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Japanese Land Forces Will Be Extremely Precarious if China Succeed in Reaching Waterfront; New Troops From Japan To Go Into Action

Shanghai, Aug. 19.—(AP)—Masses of Chinese infantry struck hard at the heart of Japanese shore positions in eastern Shanghai late today and forced the enemy lines back almost to the Whangpoo river.

The Chinese drive came just as vanguards of the Japanese army from the homeland were reaching the Shanghai war zone.

The advance of the Chinese reportedly reached the Ward Road jail and Yangtze Poo road, well within the international settlement. Most points are near the Whangpoo river front, where reinforcements and supplies for Japanese forces ashore have been landed.

The attacking Chinese came from an area on the northeast. Apparently they were trying to isolate several thousand Japanese marines holding the Hogkew sector.

The Chinese braved savage bombardment from the air from Japanese warships on the river and batteries ashore as they drove their line forward.

Military experts said if the Chinese succeeded in reaching the waterfront and holding their new lines the position of the Japanese between the Whangpoo river and Soochow creek, hitherto the main Japanese land forces, would be precarious.

The Japanese command, however, prepared to throw into the battle from Shanghai the new army arriving from Japan, greatly extending the field of operations and compelling the Chinese to withdraw by flanking movements.

Stocks are heavy with sharp loss. Market hits back trail, with declines of fractions to more than two points.

Table of stock market data including American Radiator, American Telephone, and various commodities.

Cincinnati's Slaying Has N.C. Angles

Cincinnati, Aug. 19.—(AP)—A possible North Carolina angle developed today in police investigation of eleven deaths here, two of which Mrs. Anna Hahn, 31, is charged with committing. Detective Lieutenant George Schutte, of the homicide squad, said he had received a letter bearing the signature of Stina Cable, of Route 5, Greensboro, N. C., saying: "I'm almost sure the blonde lady, Mrs. Hahn, was the person who met me in a bus station here July 15, 1936, and who bought drinks. "I don't remember of noticing what she put into the drinks," the officer quoted the letter as saying, although I am sure there was something.

The North Carolinian, Seattle said, asserted she arrived at Los Angeles, Cal., July 18, in a dazed condition and was treated at a hospital for poisoning.

Swims to Record



Looking fresh after her great feat, Jenny Kammergaard, 17, acknowledges the plaudits of her admirers in Copenhagen. She swam across the Kattegat, from Juland to Sweden, 55 miles, in 29 1/2 hours, then joined a dancing party. Her swim is believed to be the longest ever made non-stop.

New Rescue Expedition Goes North Hope To Save Soviet North Pole Plane Crew Before Arctic Winter Begins

New York, Aug. 19 (AP)—A new rescue expedition headed by Sir Hubert Wilkes, veteran Arctic and Antarctic explorer, prepared to wing northward today in search of the six missing Soviet trans-polar fliers.

Herbert Hollick-Kenyon, Canadian flier who accompanied Wilkes on the Lincoln Ellsworth Antarctic expedition, directed mechanics as they labored hurriedly to equip the 17-ton flying boat Guba for the first lap of its journey, an overland flight to Toronto Harbor, on Lake Ontario.

Working swiftly in a race against arrival of the long Arctic winter, Wilkes and his men installed devices to free the flying boat from the danger of a crash from ice-weighted wings—the gravest menace of northern flying.

Wilkes said he had been hired by the Soviet government to direct the search. He declared flight operations would continue several months, if necessary, to locate Pilot Sigismund Levanevsky, the "Lindbergh of Russia," and his five comrades. The Soviet fliers were last heard from Friday shortly after passing the North Pole.

Meanwhile, airmen of three nations were poised on the rim of the Arctic circle waiting for a favorable turn in the weather that would allow them to launch their part of the search.

