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Officers Making Inspection of National Guard Company Much Impressed With the Conditions Here.

High praise for Concord's National Guard unit was given Saturday night after the annual inspection of the company by State and Federal officers.

The inspection was made in the armory Saturday afternoon and night and after it was all over Lieutenant Compton, regular army officer...

With Lieutenant Compton was Major Graham K. Hobbs, representing the State Adjutant General's department. He has been detailed to act as Inspector General of the State for the time being.

During the afternoon water work and records of the company were inspected and at night the personnel and personal equipment were inspected.

Captain Norman Alston, commanding officer of the company, reports that he is much gratified with the fine rating given the company.

Lieutenant Compton was inspector here two years ago and he expressed gratification that the company had made fine progress since his last appearance.

Lieutenant Compton and Major Hobbs got off the subject of military tactics long enough to praise Hotel Concord. "We have been in many cities in the State," Major Hobbs said, "and have found no better hotel. The citizens of Concord are to be commended and congratulated on the excellence of their hospitality."

LIGHTED MATCH THROWN INTO POWDER MAGAZINE Bill Affecting the Highway Commission and Salary and Wage Commission Will Start the Pyrotechnics.

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New York, Feb. 21.—(AP)—Sixteen deaths and millions of dollars in property damage were caused by a snow, sleet and wind storm that had abated today, after raging in the north and middle Atlantic coast states for 48 hours.

From Maine to Delaware Bay, mountainous seas tossed ships about like match boxes, shattered dwellings, and swept away piers and boardwalks. High tides carried waters hundreds of feet in shore.

Snow fell to a depth of two feet in some places, while temperatures dropped to 10 degrees below zero. The storm took its heaviest death toll off Provincetown, Mass., where eight coast-guardmen lost their lives when patrol boat No. 238 was tossed ashore, and the entire boat's crew was lost as two destroyers vainly rushed to rescue them.

Other deaths attributed to the storm included four in Pittsburgh, two in Boston, one at South Amboy, N. J., and the second officer of a bark off Ambrose lightship outside New York harbor.

New Jersey beach resorts were hard hit. From Asbury Park to Cape May high tides and great waves caused extensive damage to boats, boardwalks, shops, cottages and other structures. At Atlantic City a 100-foot section of its famous boardwalk was lifted by a wave and deposited on the top of a building.

Many small craft and some larger ones were thrown on reefs, bars and beaches along the entire coast line. Waves at times reached a height of fifty feet.

GET MORE INFORMATION ABOUT SMITH'S CAMPAIGN Recalcitrant Witnesses Testify Before Senate Campaign Funds Committee.

Washington, Feb. 21.—(AP)—Calling before it the group of recalcitrant witnesses, who previously had declined to answer questions to primary campaign expenditures last year, the senate campaign funds investigating committee today obtained some of the information sought and decided to cite Daniel J. Schuyler, attorney for Samuel Insull, Chicago utilities magnate, for contempt.

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Many Important Measures to Come Up In Legislature This Week

Tribune Bureau Sir Walter Hotel. RY J. C. BASKERVILLE.

Raleigh, Feb. 21.—It is a good thing that the members of the house, at least, decided to hold a session this morning as well as tonight, judging from the number of important bills still on the house public calendar.

Of first importance, perhaps, are the revenue and appropriations bills, though active discussion of these will probably be deferred several days. The revenue bill was reported in the house Saturday by Representative Graham of Orange, chairman of the house finance committee, while the bill was reported in the senate by Senator Williams, chairman of the senate finance committee. It is expected that the appropriations bill will be reported to the house Monday by Representative Turlington, chairman of the house appropriations committee.

Although numerous changes and alterations have been made in the revenue bill since it was submitted to the first by the advisory budget commission, these revisions do not materially effect the amount of revenue it is expected to produce, which is some thing over \$14,000,000 yearly for the next two years. However, further revisions may be made during its progress through the house and senate, although neither Representative Graham or Senator Williams, who will pilot the bill through the assembly, expect any material changes to be made in it.

The principal changes made in the revenue bill in committee include a lowering of the tax on bottlers of carbonated beverages—much sought by them in numerous hearings—and the elimination of the tax on tobacco. The graduated tax on contractors was also lowered, but it is estimated that virtually the same amount of revenue will be yielded as before. The tax on motor buses, which was proposed on a weight-per-passenger-per mile basis, has been changed to an entirely different basis, but which will also yield about the same revenue, according to members of the committee. The tax on insurance companies and premiums has been changed to virtually the same system and rates now in use under the present revenue act.

The section of the act referring to the tax on distributors and dealers in typewriters, cash registers, fridges, and similar machines, has been changed, putting the bulk of the tax on the distributors instead of the individual dealers. The inheritance tax sections remains virtually unchanged as submitted in the advisory budget commission draft of the bill.

