THE BIRMINGHAM AGE-HERALD



tions at South Wellfleet, Siasconsett, Sagaponach and Sea Gate to handle messages to and from the Carpathia exclusively. These instructions, it was stated, were sent out in conformit AMATEURS WORRY with the suggestion made to the Unit ed States government by the Marcon company and which was agreed to. While careful preparations were be ing made here to receive and safeguard the living on their arrival here, word came that a cable steamer had set out for the scene of the disaster from Hal-ifax to seek the dead.

Alabama Delegates Who

nd the O'Neal faction and the prohibi-on faction are content. They each ored a triumph. But it was by the na rowest possible graze, and as a result of arduous toll and smooth maneuver. Will Fight For Underwood

The feature of the convention, irrespective of the glowing compliment to Underwood, expressed and repeatedly exthe strenuous strife waged against that slate alleged to have been formed by Senator Bankhead, Governor O'Neal and Colonel Mallory. The fight was precip-itated early in the afternoon, following the report of the committee on nomina tions, of which Governor O'Neal was chairman. That report contained a clause picviding for the appointment of a com-mittee with power to nominate the dele-gation of 12 from the state at large. Jesse Stallings initiated the fight against that clause, and immediately after his first blow, was joined by a powerful ally, John B. Knox of Anniston. As a result of the titanic efforts of these leaders, the sentiment already exgrew intense against the election late. The first clash occurred over of a slate. an appeal from the ruling of the chair and was disastrous to the opponents of the well devised scheme. However, the second clash, that in reference to the adoption of the resolution proposed by Stallings and aimed at that clause of the reprt which provided for the naming by a committee of the delegation from the state at large, while resulting in a defeat defeat for the opposing allies we sharp that hope was revived that in the day the entire scheme might be verthrown.

peace to nestle. It was a roar, one continuous roar, a roar ominous of evil dis ntent

FEATURE WAS FIGHT MADE AGAINST SLATE

on the liner or of wireless transmis-

New Report as to Survivors

From the Carpathia, which was approxi mately 600 mlles from New York and which is expected, if she keeps up her rate of progress of 13 knots an hour, to reach the entrance of the harbor by 8 o'clock tomorrow night, came a new report during the day as to the of survivors on board.

Through the Cunarder Franconia, which established wireless communication with the rescue ship, came a message which ind this statement

has a total of 705 survivors She aboard?

The previous statement from the Carpathla has been that she carried 868 sur pathia has been that she carried ses sur-vivors. It may be that the report received through the Franconia included a count of rescued passengers only, disregarding the 100 or more members of the crew who must have been in the boats which the Carpathia picked up. Communication was being had with

the Carpathia tonight through both the the cout cruiser Chester and the short wireless station at Siasconsett. Through the Chester there began coming slowly the names of saved passengers the third class of the Titanic. The v The very anding of these could but help con-firm the fateful belief that there were no more names of first and second class passengers to send.

Hardly a Possibility

And thus there was left hardly a possibility that the names of well known men, such as John Jacob Astor, Maj, Archibald Butt, William T. Stead, Izidor Straus and the others of the England coast. Operators at these points have been list-ening for two days to learn something of the story of the survivors. Atmospheric conditions during the day were good, but as the Carpathia more closely approached the cost and endeav-ored to reach shore stations directly in-stead of by relays amateur wireless opera-tors combined with the elements to familiar list of notables, could been omitted in the transmis-of names. That these men had ion of names. cone down with the ship there re-rained hardly a doubt. Authorities on conditions off the banks agreed that "ne liner by the boats would have had to be made speedily, as exposure and chaustion would quickly sap the life of human beings forced to resort to any other means than boats of keep-ing affort ing afloat.

During the early evening hours the wireless communication of the Car-

PRESIDENT TAFT

CLINGS TO HOPE Washington, April 17.-President Taft tonight told friends that he was still elinging to the hope that Maj. Archibald Butt, his military Mal.

aid, might have been saved from the wreck of the Titanic. The continued lack of news of the major today carried the hopes of the President still lower, but to right Mr. Taft was expecting that with the arrival of the Carpathia tomorrow something definite might

The President telegraphed to Major Butt's relatives today that he was still hoping for favorable news.

New York, April 17.—The follow-ing wireless dispatch, which was being sent from the scout cruiser Salem to the Carpathia, was read at the Brooklyn navy yard tonight: "President of the United Stales is very anxious to know if Major Butt, Mr. Millette and Mr. Moore

but, ar. annette and ar. anone fre safe. Please inform me so I can transmit to him. "CHANDLER." Up to 10:30 o'clock the cruiser Salem had received no reply.

