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WILL BRITISH PLAN BE ACCEPTABLE TO CHINESE FACTIONS?

With American Proposals Not Ratified, Washington Watching New Developments in China.

BRITISH PROPOSAL GIVEN ATTENTION

It Is Believed the Situation Would Be Cleared Up if British Can Reach Any Agreement.

Washington, Feb. 3.—(AP)—Failure thus far of American government peace overtures to strike a responsive chord in China among the Peking and Cantonese war lords has served to turn attention here for the time being on developments looking to renewal of negotiations between the British and Cantonese nationalists at Hankow over concessions.

Although the outcome of any new conversations between the British charge O'Malley and Eugene Chen, Cantonese foreign minister, would have little effect on American-Chinese relations, because this country has no such concession problem to face, Chinese observers here believe a cleaning up of the British-Cantonese phase would advance greatly the prospects of further dealings in other peaceful directions.

Washington government officials were relieved today over reports from Admiral C. W. Williams, commanding the Asiatic fleet, declaring the evacuation of American and British citizens from interior Chinese provinces was being carried out without a sign of disturbance.

Twenty-four American and fifty-two English, he reported, had joined a general exodus from Chunkgink, Szechwan province, while many Japanese were preparing to leave Changsha, already evacuated by twelve Americans and an unknown number of British women and children. The latter went to Hankow.

Expect Attack on Shanghai.

Shanghai, Feb. 3.—(AP)—Pressure of the Cantonese forces which shortly are expected to launch a drive on Shanghai, one of the highest prizes in China from a military standpoint, has forced Marshal Sun Chuan-Fang, the defender of the city, to withdraw the center of his army to Yenchow, 75 miles inland, on the Tsientang River, to strengthen his position.

Although the readjustment in his line was denied at Sun's headquarters here, the move was confirmed by trustworthy foreign sources. Sun, however, has suffered nothing like a major defeat.

Settlement Delayed.

London, Feb. 3.—(AP)—Refusal by the Cantonese foreign minister, Eugene Chen, to sign any agreement fixing the future status of the British concessions at Hankow, and Kiukiang unless the British desist from concentrating forces at Shanghai while not alarming the British authorities, will delay the hoped for settlement of the complex Chinese problem.

New instructions forwarded to Owen O'Malley, the British charge at Hankow, who is conducting the negotiations with Chen, were undisclosed today, but it was assumed that he would be able to continue his conversations on the basis of these instructions.

One report was that the cabinet soon would discuss the possibility of deflecting the defense force assigned to Shanghai, to the Singapore base, Hong Kong, or elsewhere.

Get Cabin Cruiser and Liquor.

Norfolk, Va., Feb. 3.—(AP)—Federal prohibition agents working out of Norfolk report the seizure last night near Coinjock, N. C., of the cabin cruiser, Silver Spray with about 2,500 gallons of liquor on board. The vessel is being brought to Norfolk by the officers and probably will arrive late today.

The crew, fearing arrest, nosed the craft against the canal bank and escaped in the darkness.

Expect New Plant Will Start Up Soon.

Charlotte, Feb. 2.—Operations at the Ford automobile assembling plant here, which has been idle for several days, are expected to be resumed by the first of next week, it was learned here today. The plant operates normally on five-day week basis, employing five hundred persons.

OUR RULE AS TO PAID ADVERTISEMENTS

The Tribune's rule in regard to the publication of reading notices of entertainments, lectures, box suppers, etc., to which an admission fee is charged, or at which anything is sold will be as follows:

Five cents a line will be charged with a credit of 5 lines of readers for every inch of display advertising used. We will also give credit on the account for all tickets to such entertainments which we can use.

We assure our friends that it is our desire to be as liberal as possible in these matters. We would be glad to publish all such notices, free, but the constantly mounting costs of publishing The Tribune prevents such a policy.

GRANDMOTHER AT 29; CLAIMS WORLD TITLE

(By International News Service)

Oakland, Cal., Feb. 3.—The honor of being the world's youngest grandmother is claimed by Mrs. Beulah Graham of Oakland.

Mrs. Graham, who is only 29, has a grand-daughter five months old.

The baby is the daughter of Mrs. Byron Widner, 14, who eloped while still a student in high school. Edward Graham, Mrs. Widner's father, may bid for the masculine title. He is 32.

