

GREATEST MARINE DISASTER IN HISTORY

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Titanic, Largest Ship in the
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By Associated Press.

New York, April 15.—The text of messages from the Olympic reporting the sinking of the Titanic and rescue of 675 survivors late tonight expressed the opinion that eighteen hundred lives had been lost "The loss will likely total eighteen hundred souls," was the concluding sentence. It is hoped it is an error unless the Titanic had more passengers on board than reported. The list as given out showed thirteen hundred and ten, and crew of 880, 2,170 persons in all. Deducting 675 known to be saved, would indicate a loss of fourteen hundred and ninety-five persons.

By Associated Press.

New York, April 15.—More than fifteen hundred persons, it is feared, sank to death early this morning, when within four hours after she crashed into an iceberg, the mammoth White Star line steamer, Titanic, from Liverpool to New York, went to the bottom off the Newfoundland banks.

Of approximately 2,200 persons aboard, some of worldwide prominence, only 675 are known to have been saved. 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 of the steamers Atlantic in 1873, when 574 lives were lost and the LaBourgoigne, 1898 with a fatality list of 571.

THE NEWS CAME AS A SHOCK.

News of the sinking liner and the terrible loss of life came early tonight with all the greater shock because hope had been buoyed up all day by reports that the steamship, although badly damaged, was not in a sinking condition and that the passengers had been safely transferred. The messages were mostly un-official and none direct from the liner, so the lurking fear remained of possible bad news to come.

Shortly after 7 o'clock tonight came flashing over wires from Cape Race, within 400 miles of where the liner had struck the iceberg, word that at 2:20 o'clock Monday morning, three hours and 55 minutes after receiving the death blow, the Titanic had sunk. The news came from the steamer, Carpathia, relayed by the White Star liner, Olympic, and revealed that by the time the Carpathia, outward bound from New York and racing for the Titanic on wireless call, reached the scene the doomed vessel had sunk.

Left on the surface, however, were the lifeboats, from the Titanic and in them, as it appears from the meagre reports received up to late hour, are some 675 survivors. These, according to advices, the Carpathia picked up and is now en route to New York with them. For the rest of the scene as the Carpathia came up was one of desolation.

All that remained of the ten million dollar floating palace, on which nearly fourteen hundred passengers had been voyaging luxuriously to this side of the Atlantic, were some bits of wreckage. The biggest ship in the world had gone down. A significant line of the Cape Race dispatch announcement was that of those saved by the Carpathia, nearly all are women and children. If other vessels did not pick up the passengers this might mean that few men aboard had been saved, as the proportion of women and children among the passengers were large. The same facts would likewise spell doom practically to the entire crew of 800.

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Trading in Wheat on Scale Seldom
Equalled Except in War Times

By Associated Press.

Chicago, April 15.—Buyers and sellers alike were whipsawed to-day in wheat. The market swiftly whirled up, then down, and up again over a range of nearly 4c.

Trading reached a magnitude seldom equalled except in war times.

News which had the greatest bull influence was from a crop expert who had previously been disposed to minimize the effect of supposed winter killing in the soft winter states. To-day he telegraphed from Decatur, Ill., that between there and Mattoon, Ill., virtually all wheat was dead, that the

fields were bare and would have to be planted to oats and corn. Bears pointed out that at Liverpool and elsewhere prices had not risen in anything like the degree recorded in Chicago and that it was to fully determine the damage to the winter crop.

Under the influence of such radically opposite ideas, May wheat spun in astonishing fashion over a limit of price bounded by 1.07 1/2 below and 1.10 1/2 on top. In less than a quarter of an hour both these levels were reached, but there was no stability at either. The greater persistency was shown in the return of the market to the upper plane.

Untold Wealth Represented
Among Titanic's Passengers

New York, April 15.—Untold wealth was represented among the passengers on the Titanic, the rough estimate of wealth represented among the first-class passengers being half a billion dollars. The wealthiest is John Jacob Astor, reported to be worth \$150,000,000. Astor was returning with his bride, who was Miss Madeline Force. Others are: Benjamin Guggenheim, whose fortune is estimated at \$95,000,000; P. A. B. Widener of Philadelphia, estimated to be worth \$50,000,000; Isador Strauss of New York, whose fortune is estimated at \$50,000,000; J. Bruce Ismay, one of the founders of the International Mercantile Marine Company, said to be worth \$40,000,000.

