

## TITANIC, WITH 1300 ABOARD, RAMS ICEBERG

### LARGEST SHIP AFLOAT NEARLY LOST WITH CREW

Following Her Calls for Aid Other Steamers Rush to Rescue and Take Off Passengers—Only Her Great Size Saved Her.

Prow is Shattered by Compact—Accident Occurred 900 Miles From New York.

HALIFAX, N. S., April 15.—Wireless dispatches received here this afternoon from the government steamer Minto say the Titanic is sinking and that it will probably be necessary to beach her to save her.

HALIFAX, N. S., April 13.—With its 1300 passengers safely transferred to another vessel the White Star steamer Titanic, the largest vessel afloat this afternoon is slowly approaching this port, following a disastrous collision last night with a monster iceberg about 900 miles east of New York.

Earlier in the day all passengers were taken aboard the White Star liner Olympic, but shortly before noon they were transferred to the steamer Baltic and the latter vessel is now steaming for New York, where it is due Thursday morning.

The fact that the Titanic is the world's biggest vessel is probably the only thing that prevented great loss of life. It is not believed that any craft afloat could have withstood the shock. Reports received here concerning the collision are meagre. It is not known just how the accident occurred or whether the collision was followed by a panic.

First news of the collision was received at Cape Race at 10:25 o'clock last night when the Titanic's wireless operator called "C. Q. D." The Allan liner Virginian picked up the call and is believed to have been the first vessel to reach the disabled steamer's side.

The Titanic's prow was shattered by the impact but the water-tight compartments automatically closed, and with the pumps working well the crew managed to keep the vessel afloat. With the arrival of other ocean liners, the work of transferring the passengers started and when this was finished the Titanic was towed by the Virginian for this port.

NEW YORK, April 15.—Captain Paddock of the liner Olympic sent a wireless message here today that twenty boatloads of the Titanic's passengers were taken aboard the liner Parisian of the Allen line, while others were taken aboard the Carpathia of the Cunard line.

The Parisian and the Carpathia were standing by and the Baltic was approaching. The White Star offices received this information direct.

### MEXICO IS WARNED TO PROTECT AMERICANS

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 15.—Aroused by the murder of Thomas Pountain, an American gunner, enlisted with the federals, who was executed last week when taken prisoner by the revolutionists, the United States government today warned Mexico that it must protect all American citizens within its border.

### CENTRAL FRUIT SELLING AGENCY NOW ASSURED

Following Negotiations Which Extended Over a Year the Producing Sections Are Consolidated With the Northwestern Fruit Exchange.

Alternate Plan Suggested by Kirby S. Miller of This City is Adopted at Meeting Held at Portland.

Following negotiations that have been in progress for more than a year between the various fruitgrowing interests of the northwest, and for more than three weeks between the growers and the officers of the Northwestern Fruit Exchange at Portland, a consolidation was effected Saturday which assures a mutual fruit selling agency and the future systematic and successful sale of the enormous fruit crops of the northwest.

It is expected more than 50 per cent of the fruitgrowers of Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana, representing an investment of more than \$250,000,000, at once will become affiliated with the organization, which has for its purpose the creation of a wider market for the fruit products of the northwest and the distribution of the fruit through those markets in such a manner that while the price to the consumer may be decreased, the return to the grower will be increased.

### Two Organizations Unite.

In the evolution of the movement, a committee of eleven growers, representing almost every district in the northwest, was appointed at a conference held at Walla Walla early in 1911 to perfect a plan of organizing a mutual or co-operative marketing system. Representatives of this committee have been in conference with the directors of the exchange for several days, with the result that Saturday a plan was perfected for uniting the two organizations—the growers and the exchange.

The exchange amended its bylaws to provide for mutualization, elected growers' representatives to its board of directors and created an advisory council, the members of which will be elected by the various local fruitgrowers' unions of the Pacific northwest. Provision was made for establishing an office at Spokane.

The growers' committee was represented in the conference by its chairman, H. W. Otis, of Peshastin, Wash.; its secretary, L. E. Meacham, of Walla Walla, Wash., and A. P. Bateman, of Mosier, president of the Oregon State Horticultural society. Otis and Bateman were elected directors and vice-presidents of the exchange.

### Movement Started in 1910.

The inception of the movement for a co-operative fruit-selling agency was with H. C. Atwell, of Forest Grove, when president of the Oregon State Horticultural society. Mr. Atwell broached the subject at the annual meeting of the Washington State Horticultural association in Prosser in December, 1910.

The Washington association at that time appointed a committee to co-operate with the Oregon organization and the Portland Commercial club in calling a congress of Pacific northwest fruitgrowers. This congress was held in January, 1911, in Portland and was attended by more than 1000.

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### Dunn vs. the "Medford Gang"



Stupendous, startling, strenuous struggle between the champion of stagnation and the man of straw.

### LA FOLLETTE IS GIVEN WELCOME IN WILLAMETTE

Declares Taft Was Born in Luxury and Carried to High Office on Beds of Ease—Says Teddy is Man of Words, Not Deeds.