Mrs. Graham's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Grant Pierson, living in Fresno, are great grand-parents at 57 and 52, respectively.

SOLONS ARE CHARGED WITH ACCEPTING BRIBES

Texas Legislators Are Freed on Bonds of $2,000.—Have Nothing to Say.

Austin, Texas, Feb. 3.—(AP)—Two members of the Texas house of representatives today were at liberty on bond of $2,000 each, following their arrest last night on charges of accepting a bribe in the interest of a proposed measure for the licensing of resident as well as itinerant optometrists.

Representatives F. A. Dale, of Bonham, and H. Moore, of Cooper, were arrested by State rangers who swore that the legislators accepted $1,000 in marked bills from Dr. Willis W. Chamberlain, manager of a Houston, Texas, optical company. A number of bank notes were taken from Dale as he entered a hotel where Moore lived.

Dale declared there was nothing to the charges, but refused further comment. Moore withheld comment.

BELIEVE NICARAGUAN CASE WILL DIE DOWN

Washington Seems to Think Revolution Will Die Natural Death Before Long.

Washington, Feb. 2.—The Nicaraguan imbroglio, so recently a source of outspoken controversy throughout the entire hemisphere, shows signs of tapering off into a game of patient waiting.

For some days no news of important military operations has come from the seat of war. The Washington administration, having replied to its critics by reinforcing its position both diplomatically and in a military sense, appears content to stand fast and await results. Even the typhoon of debate that has swept Congress is subsiding without tangible action.

The question now uppermost in the mind of official Washington is how long the contending Nicaraguan factions will be able to hold the present apparent deadlock. The latest official outgiving from the Sacasa camp was not hopeful. The Diaz government, on the other hand, is growing more silent as the weeks drag on without decisive results. Numerous peace moves have been made, and it would occasion no surprise here if one of them soon were to lead to the solution of the whole tangle.

Blames Drab Clothes For Love-Chased Men.

Berlin, Feb. 3.—The "hunted male" will be more and more hunted by the women of modern civilization until he again dons bright colored clothes and makes himself more attractive, Dr. Richard Baerawald, noted Berlin psychologist, said in an address to the Academy of Medicine.

"Man alone is responsible for the masculinization of women,' he declared. "Since civilization reversed the orderly processes of nature and men clothed themselves in drab garments, they have become decreasingly active in hunting mates. Their manner of making love is pitiable. Who can blame women for taking up the burdens of the chase whic men in their weakness relinquished?

"It will not be long before even woman's present reserve against popping the question is overcome unless man gets over the false notion that painting and making up in the manner of Indian warriors is effeminate."

Charlotte Boy Tries to Hang Playmate.

Charlotte, Feb. 2.—Attempted hanging of a playmate by a twelve year old boy was learned here today, with investigation set for Thursday. Juvenile court officials refused to give names, asserting that a State statute prohibits publications of names of juvenile court defendants.

It was stated that the youngest took one of his playmates, tied his wrists with a rope and strung the victim up to a tree limb. Older persons discovered the boy hanging in the tree and released him before serious injury was done.

Last Three Days at Big Sale of the Parks-Belk Co.

Friday, Saturday and Monday are the last days of the big January Clearance Sale at the Parks-Belk Co. They have still many big values for you. One of these is silk for 98 cents. Values up to $2.00. You will find bargains anywhere you turn in this big store. See half page ad. today.

Fliers Off for Chimbote.

Paita, Peru, Feb. 3.—(AP)—The United States army pan-American fliers left this city at 7:40 o'clock this morning for Chimbote. They will re-fuel and continue on to Lima, the capital, where they are due this afternoon.

Smith Case Again Continued.

Washington, Feb. 3.—(AP)—At the request of counsel for Frank L. Smith, senator-designate from Illinois, the senate elections committee today deferred further consideration of his credentials until next Wednesday.

Off to Fight for King and Country

British marines from Chatham arrived at Portsmouth to embark for China, where they were to protect British nationals and property endangered by the civil war.
(International Newsreel.)

HEARING ON SUTTON STATEWIDE GAME LAW

To Be Held on Wednesday, February 9th, at 3 O'clock p. m.

The Tribune Bureau
Sir Walter Hotel

Raleigh, Feb. 3.—Public opinions will have their inning at a joint hearing of the senate and house game committees on the Sutton statewide game bill to be held at 3 p. m. Wednesday, February 9th, in the hall of the house of representatives.

