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WEATHER  
Fair tonight. Sunday partly cloudy. Probably showers in extreme east portion.

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## TO CLOSE DIVISIONS OF PRINTING BUREAU

### Secretary Mellon to Throw 4,000 Men Out Of Work While Inventory Is Taken and Bureau "Hardingized"—Some Reasons for Closing Plant Given by Officials

By the Associated Press.  
Washington, April 8.—Divisions of the bureau of engraving and printing, engaged in the production of bank notes, bonds and postage stamps will be closed tonight for an indefinite period for the purpose of taking an inventory of the plant on which James L. Wilmett and other chiefs and superintendents, were dismissed by President Harding one week ago.

Decision to close at least the principal portion of the big plant is the largest of its kind in the world, as disclosed today as having followed a conference yesterday between Lewis Hill, the new superintendent, and Secretary Mellon of the treasury.

The closing is to be effected by order issued by Secretary Mellon under whose jurisdiction the bureau is operated.

The purpose of the closing order, stated today by officials, is to enable the taking of an inventory, repairing of machinery in use almost continuously since the entrance of the United States into the world war and to allow the transfer of the bureau to use new steel plates such as are used in printing of bank notes and stamps.

The inventory, it is said, will be undertaken by treasury officials and departments of justice agents.

Hints also were given that after closing, the bureau will be further reorganized or "Hardingized," one official put it.

Installation of new steel plates, was said to be for the purpose of counterfeiting old bank notes and stamps printed in the plant as it was found the old plates have become worn and are easy to counterfeit.

Bureau employees number about 4,000 and about 4,000 are affected by the order.

The total number of employees is about 1,500 above the pre-war level, it was suggested that a reduction to the pre-war level will be made.

### COMMUNITY CLUB HOLDS ANNUAL MEETING

Detailed reports covering the activities in all departments of the Community Club for the past year were heard and officers for the incoming year were elected yesterday at the annual meeting held in the court room of the municipal building. The retiring president, Mrs. W. B. Ramsay, presided over the meeting, and sitting with her were members of the executive board consisting of Mrs. T. C. Blackburn 1st V-Pres.; Mrs. Carrie Gamble, 2nd V-Pres., recording secretary, Mrs. Fred Abernethy; corresponding secretary, Mrs. S. H. Farabee; treasurer, Mrs. E. B. Cline; chairman of the educational department, Mrs. H. C. Menzies. Owing to illness in her family Mrs. E. B. Menzies chairman of the civics department was absent.

All reports were heard with interest and showed the unselfish interest in which the officers and chairmen have taken in their work, and their desire for the benefit and uplift of the community. That there has been much good done the past several years is well known and the activities of the women of the club have reached out along all lines looking toward the betterment of their fellow men.

The treasurer reported that the club faces no indebtedness as it enters upon the new year, all obligations having been liquidated before the close of the club's fiscal year. Complete reports of the work of the departments coming under the head of the educational department were given by Mrs. B. C. Menzies and Mrs. Gamble read for Mrs. E. B. Menzies the activities of the civics department, these reports being very good and showing the untiring work and zeal of the chairmen and committees. The standing committees likewise gave good reports and Mrs. S. H. Farabee, corresponding secretary, reported an enrollment of 258 members, twenty-three of these having been added this year.

Some new business came up for discussion and the corresponding secretary announced the district meeting of the federation of clubs which will be held in Salisbury on April 21 and showed a sample of the federation pin which will be ordered for all members desiring one.

Mrs. W. B. Councill thanked the women of the club for their support of the township public health nurse and asked that the club continue their monthly contribution towards her support. This was voted to be done.

Just before the election of officers Mrs. E. B. Cline presented with Mrs. Ramsay with a corsage of lovely sweet peas from the club, a token of love and appreciation of her splendid work as president of this club, lauding her for her constant accessibility in all matters pertaining to the club, her unflinching zeal, her absolute firmness in her rulings, her generosity and unswerving adherence to principle in every thing. Mrs. Ramsay in her pleasing way received the flowers.

It was plainly stated by the present officers that they would not stand for reelection and it was the desire of the governing board that a new set of officers be nominated throughout. It was the consensus of opinion that the present administration could not be excelled but the members of the board were firm in their convictions.