Declares People Have Lost More Ground During Present Administration Than in Any Previous One.

EUGENE, Or., April 15.—Holding President Taft up to ridicule as a man borne to high office on beds of ease and Colonel Roosevelt as a man of many words, but few deeds, Senator Robert M. La Follette carried this city by storm today before a large audience in the theater, composed of Oregon University students and people from miles around.

"Within the last dozen years a mighty power has been built up, which names our senators, presidents, and congressmen," said La Follette. "You have lost your government. The question is can 90,000,000 people regain the right to govern themselves. During no other administration have the people lost ground so rapidly as in the present one."

### Taft Child of Ease.

"William Howard Taft was born in luxury. He never had to work a day in his life. He was not forced to work his way through college as many of you are doing here. It has seemed his lot in life to have everything brought to him on a cushion, including the presidency of this republic."

"He sat back and let others do the work and the mighty money power built up for him a structure of corporation lawyers for a cabinet. One day's work of investigation would have shown him which way the tide was setting but he did not want to do that day's work, so we have gone deeper in trouble than before."

### Worked for Taft.

"I had against Taft, nothing. When he was nominated I wired him that I would support him as I believed him more progressive than the convention which nominated him. I worked for him until I could go no further without finding myself in the camp of the enemy. I am willing to die outside the breastworks but not to go over and quit."

"Colonel Theodore Roosevelt preached vigorously against the tenth evil, but was short on deeds. The doing calls for another man. Let us look the issue square in the face. It is not the time to vote for a halo of six or seven years ago."

"When Colonel Roosevelt came into power he had 149 trusts on his hands and when he turned the high office over to the man he had picked—for President Taft was his choice, not the people's—there were 1020 of these trusts capitalized at \$31,000,000,000, seventy per cent of which is water."

### Few Control All.

"Today you can't buy what you need or sell what you produce in the markets of the nation, except at the dictation of a little coterie of men. That means the end of your freedom for you cannot have political liberty and industrial servitude at the same time."

"Shall 90,000,000 people crouch to Morgan and the Standard Oil?"

"We are not of the race of men who fought at Lexington and Little Round Top, but we are a race of degenerates, if we do."

The supporters of Senator La Follette today claimed that the Taft forces in this state are beginning to stampede to La Follette.

### SCHOOL TEACHERS FOR NEXT YEAR

The school board has elected the following teachers to positions for the coming school year:

Ward Principals—Washington school, P. H. Dailey; Lincoln school, Mary Peter, Maude Philbrook, Julia Fielder, Emily DeVore, Lora Coneh, Laurana L. Bare, Anna K. Purucker, Mabel I. Myers, Mary Moore, Bernice Carder, Mae Mordorff, Fern Stine, Anna Hanson, Myrtle Clayville.

Grade Teachers—(To be assigned, by the superintendent, to positions in the different ward schools.) Inez Coffin, Marian I. White, Mary Grigsby, Irene Lansing, Anna Lansing, Agnes Murphy, Carrie A. Jaeks, Mildred Ware, Kathryn Dunham, Grace V. Pearce, Viola M. Pfeister, Edith M. Fish, Kate Stine, Sara Van Meter, Mary Peter, Maude Philbrook, Julia Fielder, Emily DeVore, Lora Coneh, Laurana L. Bare, Anna K. Purucker, Mabel I. Myers, Mary Moore, Bernice Carder, Mae Mordorff, Fern Stine, Anna Hanson, Myrtle Clayville.

High School Teachers—C. R. Bowman, principal; J. B. Griffing, horticulture, agriculture and science; Mary Belle Estes, mathematics; Helen Santee, latin; Florence Carpenter, German and history; Eunice C. Munson, English and science; Florence Marshall, English.

Special Teachers—Harriet M. Cox, commercial; Jennie Mae Sneider, superintendent drawing and art; Martha Mears, industrial art; Bertha M. Welch, domestic science; C. W. Frost, manual training.

H. S. Stine, present principal of the Washington school declined re-election. Mr. Stine has purchased an insurance agency, to which, in the future, he will devote his entire time and attention.

Miss Jessie Wilson and Miss Florence Herriek declined re-election, the one to enter the University of California, the other the Leland Stanford university the coming year.

Mrs. Langtry has arranged to make a twenty-week vaudeville tour of the United States next season.

### ROOSEVELT CAPTURES 67 DELEGATES TO TAFT'S NINE IN PENNSYLVANIA

PITTSBURG, Pa., April 15.—Latest incomplete returns from Saturday's primary election make it certain that Colonel Roosevelt has captured 67 delegates, including the 12 to be sent to the state convention which is to meet May 1. President Taft elected but nine delegates, two from Lancaster and the remaining seven from Philadelphia.

The Roosevelt victory was a hard blow to the state republican machine

forces, led by United States Senator Penrose. This is the first time in the history of the present generation that the machine forces will not be in absolute control of the state convention.

Woodrow Wilson overwhelmingly carried the state against Champ Clark and secured a solid delegation.

Returns received up to noon today indicated that M. Clyde Kelly has defeated Congressman John Dalzell for the nomination for congress from the 13th district.