ARMY OF WORKERS ON WAGE RECORDS

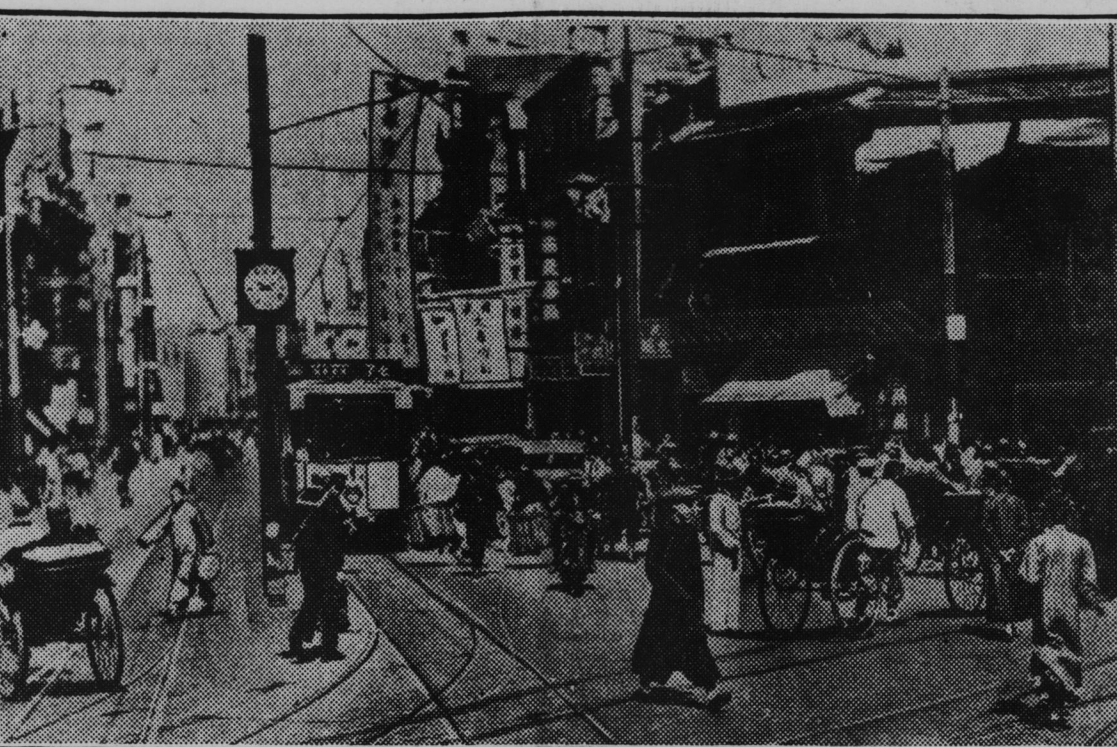
State Unemployment Commission Takes on Flock of Assistants

Raleigh, Aug. 19.—Thirty young North Carolinians, after several days of special training, have started to work in the N. C. Unemployment Commission offices, posting the wage records of about 460,000 workers in the State who have social security account numbers, Chairman Charles G. Powell, announced today.

These new employees will work in two shifts, one from 7 a. m. to 3 p. m. and the other from 3 p. m. to 11 p. m. Estimates are that it will take six weeks to get the wage record of workers in the State posted for the first quarter of this year and another six weeks to get the second quarter reports posted.

Employers make these reports by quarters. Records are transferred to ledger sheets, the additions being made to bring the worker's recording up to date each three months. When a worker becomes unemployed, and is

Famous Shanghai Street Menaced by Shellfire



Nanking Road, one of the important arteries in the heart of the International Settlement in Shanghai, is pictured above. This street, and others in the Settlement, are threatened by destruction from shellfire of both Chinese and Japanese artillery and naval guns as the battle rages in the newest undeclared war in the Orient.

Spanish Resistance Cracks As Insurgents Quicken Push

Hendaye, Franco-Spanish Frontier, Aug. 19.—(AP)—The Spanish insurgent high command asserted today that Santander's outlying defenses to the southwest of the Biscayan seaport had "melted away" while the insurgent attackers "plowed to within 20 miles of their goal."

