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Steamer Titanic Sinks;  
1,500 Lives Lost

The morning papers contained in sickening detail an account of the most horrible marine disaster in history. The steamer Titanic, the largest vessel in the world, was on her maiden voyage, and aboard were many prominent persons. It is reported that John Jacob Astor and wife were aboard the ship, but had not been learned this morning whether or not they were among the lost. It is thought that about six hundred of the passengers were saved.

The following brief sketch is from the Macon Telegraph:

Yesterday a traveling man sold something to a person in Fitzgerald, and took his \$50.00 note in settlement. He then offered the note to us for \$40.00. The note was good and would have been paid, but if we had bought it, the money would have gone to another state.

A man from down about Waycross applied to us today for a loan, and we could have gotten a stiff rate of interest, but the money would have gone entirely beyond our territory. We declined both of these propositions for the reason that we believe in the conservation of our funds.

We endeavor to save money to lend in the territory from which we get our deposits, and thereby we know that we are a very useful institution.

Our strongest desire is to be an exceedingly strong bank and very useful.

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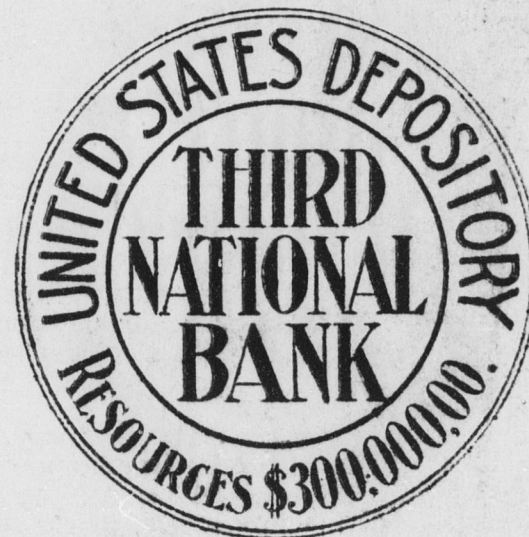
More than 1,500 persons, it is feared, sank to death early yesterday, when within four hours after she crashed into an iceberg, the mammoth White Star Line steamer Titanic, bound from Liverpool to New York, on her maiden voyage, went to the bottom off the New Foundland banks. Of the approximately 2,200 persons on board the gigantic steamer, some of world-wide prominence, only 675 are known to have been saved. The White Star Line offices in New York, while keeping up hope to the last, were free to admit there had been "horrible loss of life."

Accepting the early estimates of the fatality list as accurate, the disaster is the greatest in the marine history of the world. Nearest approaching it in magnitude were the disasters to the Atlantic in 1873, when 575 lives were lost, and to the La Bourgogne in 1898, with a fatality list of 571.

Should it prove that other liners, notably the Allen Liner's Parisian and Virginia, known to have been in the vicinity of the Titanic early yesterday, had picked up other of her passengers, the extent of the calamity would be greatly reduced. This hope still remains.



UNCLE SAM: "This Tree Strikes Me as Mighty Fine Presidential Timber."



## Mosquito Day

Saturday, April 20th.

A city's growth depends largely upon the peace, health and happiness of citizens.

In order to rid the city of mosquitos we have named next Saturday, April 20th, as "MOSQUITO DAY," and will offer a prize of \$10.00 and a second prize of \$5.00 to the boy under 18 years of age that on the day named gathers the largest pile of empty tin cans or boxes from vacant lots, alleys or streets, placing same in piles on lots convenient for the city's wagons. In reporting to the Inspector, give the number of cans or boxes in piles, and also make a note of any holes or low places breeding mosquitos. We will have a better or cleaner city in this way, and we desire the co-operation of our boys. In filing your report, also note any breeding places for flies.

A. B. COOK, Mayor.

L. S. OSBORNE, Inspector.

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TEN PER CENT is worth saving any time, but particularly attractive now  
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STOCK is a little large, that's all, and so we're dividing the reductions out now instead of waiting for the seasons close. Blacks, blues, nobby mixtures, every suit in the store included in this sale. Come and get yours now.

\$27.50 Suits, 10 per cent off, now \$24.75	\$20.00 Suits, 10 per cent off, now \$18.00
\$25.00 " " " " \$22.50	\$15.00 " " " " \$13.50
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