

BANDITS WILL KILL CAPTIVES UNLESS DEMANDS ARE MET

Foreign Diplomatic Representatives in China Must Guarantee That Government Will Meet Terms.

ULTIMATUM IS GIVEN BY BANDITS

Bandits Say Word of Chinese Officials Means Nothing to Them.—Must Have Guarantee of Foreign Diplomats

Shanghai, May 15.—(By the Associated Press.)—Unless the foreign diplomatic representatives in China guarantee to the Chinese government...

Foreigners described the chief bandit, called Wang, as a young man, well dressed, wearing eye glasses...

Commander Wang drafted his terms which did not demand money, but required that the Peking government...

Bandits That Railways Be Guarded. Washington, May 15.—A demand that the Chinese government...

Commission of foreign military officers has been created to protect life and property. The commission will investigate measures taken by the Peking government...

American Troops Ready to Guard Rail. Toronto, May 15.—(By the Associated Press.)—American troops were called Sunday morning to be prepared to guard railway property...

SELL BRICK MAKING MACHINERY TO SPAIN. Standard Brings Spanish Dirt to Stateville for Experiment.

Stateville, May 14.—Francisco Paredes of Barcelona, Spain, left last week for New York City after conducting some experiments with brick-making machinery...

Mr. Padros was held by the immigration officers at Ellis Island until satisfied by the New York correspondent of J. C. Steele & Sons...

Will Use Strap to Make Convicts Work. Greensboro, May 14.—The strap will be used to enforce work and discipline in the Guilford county convict camp...

John A. McCubbin, Salisbury, May 15.—John Absalom McCubbin, aged 72, of Mill Bridge, died in a Salisbury hospital last night following a stroke or paralysis...

Gov. Trinkle to Speak in Greensboro. Greensboro, May 15.—Gov. E. Lee Trinkle, of Virginia, has accepted an invitation to deliver an address here at noon Saturday, June 30...

Firpo and Willard to Box. New York, May 15.—Juis Firpo, of the Argentine, and Jess Willard, former world's heavyweight champion...

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DAMAGE OF MILLIONS BY FLOODS AT HOT SPRINGS MONDAY

City Trying to Extricate Itself From Debris and Ruin Left by Flood, Fire and Wind Monday Night.

NO LIVES LOST IT IS THOUGHT

Splendid Marquette Hotel Is a Pile of Ruins.—City Is Without Street Car, Electric or Gas Service.

Hot Springs, May 15.—(By the Associated Press.)—Hot Springs at noon today was endeavoring to extricate itself from debris and ruin left by flood, fire and wind which last night wrecked the business district of the city with damage to property which is expected to run into the millions...

Several persons are reported to have been killed, but thus far reports of fatalities have not been verified. It is not expected, however, that the death list will exceed three or four persons...

While the monetary loss is roughly figured in the millions, no accurate estimate is available at this hour. The Marquette Hotel is a pile of charred bricks and stones, representing a loss in excess of \$150,000...

Marquette Hotel Burned This Morning.—No Loss of Life. Muskogee, Okla., May 15.—(By the Associated Press.)—Up to four o'clock this morning there had been no confirmation of reports from loss of life at Hot Springs, Ark., the Southwestern Bell Telephone Exchange at Little Rock advised the company's exchange here this morning...

No Lives Lost. Memphis, Tenn., May 15.—A telegram received from the Western Union manager at Hot Springs at 10:50 this morning said so far as is known no lives had been lost...

Flood Sweeps Down on Hot Springs. Memphis, May 15.—(By the Associated Press.)—Hot Springs, Ark., famous resort and city of many disasters, was stricken last night by a flood which swept down the sides of the three mountains which form a triangle about the city, and by fire which broke out in the wreckage...

Commencement at Greensboro College. Greensboro, May 16.—The commencement season at Greensboro College will open Saturday, May 26th, and extend through Tuesday, May 29, having as its principal speakers Dr. Franklin N. Parker, Emory University; Rev. C. P. Goshnell, Nashville, Tenn., and Dr. Harry Clark, of the same city, according to the program announced today...