The five-day push toward Santander, the government's last city stronghold on the Bay of Biscay, was estimated to have brought capture of 10,000 of the stubborn defenders.

The government positions have been gobbled up by the relentless thrusts of General Francisco Franco's infantry, artillery, tanks and planes.

The insurgent column on the Valencia road to Santander alone has taken 4,700 prisoners. Many of the captured warriors were placed in concentration camps south of Renosa.

The advance, the headquarters reported, was more like a maneuver than a stiffly resisted offensive.

"There is no more enemy to oppose our advance," it was said. "The operations Wednesday could be called a practical march."

Franco's field commanders installed garrisons in the many mountain-land villages caught in the broad sweep of his two pronged northward drive and left clean-up operations to second line troops.

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HEALY PREPARING MUNICIPAL SESSION

State League To Hold Convention in Winston-Salem September 27-28, Under Plan

Raleigh, Aug. 19.—Patrick Healy, Jr., executive secretary of the North Carolina League of Municipalities, is today in Winston-Salem completing preparations for the league's 27th annual convention which will be held in the Twin Cities, September 27-28.

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FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Partly cloudy tonight and Friday; somewhat unsettled Friday.

OUR WEATHER MAN

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BUY LIQUOR STOCK FOR FAYETTEVILLE

Raleigh, Aug. 19.—(AP)—Cutlar Moore, chairman of the State Liquor Commission, today was buying about 3,500 cases of assorted spirits for Cumberland county, which he said would open its first ABC store in Fayetteville about September 1. Purchase, he said, would include whiskies, cordials, wines and other types of alcoholic drinks and cost about \$40,000.

CHERRY TO ADDRESS N. C. AUTO DEALERS

State Convention To Be Held Next Monday; Other Notables On Program Also

Raleigh, Aug. 19.—Gregg Cherry, chairman of the State Democratic Executive Committee, will be the principal speaker at the annual banquet of the North Carolina Automobile Dealers Association, August 23rd, it was announced today by Mrs. Besse Phoenix, executive secretary of the group.

In addition to being state chairman of his party, Mr. Cherry, the "Iron Mayor" is speaker of the North Carolina House.

STATE UNANIMOUS WITH APPROVAL OF CHILD LABOR BANS

Roosevelt Liked His Manteo Visit

Washington, Aug. 19.—(AP)—Representative Lindsay Warren, of Washington, N. C., upon his return today from the Virginia Dare celebration at Roanoke Island, N. C., where President Roosevelt spoke yesterday, said he was "glad" over the success of the event.

"The entire program went off without a hitch," Warren said. "The President and his party were enthusiastic over the whole affair."

Warren, who extended the invitation to President Roosevelt to attend the celebration, was chairman of the committee in charge of yesterday's program.

PORTUGAL'S BREAK BY CZECHOSLOVAKIA SURPRISES EUROPE

Lisbon, Portugal, Aug. 19.—(AP)—The authoritarian Portuguese government announced formally today it had severed diplomatic relations with the republic of Czechoslovakia over an unfilled order of machine guns.

Simultaneously, Portugal accused Czechoslovakia of yielding to the "influences and pressure" of an unidentified "third party" in blocking fulfillment of the arms order.

One newspaper promptly declared interpretation of the move that Czechoslovakia had received "instructions from an eastern power not to supply arms to a country which was a sure guarantee against a communist Iberian peninsula."

In the same comment the newspaper declared Czechoslovakia is the Russian stronghold in Central Europe and perhaps the Soviets' largest air base.

CZECH GOVERNMENT MUCH SURPRISED BY NEW MOVE

Praha, Czechoslovakia, Aug. 19.—(AP)—The Czechoslovakian government today voiced astonishment over

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GOLDSBORO MEN TO FACE DEATH TRIAL

Exum and Sasser, of Fremont, Accused in Connection With Slaying Aged Negro

Goldsboro, Aug. 19 (AP)—Milford Exum, 41, and Earl Sasser, 35, of Fremont, were docketed today for trial during a one-week term of a prior court opening here August 23 on charges of murder in the death of 66-year-old Jim Williams, a Negro basket-maker, on the night of April 2.

