

"MY SON,
deal with men
who advertise,
you will never
lose by it."
—Benjamin Franklin.

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WEATHER

Fair and somewhat warmer to-
night and probably Tuesday. Light
variable winds becoming south.

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WILSON IS SILENT AND SO IS HOOVER

So Democratic Party Doesn't
Know Just What to do. Re-
publican Contest Grows Hot-
ter Week by Week

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Study of dispatches to The Star
from its political correspondents in
all parts of the country, to be pub-
lished tomorrow, leads irresistibly to
two major conclusions:
One is that the presidential boom
of Herbert Hoover is not making any
such headway among republicans as
to warrant belief that he will be se-
riously considered at Chicago as the
nominee of that party—unless there
should develop a deadlock that no
other aspirant seemed able to break.

The second is that among demo-
crats the Hoover boom is laboring
under a double handicap. It suffers
along with all other democratic can-
didacies because of the lack of know-
ledge of President Wilson's wishes
and intentions, and the Hoover move-
ment is held back by the further ob-
stacle of his own silence.

That there is Hoover sentiment
among the rank and file of republi-
can voters in many parts of the coun-
try is undeniable, but it lacks organ-
ization and does not at this time give
promise of making its weight felt in
the selection of delegates to the na-
tional convention.

The republican party leaders ap-
pear to have the situation much bet-
ter in hand than is the case with
leaders in the opposition party, and
there is an absence of any consid-
erable Hoover sentiment among active
republican workers. Another thing
which operates to hold back growth
of a republican Hoover movement is
the number and activity of republi-
can candidates. In several states the
contests between leading republican
aspirants already has grown so ex-
citing that there is afforded ample
outlet for the partisanship of voters
and they are not tempted into strange
political byways in the search of
favorites.

More and more it is coming to ap-
pear that if Mr. Hoover is to be the
nominee of either party it is at San
Francisco the tender will be made.
As a rule, active democratic party
workers do not seem to take any
more kindly to the Hoover notion
than do their democratic brethren,
but the situation in the democratic
party is much more favorable to the
development of Hoover sentiment.

Nor is it true that active demo-
cratic workers everywhere are against
Hoover. In Wyoming during the
week fifty leading democrats met to
select a state chairman and to attend
to other party matters. There was a
banquet at which inquiry was made
as to presidential candidates. With
one voice, says a dispatch from Chey-
enne, those around the table shouted
"Hoover!" Now Wyoming is a small
state and its delegation will not play
a conspicuous part at San Francisco,
but this may be a straw to show
which way the wind is beginning to
set in.

A peculiarity of the Hoover senti-
ment among democrats is that it
seems to be both sporadic and spas-
modic, which may be accounted for
by the lack of organization back of
it. It forges ahead in one state,
while in a nearby state, without any
apparent dissimilarity in conditions,
it will be at a standstill or actually
slipping back. During the week it
burst forth in West Virginia in some-
thing of a flame, prominent demo-
cratic politicians and newspapers go-
ing on record publicly as favorable to
Hoover's candidacy. Across the border
in Kentucky, according to a dis-
patch from Louisville, there was a
decided lull in Hoover talk, attrib-
uted to the continued silence of the
former food administrator. Among
Kentucky democrats Gov. Cox of Ohio
is said to have made substantial pro-
gress, and the Palmer boom is ex-
pected to be given impetus when the
Attorney General addresses the leg-
islature February 25.

There was a state-wide conference
of democratic leaders in Wisconsin
during the week and agreement was
general that the delegation to San
Francisco should go instructed. Sen-
timent at the conference, according
to a Milwaukee dispatch, was divided
among McAdoo, Bryan and Hoover.
A somewhat new note comes from
Iowa. The democratic state organi-
zation, according to The Star's Des
Moines correspondent, is pro-Wilson
in the extreme and favors sending an
uninstructed delegation to San Fran-
cisco, prepared to do the President's
will, whatever it may be. In Geor-
gia there is reported complete lack
of crystallization of democratic senti-
ment, with strong disposition among
party leaders to hold back until the
candidates have had a chance to show

FUNERAL FRED. T. HORTON

The funeral of Fred T. Horton was
conducted from the home on Oak
Street Monday afternoon at 3.30 by
Rev. J. W. Bradley. Interment was
made in Hollywood.

