

Japs Resume Attack On Woosung

American Proposal For Limiting Arms Given

Ambassador Hugh Gibson Outlines Nine Points Of United States Proposal

Is Warmly Congratulated For Program Offered By Other Delegations At Geneva

GERMAN STAND FOR ARMAMENTS OFFERED

Program Offered by America Contains Nine Points And Urges Prolongation of Former Agreements

Geneva, Switzerland, Feb. 9.—(AP)—Ambassador Hugh S. Gibson, acting chief of the United States delegation to the World Disarmament conference and Chancellor Heinrich Brüning, of Germany, presented to the conference today the American and German proposals for limitation of armaments, both of which differed at many essential points from the proposals of France, presented last week by Andre Tardieu, French foreign minister. Gibson applauded.

The American proposals presented by Ambassador Gibson, who was warmly applauded by the delegates as he ascended the rostrum, contained nine points.

These included the prolongation of the Washington and London naval agreements, further reduction of naval armaments, abolition of submarines and promotion of land disarmament by restricting tanks and mobile guns, discard of lethal gases and prevention of bacteriological warfare, protection of civil populations against aerial bombing, limiting the defensive forces to those necessary to maintain internal order plus some contingents for defense, and budget-

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WALLACE SECTION STRUCK BY STORM

Residents Marvel At Escape Without Injury Of Numerous Persons

Wallace, Feb. 9.—(AP)—Residents of Wallace today marvelled to the escape without injury of numerous persons in this section who were endangered when a terrific wind storm late yesterday swept a path about half a mile through the community. One house on the outskirts of the town was blown down but none of those in it was hurt. It was occupied by a Mr. Rivenbark and his family. Telephone and electric lines were destroyed and many house tops were blown off. A number of trees also were felled by the wind which was so strong an empty school bus was blown a considerable distance and the body smashed.

Maxwell Is Now Urging Curb Of Public Spending

Daily Dispatch Bureau. In the Sir Walter Hotel. BY J. C. BASKERVILLE.

Monroe, Feb. 9.—Commissioner of Revenue A. J. Maxwell, candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor next June, reiterated his conviction that the only way to reduce taxes on property and balance budgets is by the readjustment of public spending rather than by increased taxation to maintain the present high cost standards of government. Mr. Maxwell was the guest of the Monroe Merchants Association here last night.

The necessity for a readjustment of spending to meet curtailed revenues instead of higher taxes with which to pay high governmental costs, is much greater now than it was last September, when he first enunciated this principle, Mr. Maxwell said. With the National government collecting only about 50 cents for every dollar it is spending, and with counties and states over the entire nation collecting much less than the amounts needed for governmental expense, the necessity for retrenchment is becoming greater each day.

Grand Jury Probe Of Cotton Group Opens In Alabama

Montgomery, Ala., Feb. 9.—(AP)—A grand jury investigation of reports that Alabama Cotton association "defrauded the members" and "plundered on the board" has been ordered by Judge Leon McCord of the Montgomery Circuit court. Judge McCord told the jurors yesterday reports of irregularities were "current in the streets" and these included a charge that "cotton was sold without authority of the owners."

COOLIDGE FACING HUGE DAMAGE SUIT

Former President And Insurance Company Sued For \$100,000

Springfield, Mass., Feb. 9.—(AP)—Former President Calvin Coolidge and the New York Life Insurance company, of which he is a director, have been named co-defendants in a \$100,000 suit.

