

BIG JAP DRIVE TO START NEXT WEEK

Government Circles Announce Major Drive On Shanghai To Take Place In Coming Week

To Study Sino-Jap Trouble



En route to the Far East to investigate and report on the trouble between China and Japan in Manchuria, four members of the commission appointed by the League of Nations are shown as they were greeted on their arrival at New York by Gen. Frank McCoy, the American representative. Left to right are: Gen. Henri Claudel, of France, General Inspector of French Colonies; the Hon. Earl of Lytton, Great Britain, president of the commission; Count Luigi Androvandi Marescotti, of Italy; Dr. Heinrich Schnee, of Germany, and Gen. McCoy.

Possibilities of Acceptance of New Proposal To End Fighting Are Reported

PRELUDE TO RENEWAL OF FIGHTING NOTED

Jap Planes And Big Guns Pound Wreckage of Chapei And Woosung Claiming to Have Halted Chinese

Shanghai, Feb. 14 (Sunday) (AP)—Fighting along the Woosung front subsided early today but under cover of darkness the Japanese landed troops and tanks, guns and ammunition from seven transports which moved up the Whangpoo late Saturday night.

Somewhere close to the China coast on the way from Japan more transports were bringing additional men and supplies for the big push General Kenkichi Uyeda planned to start as quickly as his men and materials are ready.

Saturday's fighting was limited to intermittent artillery fire although there was one Japanese raid late in the afternoon when fifteen men and a sergeant crossed Woosung creek and were beaten off by the Chinese defenders. They took one captive.

Tokyo, Feb. 12 (AP)—The Japanese military forces strengthened by a new division of reinforcements will open their big drive upon the Chinese at Shanghai next week, it was stated in government circles today, unless a new proposal for the creating of a neutral zone around the city and the withdrawal of Chinese troops is accepted.

The proposal will be made to the diplomatic representatives of the United States, Great Britain and France to who are now in Shanghai. They will be asked to request the Chinese to withdraw to permit the establishment of the neutral zone. If they decline to make the request, it was said officially, the Japanese themselves will demand

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OFFER PRIZES FOR FORESTRY ESSAYS

Material Intended to Aid Essay Writers Already Sent Many Counties

Raleigh, Feb. 13.—Material intended to aid children entering the annual forestry essay contest sponsored by the N. C. Department of Conservation and Development in cooperation with other agencies, has already been mailed to more than half of the 100 counties of North Carolina, according to State Forester J. S. Holmes, who is directing the competition.

According to present indications, more than 1,000 school children will participate in the contest. Mr. Holmes said. Approximately 700 have signified their intention of taking part in the competition with a number of the counties not yet having been heard from. The subject of the essay chosen for this year is "The Forest in Relation to Hunting and Fishing." Capital prizes for the best essays submitted in the entire State total \$25, of which \$10 will go to the student taking first place; \$5 for second; and four awards of \$2.50 each.

HENDERSON, TARDIEU AT GENEVA



Arthur Henderson, left, presiding head of disarmament meet, is engaged chatting with Andre Tardieu, who leads the French delegation at the International Disarmament conference at Geneva. The United States presented a nine-point disarmament program.

HURLEY WALKS OUT ON SENATE HEARING ABOUT PHILIPPINES

Resents Statement Made By Utah Senator Regarding Testimony He Offered

INCIDENT CLIMAXES STORMY SESSIONS

Secretary Of War Leaves Committee Chamber After Making Objection To Statements Made by Senator King

Washington, Feb. 13 (AP)—Secretary Hurley and Senator King, Democrat, Utah, patched up their differences today after a sharp verbal clash between them which led the secretary of war to walk out of a Senate committee hearing on Philippine independence.

Washington, Feb. 13 (AP)—Secretary Hurley today walked out of a Senate committee hearing on Philippine independence asserting he would not "remain here to be called a liar."

Hurley left the meeting after Senator King, Democrat, Utah, had told the secretary he resented "as untrue" a statement the war department head had made. His voice shaking with emotion and ringing angrily through the committee chamber, Hurley leaped to his feet and asserted with vigorous gestures: "You can run your star chamber proceedings in here and call me a liar and browbeat your witnesses, but you can't compel me to remain here and take it."

The incident climaxed two stormy sessions of the Senate Insular committee. At the previous one Hurley became engaged in an acrid dispute with Democrats who advocated freeing the islands.

75 Millions Being Sought In Suit In Court In New York

New York, Feb. 13 (AP)—A summons was filed in Federal court today in a suit for \$75,000,000 brought under the Sherman Anti-Trust law by the Mississippi-Kansas Pipe Line company. The action is brought against Henry L. Doherty and company, the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, North American Light and Power Company, Christy Payne, a director of the Standard Oil company of New Jersey and Louis E. Fischer, vice president and one of the directors of the North American Light and Power company.

