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WEATHER
Fair tonight and Sunday. Cooler tonight, rising temperature in extreme west portion.

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BITTER FIGHT ON SERIOUS FIRE AT SMITHFIELD TODAY

By the Associated Press.
Washington, April 15.—The forthcoming tariff bill fight in the senate promises to resolve itself into an endgame contest. With many thousands of votes and hundreds of amendments to be considered, those in charge of the measure estimate that it will take close to two months to get the bill through. Whether the bill can be put through in that time depends on the fight the Democrats, led by some Republicans, will make against its passage.
A bill went out today from major senators for a party caucus next week. Senator Curtis of Kansas said the principal object was to discuss the importance of senators sitting in their seats every day during consideration of the bill.
Whether the tariff bill can be enacted at this session is regarded as a doubtful proposition. Were this an election year, they would debate little difficulty in holding a session in Washington to enact it, many members, particularly those from the house, desire to be back home. There is some talk now of a recess for days after the senate passes the bill. Those favoring the bill would have no delay, as those favoring the bill say the conferees could be at work on the measure while congress was away.

ORDERING PISTOLS FROM OTHER STATES

My attention has been called to the fact that a great many people are ordering pistols through the U. S. mails and by express, and are receiving them in violation of the laws of the state. Attention is directed to chapter 197, public laws of 1910; "Section 1. That it shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation in this state to sell, give away or dispose of, or to purchase or RECEIVE, at any place within the State from any other place within or without the State, without a license or permit therefor shall have first been obtained by such purchaser or receiver from the clerk of the superior court of the county in which such purchase, sale, or transfer is intended to be made, any pistol, so-called pump-gun, bowie knife, dagger or metallic knive."
Section 2. That the clerk of the superior courts of any and all counties of this State are hereby authorized and directed to issue to any person, firm, or corporation in any such county a license or permit to purchase or RECEIVE any weapon mentioned in section one of this act from any person, firm, or corporation offering to sell or dispose of the same, which said license or permit shall be in the following form:—
(Form stated)
Section 3. That before the clerk of the superior court shall issue any such license or permit he shall fully satisfy himself by affidavits, oral evidence, or otherwise, as to the good moral character of the applicant therefor, and that such person, firm, or corporation requires the possession of the same.

BLAZE AT FAYETTEVILLE

By the Associated Press.
Fayetteville, N. C., April 15.—Fire believed to have been caused by spontaneous combustion caused a loss of \$20,000 to the Jackson Lumber Company in this city early today when the kindling plant building was practically destroyed. The loss is practically covered by insurance.

ADVANCE IS MADE IN RUSSIAN AFFAIR

By the Associated Press.
Genoa, April 15.—A distinct advance towards settlement of the Russian question was registered by the conference today, conference leaders declared.
Prime Minister Lloyd George expressed this view in one of his picturesque utterances.

CHECK PROFITEERING MACHINES SOLD

Raleigh, April 15.—Despite the fact that sometime ago the insurance department issued a warning through the North Carolina Checkers' Association against the use of check protecting machines insured against forgery, such insurance policies in unlicensed companies, Stacy W. Wade finding that a number of these check protecting machines have been sold, and along with them an insurance policy guaranteeing damages in case checks protected by these machines are raised and the owner loses money. The commission on checks and the banks and other protective purchasers of these machines, that insurance policies in unlicensed companies are worth nothing, and that the companies themselves do not voluntarily pay the damages. There is no way under the state law for collection on a policy that is sold by an unlicensed agent, for an unlicensed company keeps no record with the insurance commission and cannot be made to settle policies when damages occur.
Attention is also called to the fact that an agent who sells a check protecting policy is violating the law unless he is a licensed insurance agent.

