

U. S. JOINS ORDER TO HALT FIGHTING

Japanese Begin Major Offensive Against Shanghai

CHINESE FORCES TO RESIST CONTINUED INVASIONS OF CITY

Japs Believed To Be Shell-
ing City From Warships
Anchored In Low-
er River

PLANES OF JAPANESE MAKE TRIP OVER CITY

No Damage Done From Air
But Observers Believe
Photographs Were Being
Made of Shanghai Area

Shanghai, China, Feb. 3
(Wednesday)—A sudden sil-
ence had fallen upon the
city of Shanghai (Wednesday)
after a sharp artillery duel on
Tuesday during which neither
side appeared to have gained
any material advance.

The Japanese claimed a vic-
tory in the artillery exchange
but the Chinese command
only repeated their blunt state-
ment:

"We intend to drive the
enemy out of Chinese terri-
tory."

Shanghai, China, Feb. 2
(AP)—Two thousand Japa-
nese blue jackets began a
general advance on the Cha-
pi sector this afternoon fol-
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ACCUSES WIFE AND MAN FOR ATTACK

Greensboro Resident Has
Wife And Man Arrested
For Attempt on Life

Greensboro, Feb. 2. (AP)—Mrs. W.
E. French, whose husband charged
he led him to a truly spot where
E. B. Owen, an insurance man
that him was arrested today.

Mrs. French was arrested by police
investigating the mysterious shooting
of W. E. French, who said his wife
and E. B. Owens, Greensboro insur-
ance man, had run over his prostrate
body on a street here as they fled in
his car after Owens shot him twice.

Several hours after the shooting
last night Owens walked into the po-
lice station saying he had just heard
of the shooting for the first time from
reading a newspaper and that he had
been in a theatre when it occurred.

MAN TO PAY WITH LIFE FOR MURDER

William M. Frazer To Die In
Chair For Slaying of
His Paramour

Trenton, N. J., Feb. 2. (AP)—The
conviction of William M. Frazer, of
Rahway, who killed Mrs. Phoebe
Stader, his paramour, and hid her
body in a Virginia forest was upheld
by the court of errors and appeals
Monday. Frazer has been sentenced to
die in the electric chair.

The state's highest tribunal also af-
firmed conviction of three other slay-
ers, two of whom have been com-
mended to die.

The two who must share Frazer's
fate in the chair are Eugene Compo,
who killed Eugene Lynch, Newark
chain store manager, during an at-
tempted holdup, and Raymond George
a negro, who fatally wounded a po-
liceman when asked to show his driv-
ing license.

The state contended during Frazer's
trial that the 31-year-old man, who is
married and the father of two chil-
dren, killed Mrs. Stader when she
threatened to terminate their rela-
tionship. Frazer said the shooting was
accidental.

United States Proposes Basis For Early Ending Of Sino-Jap Difficulty

Studies Hawaii



United States Attorney Sanford
B. Wood, above, of Honolulu, is
shown on his arrival at San Fran-
cisco from Hawaii to confer with
Assistant Attorney General Seth
Richardson on reformation of law
enforcement in the Hawaiian
islands. The two are to sail for
Hawaii soon to conduct a probe
into crime conditions on the
islands.

PHOENIX SLAYER IS TERMED AS INSANE

Los Angeles Psychiatrist De-
clares Winnie Ruth Judd
Undeveloped Mentally

Phoenix, Ariz., Feb. 2. (AP)—Dr.
Edward Huntington Williams, Los
Angeles psychiatrist, testified today
that in his opinion, Winnie Ruth
Judd, on trial for murder, was insane
when she killed Agnes Anne Leroi
and Hedvig Samuelson last October.

"I think that she did not know the
difference between right and wrong,"
Dr. Williams said.

He testified the 27 year old de-
fendant was not fully developed in a
moral sense "so as to be a normal
person—her arms are too long, her
legs are too long—these are indica-
tions."