EXPANSION MOVE LIFE AND DEATH ISSUE FOR JAPAN

Vermont Congressman, Who Toured Orient Last Summer, Visions Far Flung Ambitions

PHILIPPINES, THEN AUSTRALIA, SOUGHT

Both Are Thinly Settled and Would Afford Vast Outlets For Hemmed-In Population of Nippon Empire; Control of the Pacific Is Japanese Aim

By CHARLES P. STEWART Central Press Staff Writer Washington, Feb. 13.—"With a rapidly growing population, already half as large as this country's trying to exist on the narrow coastal fringe of an otherwise scantily-productive, mountainous island chain, totalling less than the area of California, more room is a matter of life and death to Japan," observes Representative Ernest W. Gibson of Vermont.

Col. Gibson toured the Orient extensively last summer, studied its problems thoroughly and discusses them today in the light of perhaps the completest fund of up-to-date information of any member of congress.

Recognition of the vital necessity of an expansion program to the Japanese does not blind the New Englander to the danger involved in it from the standpoint of occidental civilization.

"Tokyo's statesmanship," he says, "aims unmistakably at domination of

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Borah Measure To Cut Salaries For Congress Beaten

Washington, Feb. 13 (AP)—The Senate Civil Service committee today rejected bills by Senator Borah, Republican, Idaho, to cut the salaries of members of Congress and the cabinet and to eliminate the allowances of mileage to members of Congress.

Another Borah measure proposing graduated reductions in salaries of government workers was referred to a subcommittee headed by Senator Brookhart, Republican, Iowa, a foe of the proposed cuts in pay.

WARRANTS AGAINST JUDGE HARWOOD ARE ISSUED IN RALEIGH

Special Superior Court Judge Charged With Knowledge of Alleged Embezzlement

CONFERENCE IS HELD WITH GOV. GARDNER

Charges Are Denied By Jurist When Informed of Warrants Being Issued—His Daughter Involved in Case

Raleigh, Feb. 13.—(AP)—Warrants charging Judge John H. Harwood, of the State Superior court with tampering with state records touching on criminal and civil cases against his daughter, Miss Lola Harwood were served on the jurist today.

Judge Harwood arranged bond in the amount of \$1,000. Shortly before the warrants were served the commission of Harwood as a special judge was suspended by Governor Gardner at Harwood's request. The action followed two conferences between the governor and Harwood.

Raleigh, Feb. 13.—(AP)—Two warrants for the arrest of Special Superior Court Judge John H. Harwood of Bryson City, were issued here last night, but had not been served on him after a conference between Governor Gardner and other state officials.

The warrants charged the jurist with being an accessory after the fact to an alleged embezzlement of

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LOUSANNE MEET TO BE HELD IN JUNE

British Foreign Office Announces Arrangements For Parley Being Made

London, Feb. 13.—(AP)—The Foreign Office announced today that the Lansanne Reparations conference will be held next June and that its object has been enlarged to include not only reparations but other world economic difficulties as well.

The new date for the conference is the result of Franco-British conversations on the reparations problem which have been going on since January. The announcement said, but Belgium, Germany, Italy, Japan and Great Britain have joined in recommending the new conference with an enlarged scope to the other governments concerned.

HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT NOW IN GOOD SHAPE

Commission Has Been Busy Repairing And Rebuilding Old Equipment

Daily Dispatch Bureau. In the Star-Walter Hotel. BY J. C. BARKERVILL.

Raleigh, Feb. 13.—The repairing and rebuilding of highway maintenance equipment taken over by the Highway Commission from the counties, was one of the biggest tasks the Commission had to perform in connection with all taking over the maintenance of all the county roads last July, according to E. W. Davis, equipment engineer. Between July 1, 1931 and Jan. 1, 1932, the Commission rebuilt or repaired 1,250 trucks and tractors taken over from the counties either in the central equipment shop here near Raleigh or in the five repair shops and the 25 smaller repair shops maintained in the various maintenance districts.

The equipment taken over by the Highway Commission from the counties last July was for the most part in very bad condition, a great deal of it being almost unusable, especially the trucks and tractors. Now, however, almost all of this equipment that was capable of being repaired or rebuilt has been rehabilitated and is now in active use. In addition, the Commission has put into service some 430 new trucks and 45 new tractors of various types, as well as about 20 new road machines and graders.