One of the most important public bills pending in the house, and which will be taken up Monday night as special order, is the Smith-Hargett substitute bill giving the highway commission more authority in the location and abandonment of roads. This bill has already passed the senate, but is in for a stiff fight in the house, where its proponents say it will pass. However, the outcome is still far from certain.

Of even more importance, in some ways, is the bill authorizing an appropriation of \$2,000,000 for the Smoky Mountains National Park, which comes up as special order in the house Tuesday morning. This bill has been passed by the senate, and seems assured of favorable action in the house, since the bill, as amended, has been approved by Governor McLean. The bill providing for the consolidation of the Fisheries commission with the Department of Conservation and Development, also passed by the senate, likewise comes up Tuesday for final passage in the house. Little opposition is expected, and its enactment seems assured.

An attempt will be made in the house Tuesday to resurrect the bill offered early in the session by Representative R. O. Everett of Durham, calling for the creation of four additional judicial districts, superior court judges and solicitors. The motion to call this bill up Tuesday was made Friday by Representative Everett, following the defeat of the bill to add seven judicial districts. The outcome of this effort is extremely problematical, however, following the overwhelming defeat of the other bill Thursday night.

The Australian ballot bill, introduced by Representative Falls and Senator Broughton, fell come up as special order in the house Wednesday where a stiff fight is expected, although its defeat, even as amended, is being generally predicted. The senate must pass on the state-wide game bill, already passed by the house.

Thus it can be seen that a full week is before the assembly. THE COTTON MARKET Opened Fairly Steady at Decline of 5 to 9 Points in Response to Easy Liverpool Cables.

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Using Sword To Check Disorders In Shanghai

Where Strike Goes On Executioners Going About Streets of Shanghai Decapitating All Trouble Makers.

PLAN IS FOUND TO BE EFFECTIVE The Natives Are Fleeing to Safety With Foreigners and Demonstrations Less Frequent.

Shanghai, Feb. 21.—(AP)—The sword wielded swiftly to behead strike leaders was used in the native section of Shanghai today to combat the plan of nationalist propaganda.

Continuing a death-dealing program started yesterday under orders of Chen Li-Fu, Chinese defense commissioner of Shanghai, to check the spread of a general strike ordered Saturday, executioners with large swords patrolled the streets, and summarily without the semblance of a trial, decapitated on the spot men found making seditious speeches or distributing strike literature.

Reliable Chinese sources placed the number of beheadings at 28, of which 10 were carried out today, while the nationalists declared that there had been 90.

The strike was called allegedly for economic reasons, but in reality to celebrate the recent nationalist victory in Chekiang province, and the subsequent capture of Hangchow, important center, 113 miles southwest of here, from the forces of Marshal Sun Chang-Fang.

The effect of the reign of terror, although unnoticeable yesterday, was pronounced today. Strike activities lessened, even in the foreign section, beyond the jurisdiction of Chinese authorities, and the natives started exodus to the protection to the foreign area. A heavy rain also helped discourage mass demonstrations.

Although the situation on the border front south of Tientsin remained about in status quo, Marshal Chang Tso-Lin, commander of the northern forces, struck a snag in his projected drive against the southerners by a march through Honan province, when forces of General Wu Pei Fu, nominal master of the state, disarmed a number of Chang Tso-Lin's soldiers, and seized an ammunition train.

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Large variety of things needed in the home will be offered at the Ritchie Hardware Co. next Friday at 9 o'clock sharp. Values up to \$5.00 for only \$1.00. See ad.

A specially attractive line of newest spring coats, \$7.50 and \$9.95 at Parks-Bek Co's. Other dresses up to \$24.50.

The Parks-Bek Co. has eight show cases for sale cheap. Sizes 8 and 10 feet.

Steel beds, oak dinner and kitchen tables at the Bel-Harris Furniture Co. This big store is overflowing with many home necessities.

Formfit girdles, designed to make the figure graceful, at Elford's. You will find three great money saving prices on hosiery at J. C. Penney Co's. They are 49 cents, 98 cents and \$1.49. See ad. today for descriptions.

Young Albarrie Man Held For Alleged Attack on Girl. Albarrie, Feb. 18.—Lonnie Haywood, young white man of this city, is held in the Stanly county jail charged with an attempted attack upon a 14-year-old girl here early this morning.

Haywood is claimed to have entered the home in which the girl lived early this morning, soon after her parents had left, and attempted to attack her. Cries from the girl and the passing of a truck frightened him away. Officers were notified and a chase ensued which resulted in Haywood being caught in a barn near the city after he had doubled back. Sheriff R. N. Furr and his deputies making the arrest.

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