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RECK AND RUIN.

All Waters Rush to the Mississippi. Northern Rivers Break. And Flood Out Over the Ice on the Missouri.

Settlers Driven from Homes. Citizens of Memphis Caring for Many Victims.

The Bonds of Winter Break and the Northwestern Rivers Pour Down Toward the Missouri Valley, Sweeping Everything in Their Course—People Fleeing in the Darkness to Escape Death in the Flood—The Heavy Rains Continue and the Big Mississippi, Fed by Heavens and Earth, Rises Steadily.

OMAHA, March 18.—Special telegrams to the Bee from all points in the Northwest indicate that the bonds of winter were simultaneously broken up today and the streams that have been bound in ice for months have suddenly turned to raging torrents.

The worst reports come from South Dakota. Along the Missouri tonight the settlers are fleeing in the darkness from the rapidly increasing floods, and nothing definite can be told further.

The snow that capped the state lay from four to six feet deep on the level. Two days of warm weather with two nights of rain have set all this running to the rivers.

At Pierre, the Cheyenne and Red rivers; at Chamberlain, the White; at Yankton, the Big and Little Sioux rivers, and the Floyd at Sioux City, are pouring their torrents onto the ice in the Missouri, which has not yet broken. The lowlands are flooded and the rivers are rising with frightful rapidity.

The Platte river is over its usual spring height and is rushing into the Missouri carrying with it the debris of wrecked bridges and farm yards in its valley. The Elkhorn adds its flood to the Platte, and all the valleys seem to be afloat.

From Iowa come stories of ice gorges on the Des Moines river at Fort Dodge and Madrid, flooding miles of the bottoms and doing great damage. So far as is known only one life has been lost. Harry Pavill, a farmer of Dixon county, was drowned while trying to cross a bridge over a swollen stream.

MANY DEATHS IN ARKANSAS. Memphis Relief Committee Appeals for Assistance. MEMPHIS, Tenn., March 18.—Tonight the great flood claimed five more victims. At Marion, Etta Lix and her four children were trying to make their way to Marion for shelter, and while attempting to cross a railroad trestle the strong current overwhelmed the party and all perished. The youngest child was a girl aged 16 and the oldest an infant of 8 months.

The work of rescue and relief goes forward with unabated zeal. Four or five rescue steamers arrived here, bringing several hundred refugees, nearly all of whom are destitute, to be cared for by the charity of Memphis people. Some are partly clothed and sick almost to death from exposure and long suffering. Seventy-five have been standing for hours in water waist deep waiting for the rescue steamer. One woman slipped and fell to a dead base. In another family of four, two were drowned a few minutes before the boat arrived.

The relief committee has its hands full. As long as the overflow continues funds will be needed to relieve the immediate pressing wants of the flood sufferers. Inasmuch as practically all of the sufferers are residents of Arkansas, the relief committee telegraphed to Gov. Jones, of that state, asking his co-operation in relieving the distress of thousands of the people of his state. The governor replied that there were no funds at his disposal. The local relief committees have sent out an appeal to the individual citizens of Arkansas, Tennessee and Mississippi.

Islands 40, 25, 23, 27, 36 and 34 are reported entirely submerged today. These contain magnificent cotton plantations of thousands of acres, operated by 500 negroes and 250 head of stock. The stock was abandoned, but the owners and hands have been landed safely at Memphis and Cairo. The river is still rising at Memphis, and the indications are that it will continue to do so for some time. The river tonight stands at 28.5 feet, a rise since morning of one-tenth. Heavy rains prevail on all streams which feed the big river along the upper portion and the middle valley. Throughout the entire Northwest territory the drainage from which swells the volume of water in the upper Mississippi, rainfalls continue.

The same conditions prevail in the territory which feeds the Ohio and other tributaries, with the exception that there are descending over the already submerged Arkansas territory. On the eastern side of the river continuous rains are the rule. At Memphis and throughout this district the rainfall in the last twenty-four hours amounted to 1.4 inches, while across the river at Helena it was 2.4 inches. So long as the heavy rains continue here there is small chance of a cessation of the overflow.