Appeals Disregarded

No Details Obtainable

Names Relayed Twice

Portland, Me., April 17 .- The nations of

urvivors among the third class or steer-ge idssengers were sent from the Car-

athia to the scout cruiser Chester, which

relayed them to the Salem to be relayed again to the commandant of the naval

station at Newport, R. I. It was picked up by a wireless operator her: as the Chester sent it.

On account of poor wireless condition

the process of sending was slow and the names had to be repeated many times. After a portion of the list had been sent the Salem was heard transmitting a mes-

the sale was heard transmitting a mes-sage from the Chester directing her to stop rending for a while. This was un-derstood to be on account of interferences by the Chester's wireless apparatus with the efforts of the Carpathia to communi-

Third Class Passengers

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ate with the shore stations.

the Carpathia.

Despite appeals that wireless communi-cation with the Carpathia be restricted to authorized messages from recognized wireless stations, the criss cross of wireless waves over the sea toward the rescue ship continued to, interfere during the greater part of the night with legitimate

Meyer to see if something coudi not be done to reduce the congestion. In reply the following message was received from he secretary: "Replying to your telegram, orders have chusetts by these amateurs. been issued to all ships at sea and at the navy yards not to attempt to call the



important wireless stations in New England and especially in Boston are complaining bitterly of interference by ama-

For the past 48 hours the amateurs. teurs have kept up a constant succession of sparks and they succeeded in preventing the Charleston navy yard station from

towns and cities in eastern Massa-While this is all interesting and edunavy yards not to attempt to call in Carpathia. The Chester will relay a list of third class passengers saved when convenient. Have notified Newport not when their work is most needed. cational, the operators of the larger machines all declare that it practically



New York, April 18 .- A wireless mes sage picked up at 2:35 o'clock this morning by the Brooklyn navy yard

sent by the cruiser Salem to Siasconsett said: "I can reach the Carpathia but he won't take any business from me."

The Brooklyn operator said he also heard the Salem tell Siasconseit that he had sent President Taft's message concerning Major Butt to the Car-pathia, but that the wireless operator pn board the Cunarder would not give him an "O. K." on it. pathia came into direct communicate late in the day, reported tonight that the ac-

Adoor Is Trapped

in the day, reported tonight that the ac-tivity of the amateurs was seriously in-terferring with an exchange of messages with the Carpathia and further that the large amount of statle electricity in the air also was a hindrance. A storm was in progress in the immediate vicinity of Stockton, Cal., April 17 .- William A. Adoor, suspected of the murder of George Marsh, wealthy soap manufacturer of Although the amateurs were asked to Lynn, Mass., was arrested here at 8:45 stop operations and were told by the Car-pathia operator that unless the messages were disposed of soon the Carpathia would o'clock tonight. He was trapped through the aid of a telephone operator when he attempted to telephone to his aunt, Miss Orpha Marsh, niece of the murdered be out of range of the Stasconsett station, the interference continued.

SYMPATHY FOR

man.

TITANIC VICTIMS Montgomery, April 17.-(Special.) J. A. Nathan, delegate from Col-bert, introduced a resolution near the conclusion of the session of the convention through which the expressed heartfelt sympathy for the fate of the passengers of the

ill-fated Titanic. During the reading of the res tion there was slience for the first and only time during the day. It was as if the world had checked its progress for an instant to drop a tear, resuming a moment later with a hum and buzz which, with a hum and buzz which, through contrast seemed to have gained additional vim and vitality as a result of its rest. The resolution was adopted.

A list of third-class passengers and crew rescued from the wrecked steamship

The wireless operator on the Carpathia is an officer of the Cunard line, and therefore subject to be considered and is an officer of the Cunard line, and therefore subject to the ship's commander. particular. It is my duty, therefore, as president of the American Red Cross

to lay the grave question before the ever responsible people of the country, urging that from their never failing nercifulness they contribute promptly and substantially to the creation of an adequate relief fund.'

