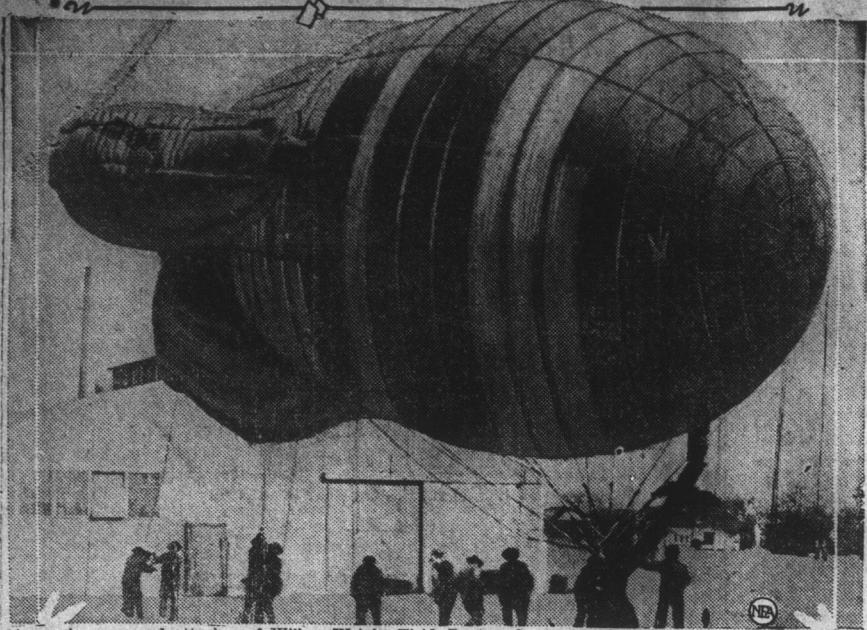


This Is Army's Newest Barrage Balloon



Air service men and attaches of Wilbur Wright Field, Dayton, O., are seen here filling the army's newest barrage balloon in preparation for an experimental flight. It has reached an altitude of 20,000 feet in one test. The ship carries instruments for recording weather conditions, wind velocity and other data. The fins on its sides take care of the expansion and retraction of the gas.

High Point to War On Rats This Week.

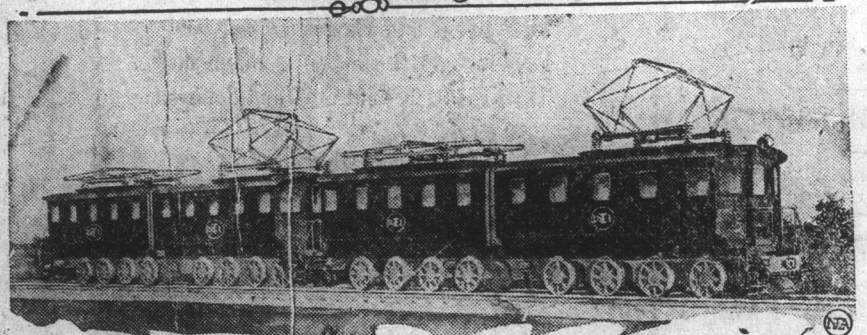
High Point, Dec. 14.—High Point will wage a war on rats this week and the indications are that it will be one of the most important battles in the city's history. There are 44,558 rats in High Point or two for every person living in

the city, according to government statistics, but two weeks from today this vermin population is expected to be reduced to nil.

Taxicabs drivers in Kansas City have formed a union.

Jews in Palestine are going back to the old Hebrew names. Goldmann is becoming Zahabi; Silvermann is becoming Kaspi; Blumberg becomes Parchi; and Goldman becomes Baklat. Names like Sapiro, Cohen and Levy remain unchanged, they are already Hebrew.

Here's Henry's Latest



Henry Ford "always up to something new," is building the largest and most powerful electric locomotive in the world to haul freight on his D. T. & I. Railroad. The super-engine, which is under construction at his Highland Park plant, will weigh 340,000 lbs. and will have sixteen 250-horse-power motors. It will be capable of handling a train of 150 loaded cars. Ford Engineers say

THE FICTITIOUS FALL BOOM.