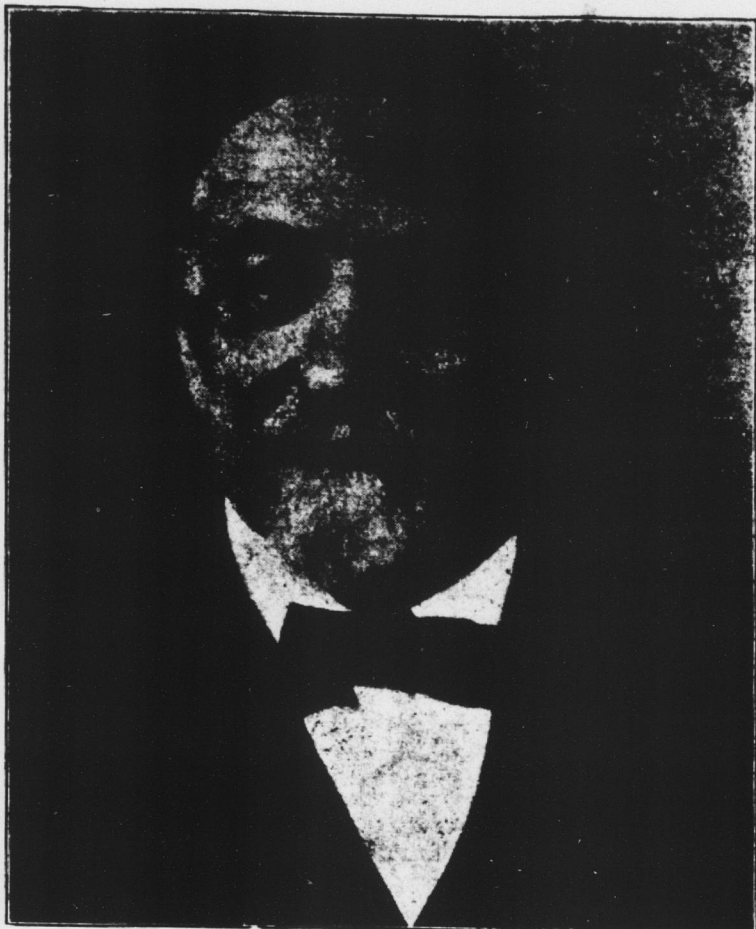
The suit was instituted by Lewis B. Tebbets, a St. Louis insurance man who alleges his reputation as an honest insurance agent has been injured and greatly damaged as a result of a radio talk given by Mr. Coolidge on October 6, 1931 and remarks afterwards published in pamphlet form by the New York Life Insurance company.

FRENCH REFUTING CLAIM OF GERMANY

Declare Reparations For Devastation Far Below Reported Figure

Paris, France, Feb. 9.—(AP)—Premier Laval told the French ambassador today that Germany has not paid the full cost of rebuilding French areas devastated during the World War and that the French government intends to publish a refutation of the recently issued German reparations figures. It was expected this memorandum would be published tonight or tomorrow. The German figures place the total amount at about thirteen billion dollars but the French contend that only about five billion has been paid.

DEATH ENDS LONG CAREER



THOMAS MERRITT PITTMAN, L.L.D.

Judge Thomas M. Pittman Dies At His Home Here

Dean of Bar Passes at Age of 74; Resident of Henderson 45 Years; Was Prominent Baptist and Historian of Note; Funeral Wednesday Afternoon

Judge Thomas Merritt Pittman, L.L.D., dean of the Henderson bar, deacon of the First Baptist church of Henderson, chairman of the North Carolina Historical Commission and historian, died at his home in this city at 7:10 o'clock Monday evening. He had been a sufferer with asthma for many years, but during the past fall his condition had been unusually favorable. Three weeks ago he was forced to remain at home and away from his office, and was in bed much of the time. For three days before his death he was unconscious most of the time, and his death was not unexpected. Judge Pittman was 74 years old his last birthday last November.

Funeral services will be held from the First Baptist church at 3:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, and interment will be in Elmwood cemetery here. Dr. H. A. Ellis, pastor of the First Baptist church, will be in charge. Judge Pittman was born in Franklin county November 24, 1857. He was licensed to practice law in this State in 1878 when only 20 years old, and had practiced in Charlotte and Henderson.

Judge Pittman had for many years been chairman of the board of deacons of the First Baptist church, and in earlier life had been superintendent of the Sunday school there. In 1925 he was given the degree of doctor of laws at Wake Forest College.

In the years of his active practice, he figured in nearly every litigation of importance tried in Vance Superior Court, and in nearby counties. He frequently appeared before the State Supreme Court. He was one of the founders of the Home Building and Loan Association of Henderson, and was its attorney until the time of his death. At the time of his death and for years previously he had been chairman of the North Carolina Historical Commission, and at one time was president of the North Carolina Historical Society.