EHRINGHAUS FIGHTS GENERAL SALES TAX

Candidate For Governor
Makes Known Stand In
Halifax Address

Halifax, Feb. 2. (AP)—J. C. B.
Ehringhaus, of Elizabeth City, can-
didate for the Democratic nomina-
tion in the June primary, expressed
opposition to a general sales tax in
a campaign speech here yesterday
and advocated the placing of industry
and agriculture on a parity for taxa-
tion purposes.

Tax-burdened farms, he said, must
be relieved, and industry must take
its proportionate share of tax bur-
dens.

Elimination of many so-called
necessities of government which are
in reality nothing more than luxu-
ries must be brought about, Ehring-
haus said as he advocated a general
retrenchment in the cost of govern-
ment.

The Elizabeth City man, who left
for Raleigh to open campaign offices
after his address here, said he fa-
vored state support of the schools for
the six months term and was op-
posed to any action which would cur-
tail public education beyond the point
of absolute necessity.

Suggestions Are Submitted
To Japanese By Ameri-
can Ambassador to
Tokyo

FIVE POINTED PLAN NOW BEING OFFERED

Protection of International
Settlement In Shanghai In-
cluded In Program Offered
By America

Washington, Feb. 2. (AP)—The
United States has proposed a
basis for peace to the Chinese
and Japanese governments.

The suggestions were submitted
to Japan and China through the
American Ambassador at Tokyo
and the American Consul-General
at Nanking.

They contained five principal
points:

The first provides for cessation
of all acts of violence; secondly,
no further mobilization or pre-
parations for further hostilities;
thirdly, withdrawal of both Japa-
nese and Chinese combatants
from all points of mutual contact
in Shanghai; fourth, protection of
Shanghai's international settle-
ment by establishment of a
neutral zone to be policed by
neutrals; and fifth, prompt ad-
vances upon acceptance of the
proposals towards negotiations to
settle all outstanding controver-
sies between the two nations.

MYSTERIOUS FIRES PUZZLING POLICE

Bladenboro Authorities Un-
able to Explain Series
Of Blazes

Bladenboro, Feb. 2. (AP)—Mysti-
fied authorities today were investi-
gating a strange fire that at intervals
and originating from no known
source has burned household articles
and clothing of the C. H. Williamson
family here.

The intermittent fires began Satur-
day afternoon when a window shade
and curtain in the Williamson's din-
ing room were burned. A short time
later another window shade burned.
No fire had been lighted in this room
for days.

Sunday, while the family and visi-
tors sat in a room, a bed was en-
veloped in flames. Later, at various
times, papers in a closet burned; a
pair of trousers in a closet burned;
the clothing of one of Williamson's
daughters caught fire but was ex-
tinguished before she was harmed.

Five rooms of the house have been
visited by the fire.

SOUTH TO OPPOSE NEW TAX ON OILS

Georgian Speaks For South
Carolina, Georgia And
Florida At Capital

Washington, Feb. 2. (AP)—Opposi-
tion to a proposed tax on all oil im-
ports was expressed before the Ways
and Means committee today on be-
half of South Carolina, Georgia and
Florida.

George M. Rommel, industrial com-
missioner at Savannah, told the com-
mittee in a statement, he represented
the sentiment of Georgia, South Car-
olina and Florida in opposition to
additional taxes no matter what they
may be called, on petroleum or
petroleum products.

WEATHER
FOR NORTH CAROLINA.
Warmer in the interior tonight;
Wednesday cloudy; fresh south
and southwest winds.