Mr. Horton was 43 years old and
had suffered from tuberculosis for
some time. Last fall he returned
from Sanatorium much improved
but recently grew worse. Last Fri-
day night he became critically ill,
and his death occurred Sunday after-
noon at four o'clock. He was a pic-
turer by trade but had been unable
to work steadily for a long time on
account of ill health.

He is survived by his wife and five
children, Mattie, Margaret, Howard,
James and Freddie. All of these are
sick in bed with influenza.

He also leaves three sisters, and
one brother. The sisters are Mrs.
Ada Upton and Mrs. Annie Alex-
ander of Great Bridge, Va., and Mrs.
Pattie Cartwright of Nixonton. The
brother is William Horton of this
city.

THE LEVER ACT IS CONFUSING

Judge Connor Unwilling to say
That Three or Four Cents a
Pound is Unreasonable Profit

Raleigh, Feb. 9.—With seven Rail-
road merchants under Federal indict-
ment for straight profiteering, two
of the number being also charged
with conspiring to exact an excessive
rate for sugar, the question as to
the meaning of the word profiteering
is giving not a few local jurists con-
siderable concern.

Nobody seems to be able to say
what constitutes the charge. Judge
Connor, who presided over last week's
term of Federal court, made it plain
that he was not satisfied as to the
meaning of the amended Lever con-
trol act under which the merchants
are being indicted. The judge was
not willing to say that he thought
a profit of four cents a pound on
sugar made the merchant a pro-
fiteer.

Reading from the act Judge Con-
nor gave this interpretation: A mer-
chant may buy sugar at fourteen
cents and sell it for fourteen and a
half cents per pound and be subject
to indictment under the amended
Lever control act if it can be estab-
lished that the rate charged was un-
reasonable and unjust. Or sugar
bought, for example, at fourteen cents
and sold for twelve cents would con-
stitute a violation of the act provid-
ed twelve cents was considered an
unjust and an unreasonable charge.

That was his interpretation of
the act, although he was not at all cer-
tain that such an interpretation was
the purpose of the act as drawn and
which has not, to anybody's knowl-
edge, been explained.

The opinion of attorneys here is
that the purpose of the act is not to
regulate the profit but rather the
price of necessities. And the only
thing that can be worked on
is what is considered an unjust
and unreasonable charge. Nobody
here seems to know. It may be a
jury's right to settle the question
and the belief is that while there is
such a scarcity of sugar it would be
extremely difficult to find twelve men
who would say that a merchant was
guilty so long as he did nothing
worse than make a profit of three or
four cents on a pound of sugar.

NORTHERN KOREA IS EVACUATED BY JAPANESE

(By Associated Press)
London, Feb. 9.—Northern Korea
has been evacuated by the Japanese,
according to a Moscow wireless.

PNEUMONIA WEATHER

At the first sign of that bad cold
get a 30c. jar of Rex Croup and
Cold Salve at the City Drug Store
and rub your throat, chest and
neck well each night.

A small portion of Rex melted in
a spoon and, taken internally at
bed time will forestall that bother-
some hacking cough. Be sure to
rub the baby good with the salve to
prevent dangerous complications
arising from a slight cold. The City
Drug Store will return your money
if this preparation fails to meet
every claim made for it by its
makers. It is certainly a meritor-
ious formula and is now being used
in large quantities by Elizabeth City
people with the most satisfactory re-
sults. It contains Menthol, Eucaly-
ptol and healing balsams which are
vaporized by the heat of the body.
Phone the City Drug Store on
Water Street and get a jar today.—
adv.

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MUD TRIUMPHS OVER SUFFRAGE

Prisons And Mere Man Had
Never Feazed Miss Winsor
But Camden County Roads—
They Did It

An Elizabeth City audience that
turned out to hear Miss Mary Winsor,
of Pennsylvania, discuss the equal
suffrage question at the Alkrama on
Sunday afternoon, was treated to a
home talent program instead. Miss
Winsor didn't show up. She missed
her train out of Norfolk on Sunday
morning and tried to make the trip
to Elizabeth City by automobile. Not
even a militant suffragette has any
terror for the roads between here
and Norfolk and mud triumphed over
suffrage. Three times her car was
stuck. The third time it went nose
down in a bog about four miles from
Elizabeth City. Then and there Miss
Winsor hired an old negro to bring
her into town with his mule and cart.
She arrived in that backwoods Pull-
man in front of the Southern Hotel
at about 5 o'clock.