Among the passengers on board were Alfred G. Vanderbilt, Major Archibald Butt, military aide to President Taft; F. D. Millet, the artist; Mrs. Isador Strauss; President Hayes of the Grand Trunk railway, and W. T. Stead.

STRAW VOTE NOW SHOWS
UNDERWOOD 23; WILSON 63

Yesterday's Returns Give
Woodrow Wilson Even
Greater Lead.

PROGRESSIVE SOUTHERNER
WHOM DEMOCRATS ARE GOING
TO NOMINATE FOR PRESIDENT
IS THE BIG FAVORITE WITH
WEST FLORIDA VOTERS.

The Journal's straw ballot in the Third Congressional District now stands:
Oscar W. Underwood..... 23
Woodrow Wilson..... 63
Total to date..... 86
This postal card ballot represents every county in the district. The first 70 ballots were recorded in Sunday's paper and were divided 50 for Wilson to 20 for Underwood. Yesterday 16 more were received and were divided 18 for Wilson and three for Underwood. These 16, added to the first 70, make 86 as shown above.

The three Underwood ballots came from S. W. Anderson of Gadsden county, H. D. Marks of Franklin county, and E. M. Pitts of Santa Rosa county.

J. W. Register of Holmes county says Wilson is strong there.

J. C. McSwain of Walton county

writes that it is with pleasure that he pledges his support to the Wilson delegates.

Sam Dixon of Santa Rosa county writes: "I think that Woodrow Wilson is the strongest man out for the presidential chair."

Henry Baker of Wakulla county is for Wilson.

The Escambia county votes (all from country precincts) received yesterday were all for Wilson.

EARLIER RETURNS.

The following were crowded out of the Sunday paper:

From Calhoun county H. B. Gaskin writes: "Underwood has proven strong and resourceful," and he is for him against the field, while N. B. Stone is equally strong for Woodrow Wilson.

P. A. Ellis of Holmes county writes that his precinct will vote solid for Woodrow Wilson, and J. Sutton of the same county is likewise strongly supporting Wilson. T. J. Micklar and John T. Matthis are supporting Underwood.

The first Underwood vote received from Walton county is by H. C. Reinhinkel, Jr.

N. A. McLeod of Walton county is for Wilson.

F. A. West of Santa Rosa county votes for Wilson, and J. T. Lovett of Jefferson county is also a Woodrow Wilson man.

This all makes a pretty healthy showing for Woodrow Wilson, the Progressive Southerner, whom the Democrats are going to nominate for president.

Relations Between Mexico and
United States Reach Critical Point

Washington, April 15.—Relations between Mexico and the United States it is believed here today have been brought to a critical point by the state department's forceful note to the contending factions in the Southern republic, warning them against any mistreatment of Americans. Just such a warning as this new one to Mexico preceded the Spanish-American war, culminating in McKinley's famous message referring to "intolerable conditions existing at our doorway."

Conditions in Mexico seem to be growing worse hourly.

It is still hoped, however, that Sat-

urday's notes will have a sobering effect upon the passions of the struggling factions. This hope led to reassurances from official quarters today that there will be no intervention.

The next step must be taken by Mexicans, either by President Madero or Orozco.

"Actions speak louder than words," was a state department comment today in reference to Orozco.

Meanwhile conditions throughout Mexico have undoubtedly become much worse within the past week. The state department's advice from its various agencies show that the

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TURBULENT SCENES PRECEDE THE COOK
COUNTY DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION

Chicago, April 15.—Conflict of court orders, the battering of sledges and axes on barred doors preceded the Cook county Democratic convention to-day, which split those two sets of delegates to the state convention in Peoria April 19. For more than three hours twenty-five militiamen, unarmed but with possession of the armory, while two rival forces, the Hearst-Harrison faction, and the followers of Roger C. Sullivan, national Democratic committeeman, disputed the right of each other to enter the armory. The Sullivan men insisted the county judge had no right to order an election commissioner to open the convention, while the Hearst-Harrison men declared his order alone would insure fairness.

The police, reinforced by deputy sheriffs, under orders of County Judge

Owens, controlled the crowd outside. The coroner this morning was busy serving an injunction issued in the county superior court restraining them from interfering. The injunction was waived aside, and the coroner summoned before Owens to answer a charge of contempt of court for conflicting with orders of Judge Owens.

Commissioner Czarnicki, Republican, was delegated by Owens to open the convention, and demanded repeatedly that the door be unbarred, but the militiamen refused. Judge Owens went to the armory but he was also refused admittance.

The police were ordered by Owens and broke down the doors. Czarnicki called the roll and the machinery of the convention was turned over to the delegates. The Sullivan men refused to enter and held the convention in another hall.