### SOLID DELEGATION FOR GOV. WILSON

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 15.—(Special.)—Woodrow Wilson won a sweeping victory in the democratic primaries in Pennsylvania and the last doubt that he will be nominated for president at the Baltimore convention has disappeared. Advice received show that he will have 70 of the 76 delegates and when the complete returns are received it is probable that the New Jersey governor will have the solid delegation of 76 votes. Sixty four district delegates were elected yesterday. The convention that will name the twelve delegates at large will be controlled by Wilson men by more than two-thirds majority.

The Clark ticket seemed to make its best run in Philadelphia where it met decisive defeat in every district. Every effort of the interests that are fighting Governor Wilson could not avail to obscure the issue or deceive the democratic voters of Pennsylvania. Machine politicians with their triple alliance were unable to muster even respectable strength by pooling the fortunes of all three of their candidates, Clark, Harmon and Underwood.

William Randolph Hearst who is backing Speaker Clark in his efforts to make himself boss of the national democratic party was unable to make intrigues effective in the Keystone state. The special interests that are fighting Wilson because they respect his sincerity and know what a practical man he is, they all did their best but they were unable to throttle the voice of the progressive democrats in the primary. Governor Wilson is as yet the only democratic candidate who has as many as three delegates instructed for him except by the candidates' own home state or by some state immediately contiguous to it.

Speaker Clark has the vote of Missouri, his home state, that of the adjoining state of Illinois and he won a partial victory in the two adjoining states of Kansas and Oklahoma. Two votes in Wisconsin comprise the balance of his strength. Governor Marshall and Governor Burke have the

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### CHICAGO DEMOCRATS BREAK IN DOORS OF ARMORY TO HOLD CONVENTION

CHICAGO, April 15.—County Judge Owen took charge of the police force in person here at noon today and directed them to chop down the door of the Seventh Regiment armory in order to allow the democratic county convention to be held there, according to his orders as head of the election machinery of Cook county.

Colonel Moriarity and Captain Octigan had barricaded the door and, together with Adjutant General Dickson and 120 militiamen, had defied the police and sheriff, and had refused to open the doors for the convention under Judge McKinley's injunction.

When Judge Owen arrived on the scene at noon and demanded admittance, Captain Octigan refused and Judge Owen ordered Assistant Chief of Police Schuetler to batter down the doors. Schuetler obeyed and 300 police entered the building. The soldiers were found standing at attention inside and made no offer of resistance.

Antony Czarnecki, the republican election commissioner, then prepared to call the democratic convention to order under Judge Owen's instruction.

The fire department smashed in other doors and the delegates entered with the police guarding the doors and halls.

When the delegates gathered at 9 o'clock this morning Colonel Moriarity refused to open the doors for Czarnecki who read him Owen's order. Moriarity declared that he would deliver the armory only to Chairman McGillen of the democratic county committee. Judge Owen's order was issued to the Hearst-Harrison faction, who declared that the regular committee, with Roger Sullivan controlling, planned to oust the legal delegates. At 10:30 the Hearst-Harrison delegates gathered in another

hall, and marched in a body to the Armory, each wearing a badge labeled "Harmony." Colonel Moriarity, Adjutant Dickson and Captain Octigan continued to refuse admittance until the doors were battered in.

Only the delegates having credentials were allowed to enter. Czarnecki called the convention to order and asked that representatives of the factions step to the platform. No Sullivan-Dunne delegates appeared. Czarnecki refused to surrender his chair to another temporary chairman, saying that he would not leave it until a permanent organization is effected. The supporters of Sullivan decided to meet in the armory after the Harrisonites finish.

Judge Owen ordered the arrest of Captain Octigan and seventeen of his militiamen.

### Federals Ready to Attack

MONTEREY, Mexico, April 15.—Eight thousand federal troops are concentrating at Torreon for an attack on the rebel forces, according to advices received here today. It is estimated that the rebels in the vicinity of Torreon number 7000 and the clash is expected to figure largely in the outcome of the present uprising.

### DUNN'S ELECTION INTOLERABLE, SAYS JUDGE CROWELL

"It would be intolerable for Jackson county to be forced to submit to four years of the unprogressive rule of George W. Dunn. Progressive citizens at all hazards must see to it that he is not elected to the office of county judge."

"George W. Dunn is a man of great prejudice, and he is unalterably opposed to Medford and her strivings for development. He is not only a non-progressive, he is a reactionary. Progressive citizens cannot afford to allow him to be re-elected to the office he vacated four years ago. It would be intolerable."

These are the published sentiments of Wm. S. Crowell, former county judge, for many years prominent in financial, political and social circles, and long a business associate of Judge Dunn.

### VICTIMS OF MISSISSIPPI FLOODS BEING CARED FOR.



BIRDS POINT, MO., OPPOSITE CAIRO—DRIVEN TO THE TOPS OF HOUSES

The work of caring for the victims of the Mississippi floods is being systematized by army officers, who have taken care of the distribution of provisions. At Bird's Point, Mo., opposite Cairo, the residents suffered intensely and were forced to abandon their homes.