The audience that went out to hear
Miss Winsor might have gone away
a bit sore and disappointed, but a
splendid program by local talent kept
the crowd in good humor. Mrs. Fred
Simonds sang two delightful num-
bers, accompanied by Mrs. I. M.
Meekins at the piano. Lorenzo D.
Case, equal to any emergency, made
a 30 minute speech on the subject
of community betterment. The audi-
ence was then dismissed with the
announcement that the lady who was
to have spoken was "suffering yet."

YANKEE SLANG CORRUPTS ENGLAND

British Song And Play Writers
Seek to Enliven Their Pro-
ductions With American
Popular Phrases

London, Jan. 22. (By The Associ-
ated Press.)—England is apprehen-
sive lest the vocabularies of her
youth become corrupted through in-
cursions of American slang.

Trans-Atlantic tourists in England
note with interest the frequency with
which resort is made to "Yankee
talk" by British song and play-writ-
ers seeking to enliven their produc-
tions. Bands and orchestras through-
out the country, when playing popu-
lar music, play American selections
almost exclusively. American songs
monopolize the English music-hall
and musical comedy stage.

It is the sub-title of the American
moving-picture film which, it is
feared, constitutes the most menac-
ing threat to vaunted English pur-
ity of speech.

"The child at the pictures is pick-
ing up a new language from the
slangy American films," says a critic
in a contribution to the London
Daily News headed "The Vulgar
Tongue."

"I visited two picture theaters to-
day for the express purpose of col-
lecting slang phrases and of noticing
the effect of the new language on the
child as well as on the adult. What
the villain said to the hero when the
latter started to argue with him was
'Cut out that dope,' and a hundred
piping voices repeated the injunction.
The comic man announced his mar-
riage to the Belle of Lumbertown by
saying, 'I'm hitched.'"

"Of course, the American child
can comprehend these things much
better than the British child, who is
quite unfamiliar with such phrases.
Imagine a child going home to moth-
er and asking the meaning of 'fly
cop.' We may admire the terseness
of the phrase 'Forget it' but does
the sub-title 'The Bun's gone daffy'
convey anything to a theater full of
cockneys?"

"In another picture a man traf-
ficking secretly with Indians, exchange-
ing bottles of 'fire water' for beaver
skins was sub-titled 'The Bootleg-
ger.'"

TROTSKY CHANGES DUTIES

Helsingfors, Feb. 9. — Trotsky,
Russian Bolshevik Minister of War
and Marine, will become Director and
High Commander of Food and Trans-
portation and his duties as Minister
of War will be assumed by General
Polossov, according to advices re-
ceived here.

You will find no better value any-
where than we are offering in our
\$25.00 Elgin Man's Watch for \$20.
Come in and see it today.
H. C. BRIGHT CO.

ONE LIFE LOST IN HOTEL FIRE

San Francisco Apartment house
Found in Flames Shortly Af-
ter Midnight. Many Are In-
jured

San Francisco, Feb. 9.—Only
one life is known definitely to
have been lost in the fire which
destroyed the fashionable
Berkshire Apartment Hotel.
Search of the ruined building
today revealed no additional
bodies.

San Francisco, Feb. 9.—At least
25 are dead, some are still missing,
thirty are injured, some seriously,
as the toll of the fire which early this
morning swept the five-story Berk-
shire Apartment Hotel.

Three bodies were recovered and
the firemen who searched the upper
floors said there were 25 more there.

Most of the injured who were taken
to hospitals were women. Some suf-
fered from severe burns while others
leaped from windows and fire-escape
ladders.

The first alarm came shortly after
midnight.

The police said when they arrived
most of the 150 persons who lived on
the lower floors had rushed scream-
ing into the street, many of them in
their night clothes, while scores of
persons on the upper floors were
clinging to the window ledges.

LAY PLANS FOR LANDING FIELDS

In Aerial Navigation Landing
Fields Are to Plane What
Harbor is to Ship.

New York, February 6.—Plans
for the establishment of a
chain of airplane landing fields have
been worked out by officers of the
Army Air Service and the Manufac-
turers' Association. It was announced
here to-day.

Army flyers have covered more
than three hundred thousand miles
in an aerial survey of the country
and many exhaustive reports on the
facilities offered to cross-country fly-
ers.