The officers for the new year are president, Mrs. E. B. Menzies; first vice-president, Mrs. Roy Abernethy; second vice-president, Mrs. A. C. Hewitt; recording secretary, Mrs. R. J. Foster; corresponding secretary, Mrs. N. E. Auld; treasurer, Mrs. T. M. Johnson. A rising vote of thanks was given the club for their cooperation with the executive board and the members gave a vote of thanks to the officers for their efficient leadership last year.

It was voted that the executive board be made delegates to the state meeting of Federation of Clubs at Greensboro and the board was empowered to name their alternates.

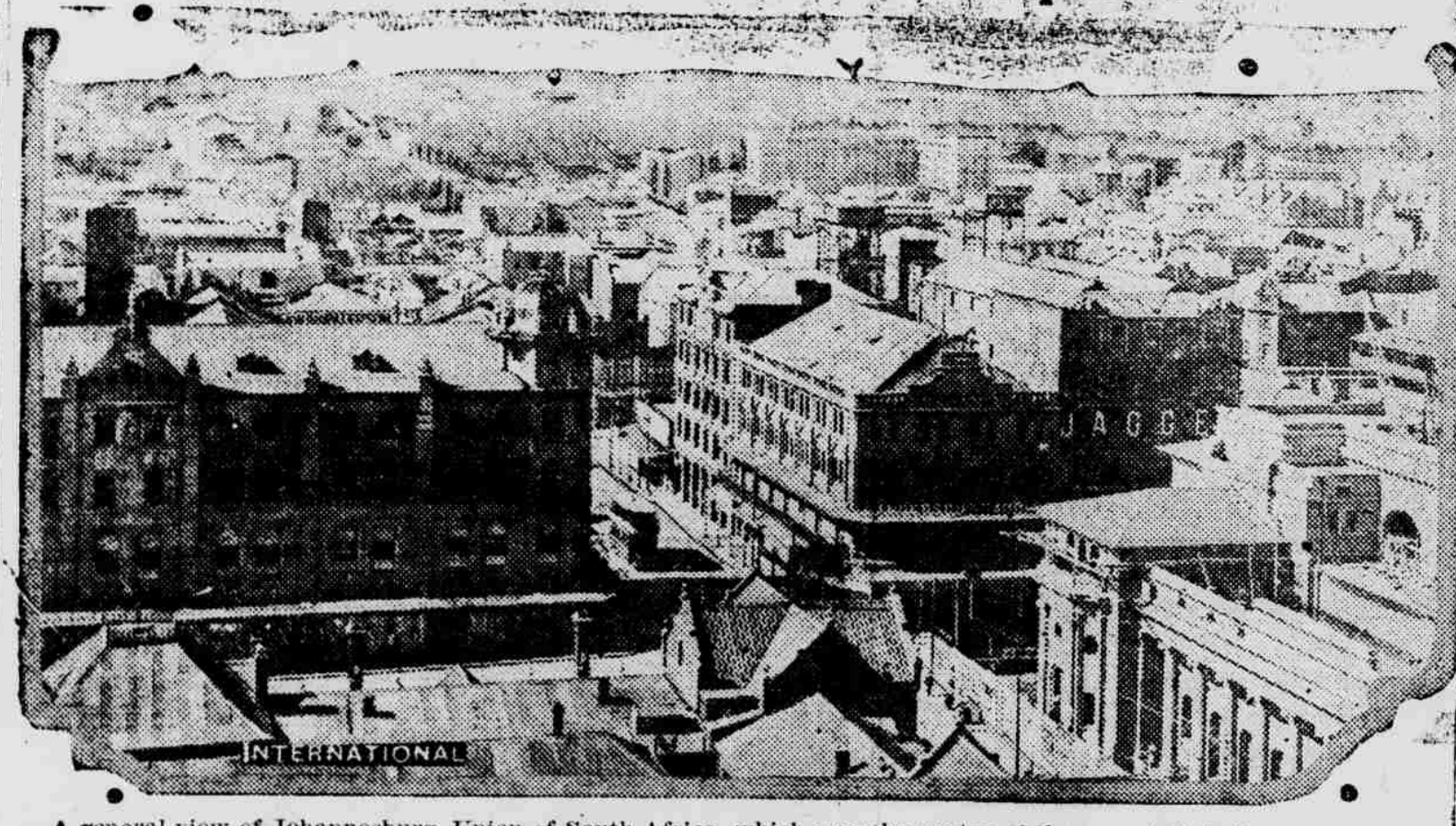
The office of president of the Community Club was turned over to the first vice-president by Mrs. Ramsay, Mrs. Abernethy receiving it for the incoming president who was unable to be present.