NO MORE CONVICT WHIPPINGS IN FLORIDA. Bill to Ban Punishment Has Passed Both Houses of the Legislature.

Tallahassee, Fla., May 15.—Final passage of a bill to ban corporal punishment of convicts in this state was effected today when the senate by a vote of 15 to 13 refused to reconsider its action of yesterday in banning its whip...

Encampment Week for Woodmen of the World. Salisbury, May 14.—The week beginning July 13 will be encampment week for 1,200 members of the Uniform Rank, Woodmen of the World, of the sixth district, including North and South Carolina and Virginia...

Lord Ashfield, head of the London underground railways and omnibus services, spent his youth in America, where he started his career at the age of eleven as a messenger boy.

RESULTS TELL. There Can Be No Doubt About the Results in Concord. Results tell the tale. All doubt is removed. The testimony of a Concord citizen. Can easily be investigated. What better proof can be had?

J. A. McEachern, Mer. street car company plant, 35 N. White St., Concord, says: "It has been several years since I used Doan's Kidney Pills but they did me a world of good at one time. My kidneys troubled me an awful lot. My back was lame and ached almost continually and I could do any stooping or lifting on account of the severe pains through the small of my back. My kidneys didn't act right. Doan's Kidney Pills were recommended and I used them. They soon gave me relief and I continued using them until I was free from all kidney complaint."

Price 60c. at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. McEachern had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfrs., Buffalo, N. Y.

The first elevator of a modern type was exhibited in New York in 1833, but not until twenty years later were elevators used for carrying passengers.

No New Prison Inquiry in This County Expected at the Present

It is very probable that another investigation of prison conditions in this county will not be made, though J. F. Dayvault, chairman of the board of county commissioners, is expecting daily a letter from Attorney General Manning asking that he co-operate with the solicitor that he co-operate in investigating conditions in the camps. The commissioners last week instructed and completed a thorough inquiry into life in the camps of Cabarrus, and in view of this fact it is probable that Solicitor Long will accept the report made by the commissioners last Saturday and not ask for another investigation in this county.

Chairman Dayvault this morning stated that he had not yet received the letter from Attorney General Manning, but he is expecting it today. Press dispatches from Raleigh Monday stated that Mr. Manning had prepared letters for every solicitor and county chairman in the State, asking that they make the investigations or assist in making them.

Solicitor Long, whose home is in Statesville, this week sent a letter to Mr. Dayvault, commending the board of commissioners for their prompt action in investigating conditions in this county, and assuring the commission that he would assist them in carrying out any recommendations they might want to make now or later.

Mr. Long also stated in the letter that he would visit the camps of this county when he comes back to Concord for the next term of Superior Court, and as he did not intimate that he would be here sooner, Mr. Dayvault believes that the solicitor plans to accept the report made by the commissioners last Saturday as a final and satisfactory one for this county.

In the report the commissioners declared they could find no evidence of prisoners being cruelly treated. Some of the prisoners had been flogged, the report said, but there was no evidence that the floggings had been brutal and they had been inflicted after the prisoners disobeyed orders or refused to work. The report also stated that the superintendent of the camp had been instructed to give his men plenty of wholesome food and not to work them in the rain or under other unfavorable conditions.

The commissioners in preparing their report visited the chain gang camps and gave every prisoner an opportunity to make complaint if he had a complaint to make. They went into the matter thoroughly, and as the request from the Attorney General is expected so soon after the investigation was made, it is very probable that no new inquiry will be made now in this county.

McBRAYER INVESTIGATION BEGUN AT RALEIGH TODAY

Raleigh, May 15.—Investigation of charges of mismanagement against Dr. L. B. McBrayer, superintendent of the State asylum for the treatment of tuberculosis, was resumed here today by the special legislative committee appointed by the 1923 North Carolina General Assembly.

A session was held at the capitol at 10 o'clock but a recess was taken until 2 p. m. in order that attorneys might confer with witnesses and make other arrangements. Dr. McBrayer was expected to take the stand in his own defense, while Dr. W. S. Rankin, secretary of the State Board of Health, also was scheduled to testify.

Approximately fifty witnesses, it was reported, have been summoned by Representative N. L. Broughton, of Wake, who brought the allegations against Dr. McBrayer.