HOW THE DEMOCRATIC VOTERS
HAVE ALREADY CAST BALLOTS

	Underwood	Clark	Harmon	Wilson
Alabama.....	22	0	0	0
Arkansas—(In doubt between Clark and Wilson.)	0	58	0	0
Illinois.....	0	0	4	8
Maine.....	0	20*	0	0
Kansas.....	0	10**	0	10
Oklahoma.....	0	36	0	0
Missouri.....	0	0	0	0
N. Dakota—(For Burke, Wilson 2nd choice.)	0	0	0	76
Indiana—(For Marshall, Wilson 2nd choice.)	0	2	0	24
Pennsylvania.....	0	0	0	0
Wisconsin.....	0	0	0	0
New York—(90 uninstructed.)	23	126	4	118
*Kansas for Wilson on 2nd ballot.	20	0	0	20
..Oklahoma for Wilson on 2nd ballot	108	0	0	138
	10	0	0	10
	96	0	0	158

SEN. BANKHEAD
MAKES ADDRESS
IN PENSACOLA

Campaign Manager of Oscar
W. Underwood Advocates
His Nomination.

PRIOR TO THE ADDRESS AN UNDERWOOD CLUB IS ORGANIZED WITH JOHN G. WARD AS PRESIDENT AND HENRY M. YONGE SECRETARY—BETWEEN 250 AND 300 PEOPLE GATHERED AT OPERA HOUSE FOR OCCASION.

Between two hundred and fifty and three hundred persons assembled at the opera house last night and heard the address of United States Senator Bankhead in advocacy of the nomination of Oscar W. Underwood for president of the United States. Prior to the address a band played in front of the opera house, and there probably would have been a larger attendance but for the rain.

For half an hour before Senator Bankhead spoke the supporters of Mr. Underwood were engaged in organizing an Underwood club. Seated on the stage were J. J. Sullivan, John G. Ward, B. S. Williams, T. Albert Jennings, W. A. Blount, Dr. Frank G. Renshaw, Ed. Villar, Jas. T. Clarke, C. R. Greenwalt, H. A. Folkel and C. L. Shline.

Hon. T. Albert Jennings called the meeting to order, reading the call and stating that the club had a membership of 87. He then nominated John G. Ward as temporary presiding officer and Henry M. Yonge as secretary.

Mr. Ward assumed the chair and J. J. Sullivan moved the appointment of a committee of seven on nominations, and Chairman Ward named the following: J. J. Sullivan, W. P. Rice, Jas. T. Clarke, H. A. Folkel, Ed. Villar, Dan. W. Jones and C. L. Shline.

Before taking his seat, Mr. Sullivan explained briefly the objects of the meeting and stated that it is the duty of the Democratic party to nominate a man who can fill the requirements and represent the principles of the party, and he thought Underwood is the man. He declared that some, Roosevelt, for instance, and some men with whom the Democratic party is afflicted, believe in mob rule. He said Wilson had repudiated Ryan, but had

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NEW ORLEANS
BANK IS CLOSED

Following Closely Upon the Arrest of
Two of its Officers the Teutonia
Bank & Trust Co. Closes.

New Orleans, April 15.—Following closely upon the arrest last night of two of its officers—Eugene F. Buhler, president of the institution, and Jos. H. Gomila, chairman of the finance committee, charged with swindling fairly as to the bank's condition—the Teutonia Bank & Trust Company was ordered closed by State Bank Examiner Young. Frank J. Braud, an assistant cashier of the bank, was also arrested, charged with the embezzlement of \$50,000 of the institution's funds. Buhler and Gomila were released on a bond of \$10,000 each, while Braud, failing to secure bond, is being held.

This is the second step by this government to permit Americans in Mexico to receive armaments of war for self protection. Americans in Mexico City already having been similarly armed.

The president also gave his consent to the exportation of 400 rifles, 129,000 cartridges and a large mass of miscellaneous gun parts for the Mexican government.

SUIT TRANSFERRED
TO FEDERAL COURT

Condemnation Proceedings of Western
Union Against L. & N. in Various
States Will be Taken up Together.

Louisville, Ky., April 15.—Condemnation proceedings for a right of way along the tracks of the Louisville & Nashville railroad, which the Western Union Telegraph Company has been conducting in various state courts throughout the south, will be transferred to the federal courts in Kentucky.