Representatives of 32 large South-
ern cities already have been invited
to establish landing fields under ar-
my direction. Many others will re-
ceive like invitations during the next
few months. These must be laid out
according to instructions and specifi-
cations given by the Army and in
return the Government gives free
sets of hangars to the municipalities.
Since the armistice the number of
army fields has been reduced from
50 to 16 and the naval air stations
from 17 to 9.

Operation of the landing field or
"air harbor," is assumed by the mu-
nicipality.

"The landing field," says the air-
craft association, is to the airplane
what the harbor is to the ocean li-
ner and the railroad terminal is to
the train. It is not merely a flat piece
of land on which a flyer can bring
his craft to earth. Such a piece of
ground bears the same relation to
a real landing field as an unimproved
water inlet bears to a harbor like
New York or Liverpool.

"A landing field should have,
first of all, dimensions which fit it
to handle all forms of aircraft. It
should have shelter and supplies for
flyers and their crafts and should be
accessible to the trade center it is
meant to serve. This feature is of
merit aerial navigation will devel-
op only in proportion to its commer-
cial value. The field should be iden-
tified with markings visible to great
heights and with radio apparatus so
that flyers may be aided in finding
their way in spite of the fog or fail-
ure to identify the country over
which they are passing.

"Fields at frequent intervals
mean that cross-country flyers can
come to earth for rest, replenish-
ment of supplies and adjustments to
their machines without inconve-
nience of unnecessary delay. In the
event of a mishap in the air, such as
a stalled motor, the nearby landing
field permits the pilot to glide to it
without damage to the machine or
to himself.

RETURNS FROM RALEIGH

E. F. Aydlett has returned from
Raleigh, where he was busy last week
with his new duties as District At-
torney in which capacity he made a
fine impression upon those attending
Federal Court.

SUPERIOR COURT IN SESSION

Superior Court convened Monday
morning, Judge Guion presiding, for
the trial of civil cases only. Follow-
ing verdict for the defendant in the
sum of \$32.50 in the case of S. G.
Wright vs. W. H. Garnes, court ad-
journed until Tuesday morning.

TO GAIN FREEDOM BY RESTITUTION

Man Serving Sentence For For-
gery Pardoned by Governor
on This Condition

Raleigh, Feb. 9.—Upon condition
that he make good the amount lost
because of his crime, Ira Polansky,
convicted in December, 1918, and
sentenced to three years for forgery,
was Friday granted a pardon by Gov.
Bickett.

Polansky must pay to the Wach-
ovia Bank and Trust Company, of
Winston-Salem, the sum of \$50 with-
in thirty days from the date of his
pardon and the balance of \$2,250 in
monthly installments of fifty dollars
until the full amount has been paid.
He must also pay, upon completion
of the amount due the bank, the
balance of the loss sustained by the
bonding company. The governor
gives the following reasons for grant-
ing the pardon:

"The defendant has now served
about fourteen months and has made
a good prisoner. The loss involved
in his forgery amounted to \$2,300.
The prisoner, himself, and his friends
desire that he be given an oppor-
tunity to reimburse the people who
lost money on account of this forgery
and the people who sustained the loss
unite in the request that he be given
this opportunity.

"I think it would be better for the
prisoner's future for him to be re-
leased at this time upon condition
that he repay all losses sustained by
his misconduct than for him to serve
the balance of his term. Therefore
a pardon is granted upon the condi-
tion that the prisoner, Ira Polansky,
shall, within thirty days after his dis-
charge, pay to the Wachovia Bank
and Trust Company, the sum of \$50
and an additional \$50 every thirty
days thereafter until the full amount
of the loss sustained by the bank
shall have been paid in full. After
this is paid in full, the balance of the
loss sustained by the bonding com-
pany, shall be paid in installments
of \$50 until the loss of the bonding
company is paid in full. Upon fail-
ure to comply with these conditions,
the prisoner will be ordered back to
prison."

EX-CHIEF POLICE FEDERAL PRISON

Man Who Had Done Effective
Work Against Blockading
Himself Found Guilty

Raleigh, Feb. 9.—One of the three
men sentenced by Judge Henry G.
Connor in Federal Court Friday to
two years in the penitentiary at At-
lanta for illicit dealings in whiskey
was S. G. Swafford, former chief of
police of Aberdeen and one time
deputy sheriff who did some effective
work with revenue officers in East-
ern North Carolina in rounding up
blockade distillers.