SAYS WOMAN REALLY IS MRS. CLARA PHILLIPS

So Says Jesse Carson, Who is Posing as the Woman's Husband. Tecumseh, Ind., May 15.—Jesse Carson, who posed as the husband of the woman held by the Honduras authorities as Clara Phillips, the California hammer-murderess, told newspaper men today that the woman in reality is Mrs. Phillips.

Carson, who is also being held by the authorities, asserted, however, that Mrs. Phillips was not responsible for the death of Mrs. Alberta Meadows, for which she was convicted, the real slayer, according to his story, being another woman. In view of this, he added, he would fight against the extradition of Mrs. Phillips, spending \$10,000 if need be in her defense.

NAPOLÉON'S MARE FOUND

Englishman Had Bought Animal and Had Hide Stuffed. Paris, May 15.—The bay mare Napoleon is supposed to have ridden in the Battle of Waterloo has just been discovered among the odds and ends of the Louvre Museum.

After the fall of Napoleon the mare was bought by an Englishman, who kept her until she died and then had her stuffed and presented to the Manchester Natural History Museum in 1842. From Manchester the stuffed animal found its way to the Louvre, no one knows how, and was relegated to a dusty corner, where it was forgotten until an antiquarian unearthed it the other day.

KILLED IN EXPLOSION. R. A. Webb, of Bridgewater, Loses His Life at Great Falls, S. C.

Chester, S. C., May 16.—R. A. Webb, of Bridgewater, N. C., was killed, and Benjamin Lumpkin, a negro, of Great Falls, S. C., probably fatally injured in an explosion near Great Falls today, according to reports received here. They are said to be employees of Scott, Stuart & Jones, contractors.

DR. RIVKIN ARRESTED. Had 100 or More Engraved Plates for Counterfeiting U. S. Currency.

Chicago, May 16.—Dr. Felix Rivkin, a dentist and artist of New York and Chicago, was arrested today as he stepped from a train at the Union station, and 100 or more engraved plates for counterfeiting U. S. currency of various denominations were seized, according to Federal authorities.

Sanatorium Probe to Be Expedited. Raleigh, May 15.—With the resumption of the legislative committee's investigation of Superintendent L. B. McBrayer's conduct of the state sanatorium, the committee this afternoon served notice on counsel for the complainants and for Dr. McBrayer that it proposes to expediate the matter with all speed.

J. M. Robertson Special Agent U. S. Department of Labor. Raleigh, May 12.—J. M. Robertson, chief of the Bureau for the Deaf, has been appointed special agent of the United States Department of Labor, Free Employment Service Division. M. L. Shipman, commissioner of labor and printing announced today.

MILLS UNABLE TO KEEP DOORS OPEN

Fall River Cotton Factories Can't Compete With Southern Mills. Fall River, Mass., May 14.—The textile industry of this city with twelve of its largest cotton mills closing their doors tonight for an indefinite period and more to take similar action as the weeks go by, while the remainder are to operate but three days a week, is facing ruin. The closing of the Teuchseh, Granite, Cornell, Flint, Barnard, Pocasset, Trey and other mills brought about by the inability to compete with Southern competition is but the initial move in the transfer of their operations South.

More than 15,000 hands are affected by the shut down. Most of these concerns have completed their contracts. The move, though sudden, was not unexpected for ever since the granting of a 12 to 14 per cent. increase in wages in this city, business here has been on the steady decline while orders have fallen steadily. The condition of the cotton market coupled with the attitude of buyers in the cloth market has been such that the manufacturers have refused to place goods in their storehouses and has hastened orders few and far between, have been filled according to reports from authoritative sources, at a loss.

Manufacturers and brokers declare that it is impossible to attempt to compete with the cotton industry of the South, especially since the last increase in wages granted the employees. "Frankly we are up against it," declared an official of the Fall River Cotton Manufacturers Association tonight. "Conferences are useless, we can operate only at a loss and if we are to remain in business there is but one thing we can do, follow the general move to the South, to the Carolinas."