TROUBLE FEARED OVER SUNDAY IN IRELAND

By the Associated Press.
London, April 15.—Developments in Ireland over Sunday are anxiously awaited here in view of the Republican seizure of four courts in Dublin and Arthur Griffith's determination to hold his pro-treaty meeting tomorrow over the opposition of the Republican army.
The peace representatives of the Free Staters and Republicans adjourned without reaching an agreement and this is regarded as a bad omen.

BRITISH WARSHIPS WILL KEEP WATCH

By the Associated Press.
Belfast, April 15.—Two British warships have arrived in Londonderry, northwest of Londonderry, it was learned this afternoon.

WARSHIPS ON JOB

By the Associated Press.
London, April 15.—The movement of the British warships into the waters of county Donegal, Ireland, announced in Belfast dispatches today, is interpreted here as a precautionary measure only.

ACTORS CALLED UPON TO KILL PICTURE

By the Associated Press.
New York, April 15.—Will H.ays, director of the national association of picture producers, was called upon to prevent featuring of pictures of Roscoe C. Fatty Arbuckle in the Lord's Day alliance of New York in a letter made public today.

GIVEN SIXTY DAYS FOR SHOPLIFTING

Will Faucett and Frank Harris, negroes giving Gastonia as their residence, were sentenced to 60 days in jail by the recorder yesterday afternoon for shoplifting. They were picked up by chief Lentz and sergeant Sigmon in South Hickory following complaint from Wagner's store that they had stolen several articles from that place Wednesday. One of the negroes talked to Mr. Wagner while the other helped himself to a shirt, some hose and knives. The invaders had several articles the ownership of which has not been placed.

WHISKEY BURNS

By the Associated Press.
Bartonsville, Ky., April 15.—Seven hundred and 20 barrels of whiskey were destroyed last night when a fire thought to be of incendiary origin destroyed a distillery near here.

TOM FINCANNON GIVEN THREE MONTHS

Tom Fincannon, who lives just north of the Country club was convicted in recorder's court last evening of making liquor and sentenced to three months on the roads. The sentence would have been heavier, Recorder Pruitt stated, but for the fact that Fincannon's wife is seriously ill, with slight chance of recovery. City Prosecutor Jos. L. Murphy was assisted by Chas. W. Bagby and R. H. Shauford represented the defendant.
The case consumed most of the afternoon and was the outgrowth of the finding of a still on Sunday morning, April 2, in the woods back of Windy City by C. E. Carpenter, who alleged that Fincannon and Cleve Townsend were operating it. Testimony disclosed that three young white men, probably more, had been indicted to guard the approach to the outfit against unwelcome visitors.
Evidence brought out in the examination of witnesses tended to show that C. E. Carpenter, the state's principal witness, had observed the still in operation Sunday morning, April 2, about sun-up, had returned about 11:30 and saw on the hill side several boys hollering and "having a good time" and among them his own son, Clay Carpenter, and after telling Geo. W. Fox of his discovery reported the still to Sheriff Mauser at 1 o'clock.
The sheriff and Deputy Sheriff Pink Campbell searched the woods that afternoon, located the place where the still had been running and found Cleve Townsend about 200 yards distant, drunk and down. Townsend was arrested and conveyed to the recorder's court on Tuesday, April 4, on a charge of drunkenness. There was nothing said at the trial about a still being found near him nor of the report made to the sheriff by Mr. Carpenter.
On Tuesday night, according to Geo. W. Fox, he came to Hickory to induce the officers to swear out warrants for Cleve Townsend and Tom Fincannon, the men who were running the still, according to Mr. Carpenter, and Deputy Sheriff Campbell signed the warrants. The warrant on Fincannon was served Thursday afternoon of last week, but Cleve Townsend could not be located and is reported to have left this section last Saturday night.
After telling Sheriff Mauser about the still Sunday and following the raid, in which the still place was found and Cleve Townsend was picked up drunk in the woods, Mr. Carpenter said he told Deputy Sheriff Campbell about it before the trial on Tuesday, April 4. It was at this trial that Townsend was found guilty of being drunk, but nothing was brought out about a moonshine plant.
Mr. Fox in his testimony said he had seen the officers three times before he could get a warrant issued. He came to Hickory on the Tuesday night of the trial and had Mr. Campbell issue the warrants after Mr. Carpenter had sworn to the facts.
Deputy Sheriff Campbell testified that Mr. Carpenter told him on Monday morning, April 3, that Fincannon and Townsend were both at the still. Mr. Carpenter was busy with some concrete work about his home and could not accompany the officer to Hickory to swear out warrants. Mr. Carpenter came the following Tuesday night, but the deputy could get nobody to accompany him to make the arrests, the men still being in the neighborhood, that night. Mr. Campbell testified that Mr. Carpenter told him substantially the same thing as the witness told the court.
During the examination Recorder Pruitt said he would like to find out why it was that nobody thought to bring out the fact of the still when Cleve Townsend could be had, and that was a point that Mr. Fox and Mr. Carpenter also would like to have cleared up. If the court had known about the blockade still when Townsend was tried and fined for being drunk, he would have faced trial on the greater offense of making liquor. The state introduced several boys as witnesses. Three of them told of going after "burnt" liquor, stuff that had seared in the making, but they were noncommittal about other matters. They said they did not see Tom Fincannon, the defendant, but they did see Townsend, who is gone. These boys witnesses were Clay Carpenter, Buck Granger and Olay Little.
B. A. Miller and E. W. Brown, citizens of Windy City, were introduced by the state and both gave Messrs. Carpenter and Fox a good character.
It seems that the three boys were guarding the still, and receiving their pay in booze. The fact that his own son was among the trio drinking and shouting in the woods caused Mr. Carpenter to have the officers get the still and the men operating it. A bad liquor ring is said to exist in the neighborhood of Windy City and threats have been made against