Counsel for the telegraph company gave this explanation when their suit in the Jefferson county court was withdrawn. The contract between the Louisville & Nashville and the Western Union expires August 12 next. The telegraph company now seeks to secure a right of way of its own along the railroad's tracks.

Thirteen Parishes in Northeast
Louisiana Are Facing a Deluge
Unparalleled in History

NUMEROUS SMALL TOWNS
ARE ALREADY WIPED OUT

VAST STRETCHES OF VALLEY LANDS ARE COVERED BY FROM SIX TO TWENTY FEET OF WATER, AND A WALL OF DEVASTATING FLOOD WATERS TWENTY FEET HIGH AND MORE THAN A MILE WIDE IS RUSHING THROUGH DOGTAIL CREVASSE—MANY ARE DESTITUTE.

By Associated Press.

New Orleans, April 15.—Parts of thirteen parishes in northeastern Louisiana, are today facing a deluge unparalleled in the history of disastrous floods in the lower Mississippi valley. Numerous small towns in East Carroll and Madison parishes have already been wiped out, vast stretches of valley lands are covered by from six to twenty feet of water, and a wall of devastating flood waters 20 feet high and more than a mile wide, is rushing through Great Dog Tail Crevasse near Alsatia, La.

Already thousands are homeless and destitute. Waters of Panther forest and Red Fork crevasses in Arkansas join the water from Dog Tail, parts of thirteen Louisiana parishes and two Arkansas counties will be under water and it is estimated that at least there will be fifty to seventy-five thousand people homeless.

No human agency can check the waters before they reach Red river, which means a large per cent of territory 160 miles in length and eight to six miles in width will be inundated.

No further breaks occurred in the levees of the Mississippi today. To add to alarming situations a cloud-burst in the Tensas basin in North Louisiana occurred yesterday. High winds accompanied by rains rendered rescue work difficult. Relief work is centered at Vicksburg, Miss., where hundreds of homeless people are quartered.

Gov. Brewer, of Mississippi, has sent tents and supplies for the unfortunates. A number of negroes are reported missing, but no verified reports of the loss of life were received up until a late hour tonight.

J. M. MOREHEAD
SENDS TELEGRAM

Chairman of North Carolina State Republican Committee Clears Up the
Republican Political Situation in
That State.

Atlanta, Ga., April 15.—John M. Morehead, chairman of the North Carolina state Republican committee, clears up the Republican political situation in North Carolina by sending the following telegram to the Associated Press:

"Lenoxville, N. C., April 15.—The plan of organization gives to the minority its proper representation from district conventions to the national convention; also from state to the national convention, which applies to four delegates at large elected by the state convention. I have previously denied in toto any knowledge of any compromise of any basis between Taft and Roosevelt delegates."

"JOHN M. MOREHEAD."

MR. TAFT DELIVERS
WELCOME ADDRESS

Daughters of the American Revolution
meet in 21st Annual Session—No
President-General to be Elected.

Washington, April 15.—Addresses of welcome and preliminary reports made up the program of the first day of the 21st annual convention of the Daughters of the American Revolution, which opened a week's session here to-day. No president general of the organization is to be elected this year, although ten vice-presidents general will be chosen.

With Mrs. Matthew W. Scott, president general, in the chair, the morning session was occupied by reports of credentials and program committees. President Taft was the feature of the afternoon program with an address of welcome. Mrs. Scott gave a reception tonight to the visiting daughters at Memorial Continental hall, the home of the society.

STEEL TRUST GETS
A CLEAN STATE

Report Recommends Elimination of Undue
Length of Working Hours in Emer-
gencies.

New York, April 15.—The United States Steel corporation was given a clean bill of health today in a report submitted by a committee of stockholders appointed to investigate working conditions in the corporation's mills. The report recommends the elimination of such things as possible of undue length of working hours that emergency and other conditions sometimes may demand.

By Associated Press.

Washington, April 15.—The capital, stock and surplus of the Second National Bank of Cincinnati, Ohio, amounting to about \$22,000,000, has been wiped out by losses, according to reports to the comptroller of the currency to-day. The action of the clearing house association in taking charge of the institution, guaranteeing its deposits, avoided suspension.

Capital Stock and Surplus of
Cincinnati Bank Wiped Out

An assessment will be levied on the stockholders to restore the capital. The bank's losses are said to be due to bad investments. The total liabilities and assets, according to the last report to Washington, approximated \$24,000,000. The individual deposits amounted to \$4,100,000 and the United States deposits \$200,000. The bank is believed to hold assets sufficient to meet liabilities when its capital is restored.