

## JAPANESE GAINING GROUND ON CHINESE ARMY

### Washington Bi-Centennial Is Formally Opened By Hoover

#### 200TH ANNIVERSARY OBSERVANCE STARTS

#### Hoover Praises First President In Speech Before Joint Congress Session

#### FIRST APPEARANCE

"True Eulogy of Washington Is This Mighty Nation," President Hoover Tells Congress Today

The chief executive's words—delivered before a joint session of the Senate and House—initiated formally the Bi-Centennial celebration of the first president's birth, which will extend over the next nine months.

The occasion marked Mr. Hoover's first appearance before a joint session.

Turning completely from present-day problems, the president traced the course of the country's growth over the past two centuries and called for a renewal of the inspiration of Washington.

"Proudly," he said, "we report to our forefathers that the republic is more secure, more constant, more powerful, more truly great than at any other time in its history."

He declared impatience with those who undertake what he called "the irrational humanizing" of Washington. There is no need, he said, to look beneath "his unique qualities of greatness" and great accomplishments.

"We need not attempt at canonization of George Washington," he said.

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#### MURRAY TOO LATE FOR GA. PRIMARY

#### Notice Of Entrance Fails To Reach Savannah In Time To Be Entered

Savannah, Ga., Feb. 22.—(AP)—Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt, of New York, and Judge E. H. Howard, were the only candidates qualified for the Georgia presidential preference primary when the entries closed today at noon, central standard time.

#### HIGHWAY PATROL DOING GOOD WORK

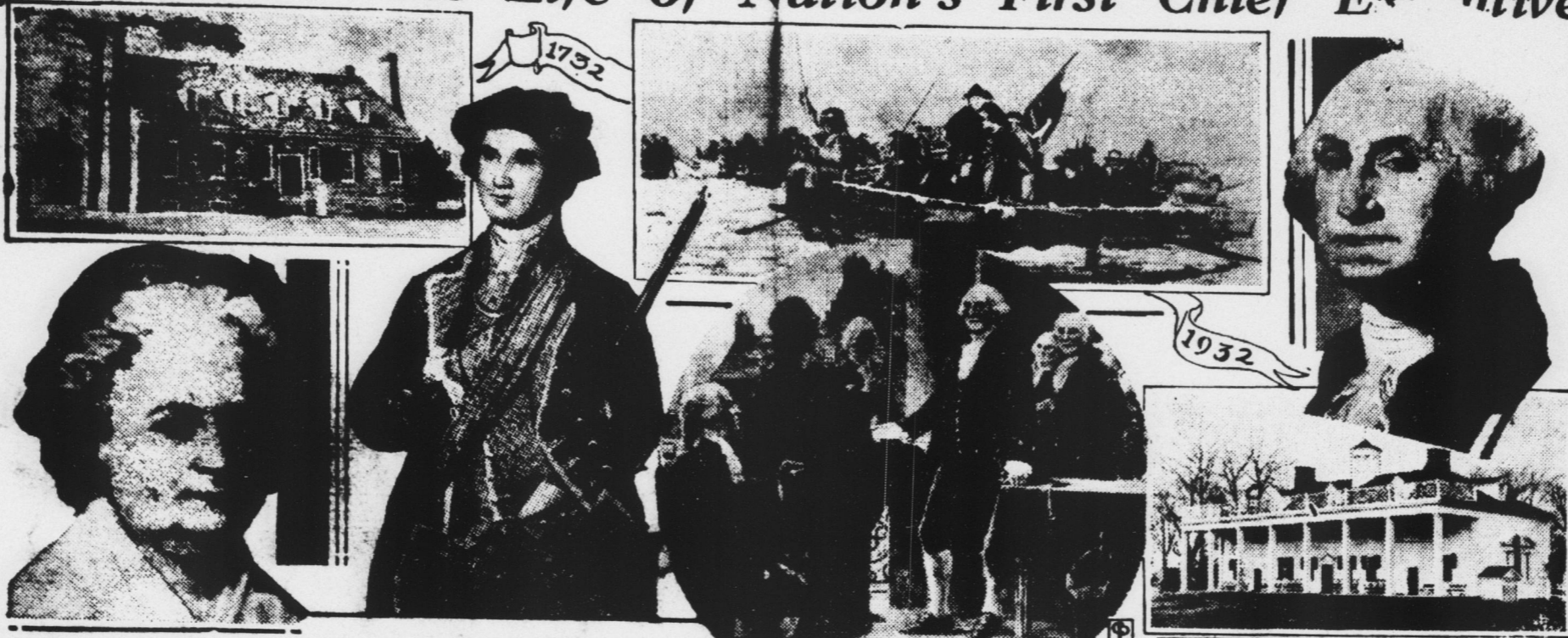
#### Many Auto Drivers Warned of Law Violations And Many Arrested

