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## MR. HAYE IS TO HEAD PICTURE SYNDICATE

### President Harding Announces Retirement from Cabinet of Postmaster General, Whose Record Is Praised—Contract Not Signed Yet, Mr. Hays Says

By the Associated Press.  
Washington, Jan. 14.—Announcement of Postmaster General Hays' retirement from the cabinet was made today. After a 40 minute conference with the postmaster general, President Harding said he could not "well" enter a objection to Mr. Hays' resignation of the office.  
The president personally gave out the following statement:  
"The postmaster general and I have been discussing at considerable length the proposal which has been made to him to become the head of a national association of motion picture producers and distributors. If the arrangement proves to be, when the details are worked out, what it seems to be, I cannot well interpose any objection to his acceptance.  
"It is too great an opportunity for a helpful public service for him to refuse. I will regret to see him leave the cabinet, where he has made a splendid record, but I cannot interpose any objection."  
Mr. Hays made the following statement:  
"With the president's consent I have decided to undertake the work suggested by the motion picture producers and distributors. No contract has been executed as yet. I am expecting of course that a satisfactory contract will be possible and one that will make certain the carrying out of the high purpose of this great industry."

## HICKORY'S FIRST SNOW SMALL EFFORT

In forecasting a light snow in the mountain section, the weather bureau scored a complete triumph yesterday. That is what it was. The flakes were numerous between 7 and 8 o'clock, but by 9 o'clock the snow was out in all her glory and night was turned into semi-day. The snow was slightly deeper than one of the worst frosts in this section and a heavy rain this forenoon sent it hence. Sidewalks and streets in the business district did not remain it.  
This was another cold morning, too, the thermometer registering 15 degrees above zero, a degree higher than yesterday and two degrees above the coldest mark of the winter.  
Children were out with sleds early this morning in a vain effort to coast, but the snow was too thin to accommodate them, and the sled runners grated over the cement walks. It was the first snowfall of the season here.

## RALEIGH BANK IS CLOSED BY STATE

By the Associated Press.  
Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 14.—The Capital Bank and Trust Company, formerly City Bank, with a capital of \$2,000,000 and deposits of \$200,000, was closed today by the state bank commission.  
Chief Bank Examiner Nathan Lee today announced that the state bank commission, upon the closing of the bank, has ordered the investigation of the bank's affairs to be discontinued.  
It was learned in banking circles that the bank's difficulties were due to slow collections.

## TO COLLECT RECORDS OF ANCESTRAL MORTUARY

Chicago, Jan. 14.—Announcement is just made by the director of the official institute of the University of Chicago, Dr. James Henry Breasted, that funds have been secured for the organization of an international group of editors for the collection, editing and publication of the archaic mortuary documents which preceded the famous Book of the Dead and out of which the Book of the Dead was later put together. These mortuary texts were written in ink on the insides of the massive cedar coffins in which the Egyptians nobles were buried four thousand years ago. The coffins containing this literature are scattered throughout the great museums of the world where they have never been completely copied and studied. These strange inscriptions will be called "The Coffin Texts" and the work of producing the great publication will be in the hands of three editors—Monsieur Pierre Lacau, the leading French Egyptologist and director of the Egyptian government department of antiquities, Dr. Alan H. Gardiner, the eminent British Egyptologist and Director of the British Museum, and the Oriental Institute of the University of Chicago.  
The Coffin Texts are important not only as raw materials for the Book of the Dead, but as showing the earliest belief in a judgment in the hereafter.

## NATIONALIST TURK REPORTED KILLED

By the Associated Press.  
London, Jan. 14.—Mustapha Kemal, the Turkish nationalist leader, has been murdered, says an Exchange Telegraph agency despatch from Constantinople today.

## STATE'S FIRE LOSSES HIGH IN JANUARY

(BY MAX ABERNETHY)  
Raleigh, Jan. 14.—Fire losses throughout North Carolina for the last month of 1920 shows a total of \$1,100,000 as against \$1,026,000 for December, 1920, according to compilation made public today by the State department of insurance.  
Commissioner Stacy W. Wade pointed out that there has been a slight increase in losses in this state for the past year in spite of efforts in the department to reduce the fires through fire prevention campaigns. The figures are appalling, says Commissioner Wade, and there will be no relief until the public generally realizes the millions in property the fire agencies are expending for help and encouragement in the campaign of education his department is carrying on.  
North Carolina's losses for 1920 were \$7,482,267. In 1920 they were \$5,242,000. In the United States and Canada, \$32,654,950 as against \$30,855,625 for 1920.  
This is shown by the figures of the fire loss, with only \$261,667 exclusive of the nine big fires with losses aggregating \$57,285. These were at Kernersville, Roseboro, Charlotte, Wilson, Scott, High Point, Rockingham, Lenoir and New Bern.  
The department's official estimate of the fire loss of the United States and Canada for December shows a record improvement over December, 1920, with a loss of \$28,967,550 for 1921 against \$41,137,300 for 1920.