### CENSORSHIP CHARGE DENIED BY HUGHES

By the Associated Press.  
Washington, April 8.—Charges of censorship resulting in the deletion of the name of Christ in the prayers conference prayers were denied today by Secretary Hughes.

Taking his first notice of the charges, which were repeated several times on the senate floor during debate on the four-power treaty, Hughes wrote to Representative Fess, Republican of Ohio, that the Japanese knew nothing of the decision and "of course no censorship was exercised."

## South African Rebels Are Conquered



A general view of Johannesburg, Union of South Africa, which was the center of the recent disturbances created by the striking miners. The rebellion was quelled by the troops.

### RUSSIAN LEADER ACCUSED OF BUTCHERY

By the Associated Press.  
Washington, April 8.—Declaring that he had received reports from Siberia that American men and women had been butchered by General Semenov, Senator Borah, chairman of the senate labor committee, announced today that he would endeavor to have deported the former anti-bolshevik general, now held in New York by a civil suit.

The labor committee chairman said that if those making the charges could not appear voluntarily before his committee he would introduce a congressional resolution and require them to be present. He asserted there was some basis for the charges.

"I feel that if General Semenov is guilty he should not be allowed to loiter any time in getting out of the United States," Mr. Borah said.

### CAPITAL CITY GOSSIP

(BY MAX ABERNETHY)  
Raleigh, April 8.—The North Carolina political world lost a good stump speaker when James H. Pou of Raleigh decided to devote his energies to the practice of law instead of aligning himself with the political idolsmashers.

This does not mean that Mr. Pou cannot make a political speech for the cause. Part of the matter is he can make most any kind of public address that he wants to—and do it well, too. As a rough and tumble, free-for-all speech-maker Mr. Pou would rank mighty high in the quadrennial campaigns of the state if he chose to dive in. But he is not in politics now and very probably won't be at the next report.

Speaking at a mass meeting here at one time Mr. Pou was assailing a certain position in which the community was excited over. As he launched into his speech with a direct charge somebody interrupted with: "That's a lie!"

Looking in the direction from which came the interruption, Mr. Pou asked, "who was that?"

A voice said, "Its me—Mal Haynes."

"Well Mal," said Mr. Pou, "you don't count."

The office of Attorney General James S. Manning is not an information bureau—that is there is no law for making it such a thing, but lots of folks have not learned the lesson yet.

Consequently requests for divers information, records and like which come addressed to the Attorney General must be answered by the Assistant Attorney General, Major Frank Nash. Recent letters called for everything under the sun, some of which could not be answered, and it led Major Nash to send out an S. O. S. call for help.

"Please make it plain," said Major Nash, "that our office is the office of the attorney general and not general attorneys."

When Governor Morrison learned that Col. A. D. Watts had been asked to serve as one of judges at the debate at Durham this week between the University of New York and Trinity College, and had verified the report, he called Colonel Watts into his office for a final verification.

The colonel admitted that he had accepted and would leave in two hours for the West Durham college. As Colonel Watts turned to Governor Morrison facetiously remarking that his heart went out to "poor old New York" if Watts is to judge that debate.

The capital is having the time of its life this week debating whether an evangelist has the authority to say just what he wants from the pulpit; the argument is on full tilt.

It all began when the Raleigh Times editorially the first of the week took Rev. Gypsy Smith to task for charging that three officials living in Raleigh were "living lives as black as hell." Gypsy closed a two weeks' series of sermons at the First Presbyterian church here last Sunday night making the charge against the three officials on that day. The Times thinks the charge should not have been made without some sort of proof, and that it should not have come from a preacher who had spent but 14 days in the community. Three days before the Times had spoken in highest terms of the preacher and the preaching.