Exum and Sasser have been held in the Wayne county jail here without privilege of bond since they were arrested April 17, the night Williams' body was found.

FOREIGN CASUALTY IN CHINA SERIOUS

Tragedy Unintentional but Nevertheless Fatal to Its Victims

By CHARLES P. STEWART Central Press Columnist

Washington, Aug. 19.—When the Jap-Chinese conflict (whether one calls it war or not) involves the killing of Europeans resident in the international portion of the city of Shanghai the situation begins to assume a decidedly serious aspect.

For example, news dispatches recently mentioned the case of an American (in the Far East all occidentals, American as well as European, class as Europeans), who was killed

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Similar to Wage-Hour Bill That Passed Senate but Shelved in Lower Court

CONFERENCE GROUP HAS HOUSING BILL

Senate Moves Swiftly To Ward Eliminating Barriers to Saturday Night Adjournment of Present Session; Tax Loophole Measure Is Speedily Enacted

Washington, Aug. 19 (AP)—The Senate passed the Wheeler-Johnson child labor bill by unanimous consent today, and sent it to the House. The measure would prohibit interstate commerce in goods made by children under 16 years of age, and in the case of hazardous industries 18 years.

The same language was incorporated in the wage and hour bill which passed the Senate, but the Senate passed the separate measure today, when Chairman Wheeler, Democrat, Montana, suggested action might result in approval of that part of the wage-hour measure at this session of Congress.

The wage-hour bill has been shelved for the session.

Meantime, a committee of senators and representatives took over the job of eliminating House and Senate differences over the administration's low-cost housing bill.

Within half an hour after it met, the swiftly moving Senate rejected changes made in the measure as approved by the House yesterday and Vice-President Garner appointed members of a conference committee. Even before that, the Senate had disposed of the bill to tighten income tax laws.

The tax measure, which Treasury experts say will add more than \$100,000,000 a year to Federal revenues, went through without a record vote.

Except to work out differences on the housing bill, the tax bill, in which minor changes were made by the Senate, and discover, if possible, a way to unsnarl the tie-up over the sugar bill action on the third deficiency appropriation was all that remained between Congress and Saturday night adjournment.

Passed over to next session were such matters as a general farm bill, wage and hours control and government reorganization.

The \$98,000,000 deficiency appropriation bill is slated to reach the Senate floor Friday or Saturday.

ROOSEVELT PASSES SCHOOL ALLOTMENT

Washington, Aug. 19 (AP)—Representative Lindsay Warren, of Washington, N. C., said today President Roosevelt had approved the public works application of Beaufort county, N. C., for a grant of \$56,250 for school buildings at Belhaven, Chocowinity and Pine-ton.

Warren said presidential approval also had been given a school construction grant of \$51,500 to Chowan county.

Low Bids On Road Work Are Passed

Prices Are Held In Abeyance on Two Projects in Beaufort and Anson

Raleigh, Aug. 19.—(AP)—The State Highway and Public Works Commission today approved low bids on 26 highway projects totalling nearly \$1,000,000, but rejected all proposals for grading and structures on 5.04 miles of Route 99 in Beaufort county.

The commission decided also to hold in abeyance also a concrete surfacing of 31 miles on United States Highway 52 in Wadesboro, leaving a final decision up to Frank Dunlap, chairman, and Chief Highway Engineer Vance Baise.

Dunlap said the Beaufort work would be done by the commission's forces and not by a contractor.

A. F. Powell, Jr., of Whiteville, was sworn in as a commissioner to succeed Robert Grady Johnson, of Burgaw, who resigned from the commission today to become penal division director September 1. Chief Justice Walter P. Stacy administered the oath of office, and Powell attended his first meeting.

High bidding on the Beaufort project was C. A. Ragland, of Louisburg, at \$26,512.50, and Blythe Brothers Company, of Charlotte, made the lowest proposal for the Wadesboro work, \$11,278.25.