Members of the Historical Commission will join with relatives and friends from Henderson and Raleigh

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WINNIE RUTH JUDD DECLARED GUILTY

Penalty Of Death By Hanging To Be Imposed On Arizona Slayer

Courthouse, Phoenix, Ariz., Feb. 9.—(AP)—Winnie Ruth Judd was convicted by a jury last night of the murder of Agnes Anne LeRoi. The penalty is death by hanging. Mrs. Judd heard the reading of the death verdict without the batting of an eye.

Her habitual bandaging and unbandaging of her left hand with her handkerchief did not cease. She walked unassisted from the courtroom to her cell, staring out of countenance the persons who huddled in her path.

Judge Howard C. Speakman set February 23 as date for sentence. Mrs. Judd's counsel, Paul Schenck, Herman Lewkowitz and J. B. Zaverzack said they would appeal.

Although the jury was out three hours and 40 minutes, including an hour for dinner, only two ballots were taken. The first ballot, jurymen said, was unanimous for conviction of murder in the first degree.

The second ballot set the penalty, as juries finding first degree murder guilty must do in Arizona.

Mother and Five Children Burned In Hazleton Fire

Hazleton, Pa., Feb. 9.—(AP)—Five small children and their mother were burned to death today in a fire which destroyed their home at Treschow, two miles south of this city. The mother was Mrs. Carmel Romanelli. She ran to the street to give the alarm and then rushed into the burning home to save her children. She never returned.

CANNON DEFENDANT IN DAMAGE ACTION

New York, Feb. 9.—(AP)—Bishop James Cannon, Jr., was named defendant Monday in a \$250,000 conspiracy suit filed in the supreme court by Romark Publishing company, of New York city. It charged he conspired to have the American News company, incorporated, cease national distribution of a new periodical, "Inside Stuff." The first issue featured an article on Bishop Cannon.

WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Partly cloudy, not quite so cold in extreme west portion tonight; Wednesday increasing cloudiness, slowly rising temperature followed by rain in extreme west portion; fresh northeast shifting to east winds.

MOSLEM UPRISINGS IN INDIA RENEWED OVER SCORE KILLED

Twenty-Eight Killed And Thirty Wounded In Rioting In Three India Cities

HINDU GOVERNMENT SUBJECT TO ATTACK

Three Thousand Angry Moslems March Into Town and Stone Police Force Before Military Forces Open Fire

Srinagar, India, Feb. 9.—(AP)—Twenty-eight persons were reported killed today and thirty wounded in a renewal of the Moslem uprising at Uri, Kotli and Handwara, against the government of Sir Hari Singh, Hindu ruler who was once known in a blackmail case in England as "Mr. A."

Three thousand angry Moslems carrying flags marched into Uri and stoned and wounded police. The military opened fire killing three and wounding five. The most serious trouble was reported from Kotli where 21 persons were said to have been killed. It was not made plain whether the casualties resulted from a communal riot or whether the military had fired into a mob.

DELAY HEARING FOR BANKER AT DURHAM

W. G. Clements Not To Face Hearing Until February Sixteenth

Durham, Feb. 9.—(AP)—Hearing of charges of embezzlement brought against W. G. Clements, president of the defunct Merchants Bank of Durham were deferred today until February 16 at his request. His bond, first set at \$15,000, was reduced to \$10,000. The warrant for Clements was sworn out by the state banking department and charged he embezzled \$13,286 of its funds. The bank closed last month.

Will Rogers Back At Home With His Famed Wisecracks

New York, Feb. 9.—(AP)—Will Rogers who wisecracked his way around the world arrived today from Europe on the liner Europa, "to get in on this dough everybody is going to dig out of their socks."

"I hear they are makin' gas drive against hoarding," he said, "and I don't want to be away under the circumstances." In Europe, he said, when you're introduced to somebody they say, "Glad to meet you, cancel the debts." He saw the opening of the disarmament conference and it was "like the follies, only harder to get in, all the diplomatic were sell seats." He said Andrew Mellon would be a very popular ambassador to Great Britain.