The Gypsy converts and friends do not like the attitude of the Times, although many who attended every service think the evangelist over-spoke himself. However that may be, the little storm that has been started is just getting underway and not half that is said pro and con has gotten in the papers and news. Will some of it is too hot to handle.

### MARINE IS HELD FOR KILLING WOMAN

By the Associated Press.  
Norfolk, Va., April 8.—His denial at the St. Helena barracks that he had ever seen or heard of Mrs. Ruth Mercer and the statement of T. C. Jones, taxi driver for a Brooks avenue stand, that he looked like the man he saw with a woman who was screaming for help on the Ocean View road last Saturday night, caused the police to hold Private Frank McEntee, of the marine corps, on a charge of feloniously assaulting and killing the young woman.

Jones was not positive, he said, that McEntee was the man he saw with the woman, who asked him to save her from the man.

Relatives and friends of Mercer, who is being held in the county jail on a charge of murder pending further investigation, will today appear before Judge Coleman in the circuit court and ask that he be released on bail.

### AFTERNOON BLAZE DESTROYS HOME

Fire of undetermined origin shortly before 3 o'clock this afternoon practically destroyed a large two story residence on Tenth avenue, two doors east of the Hickory Manufacturing Company, entailing a loss estimated at several thousand dollars. The residence, the property of Walker Lyerly, was occupied by Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Templeton and family, and Mrs. Templeton, who has been ill since the death of a child several weeks ago, had to be carried from the sick room to the home of a neighbor, Mrs. J. R. Bunn, on a bed.

When the fire was first seen it was playing on the roof of the house and one theory is that a spark from a railroad engine set the roof ablaze. Mr. Templeton said there was no fire in the house at that time.

A Record reporter was unable to learn the amount of insurance carried by the owner of the residence. Mr. Templeton had \$1,000 on his household goods.

The fire department was promptly on the job and several streams of water were put on the blaze. The entire roof was burned off and most of the weatherboarding near the top was consumed.

Mr. and Mrs. Templeton have the sympathy of many friends in the second misfortune of a few weeks.

### GERMANS OFF ON SPECIAL FOR GENOA

By the Associated Press.  
Berlin, April 8.—The German delegation to the Genoa economic conference left Berlin on a special train this afternoon. The delegation was headed by Dr. Walter Rathenau, foreign minister. Chancellor Wirth will join the delegation on the French border.

### ITALIANS TO CONCLIMATE

By the Associated Press.  
Genoa, April 8.—The Italian delegation upon their arrival today to attend Monday's session of the economic conference reiterated their belief that the conference would be hopeful. They reaffirmed their hope that the conference not only would aid the Russian situation, which was not only of European, but of world importance.

The Italians in conversation concerning problems to be confronted were agreed that the chief questions to be discussed were those relating to complete liberty of commerce between all countries aided by a system for stabilizing exchange rates.

Efforts were being made, it was said, to conciliate the French and Russian viewpoint in order to bring about better results.

### CLOUDY WEATHER EARLY NEXT WEEK

By the Associated Press.  
Washington, April 8.—Weather outlook for the week beginning Monday in cludes:

South Atlantic states: Unsettled, and warm first part of week and generally fair thereafter.

Mrs. Asquith is lecturing in the United States on "People I Have Met." Some of the people in question evidently didn't know much about going to hear the last of it.—Eve.

## MANY ARE KILLED IN TORNADO'S SWEEP

### Texas and Oklahoma Towns in Path of Fierce Wind Storm Badly Damaged—Reports Limited by Wire Trouble—Six Persons Killed at One Town

### WORK OUT PLANS FOR SERVICE DRIVE

At a joint meeting of Hickory post and the Woman's auxiliary of the American legion in Legion hall last night plans were discussed for the service drive to be made in the territory of the Hickory post in the next few weeks and final arrangements were left until the meeting next Friday night. There was a large attendance of members of both organizations and Capt. Geo. L. Huffman, alderman-elect from the second ward, made a good talk and was given a rising vote of confidence.