At Cairo the rise continues in about the same proportion, two tenths of a foot being recorded in the twenty-four hours ending this morning, when the gauge indicated fifty feet. This is ten feet above the danger line and within two feet and a fraction of the extreme high-water mark reported about a week ago.

At Helena, where the rainfall was almost as heavy again as at Memphis, the river rose eight-tenths of a foot in the twenty-four hours ending this morning, when the gauge indicated 46.7 feet, which is 3.7 feet above danger line.

At Vicksburg the river rose eight-tenths of a foot, the gauge registering 47.7 feet, which is 1.7 feet above danger line.

At Greenville the rise in the twenty-four hours was six-tenths of a foot, 23.8 feet being on the gauge. This is within two-tenths of a foot of the danger line.

BRADLEY FOR SENATOR

The Governor Prepared to Contest Hunter's Claims. CAUCUS NOMINATION SET ASIDE.

Kentucky's Executive Ignores the Precedent—Combines With Free Silver Democrats to Defeat the Republican Nominee—Powell Clayton's Ambition Satisfied—Speaker Reed Will Confine the House to Tariff Legislation—The New Law Will Be Reported Today.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., March 18.—A special to the Post from Frankfort says: Gov. Bradley has entered the fight for the United States senatorship. His agents are actively at work, and it is asserted with confidence that the free silver Democrat will combine with the eight or ten Bradley Republicans and defeat the regular Re-

publican nominee, ex-Congressman W. Godfrey Hunter. State Senator Parker, who has heretofore been looked on as a strict caucus man, announced in an open card today that he is for Bradley and that the governor has enough strength to win.

London and Paris Consulate for Osborne and Gowdy. WASHINGTON, March 18.—President McKinley today sent the following nominations to the senate: Powell Clayton, of Arkansas, to be envoy plenipotentiary to Mexico; William Osborne, of Massachusetts, consul general at London; and John K. Gowdy, of Indiana, consul general at Paris.

REED HOLDS TO THE TARIFF. No Other Committees Are to Be Appointed. WASHINGTON, March 18.—Speaker Reed has definitely decided that for the time being he will not appoint any of the regular committees of the house beyond the three already announced. In this way all the miscellaneous legislation that has been blocked and the entire attention of the house centered on the tariff bill. The bills which are being introduced by the hundreds will have to wait until the committee to which they belong have under the natural order of things is appointed.

IN THE SENATE. Opposition to the Arbitration Treaty Renewed. WASHINGTON, March 18.—The session of the senate today was brief and uneventful. A large number of bills were introduced, and the first report of the session was received.

From Alexandria, where the prisoners are confined, comes the announcement that the great excitement in Campbell and adjacent counties in Kentucky; that it has been brought by people from the country to the towns in no genial mood, and while the prisoners would be in no danger from the citizens of Alexandria, yet there is no knowing what violent result might follow a committee of the senate.

Head Not Accounted For. FRANKFORT, Ky., March 18.—The confession of Scott Jackson and Altona Walling was tonight presented to Gov. Bradley by special messengers. The confession says Dr. Wagner administered medicine in attempting to perform an operation on the head of Scott Jackson, and that Scott Jackson held her across his lap while Wagner cut her head off, after which Dr. Wagner wrapped the head in a cloak and took it home. Afterwards he became insane, he does not know, they say, where the head was taken.

CLEVELAND ARRIVES HOME. No Demonstration Marks His Coming to Princeton. PRINCETON, N. J., March 18.—Ex-President Cleveland arrived here today. He was met at the depot by his private carriage which took him immediately to his new home. A slight rain made the three-mile drive a most dismal one. There was no demonstration on the part of the students, as his arrival was unexpected.

A discolored, faded or gray beard does not appear tidy, but may be made so by Buckingham's Dye for the Beards, which colors an even brown or black.

ST. LOUIS, March 18.—John R. Clemens, married single yesterday at Hot Springs, Ark., by firing a bullet through his head. He was 25 years of age.

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