TWO TIMBER TREES THAT ARE NEW TO SCIENCE

Discovered by H. M. Curran, of State Agricultural Extension Service. Raleigh, N. C., May 12.—Two timber trees new to science, discovered by H. M. Curran, farm forestry expert of the North Carolina Agricultural Extension Service, while he was engaged in forestry investigation in Brazil, have just been named by Dr. S. F. Blake, of the National Herbarium, Smithsonian Institution. One of the specimens will have as its name "Brosimum Columbianum," while the other will be called "Brosimopsis Diandra."

These trees were discovered by Mr. Curran during his investigation of tropical forestry in Brazil and Columbia and are closely related to the common mulberry of this country.

"I found one of them on the coast of Brazil and the other in the flood plain of the Rio Magdalena River," Mr. Curran said. "I believe they are destined to play an important part in solving future forestry problems both in this country and South America."

"They are large timber trees, growing to a height of 125 feet or more and with a diameter of three feet or over. From fifty to seventy-five feet of the bole can be used for timber and the wood is pure white, very hard and tough and is a good substitute for hickory. The 'flivers' of the future probably will be equipped with spokes made from the wood of one of these trees—the Brosimopsis Diandra."

A complete description of both trees is found in Volume 45 of the Biological Society of Washington. Both species were studied at the request of Dr. S. J. Record, of Yale University, who is engaged in the study of koods of this family. Dr. Blake states that the trees will be of great commercial importance.

PRISON BOARD TO MEET. Governor Morrison Notifies Board to Meet in His Office Thursday.

Raleigh, May 15.—Governor Morrison tonight notified members of the state prison board to meet in his office Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock at which time it is expected that material modification of the prison board's position in investigation of the institution will be made both by the board and by the Governor.

Chairman Leake's letter not a century ago indicating his satisfaction with commissioner Kate Burr Johnson's investigation and even welcoming such an inquiry, it is disconcerting whether there is any such now or not. At any rate, the prison board is not going to meet early.

What Governor Morrison has in mind to make an ideal prison he has refused to say, but it has been known a while here that he has asked the attorney general to find if possible some way by which the warden's present duties of electrifying may be taken from that office so that the mender of broken lives will not be the same man who ends them. Whether there is any law by which these functions can be divided, the attorney general apparently has not said, but this is believed to be one of the things which his excellency has in mind.

\$10,000 REWARD OFFERED

For Information That Will Clear up the Mystery of the Death of Leigh-ton Mount. Chicago, May 16 (By the Associated Press).—A reward of \$10,000 was offered today by the trustees of Northwestern University at the request of Dr. Walter Hill Scott, president of the institution, for definite information that would clear up the mystery surrounding the disappearance of Leigh-ton Mount, a freshman, who disappeared September 21, 1921, after a class rush.

ORDER IS RESTORED OUT OF CHAOS AT HOT SPRINGS, ARK.

Stories of Remarkable Rescues as Told by Eye Witnesses Increases Wonder Many Were Not Killed. Central Avenue, Hot Springs' main thoroughfare and the chief waterbed of the whirling flood 26 hours earlier, again is open to traffic, though the working squads were able to clear away but a small part of the jettison which the current piled against every stationary object. From this thoroughfare as a base, street and sanitary forces today are working out gradually in the rest of the damaged area.

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TO PROTEST AGAINST THE ATTACKS ON SUGAR TRADE. Secret Meeting Held This Morning on Floors of New York Exchanges. New York, May 15.—Plans for a mass meeting to protest against continued attacks on the sugar trade by government officials were understood to have been discussed at a secret meeting held this morning on the floor of the New York Coffee and Sugar Exchanges.

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BOND STILL IN JAIL. Charged with Killing with His Automobile Five-Year Old Child of State Capital.

Raleigh, May 15.—H. W. Bond, young printer, who was arrested early today charged with running over with an automobile and killing John McKee Horton, five-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Z. V. Horton, here last night, was still in jail this afternoon having been unable to furnish \$1,000 bond.

Bond did not stop the automobile after it struck the child, according to the police. The little boy died in a few minutes after reaching a local hospital. Bond told the police he was too frightened to stop. He was arrested at the Union station where he had taken some friends to a train six hours after the accident.