Both organizations here will put on a house-to-house canvass in accordance with national plans to line up every former service man in the country for the purpose of securing hospital service and compensation for disabled veterans.

The territory of the Hickory post includes Hickory township, all of Burke county as far west as Connelly Springs, Lovelady township in Caldwell county and Wittenburg township in Alexander county.

By the Associated Press.  
Dallas, Tex., April 8.—Nine deaths and injury to unknown number were reported early today as the result of wind storms starting in west Texas and sweeping through north central Texas and south central Oklahoma.

First reports indicated heavy property damage. Heavy rains accompanied the winds.

By the Associated Press.  
Fort Worth, Tex., April 8.—A tornado which struck Cisco, Tex., near here, early this morning wrecked the depot and tore down a number of residences and barns, according to information received here.

By the Associated Press.  
Wichita Falls, Tex., April 8.—and men was killed and several injured in a tornado which swept Electra, near here, today. Twenty-five houses were blown down.

By the Associated Press.  
Lawton, Okla., April 8.—One person was killed, scores injured, some seriously and extensive property damage caused by tornado which struck Lawton early this morning. Telephone polls were leveled and houses were destroyed in the suburbs.

### HIGHS AGAIN WIN FROM MORGANTON

The local high school boys played yesterday the Morganton high school baseball team here. With exception of the first two innings the game was of an excellent variety. However, these two innings spelled victory for the Hickory boys by a large margin. Mitchell for Hickory opened with a hit and before the opposition could stop the scoring a total of seven runs had been registered. On their next trip to the plate the Hickory boys made six runs and the final score stood thirteen to one in favor of Hickory.

D. Hawn on the mound for Hickory struck out fifteen men and allowed six hits while the Morganton twirler allowed thirteen hits and struck out five.

The Hickory boys will journey to Salisbury Monday for a game with the fast high school team of that place. Since both teams have won practically every game played there is much interest in high school circles as to the outcome of the game. Jones will be on the mound for Hickory when they face Salisbury.

By the Associated Press.  
Ballinger, Tex., April 8.—Six persons were killed, seven injured and wrecked several homes six miles northwest of Rowena, near here, in a tornado which swept that section at 1 o'clock this morning. Communication is badly crippled and it is feared that fuller reports will disclose a greater death toll.

### NO FEDERAL TROOPS FOR NEW MEXICO

By the Associated Press.  
Washington, April 8.—Secretary Weeks today declined to send federal troops into New Mexico at the request of Gov. M. C. Meacham, who said he might need them to preserve order in the Gallup coal fields, where martial law was declared yesterday as a result of disorder incident to the coal strike.

### SIX KILLED HERE

By the Associated Press.  
Washington, April 8.—Secretary Denby announced today he had ordered naval radio stations closed to public use for broadcasting speeches, lectures or any other form of non-official communication except musical programs to be picked up by naval stations.

Issuance of the order followed an investigation by the department into the use of the naval radio service by members of congress in addressing their constituents.

Democratic members declared that the use of the radio had been granted only to Republicans and the matter was a subject of much discussion.

Mr. Denby, in issuing the order, said it was temporary and designed to stop all use of the radio broadcasting facilities until a definite policy had been worked out by the government to handle this business.

### PROMINENT WILSON MAN ENDS LIFE

By the Associated Press.  
Wilson, N. C., April 8.—Jake Tomlinson, 45, prominent business man of this city, committed suicide today by shooting himself with a revolver.

Mr. Tomlinson had never recovered from an injury received on his head when struck by an automobile several months ago and members of his family believe this was responsible for his act.

### ALL BUT MUSIC STOPPED IN WIRELESS

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### COTTON

By the Associated Press.  
New York, April 8.—There was renewed realizing or scattering near-months liquidation at the opening of the cotton market today and first prices were eight to ten points lower.

	Open	Close
May	17.78	17.89
July	17.28	17.40
October	17.03	17.21
December	16.96	17.21
January	16.93	17.14

In China a woman never thinks of shaking hands with a man. If a gentleman wishes to give a lady a fan, he does not hand it to her lest their hands touch. Instead, he places it beside her.

Another thing. Rumor is a persistent bootlegger of misinformation.—Dallas News.