JAP FINANCIER IS SLAIN BY ASSASSIN

Tokyo, Feb. 9.—(AP)—Junnosuke Inouye, one of Japan's outstanding financiers and a leader of the Minseitō party, was killed tonight by a 23 year old assassin who fired on him as he arrived at a political meeting. The assailant, whose name is Tadashi Konuma, was arrested immediately. The motive for the crime was not known.

COMMITTEE PASSES MILLS NOMINATION

Washington, Feb. 9.—(AP)—The Senate Finance committee today approved the nomination of Ogden L. Mills as secretary of the treasury and Arthur A. Balfantine as under secretary.

Artillery Fire In Chapei Area Is Resumed Causing Injury To One Foreigner

China's Air Chief



Meet Gen. Chang Hui-Chang, American commander-in-chief of the Chinese air force. In the United States, where he was born, he is Bert Hall. He gained fame during the World War with the Lafayette escadrille, bearing 20 "henry planes." Hall has flown under a half dozen flags. In 1929 he looked up with China and took the name of General Chang. Now he's trying to repulse Japanese.

Wife of British Member Of Shanghai Police Force Hurt By Exploding Shell

AMERICAN INFANTRY ON BORDER PATROL

Eight Shells Fall In French Concession Injuring Three Chinese And Doing Big Property Damage

Shanghai, China, Feb. 9.—(AP)—Machine gun bullets whined across the Kiangwan race track late today and aerial bombs were dropping between here and Woosung as the Japanese attacked a large Chinese detachment throwing up defense works behind the Woosung Fort.

A shell from a Japanese destroyer burst a powder magazine in the fort earlier in the afternoon causing a terrific explosion and raising a cloud of dense black smoke which spread over the countryside. Nevertheless the Chinese held on.

Artillery Fire Resumed. Meanwhile the artillery was in action again in the Chapel sector and at least one foreigner was wounded by shells which dropped across the international settlement boundary. She was the wife of Detective Inspector Harris B. Robertson, British member of the municipal police force. Her injuries were not serious and most of the shells were duds.

Up on the northern settlement boundary the 1st United States Infantry took over the patrol from British detachments. They were close enough to hear the shooting, but their position was about 5

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FINANCE GROUP TO NAME AGENTS SOON

Will Have Agent At Charlotte, And Many Other Of Nation's Cities

Washington, Feb. 9.—(AP)—Agents for the Reconstruction Finance corporation will be appointed soon at New Orleans and Charlotte, N. C.

Following the policy of having a representative wherever there is a federal reserve bank or branch bank the corporation will have a number of appointments of this nature within a short time.

Representative Bulwinkle, Democrat, North Carolina, called on Charles G. Dawes, president of the corporation and received assurances that the Charlotte appointment would be made.

LUTHERANS CONVENE IN ANNUAL MEETING

Albemarle, Feb. 9.—(AP)—Ministers and lay leaders were arriving here today for the opening tonight of the 128th annual convention of the North Carolina Synod of the United States Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Sudden Wealth Has Its Problems, Negro Finds

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Raleigh, Feb. 9.—Sudden wealth has its difficulties just as surely as poverty has its sting, according to John B. Ford, local negro who was wounded in France during the war and who has just recently collected in excess of \$9,000 in disability compensation from the U. S. Veterans Bureau in Washington.

Ever since the news of his sudden wealth became known, Ford has been receiving letters from all sections of the country, asking for donations or personal gifts. Since news stories of the \$9,000 check he received were carried by news services throughout the United States, he has received telegrams or letters from New York, Ohio, Iowa, Oklahoma, Texas, California and many other states, from persons wanting to sell him real estate, stocks in various undertakings or what not. His little home on South Person street has been besieged with

callers seeking aims or gifts for charity.

With the exception of only three letters, all of the "fan" letters have been from feminine admirers, Ford says. They all end with a request for some money or some gift. One letter from Illinois merely asks Ford to send the writer a camera, coat, hat, stockings and a wrist watch. This modest "Madam Queen" graciously extended the privilege to Ford of selecting all the wearing apparel but reserved the right to select the wrist watch.

In many of the letters are requests for money for medicine, taxes, food to help pay church debts and many other things. Many of his dusky feminine admirers have offered their services as housekeepers, companions or otherwise.

But Ford wants it understood that he is no public benefactor and that he has no intention of giving away any of his new found wealth.