousand votes would be cast in Cook county alone.

Adherents of Governor Deneen claimed that he will be re-nominated by a plurality exceeding 30,000. The Roosevelt adherents are claiming their man will carry every district in the state, while the Taft following is just as confident of success. Senator La Follette's manager predicted that the Wisconsin man will carry as many of the districts as either Roosevelt or Taft.

Three unidentified men early today probably fatally stabbed Thomas O'Brien, a west side political worker. His assailants escaped.

BRING BEEF BARONS TO JURY FOR TRIAL

TRENTON, N. J., April 9.—With the request by Prosecutor Garvan of Jersey City that Governor Wilson sign the necessary requisition papers, the first step toward prosecution in New Jersey of the Chicago beef barons, recently acquitted in Chicago on a similar charge, for violation of the anti-trust laws, was taken today.

SASKATCHEWAN FLOODS SUBMERGE SASKATOON

SASKATOON, Sask., April 9.—Following a rise of the Saskatchewan river of 18 feet in a few hours, most of the town resembles a lake today, and the water still threatens great destruction of property. The city water plant has been submerged, and railway bridges, wharves and houses have been swept away.

FAMINE NOW MENACES FLOODED TOWNS IN THE WEST



LIVE STOCK TAKING REFUGE FROM THE FLOOD ON THE VERANDA OF A HOUSE

AMERICANS HIKE OUT OF MEXICO

MONTREY, Mexico, April 9.—With thousands of American citizens chartering special trains in preparation for flight from Mexico the American colonies throughout the republic are in a high state of excitement today as a result of the decision of the American conductors and engineers of the National Railways of Mexico to strike April 15.

This action may also affect the railroads in Texas.

HUSBAND SHOT FIVE TIMES BY SUFFRAGETTE

CHICAGO, April 9.—Because he sneeringly refused to vote for "votes for women," Charles Ritchie, a photographer, was shot five times through the arms and legs by his irate wife here today. The wounds are not fatal.

SOCIALISTS IN FULL CONTROL LABOR COUNCIL

Men Who Originated Defaming Circular and Attempted to Defend It at Open Session Are Avowed Socialists.

Union Labor Men Brand Circular a Disgrace But Are Unable to Vote It Down.

That socialist members of the Central Labor Council absolutely control that body and that this element in the ranks of organized labor in this city is responsible for the recent circular defaming this city and valley, despite the protests of the strictly union members, was clearly brought out at an open meeting of the labor council held Monday night to discuss the circular with business men and others. All of the men who spoke against a retraction of the circular were avowed socialists—two of them being active in the work of organizing a local branch of the I. W. W. in this city. Two union men who declared that the matter was illegal, as it had not gone to a referendum vote of the locals and that the issuance of such a circular was a disgrace to organized labor, were unable to do but little, owing to the overwhelming socialist sentiment at the meeting. Following the open meeting the labor council went into executive session and voted not to retract any of the defaming statements.

By Way of Retaliation. Following the session many of the delegates declared that the issuance of the circular was in direct retaliation for the failure of the city to pass the eight hour law which, by the way, was originated within the socialist ranks and submitted to the Central Labor Council for endorsement.

During the open meeting the circular was discussed in detail. Fred N. Cummings, manager of the Roguelands, Inc., which is directly hit by the lies in the circular, was present on invitation and showed clearly where the circular hit at his company and the damage it was doing. He answered many questions clearly and concisely and showed where a man of moderate means could go into a tract of his land and make a good living.

C. W. Harrington, secretary of the Central Labor Council, attempted to defend the circular and charged that many of the union men who were now declaring they had nothing to do with the matter had favored the circular, but that when they saw the indignation in the city they developed

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BLUE LEDGE WELL DEVELOPED MINE

Fully fifty citizens of Medford, in autos, made the trip to the Blue Ledge mine Monday and were more than satisfied with the showing found. The visitors were met by Superintendent Carnahan, Coolgardie Jones, Sam Rogers and other local miners and shown through the maze of tunnels and shafts that constitute the mine.

There are fully 30 buildings clustered on a flat about Joe creek compressor plant, assay office and other structures necessary for the development work. The mine entrances are on the mountainside from 500 to 800 feet above. Half a mile further down is the Eileen tavern and townsite, and some five miles down the creek and some 2,000 feet lower in elevation is Joe Bar, the proposed site of the concentrating plant. A gravity train would take the ore from the mine to this point.

The tunnels are on various levels 300 feet apart, connected by shafts, and extend for 11,500 feet, all in ledge matter. In addition, 15,000 feet of diamond drill work has been done, demonstrating the existence of an immense body of ore. Where work was stopped, the diamond drill

was still in rich ledge matter, some 1200 feet in on the upper level. Over a quarter million tons of ore has been blocked out, ready for shipment.

In the mine are a number of natural caves, the existence of which was disclosed by branch tunnels or the drill. These were rich deposits of ore, which have been bleached out by the water.

The road is in fine condition except the last five miles, which is in better shape than expected. Among those making the trip were: Menars, Canon, Councilmen Ireland, Mitchell, Arnsperger, Father O'Farrell, Dr. Conroy, Sheridan, Bell, Root, Andrews, Brown, Ulrich, Ash, Harmon, Orton, O. Murphy, J. Murphy, Callaghan, Liljegrain, Lindley, King, Gorst, B. M. Collins, Todd Cameron, McCallum, Kane, Luy, Taylor, Riley, Leonard, Gonner, Warnsloff, Selby, Hall, Putnam, Gore, Patterson, Paul Reddy, Dr. Reddy, Shafer, Tou Veite, O'Gara; Mesdames Carnahan and Eynart.

Lunch, which was taken up Sunday by Walter McCallum, was served at Eileen by Sam Rogers and Henry Callaghan.