THE COTTON MARKET

Showed Renewed Firmness at Beginning. First Prices Being 11 to 42 Points Net Higher. New York, May 15.—The cotton market showed renewed firmness at the beginning today, first prices being 11 to 42 points net higher on overnight buying orders, further covering and scattering demand promoted by higher Liverpool cables, more encouraging reports from Manchester and continued crop complaints from the South.

Cotton futures opened firm, May 25.30; July 25.30; October 25.20; December 25.27; January 22.41.

DEATH OF GEO. J. GOULD

Dies in France Following an Attack of Pneumonia. Montone, France, May 16 (By the Associated Press).—George J. Gould, the American financier, who has been ill at Cap Martin near here, died at 3 o'clock this morning.

Mr. Gould was stricken with pneumonia at his villa on March 20th. For several days his condition remained critical but he then rallied, and on April 3rd was said to be out of danger. Three weeks later, however, he suffered a relapse, and on May 3rd took a turn for the worse.

West Concord Baptist Revival.

There was a packed house to greet Rev. E. G. Ross Monday night in his opening service at the West Concord Baptist Church. The singing was inspiring and was enjoyed by everyone present. Mr. Ross used for his text Judges 20:11. Subject, "Christian Training." This was indeed a great message. Subject for tonight, "Look." Come and be with us.

PASTOR.

You will be sorry if you don't help the "Y."

Superintendent of the Central Camp and of the Road Gang Tender Resignations.—Situation Serious. Greensboro, May 15.—Guilford county commissioners were marking time today pending completion of investigation by County Attorney John N. Wilson into Guilford's convict camps, where, according to the county commissioners, prisoners are shirking their work and in some instances openly disobeying and cursing the guards.

The commissioners' decision to empower the county attorney to conduct an investigation with a view to finding some solution of a situation at the camps which is described by the commissioners as serious, followed a special meeting late yesterday afternoon at which time Martin Burris, superintendent of the central camp, and Charley Andrews, superintendent of the road gang, tendered their resignations.

Both men reported to the commissioners that prisoners had taken advantage of the agitation over prison reform in this State during recent weeks and are shirking their work, with many instances of flagrant disrespect toward the guards being reported. Pending the report from the county attorney, Giles Foushee, commissioner in charge of the convicts, announced today that the lash will be applied as a last-resort to maintain discipline but only according to law.

HOME MISSIONS WITH SOUTHERN PRESBYTERIANS. The Committee Is Now Greatly in Need of Funds. The call to members of the Southern Presbyterian church in the Synod of North Carolina for the cause of home missions during the year beginning April 1, is \$78,000 for synod's home missions and \$97,000 for presbytery's home missions; the first of these figures is 10 per cent. of the entire budget. The home mission committee of the synod and of the presbyteries are greatly in need of funds for their work and are handicapped in the work because of lack of funds with which to meet the pressing needs devolving upon them. In order to continue their work, the home mission committees of several presbyteries have been forced into heavy debt because of the fact that the churches are not contributing their apportionments for presbytery's home missions. In the Synod of North Carolina the home mission field is white unto harvest, and with a sufficient number of workers and a sufficient money to meet the needs of the work there would be a great gathering of souls during the coming year in this synod. The following instances illustrate the crying need of this work: Only recently a white man 87 years of age was found in Edgecombe county who never had heard the name of Jesus Christ until he was told the gospel story by the minister who found him and who led him to Christ. One Presbyterian minister alone has established recently five Presbyterian churches in the northern part of Johnston county, thus changing the entire condition of a large part of the county. Some home mission pastors have the care of five or six churches because the home mission committees have not money to provide for the support of a sufficient number of missionaries. There is a great need also for church buildings for congregations now worshipping in school-houses, and a need also for a manse for many pastors. The total budget for synod's and presbytery's home missions for the coming year amounts to only \$175,000, which is but a small sum when compared with the amount of the income of North Carolina Presbyterians, which is not less than \$4,100,000 each year. The fact that the 65,870 Presbyterians in this synod have a total income each year of not less than \$41,000,000 is sufficient to insure that they will not allow the call of the home missionaries for financial support to go unheeded, especially when their great work stands for Christian education and evangelization. R.