## ANGLO-IRISH PACT GIVEN RATIFICATION

By the Associated Press.  
Belfast, Jan. 14.—The Anglo-Irish pact was ratified unanimously by the south Ireland parliament today.  
Edward Carson and his associates today approved the treaty in the parliament.  
A conditional agreement was announced by Michael Collins, James Duggan, Finian Lynch, Joseph McGrath, Prof. John McNeill and Bryan O'Higgins.  
The parliament met under clause 18 of the Anglo-Irish treaty, which made the members of the southern government under the act of 1920 constituted government.  
The meeting was held in the great hall of the mansion house.

## ONE PAROLE GIVEN ONE PARDON REVOKED

Raleigh, Jan. 14.—Governor Morrison yesterday granted one parole and revoked another.  
John Powell, convicted in September, 1920, Hermit county, of advising an abortion and sentenced to serve two years in the state's prison, is paroled so that he may take care of his family, the trial judge and solicitor recommending this action.  
The conditional parole granted Herbert O'Neal, Vance county, last November, is revoked and he must serve out the original sentence of the court. The governor learns that the condition of the parole was violated by O'Neal.  
Applications for charters for new enterprises being made to the secretary of state indicates that there is a normal tendency of a return to normal times.  
While the new corporations chartered are not up to old times the secretary's office is granting on an average of three every day and there also are signs of increased activities in business interests over the state, many concerns increasing their capital stock.

## CROOK REACHES PORT

By the Associated Press.  
New York, Jan. 14.—The United States transport which was in serious difficulties at sea on Wednesday when she sent out a wireless call for aid arrived in New York harbor today. She was accompanied by the transport St. Mihiel.

## LEWIS UHLED

By the Associated Press.  
Kansas City, Jan. 14.—John L. Lewis, president of the united mine workers of America, was upheld in his action in removing Alexander Howat of Kansas when a judge refused to make permanent an injunction barring Lewis from interfering in district 14.

## WARM PRIMARY TRYING TO LOCATE I. W. W. ATTORNEY

By the Associated Press.  
Shreveport, La., Jan. 14.—According to official reports from Gretna, La., Harry Mullis, attorney for I. W. W. members, recently from Chicago, was placed aboard a Texas & Texas train last night. With only two men besides Mullis from the hotel, other men are reported to have joined the abducting party as it left the city.  
By the Associated Press.  
Shreveport, La., Jan. 14.—Search was being made in this vicinity today for Harold Mullis, said to be an attorney for the American civil rights league, who is said to have been seized in the lobby of a local hotel by two masked men last night and carried in a western through train from here.  
Mullis, it was said, was to have appeared in court here today as attorney for two men sentenced in court to the parish farm for two years and said to be members of the Industrial Workers of the World. One of the men had asked for a writ of habeas corpus.  
By the Associated Press.  
High Point, N. C., Jan. 14.—Early arrival of exhibitors and capacity reservations at local hotel lead officials of the Southern Furniture Exposition and local manufacturers to believe that the mid-winter show to be held here during the next two weeks will surpass anything hoped for at this time. Practically every southern family making furniture and kindred lines is represented and buyers from every state in the union have made reservations.  
The 10-story concrete building of the Southern Furniture Manufacturers' Association is fitted to capacity with displays, over 150 exhibitors being represented. Scores of visitors already are in the city for the opening of the exposition Monday.

## PUT FORD OFFER IN CONTRACT FORM

By the Associated Press.  
Washington, Jan. 14.—Law officers of the war department were drawing up in contract form today the proposal of Henry Ford for the purchase and lease of Muscle Shoals, Ala., power and nitrate plant to be returned to the legislative branch of the government for action.  
This decision was announced by Secretary Weeks late yesterday following his conference with Mr. Ford, and it was said that with the latter's offer there would be referred to congress also the two proposals of Frederick Inakstrum of Wilmington, N. C., and C. C. Tinkler of San Francisco. It was expected two weeks would be required to draw up the contract.

## JAPAN TO RETURN KIACHOW TO CHINA

By the Associated Press.  
Washington, Jan. 14.—Japan through her arms conference delegation agreed today to transfer to China the administration of the leased territory of Kiachow in Shantung province.

## FAMOUS INVENTOR DEAD

By the Associated Press.  
Hartford, Conn., Jan. 14.—Christopher Minor Spencer inventor of the Spencer automatic rifle and of the automatic screw machine, died at his home here today.