The former officer was arrested
while the last December term of court
was in session on a charge of remov-
ing and concealing, retailing and
violation of the new national prohibi-
tion act, fifteen gallons of whiskey
having been found on the porch of
his home. A plea of guilty was en-
tered by Swafford.

Among the large number of wit-
nesses testifying against Swafford
was Henry A. Page, State Chairman
of the fair price committee, who
with respect to liquor selling in Aber-
deen.

HOUSEWIVES MEET WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

The Housewives League will meet
Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 in the
Rest Rooms in the Hinton Building.
Secretary L. D. Case will speak on
Community Work. New officers will
be elected and matters of interest to
all public spirited women will be
taken up.

It is hoped that all women who
can do so will attend this meeting
which had to be postponed from last
week on account of rain.

\$20.00 for a standard, reliable
time-piece is a value you are not get-
ting to be able to find always. Our
Elgin at this price is a genuine bar-
gain.
H. C. BRIGHT CO.

TROOPS OPEN FIRE ON CROWD

Fifteen Wounded And Four
Reported Killed in Excite-
ment Surrounding Trial of
Negro

(By Associated Press)
Lexington, Feb. 9. — Four
men were killed and fifteen per-
sons were wounded, including
two women, when State troops
fired into the crowd surround-
ing the courthouse here today.

Soldiers held off the mob
while officers managed to get
the negro to a safe place.

The jury found Lockett
guilty while the mob was try-
ing to enter the courthouse.

Four hundred Federal troops
from Camp Taylor are en route
here to prevent further trouble.

Additional troops were re-
quested as it was feared that
300 militia men could not
handle the situation.

Lexington, Feb. 9.—Several per-
sons were wounded and some are re-
ported killed when troops opened fire
on the crowd surrounding the court-
house here this morning during the
trial of William Lockett, negro, for
assault and murder of a ten year old
school girl.

The troops were on guard to pre-
vent possible attempts to lynch the
negro.

It is reported that fifty men
stormed the courthouse door carrying
a rope.

The negro was convicted and sen-
tenced to electrocution on March the
eleventh.

DECISION IS EXPECTED SOON

As to Whether German Nat-
ional Assembly Will Consider
Germany's Answer To The
Allies' Demand

(By Associated Press)
Berlin, Feb. 9.— Decision as to
whether the German National As-
sembly will be called to consider Ger-
many's answer to the Allied demand
for extradition is expected soon.

In addition to the persons on the
extradition list which was delivered
Saturday night, the Allies demand
access to the archives and possession
of all German documentary evidence
so that prosecutions may be facil-
itated.

The Lee Union-Alls King of N. C. in City

R. S. Mason, Jr. is here represent-
ing H. D. Lee Mercantile Co., Tren-
ton, N. J., says many of the biggest
and best known manufacturing en-
terprises in the United States are
clothing all their employes with LEE
UNION-ALLS at their own expense,
or strongly urging their men to equip
themselves. The H. D. Lee Mercan-
tile Company has been featuring LEE
UNION-ALLS as a "SAFETY FIRST"
GARMENT in their recent advertis-
ing. Several full page advertisements
in "The Saturday Evening Post" have
dealt exclusively with the "SAFETY-
FIRST" features of the GARMENT
and a large SAFETY-FIRST circular
was mailed to industrial plants and
factories of all kinds.

The one-piece WORK-SUIT has
met with almost universal approval.
It is recognized as the modern, safe-
ty-first WORK GARMENT, and LEE
UNION-ALLS, with their superior
quality of workmanship and cloth,
their special features and their com-
fort, have fixed forever a higher
standard of quality for WORK-
CLOTHING. They can be found at
any up-to-date stores in North Caro-
lina as well as other states. adv It

To the Shareholders of the Albemarle
Building and Loan Association:

The regular annual meeting of the
shareholders of the Albemarle Build-
ing and Loan Association will be held
in the Y. M. C. A. Building, Corner
Main and Martin streets, Elizabeth
City, N. C., on Tuesday, February 10,
1920 at 7:30 p. m. You will take
notice and be governed accordingly.
W. BEN GOODWIN,
S.&M. Secty.-Treas.

Do you need a reliable watch? See
the Elgin we are showing at \$20.00.
The value is all there, too.
H. C. BRIGHT CO.

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