JAPANESE ADVANCE IS GREAT SURPRISE TO WORLD POWERS

Country's Determination Is
Misjudged by Observers,
And Diplomats
Were Fooled

FOREIGN CITY IS CRUX OF PROBLEM

What Japan Is Clearly Re-
solved Upon Is Domination
of Up-Country Trade In
China and Suppression of
Boycott Against Japanese
Merchandise

By CHARLES P. STEWART
Central Press Staff Writer
Washington, Feb. 2.—Assuming the
ultimate completion—since accom-
plished—of Japan's conquest of Man-
churia, diplomatic specialists on
Oriental affairs were predicting
weeks ago that the next step of the
islanders would be toward seizure of
one Chinese port after another from
the coastal end of the Great Wall
southward to some point about op-
posite Formosa.

This theory was based on the the-
ory that Tokyo's policy contemplated
acquisition or control over China pro-
per as well as domination of the more
loosely attached northern provinces.

Observers disagreed.

Students of the situation gave it as
their opinion, however, that the strat-
egists of Nippon would deem the ac-
tual occupation and policing of so
large and populous a country as in-
terior China too cumbersome a task
to be undertaken. Nor did they be-
lieve that the Japanese would con-
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French Decide To Send Battalion Of Troops To China

Paris, Feb. 2. (AP)—A bat-
alion of French troops made up
of two companies of infantrymen
and two companies of 'Annamites'
will embark from Haiphong,
French Indo China, aboard the
cruiser "Waldeck Rousseau," for
Shanghai, it was officially an-
nounced today.

SETTLEMENT PATROL BY JAPS IS ENDED

Washington, Feb. 2. (AP)—
The navy was advised today that
Japanese patrolling of British and
American sectors of the interna-
tional settlement would be discon-
tinued.

Gardner Ignores Attack Made By Frank D. Grist

Daily Dispatch Bureau.
In the Sir Walter Hotel.
BY J. C. BASKERVILLE.
Raleigh, Feb. 2.—The caustic let-
ter written by Commissioner of Labor
Frank D. Grist to Governor O. Max
Gardner, protesting against the salary
cuts just announced and pronouncing
them as "the most outrageous ex-
amples of discrimination that have
ever come under my observation" and
intimating that Governor Gardner
has been improperly drawing \$125
a month from funds appropriated to
the upkeep of buildings and grounds
for "Public Entertainment," elicited
only a very brief statement from Gov-
ernor Gardner. In which he said the
books and records in the Auditor's
office were open to public inspection
and could speak for themselves.

All Governor Gardner said in reply
to Grist's letter was:

"I do not propose now or at any
other time to make reply to personal
attacks made upon me growing out of
my efforts to serve the people and
taxpayers of North Carolina in this
difficult period. The true facts con-
cerning the expenditures for the up-
keep of the Governor's Mansion can
easily be ascertained from the legis-
lative appropriation for this purpose
and the record of expenditures on file
in the Auditor's office."

Mr. Grist was apparently indignant
because the salary of every appointive

Great Britain, France And Italy Join In Announcement That Fighting Must Be Ended

DIPLOMATS IN JAP-SINO CRISIS



These diplomats figure prominently
in news dispatches to and from Shang-
hai as the United States seeks to pro-
tect her interests in the Chinese city.
Left to right above, Cameron Forbes,
U. S. ambassador to Japan, and Ken-
kichi Yoshizawa, the Japanese foreign
minister; below, Dr. Katsuji Debuchi,
Japanese ambassador to the U. S., and
Dr. W. W. Yen, Chinese minister to
the U. S. At right is Secretary of
State Henry L. Stimson.

Ambassadors Meet Japanese Minister For Short Confab

Tokyo, Feb. 2. (AP)—Ambas-
sadors of the United States, Great
Britain and France conferred
shortly with Kenkichi Yoshizawa,
the Japanese Foreign Minister,
submitting in written form what
was described as "concrete pro-
posals" to end the hostilities at
Shanghai.

After they had left the foreign
minister went into conference
with Admiral Osumi, minister of
the navy. The nature of the am-
bassadorial proposals was not dis-
closed but it was authoritatively
denied that they constituted an
offer of mediation.