Raleigh, Feb. 22.—The State Highway Patrol stopped 19,996 cars and trucks during January for varying violations of the State motor vehicle laws, the report made public today by Captain Charles D. Farmer, commander of the patrol shows.

#### RED MEN'S OFFICER HELD FOR FORGERY

Tarboro, Feb. 22 (AP)—Roy Abrams, record officer of the Macclesfield Order of Red Men, was in jail today charged with forging names to insurance policies of nine lodge members.

### Scenes From the Life of Nation's First Chief Executive



These are scenes, photos and well known paintings, from the life of George Washington, first president of the United States of America, whose 200th birthday anniversary is being celebrated throughout the length and breadth of the land. Top views show, left to right, the birthplace of Washington at Wakefield, Va., reconstructed by the government; Washington crossing the Delaware the night before his overwhelming defeat of British troops at Trenton, and the best known portrait of the father of his country. Below, left to right, are Martha Washington; Washington as a young officer in the colonial militia when he fought in the French and Indian wars; Washington's first inauguration, an original oil done by Clyde O. Doland, at Mount Vernon, Washington's home on the Potomac.

#### COSGRAVE TO GIVE DE VALERA SUPPORT

#### Conditional Support Promised by Defeated Irish Government

Dublin, Irish Free State, Feb. 22 (AP)—President William Cosgrave today promised conditional support of his apparently defeated government party to Eamon De Valera if the latter forms a new Irish government.

#### PRIZES FOR ESSAYS ON MILK OFFERED

#### Governor Offers Two Silver Cups To School Children of State

Raleigh, Feb. 22.—Governor O. Max Gardner is offering two silver cups as prizes for the best essays written by school children dealing with the uses of milk, in connection with the State-wide Milk-For-Health campaign being undertaken by the State Board of Health, it was announced today.

#### WEATHER

FOR-NORTH CAROLINA. Cloudy, slightly colder tonight; Tuesday partly cloudy and colder; fresh to strong northwest winds.

#### Carolinas Honor Memory of First President of U. S.

(By the Associated Press.) George Washington lived again in the Carolinas today primarily in the hearts of school children but honored no less by their elders.

#### TWENTY KILLED IN WEEKEND MISHAPS

#### More Than A Score Are Injured In Accidents Over Southern States

Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 22.—(AP)—The South counted twenty dead and more than a score injured in week-end accidents today. Automobiles cost the lives of thirteen, four were drowned, one was killed in an airplane crash another by a street car and one by the firing of a gun, though to be unloaded.

#### MILL WORKERS IN GREENSBORO STRIKE

#### Overall Company Employees Protest Against Heavy Wage Cuts

Greensboro, Feb. 22.—(AP)—Between 1,300 and 1,400 employees of the Blue Bell Overall company here went on strike today in protest against a threatened wage cut.

#### RELATIVES DEFEND DEAD GIRL'S NAME

#### Are Resentful of Efforts To Blacken Character Of Boston Girl

Boston, Feb. 22 (AP)—Relatives of Elizabeth Barrett Cook, who died at sea near Gibraltar February 7 on the steamship Chinese Prince, were resentful today of what they termed "attempts to blacken the character of a dead girl."

#### NEW INDICTMENT IN CASE OF HARWOODS

Raleigh, Feb. 22 (AP)—A new bill jointly indicting Miss Lola Harwood, Bryson City and her father Judge John H. Harwood, of the Superior court bench, in connection with the alleged shortage of \$4,828 in state revenue accounts of Miss Harwood, is slated to reach the Wake County grand jury this week.