MILLION IS LOST IN FLOOD DAMAGE

By the Associated Press.
Cairo, Ill., April 15.—Loss of more than one million dollars worth of crops is feared by farmers residing in four drainage districts north of Cairo as the result of flood waters in the Mississippi valley. An area of approximately 75,000 acres is being inundated and all families in the district have been moved.

MANY WOMEN WILL RUN FOR OFFICE

By the Associated Press.
Harrisburgh, Pa., April 15.—More than 50 Pennsylvania women are aspirants for political office in the state this year. They have announced themselves as candidates at the primary next month. Four are candidates for congress, but most of them seek seats in the state legislature.

THOMASVILLE SCHOOL BUILDING IS BURNED

Thomasville, April 15.—Fire supposed to have been of incendiary origin completely destroyed the Thomasville public school building and two residences early yesterday morning entailing a loss estimated at \$115,000 to \$125,000. Insurance to the amount of \$40,000 was carried on the school building.
The residences were occupied by G. R. Cooper, superintendent of the Jewell Cotton mills, and C. L. Harp, postmaster of Thomasville. Whether insurance was carried on these houses could not be learned this morning. Most of the furniture was saved.
Trouble with the water system of Thomasville made it impossible for the local volunteer fire fighters to fight the flames with any success. One of the pumps has been out of order for the past week.
When the fire was at its height, a call was sent to High Point for assistance and Chief A. B. Forney sent one fire truck and a car full of firemen. The fire, however, was under control, however, when they arrived.
The flames were first discovered on the second story of the school building at 12:55 this morning. So far as could be learned here no one had been in the building and there had been no fire in it all day. The Easter holidays began yesterday and the school has been deserted. For that reason the belief is entertained strongly here that the fire was of incendiary origin.