SERIOUS DISORDERS IN TEXTILE STRIKE IN CAROLINA TOWN

Bladenboro Deputy Sheriff
Is Wounded By Shot
Fired Into Office
Of Mills

WAGE REDUCTION IS CAUSE OF DISORDER

Strikers Give Active Pro-
tests By Hurling Rocks
Against Mill—Several
Shots Are Fired

Lumberton, Feb. 2. (AP)—
Bladenboro cotton mill officials,
whose operators were on strike
today, asked Lumberton county
officers to supply them with tear
gas guns.

Officer Shot.
Bladenboro, N. C., Feb. 2.—
(AP)—B. F. Townsend, a deputy
sheriff, was shot and slightly
wounded last night after more
than 300 workers of the Bladen-
boro cotton mill went on strike in
protest against a wage cut of ten
percent. Townsend was sitting in
the office of the mill and the shot
was fired through a window.

Serious disorders occurred dur-
ing the night as the strikers gave
active protest against the wage
cut. Rocks were hurled against
the mill and several shots were
fired. Whether the other shots
were fired wildly or at officers
could not be determined.

Clyde Hughes, one of the strikers
was arrested today and charged
with shooting Townsend. He and
Giles Guyton, another man
arrested, were carried to jail at
Elizabethton.

Ten or twelve officers were on
duty about the mill property to-
day. They were subjected to jeers
from the strikers this morning,
but there were no disorders.

Four Powers Announce
Stand In Brisk Military
Style At Geneva
Conference

DISARMAMENT MEET DELAYED FOR HOUR

Extraordinary Meeting Of
League of Nations Council
Convened Prior To Open-
ing of Geneva Meeting

Geneva, Switzerland, Feb.
2 (AP)—Hugh Wilson, United
States minister to Switzer-
land and a delegate to the
arms conference has been as-
signed by the United States
Government to act for it in
collaboration with the coun-
cil of the League of Nations
in its efforts to settle the dif-
ficulties between China and
Japan.

Geneva, Switzerland, Feb.
2 (AP)—America, Great Bri-
tain, France and Italy an-
nounced in brisk military
style at an extraordinary
meeting of the League of Na-
tions Council today that the
Sino-Japanese fighting must
"come to an end" and that
they had decided to make
further diplomatic efforts to
stop it.

J. H. Thomas, a British cabi-
net member, spoke for his
country and the United States
and the American delegates
to the Disarmament confer-
ence sat near the council
table.

That conference was delay-
ed for an hour while the coun-
cil met.

Conference Opens.
Geneva, Feb. 2. (AP)—The World
Disarmament conference attended by
the statement of three score nations
opened this evening after having been
delayed for an hour while the League
of Nations Council met to consider
the problems in the far east.

Arthur Henderson, the former Brit-
ish cabinet minister, who is acting
as chairman began the session with
an outline of its problems.

"I refuse to contemplate even the
possibility of failure," he said. "For
if we fail no one can foretell the evil
consequences that might ensue."

Province of China
IS BEING EVACUATED

Nanking, Feb. 2. (AP)—A tele-
phone message from Wuhu Anhwei
province said the Japanese consular
staff and nationals there left today
for Japan and that the Japanese war
ships there also departed as a result
of the evacuation.

AMERICAN MARINE IS HELD BY JAPANESE

Washington, Feb. 2. (AP)—
Marine records show Noah A.
Johnson, reported held by Japa-
nese in Shanghai in a sailing
charge, is attached to the 19th
company, fourth regiment, now
stationed at Shanghai.

ALL FOREIGNERS AT NANKING ARE SAFE

Washington, Feb. 2. (AP)—The
U. S. S. Simpson reported to the
navy today that Americans and
other foreigners at Nanking are
safe for the present and no plans
for immediate evacuation have
been made.

CENSORSHIP ON ALL CABLES IS ENFORCED

London, Feb. 2. (AP)—The
Great Northern Cable company
announced this evening that a cen-
sorship had been imposed on
cablegrams from China.