Prompt Help Demanded

In the appeal for relief money the Pres-ident states that the conditions of suf-

fering and destitution in the districts inundated by the Mississippi have assumed an intensity and magnit which demand prompt help. The 25 rersons temporarily homeless and magnitude ing the Charleston navy yard station from obtaining even a scrap of the much de-sired information from the ships near measures of protection are taken.

ators within 20 miles of the state house who have announced their code signals. It is said that an association is being perfected whereby messages will be taken for transmission between will be taken for transmission between the state of the state of conducting the relie camps, maintaining health and restor ing the flood refugees to their home under conditions which will enable the to return to normal conditions of under conditions which will enable them to return to normal conditions of life, rests upon the local authorities and the Red Cross. Questions of health which inevitably arise from the gatherng of great numbers into camps are already becoming acute, and to those will be added others even more serius when the water subsides. Typhoid,

dysentery, smallpox, malaria and other diseases threaten and must, if possible, be prevented by prompt and vigorous

Reaching Limit of Endurance

The people in the flooded district are reaching the limit of physical endurance, is giving out and the exposure and ip is telling on them. This is the ardship summary of conditions received from ciples of the party as formulated by Major Normoyle at Memphis today. He reported \$00 destitute people at Luna, Aik. Hustrious line of his successors in dem-

ion each at Transvivania and Henderson, La; 1600 at Tallulah, La.; 900 at Delhi, La., and 2500 at Millikens, La. Almost all of the refugees, including the 1009 at mands that these principles be applied Vicksburg, are negroes

Ark., today with a barge loaded with 900 bales of hay and 25,000 rations for various party that advocates them; and we solenaly declare that the need of a return points along the Mississippi river below.

points along the Mississippi river below that city, and the steamer Wyanoko left Marianna, Ark., with 15,000 rations for refugees below that place on the St. Francis river. Major Normoyle has requested that eight more commissioned officers has an eight a rectification of a recent that has now, when the federal cap-

eight more commissioned officers be or- ital has become a menace to the reserved dered to Helena, Ark., for relief work. rights of the states that strikes at the Will Cost Over Million Dollars

The floods in the valleys of the Missis-sippi and its tributaries will cost the

Suppl and its tributaries will cost the government \$1.137,579. This estimate was submitted to Congress today by Secretary of War Stimson. The amount included the \$350,000 and the \$350,000 appropriations by Congress; \$275,000 for fentage and other quartermaster's supplies and \$202,579 for rations and supplies distributed. Surgeon General Blue of the public health service today issued orders to collection of such taxes chain be initial to the necessities of the government when honestly and economically administered. "Sec. 3. We recognize in the trusts and combinations, which are designed to en-

Surgeon General Blue of the public health service today issued orders to officers stationed at Evansville, Ind.; Cairo, Ill.; St. Louis. Memphis. Louisville, New Orleans, Vicksburg, Natchez and Paducah to report flood conditions, their probable effect on the public health and hibitive taxes which prevent the free comshare of the joint product of capital and labor, a natural consequence of the pro-Paducah to report house probable effect on the public health and measures being taken to combat insun-itary conditions. Dr. Blue tonight stated it was feared the flood might infect the water supplies the flood might infect the water supplies. Dr. Blue tonight infect the water supplies the flood might infect the water supplies and control them, together with such and control them, together with such further legislation in restraint of their further legislation in restraint of their

Tallulah, La., April 17.—Conditions in Pallulah grow hourly worse and thu d is not yet in sight. Water has risen waste of the money wrung from the U-Additional news of Titanic traged d is not yet in sight. Water has risen manually since yesterday when Bayon Macon began to back in. It is report-lavish appropriations of recent republican forest, Ark., break began to flood Lake (CCNTINUED ON PAGE 9) (CCNTINUED ON PAGE 9) while the labor that propries with the products of the peo-ple's toll are depressed in price. We 16-Heflin will speak in Georgia.

Montgomery, April 17.-(Special.)-The following is the Alabama delegation to the national convention: State at Large-J. H. Banknead, Emmet O'Neal, Henry D. Clayton, W. D. Jelks, H. S. D. Mallory, W. W. Screws, John B. Knox, 12. K. Campbell., H. Y. Willingham, George H. Malone, Borden Burr, George First District-F. I. Thompson, George Pegram, L. W. Locklin, O.

L. Gray nd District-C. R. Bricken, Dempsey Powell, R. F. Ligon, Temple Seibeli

Third District-J. A. Carnely, J. R. Alford, C. B. McDowell, H. E. Steagall

Fourth District-M. B. Wellborn, Kelly Dixon, W. D. Craig, A. D. Pitts Fifth District-E. J. Garrison, J. A. Hines, J. W. Overton, Frank

- W. Lull Sixth District-W. W. Brandon, J. M. Miller, J. R. Bell, R. L.
- Bradley. Seventh District-G. H. Parker, J. B. Haralson, W. C. Sims, J. Gard-
- ner Greene. Eighth District-J. H. Nathan, R. L. Greene, A. E. Jackson, J. W.