MCLEAN APPROVES PLANS OF HOOVER

Informing President of Hearty Approval Of His Economic Program

Washington, Feb. 13 (AP)—Former Governor Angus W. McLean, of North Carolina, informed President Hoover today he was in hearty approval of his economic rehabilitation program and thought that some of the curbs upon it might be loosened.

The North Carolinian declined to give details, however, of how he would amplify the program.

Prominently mentioned at one time or a post on the board of directors of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, he was introduced at the White House by Paul Bestor, farm loan commissioner, and a member of the credit corporation board.

HEAVY ADVANCES IN STOCK MARKET

Big Buying Orders Cause Wall Street To Take On Old Time Air

New York, Feb. 13 (AP)—A Wall Street and main street lull—dumped huge buying orders into the New York stock exchange hopper today and excitedly watched the over worked machinery grind out juicy profits that had the flavor of an old fashioned mild bull market.

When trading closed at noon after two hours of frenzied activities prices were about \$2 to \$15 above Thursday's final quotations. Scores of leaders showed net gains of \$4 to \$7 but many did much better than that in this session of seemingly insatiable demand and it was indeed a slow mover that could not show a rise of \$2. Union Pacific made an extreme gain of \$18.50 a share.

TEN YEAR PLAN BODY TO AID AGRICULTURE

Raleigh, Feb. 13.—Although the stimulation of the livestock industry in North Carolina is one of the most immediate objectives of the Ten Year Plan Corporation, through its committee on agricultural rehabilitation, the corporation expects to extend its interest and assistance to every branch and phase of farming, according to Tyre C. Taylor, president of the corporation.

The objectives of the entire Ten Year Plan are three-fold, namely, (1) To bring new wealth into North Carolina; (2) To create new wealth in North Carolina and (3) To retain the wealth already in the State within its borders. Mr. Taylor pointed out. Since the State's greatest wealth is in its agricultural and other natural resources, the corporation of necessity must devote a large share of its attention to agriculture.

Gives Up \$20,000 Job



Because of his love for the classics, Dr. Arthur Stanley Pease, president of Amherst college, Amherst, Mass., has started academic circles by resigning his \$20,000-a-year post to resume teaching and research at Harvard at a much smaller salary. Dr. Pease has accepted a professorship in Greek and Latin. Now former President Coolidge is mentioned again for the presidency at Amherst, his alma mater.

MULL MAKES PLANS FOR COMING MEET

Democratic State Executive Committee Will Meet In Raleigh Soon

Daily Dispatch Bureau. In the Star-Walter Hotel. BY J. C. BARKERVILL.

Raleigh, Feb. 13.—The State Democratic Executive Committee will be called to meet in Raleigh probably between March 1 and 10, since under the plan of organization it must meet before March 10. Chairman Odus M. Mull of Shelby, who is here for several days conferring with members of the committee relative to the meeting date, said today.

Chairman Mull, always cautious, would not speculate on what action the committee might take either as to the selection of a date or place of meeting for the Democratic State Convention. But he believes in general here that Charlotte will be selected as the convention city this time and that the date will probably be set so that the convention will be over before the June 4 primary.

The principal task of the committee of course, is not only to set the date and set the place for the State Democratic Convention, but to also set the dates for the precinct meetings and the county conventions.

DENY ACQUITTAL OF ACCUSED OFFICIAL

Direct Verdict In Greensboro Case Denied By Judge Hayes

Greensboro, Feb. 13.—(AP)—Judge Johnson J. Hayes today denied a defense motion for a directed verdict of acquittal on all but one count of charges of illegal solicitation of party funds brought against W. H. Foster, secretary-treasurer of the North Carolina Republican Executive committee.

Judge Hayes ruled that mailing notices of payments due on campaign fund pledges constituted solicitation. After his ruling court was adjourned until Monday when the defense will start presentation of its case. Foster, accused of soliciting funds from Federal employes in federal buildings, is on trial in United States District court here.

CASH BALANCE FOR STATE IS REPORTED

General Fund Depleted, However, And Other Funds Have To Be Called Upon

Raleigh, Feb. 13.—(AP)—The State of North Carolina had a cash balance in its treasury January 31 of \$6,550,747.79, the combined statement of the auditor and treasurer revealed today.

The general fund showed an overdraft of \$1,190,281.62 as compared to a deficit of \$114,569.74 on January 1, and the highway fund had a balance of \$5,758,281.65 as compared with a balance of \$7,324,472.08 on the first of the month.

It was shown that general fund bond interest aggregating \$95,182.19 had been met by obligating the highway or other special funds as the general fund was overdrawn.

WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Slightly colder in central and east portions tonight; Sunday increasing cloudiness; slightly colder; moderate north shift in northeast winds.