You can probably put those ark building plans on hold. At least for now. The National Weather Service is backing off its worst case scenario flooding forecasts for the Mississippi River at La Crosse for the time being. Flood stage at La Crosse is 12 feet. The weather service is predicting a crest of somewhere 13 and 14.5 feet in the first week of April. The almost near certainty of some sort of flooding keeps the Mississippi as well as the Black and Kickapoo Rivers in a flood warning.