CAMPAIGN AGAINST FAKE INVESTMENTS

Postmaster H. H. Miller of the Hickory postoffice is cooperating in a nation wide campaign of the government to protect the American people against fake and unwise investments and to bring hidden surplus funds into circulation.
The government is warning people against financial transactions with strangers and advising them to put their money in good securities, place their funds in banks or invest in Treasury Savings Certificates at the Post Office. It is difficult to detect swindlers who obtain money from unsuspecting people in this manner until some of the federal laws have been broken.
Department officials say they are amazed that people will pass by a bank or the postoffice which offer protection of funds and safe investment to hand their money over to some smooth-talking swindler about whom they know nothing. Postmasters have been called upon by the Department to use their influence in every way possible to prevent the loss of millions of dollars each year through unscrupulous promoters and swindlers.
Postmaster Miller says: "I am sending letters to the patrons of this office, even to those of limited means, calling their attention to an investment guaranteed both as to principal and interest by the United States Government and which will increase 25 per cent in five years. Through this postoffice it is possible to purchase a \$25 Treasury Saving Certificate for \$20, a \$100 Certificate for \$80 and a \$1,000 Certificate for \$800, representing an investment yielding, at purchase price, 4 1/2 per cent interest, compounded semi-annually. If the purchaser wishes to cash his certificate before the end of five years, he can get his money back with interest figured at about 3 1/2 per cent, compounded semi-annually. I am hoping the people of this community will take advantage of this offer or put their money into a bank as a protection against possible loss."

HOUSE WILL VOTE ON BILL LATE TODAY

By the Associated Press.
Washington, April 15.—The house by unanimous consent agreed today to vote late this afternoon on an amendment to the naval appropriation bill providing for an enlisted force of 86,000 men. The vote will come after four hours of debate.

PROLONGED FLOOD FOR GREAT STREAM

By the Associated Press.
Memphis, April 15.—Without venturing a prediction as to maximum rise, the weather bureau's forecast indicated "increasing and indefinitely prolonged flood" in the Mississippi river as the result of excessive rains in the Ohio valley during the last 24 hours, which caused a rise of 6 feet four inches at Pittsburgh since yesterday.

HARBINGERS

Houston Post.
It is said that male democrats in Indianapolis are beginning to appear on the streets with fresh shaves and their shoes shined. Such phenomena are the spirit's harbinger of victory.

PROMISING

Boston Transcript.
Really, the newspaper pictures of Prince Otto seem to promise that he would make a good queen.

SAY IT WITH RADIO

Albany Journal.
"Say it with radio" seems to be getting to be the rule.

NO INTEREST

Richmond Times-Dispatch.
Evidently, the present administration has no interest whatever in making the government departments safe for democracy.

THE UNWRITTEN LAW

Ohio State Journal.
We suppose the reason why the unwritten law remains unwritten is because it is used so much that anybody at all likely to be concerned knows it by heart.

EASTERN MONDAY HOLIDAY IN HICKORY

Easter will be observed in Hickory and this section as usual this year. In the towns most people will take holiday, but in the country it will be the reverse. Farmers work when the seasons are suitable, surrendering as few spring and summer days as possible.
Special Easter music will be rendered at the churches tomorrow morning and sermons appropriate to the occasion will be delivered by all the pastors.
On Monday the stores and other business places in Hickory, including the Record, will observe holiday, and ball games, fishing parties, back yard cleaning parties and the like will be formed. The day will not be lost.

TENNESSEE COUNTY STRUCK BY STORM

By the Associated Press.
Lebanon, Tenn., April 15.—A tornado struck this county at 8:30 o'clock Friday night, sweeping around this place on three sides and doing damage about the countryside and doing damage estimated at \$250,000, including the unroofing of houses and barns and the killing of live stock.

ENGINEER FATALLY HURT ON RAILROAD

By the Associated Press.
Raleigh, N. C., April 15.—Engineer W. C. Davis was fatally injured when his fireman was slightly hurt when his engine pulling Norfolk Southern freight train No. 60 was derailed 17 miles from Raleigh today. The accident was due to a burning trestle.