Philadelphia Record
We are pained to learn that Fall River is not blooming as a news dispatch published Monday asserted. We noted with satisfaction that on that morning 116 Fall River mills would start up on full time, many of which had been idle for months, and others had been running on part time, and that this would furnish employment for 20,000 persons, and that all this was due to the great improvement in business and in the increased demands for goods.

Without any suspicion that the news was false, we expressed our satisfaction at the trade improvement, but declined to see any connection between the boom and the election of Mr. Coolidge. The illness of the mills had lasted for months had occurred under the reign of Mr. Coolidge and the Fordney-McCumber tariff, and a change in the state of trade could not be attributed to them.

As soon as E. F. Walker, of Providence, secretary of the Rhode Island Textile Association, saw that Fall River was bursting into a boom he felt surprised and then he undertook to verify the glad news. Later in the day he gave out results of his investigation. He learned from the most reliable Fall River sources that "there is no foundation for such a statement".

Only five or six Fall River mills are starting full-time production schedules today, and these mills have in general been running on part time for some weeks. The great majority of Fall River mills will continue to operate on their old schedules under conditions in the goods market which improve enough to warrant a higher rate of operation.

We are informed on the most reliable authority in Fall River that the story of full-time operation in Fall River was put out as Government cotton report issued at 11 A. M. today.

On Monday the Government gave out a report indicating that the crop would be materially larger than the estimate of two weeks before. The natural effect of this would be to depress the market, and the story of great activity in the goods market and the consequent resumption of 116 mills in Fall River was designed to boom cotton and offset the decline.

As a matter of fact, the publication of the official report was immediately followed by an advance because the increase reported by the Government was not as great as had been estimated by the trade. Later this gain was lost.

There must be some law that will reach the issuing of a lying dispatch from Fall River to affect the cotton market in New York, and the parties affected by the lie ought to have energy enough to make somebody smart for it. But to recur to the political aspects of the case, not only could a boom in the Fall River mills not be due to the election on November 4, but there was no boom. The election of Mr. Coolidge and the assurance that the Fordney-McCumber tariff will last another four years have not been enough to produce any marked effect in Fall River. Five or six mills, some of which had been running on part time, resumed running on full time last Monday. But the great majority of Fall River mills continue to

run on part time, or not run at all, until something happens to the goods trade which the tariff law and the election of Mr. Coolidge have been unable to effect.

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THE NERVOUS CHILD

One Out of Three in a Family Is Likely To Be Irritable.

While nervous children used to be rare, it is not unusual now for one of three in every family to be so affected, say Dr. Jas. J. Walsh and Dr. John A. Foote in their new book, "Safeguarding Children's Nerves." (Lippincott's). They say: "We hear so much of improvement in health as the result of hygiene and sanitation and better methods of living generally that it is no little surprise for most people to learn that the number of patients suffering from nervous diseases is constantly growing. This is particularly noticeable as regards children. The nervous child used to be a very great exception, found mainly in families with rather marked nervous heredity. Now, wherever there are two or three children in the family, it is not at all unusual to have at least one of them exhibit very definite signs of nervousness, and in some cases all of the children manifest those tendencies to irritability on slight cause and to over-reaction to emotional stimuli which are so characteristic of the nervous child."

Captain Robert Dollar, owner of the Dollar Steamship Company, is said to be the "Cappy Rioks" of Peter B. Kyne's stories.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Resolutions of respect to the memory of William James Hill, by the session of the First Presbyterian Church, Concord, N. C., of which he was an elder: Whereas, In the providence of God, William James Hill, an honored elder of this church, has been removed from us by death, therefore, be it

Resolved, First: That in the death of William James Hill this session has lost one of its most highly respected members, and our church a loyal officer and member.

Second: That Concord and Cabarrus county have lost a noble, patriotic, faithful and useful citizen, a large part of whose life was spent in doing deeds of kindness and helpfulness to those around him.

Third: That we extend to the family of our departed brother our sincere sympathy in their bereavement.

Fourth: That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon a page of the minutes of this session in memorial to our brother, and that a copy be sent to his family, and also to the Presbyterian Standard and the Concord papers for publication.

E. C. BARNHARDT,
JONES Y. PHARR,
H. I. WOODHOUSE,
Committee.



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