Frost Ninth District-E. W. Barreti, C. E. Rice, James G. Oakley, G. W. Darden

PLATFORM OUTLINES PARTY POLICY AND REAFFIRMS THE TENETS OF ITS FOUNDERS

Montgomery, April 17 .- (Special.)-The | demand a return to that simplicity and economy which befits a democratic govfollowing is the platform of the democratic ernment, and a reduction in the number of useless offices, the salaries of which and conservative party of Alabama, of useless offices, the salaries of which drain the substance of the people. "Sec. 5. We favor an amendment of the sederal constitution providing for elections of United States senators by adopted today by the state convention: "Be it resolved, by the democratic and onservative party of Alabama, in convention assembled, as follows:

e direct vote of the people. "Sec. 6. We favor the upbuilding of a "Section 1. The representatives of the democratic and conservative party of merchant marine without new or addi-tional burdens upon the people and with-Alabama, in state convention assembled, do reaffirm their allegiance to the prinut bounties from the public treasury. "Sec. 7. We favor federal aid to state and local authorities in the construction ciples of the party as formulated by He Jefferson and exemplified by the long and and maintenance of post roads.

"Sec. 8. We favor the maintenance of the Monroe doctrine in its full integrity. "Sec. 9. We favor an income tax as part ocratic leadership, from Madison to Cleve land; we believe the public welfare de of our national revenue system, to the end that wealth may bear its propor to the conduct of the federal government, The steamer Herman Papke left Helena, Ark, today with a barge loaded with 500 north, that advocates them; and we solo tionate share of the burdens of the fed-

ing, husiness and working classes of the country could be largely releved, from panics and consequent unemployment by a democratic revision and codification of our antiquated banking laws, which would reate an elastic banking system, and our independent banks from any t financial or political control. "B. G. FARMER, Chairman." ominant financial

TODAY'S AGE-HERALD

1-Whole world walts to hear details of

Titanic tragedy. Flood conditions growing desperate. Alabama delegation will go to Balti-more enthusiastic for Underwood. -Steel trade is very encouraging.

Many arrests are made of bank men.

- Sensation at Gadsden council. Tuscaloosa may be made a junction Southeast shows continued growth.
- 4-Editorial comment. 5-Aviator and Age-Herald representative
- have narrow escape. Discuss music at Coumber bincheon. Teck Duncan indicted for Ellard kill

-Society.

7-Sports. 8-Commercial men to advance rates 9-New courthouse and jail may be built

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COMMITTEE IS NAMED

TO NOMINATE DELEGATION The report of the O'Neal committee was adopted and a committee appointed to nominate a delegation of 12 from the

state at large. At that time John B. Knox was not a member of the slate and Judge John Pelham, member of the appellate court, was a member. During the time of deliberation of the committee a receas of an hour was ordered. Then it was very evident that every member of the state to be proposed could not be elected. The opponents were enthusiastic in the pros-pect of a magnificent triumph.

But during the time of recess a change came over the situation. As the moment of reconvening approached Governor O'Neal and John B. Knox entered the hall together. The first business after reconvening was the report of the com-mittee on nominations. The list of the proposed delegation from the state at The list of the

arge was read. It contained the name of John E. Knox and not the name of Judge John Pelham. For the sake of harmony the latter had retired. It was evident then that the framers of the slate had triumphed for John B. Knox had been the most powerful opponent of the plan and it was his voice which a few hours previously in support of the argu-ment that the delegates were capable of doing their own electing, asked "Othe wise what is the need of delegates?"

FIGHT RENEWED BUT VITALITY HAD FLOWN

Jesse Stallings' vitality had flown. The slate went through without a hitch. It was not even necessary for the members to face the jury on their own merits and on their own strength. They were elected collectively. It was a remarkable triumph or political diplomats.

for political diplemats. Tomorrow the excited discussion which holds Montgomery by the ears touight will have spread into every nook and cranny of the great state of Alabama.

While during the convention there was excluement, much noise, a constant clash of differences and fermented declamation and frothy oratory, it was all the game of children. The work had been done. The children. The work had been done. The entire programme was cut and dried. It was known in advance that Henry D. Clayton would be temporary chairman, and it was even known who the temporary secretaries would be. It was known also that Colonel Mallory would be permanent chairman. Prior to calling the convention to order every committee had been ap-

Every report of committees had been

very roots of our government, under the constitution, as framed by the fathers of the republic.