#### Talk Of More Entering Primary Is Still Heard

Raleigh, Feb. 22.—Talk concerning prospective candidates for the Democratic nomination for Governor continues to such an extent here that those who are not yet in the race are getting much more attention than those who have already announced as candidates.

#### Business Leaders Gather To Discuss Progress In State

Charlotte, Feb. 22.—(AP)—Progress of business and industry in the two Carolinas will be reviewed tonight at a banquet to be attended by more than 200 leaders of the two states.

#### SIX MONTH SCHOOLS ARE ENDING TERMS

#### Many School Districts Expected To Begin Finding Difficulties

Raleigh, Feb. 22.—(AP)—With the six months State supported school term about to end throughout North Carolina, many local school districts are expected to experience trouble soon in meeting expenses, school authorities here predicted today.

#### FLAGDEN ADMITS HE WAS NOT KIDNAPED

#### Man Says He Ran Away To Escape Worries And Was Not Abducted

Maion, N. Y., Feb. 22.—(AP)—State Police of Troop B Barracks here said today they had a statement from Harris H. Flagden, Upper Saranac Lake camp operator and former North Carolina school teacher in which he admitted he had gone away voluntarily and had not been kidnaped.

#### GOVERNOR LEAVES FOR FLORIDA TALK

#### Gardner Now In Miami To Speak To 'Committee of 100' Tuesday Night

Raleigh, Feb. 22.—(AP)—Governor Gardner, of North Carolina, left here late last night for Miami, Florida to address "the committee of 100" there tomorrow night.

#### SMITH MAY ENTER NAME FOR OFFICE

#### New York Newspaper Says He May Give Consent In Massachusetts

New York, Feb. 22.—(AP)—The New York Times said today that former Governor Alfred E. Smith had decided to give formal consent to his Massachusetts supporters to pledge themselves to him as candidates to become delegates to the Democratic National convention and an announcement to that effect will be made this week.

#### PARTY OF AMERICAN TROOPS FIRED UPON BY CHINESE FORCES

#### No Casualties Reported But Complaint Is Filed With Chinese Headquarters

#### KIANKWAN VILLAGE STILL BEING HELD

#### Chinese Hold On Tenaciously Although Japanese Army Advances Beyond And Around City

Shanghai, Feb. 23 (Tuesday)—(AP)—Chinese headquarters issued a bulletin early this morning explaining that their army was advancing rapidly along the whole front from Chapel to Woosung driving back the Japanese despite the arrival of enemy reinforcements.

In the Kiangwan sector where the fighting of the past two days has been very heavy, the communique said, the Chinese force withdrew, drawing the Japanese attack after it.

Shanghai, Feb. 23.—(AP)—Men of the 31st United States Infantry on patrol along Fochow Creek were fired on today, as they strengthened their barbed wire defenses but there were no casualties.

Chinese headquarters, after a complaint had been filed, explained that the Americans were wearing blue uniforms and the Chinese soldiers mistook them for Japanese binoculars.

Chinese Fall Back. Shanghai, Feb. 23.—(AP)—Lt. General Kenkichi Uryeda's powerfully equipped Japanese army forced its way past and around the stoutly defended village of Kiangwan, this afternoon, in the most terrific attack since hostilities began Saturday and slushed a

#### GIANT AIR SHIP IS SERIOUSLY DAMAGED

#### Akron Is Badly Damaged When Ship Gets Out Of Control In Wind

Lakehurst, N. J., Feb. 22.—(AP)—A mishap damaged the giant naval dirigible Akron seriously today as a congressional sub-committee prepared for a test, ride which the airship skipper hoped would vindicate her worthiness and shock.

#### HOLIDAY OBSERVED IN CAPITAL TODAY

#### City Named After First President Leads Anniversary Celebration

Washington, Feb. 22.—(AP)—The nation which George Washington led through its stumbling infant steps, grown to a size and power undreamed of in his time, paid today its debt of homage to the first president.