LEVEL OF RIVER BREAKS NEAR CAIRO

By the Associated Press.
Cairo, Ill., April 15.—The levee at Grand Power broke this morning and the swollen Mississippi spread over 5,000 acres of cultivated land. The water is 11 feet deep in some places. All residents are believed to have reached points of safety.

CLEAN LIFE WEEK TO BE CONDUCTED

By the Associated Press.
Washington, April 15.—The national anti-cigarette league will conduct a national "clean life week" from April 23 to 30, it was announced today by Dr. Harry Kress, president of the organization. In a statement announcing the program, he said it was "much more important to have clean lives than clean yards or clean streets. We need a clean up," he said, "in order to get rid of bad habits that contaminate the blood and are harmful to citizens."

CAN'T PAY DIVIDENDS

By the Associated Press.
Minneapolis, April 15.—The board of directors of the Minneapolis, St. Paul and Paul and Sault Ste. Marie Marie Railway Company were restrained today from paying a semi-annual two per cent dividend to preferred and common stockholders by a judge of the United States supreme court today.

MANY CANDIDATES ARE NOW IN RACE

By the Associated Press.
Chicago, April 15.—Clifford Thorne, general counsel for the American farm bureau federation, today formally announced his candidacy for the Republican nomination for United States senator. He simultaneously handed his resignation to the farm bureau federation,

BIG CONVENTION BY DEMOCRATS IN NEWTON

Newton, April 15.—Featured by a rousing good speech by Judge W. B. Council of Hickory the Catawba county Democratic convention met heretoday and elected delegates to the state convention. Chairman F. A. Henderson called the convention to order and Judge Council was made temporary chairman and Mrs. R. A. Taylor of Maiden secretary. Thanks for his splendid work were given by his splendid work.
The convention gave County Chairman Henderson a rising vote of thanks for his splendid work during the last campaign and the committee meeting later declined to accept his resignation.
Delegates to the state convention from Hickory township included the following women:
Mrs. H. C. Menzies, Miss Precyous Hawk, Mrs. John W. Robinson, Mrs. T. L. McCarty and Miss Army Webb. All delegates who attend the convention are delegates, the meeting decided.
The address of the day was delivered by former Judge W. B. Council of Hickory, who made a strong plea for harmony in the interest of progress and declared it was a good omen that Catawba county had such a large number of independent thinking men and women. There was no bitterness in the judge's remarks, which were addressed more to the intelligence of his audience than to the feelings. Judge Council was loudly applauded and all the delegates felt that he had struck the proper keynote for a county campaign.
The question of nominating candidates for the various county offices were deferred until a later meeting.

ROADS GRANTED 30 DAY STAY IN CASE

By the Associated Press.
Raleigh, N. C., April 15.—Federal Judge Connor and Waddill, here today, declined to grant an injunction for the railroads restraining the state from collecting certain taxes pending a decision on the question by the United States supreme court, but a stay of 30 days was granted.

ALL HONEST MEN NOT DEAD, SAYS UNCLE DALLAS

Uncle Dallas Russell says all the honest men are not dead by a long shot. Twenty-eight years ago he gave Mr. Jack B. Graham, a Confederate soldier of Caldwell county, a note for \$20. Mr. Graham ran across it the other day and believed it must have been paid. Neither remembered anything about it, so Mr. Graham brought it in, Mr. Russell offered to pay the note and Mr. Graham refused pay. He tore up the note, feeling sure that it had been paid years ago; or if it had not, he should have seen to it that it was. When the note was made, the legal rate of interest in this state was eight per cent.

GETS LIFE TERM FOR KILLING WIFE

By the Associated Press.
Perry, Ga., April 15.—After deliberating since 5:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, the jury in the case against Stanley Aylor, charged with murder of his wife, returned a verdict today of murder, with a recommendation of mercy. He was sentenced to life imprisonment in the penitentiary.
In his statement to the jury Aylor claimed that he was forced to shoot his wife with a gun four times as they struggled for its possession. He claimed that she had threatened to kill him many times.

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