## URGE SURRENDER GERMANS FOR TRIAL

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The transport St. Mihiel, which has been dispatched to meet the Crook, accompanied her to port.  
The doughboys eagerly scanned the newspapers giving the plight of the Crook and then remarked that sea-sickness caused more hardships than the leaks.  
Captain Rippa said that most of the crew of 140 were sent below deck to plug holes. Some baggage had to be removed. Care was taken to see that the water did not reach the coffins of 412 American soldiers, whose bodies were taken from French cemeteries to be re-interred in America.  
In addition to the 968 enlisted men and 60 civilians, the Crook brought six German brides and eight babies.  
Most of the enlisted men had been engaged in pulling the Rhine. Many of them had seen hard fighting in the war. They were marched to Fort Hancock and soon will be sent to various parts of the country to be demobilized.

## SECOND COLLEGE IN VIRGINIA BURNED

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Blackstone, Va., Jan. 14.—Fire believed to be of incendiary origin destroyed the main building of the Blackstone Military Academy entailing a loss of \$150,000 and causing the serious injury of two cadets.  
The injured are Albert Chaney, Blacksburg, Va., who fell from the third story window while trying to make his escape by means of a rope and W. R. Thorne of Rocky Mount, N. C., who fell when the second floor gave in. He sustained serious injuries and bruises.  
The fire which originated on the third floor is believed by school officials to be of incendiary origin because the Blackstone college for women was destroyed last Tuesday.  
The cadets who were at Blacksburg were marched out in orderly manner with one or two exceptions.

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(BY T. T. H. JR.)  
Tenny went with fast pacing enabled the Hickory high school team to run wild against the team representing the Morganton high school. Though the first half of the game ended with a very close margin, the Hickory team exhibited some unusual goal shooting in the last half, making twenty-eight of their forty-six points against two points for the visitors.  
Morganton was compelled to begin offensive half in order to overcome Hickory's lead, but was unable to score due to the excellent guarding of Huffman and Eaton.  
Mitchell and Hays played their usual good game, always clearing themselves of their guards and exhibiting spectacular shooting.  
For the Morganton quint, Pinkens was by far the outstanding feature and also the biggest score gainer, contributing eight points for his team. For Hickory, Mitchell and Hays played the better game, Mitchell was the largest score gainer of the game with twenty-nine points to his credit.  
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### DECEMBER COTTON CONSUMED REPORT

By the Associated Press.  
Washington, Jan. 14.—Cotton consumed during the month of December amounted to 511,800 bales of lint and 41,938 of linters, compared with 255,222 of lint and 27,287 of linters consumed in December a year ago, the census bureau announced today.

Month	Open	Close
January	18.00	18.00
February	18.00	18.00
March	18.00	18.00
April	18.00	18.00
May	18.00	18.00
June	18.00	18.00
July	18.00	18.00
August	18.00	18.00
September	18.00	18.00
October	18.00	18.00
November	18.00	18.00
December	18.00	18.00

Hickory cotton 17 1/2c

## BOUND TO COURT FOR STEALING \$15

"Adm" Abernethy, a 17-year-old negro boy, has been committed to the county jail at Newton to await disposition by a superior court judge on the charge of larceny of \$15 from the Lane Drug Company, where he was employed. The theft occurred Thursday night.  
The police have found no clue to the burglary of Dr. H. C. McNeill's home Wednesday night, when an unknown person entered his bedroom, carried his trunks into a hall and took off with \$110 in money. A watch in the trousers was not taken. Dr. McNeill had planned to accompany a patient to Baltimore and that accounted for a large sum of money in his pocket at the time.

## VIVIANA DECLINES POINCARE'S OFFER

By the Associated Press.  
Paris, Jan. 14.—M. Poincare in his task of forming a French cabinet to succeed the Briand ministry, asked Rene Viviani to accept the post of minister of justice with the vice-presidency of the cabinet, but M. Viviani refused the portfolio. It was announced officially today.

## PRESBYTERIANS PLAN FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS

Presbyterians of this section have planned an interesting and busy schedule for January under the progressive program arranged by the church for the year. During the current month special attention will be given to foreign missions. It is planned to organize classes in every church for the study of this cause, and a number of pamphlets have been prepared on the subject.  
Stewardship will also come in for attention, and organization and promotion of groups for instruction will be urged by the pastors.  
Another subject is that of promotion of the family altar by sermons, literature and personal work. This is under the direction of the permanent committee on Sabbath and family religion of the general assembly. It is the desire of the church to establish family worship in every home.  
Literature on all of the above subjects has been assembled and sent out to the various churches.

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