The hearing has been set by Senator George B. McLeod and Representative E. R. Johnson, chairman of the senate and house committees on game, to give an opportunity for the expression of views on the various angles of the proposed legislation.

Among those who have been asked to appear at the hearing are:

Wade H. Phillips, director of the department of conservation and development; R. T. Stedman, of Winston-Salem, and James F. Hoge, of Greensboro, president and secretary of the North Carolina game and fish league; J. S. Holmes, state forester; H. H. Brimley, curator of the state museum; and others.

Word has been received in Raleigh that delegations from several of the counties in the state will be present to urge the merits and demerits of the bill.

Director Phillips, who has been active in the support of a statewide game bill, said today that indications for the passage of the measure appear more favorable than at any previous time. Mr. Sutton and friends of the bill are receiving scores of letters and telegrams from all parts of the state urging that the legislation be passed. The messages are virtually unanimous that the passage of the bill and the accomplishments of its purposes will make ours a much more attractive state from any point of view.

Man Runs Wild With Motor Car; Writes to Find Damage.

Asheville, Feb. 2.—"Man, don't try to run across there, those holes are loaded and lit!"

"So am I," shouted Jim Jenkins and he drove his car right over a spot in the highway near Franklin which a second later rose up in the air under the impact of a heavy charge of dynamite. Jenkins appeared to be in very much of a hurry. He was started on a ride that extended through Macon, Jackson and Haywood counties and he succeeded in getting away from the officers on all three skirmishes. The machine he was driving contained three men and is believed also to have contained a load of Georgia liquor.

Careening around an automobile barricade the car started the chase which caused escapes that sound like a movie thriller. In addition to riding over the spot charged with dynamite, Jenkins ran a man out of the road near Balsam, forcing him to take to the river for safety, he struck and badly damaged another machine without stopping his own and lastly ran into and killed a cow.

Now he writes the officers from some unknown address and tells them to please have the damage determined and he will be glad to send a check to cover it all.

Had Twelve Gallons of Whiskey Buried.

Monroe, Feb. 2.—Sheriff Fowler and his deputies made two recent raids on blind tigers and secured a total of 14 gallons and a half of whiskey. Twelve gallons was in the possession of John Helms, who lives near Monroe, on the Concord road, and which was buried in a ditch bank near his residence. Helms was arrested and he gave a $500 bond. In recorder's court Helms was sentenced to six months on the roads and his Ford car confiscated. Helms gave notice of appeal and his bond fixed at $500.

The home of Charlie Yow, on the Ansonville road, a mile from Monroe, was raided also. Two and one-half gallons of liquor was found under the brick hearth of a room. Yow, who is a paralytic, was sentenced to six months in jail. He also appealed and posted a $500 bond.

The average English woman is two inches taller than the American.

Ten Pages Today
Two Sections

NO TAX TO BE LEVIED ON MOTOR LUBRICATION OIL

This Seems to Be the Collective Mind of the General Assembly.

Tribune Bureau,
Sir Walter Hotel.

Raleigh, Feb. 3.—There will be no tax levied on motor lubricating oil, even if a sub-committee has been named to look into the matter, is the general opinion of those most familiar with the collective mind of the general assembly even should the income from such a tax be allotted to the roads of the several counties.

There are several reasons given for this belief, first that tht tax on gasoline is sufficent, that the income from the oil tax would not be large enough to be of much benefit, and because of the number of large enough to be of much benefit, and because of the number of difficulties involved in its collection.

The particular bill which has brought the matter to public attention is a bill by Judge F. D. Winston of Bertie to levy a tax of two cents a gallon on lubricating oil, the proceeds to go for the benefit of the county roads. A similar bill that would levy a county gasoline tax for county roads was quickly killed by the committee on roads, and this second bill was headed the same way, when some members of the committee thought it might be worth looking into. As a result a sub-committee was so ordered.

However, sentiment has since become so crystallized against such a measure that it is considered doubtful if the committee will report the measue even without prejudice. It is estimated that not more than $850,000 a year in revenue would be gained from the measure, not including the cost of collection, which would be heavy.

The bill that would increase the allowences to widows and children pending the probation of estates brought forth some rather spirited debate in the brief session of the house Wednesday, and after talking fo some time the bill, which is by Representative Klutz, and would increase the allowance of widows from $300 to$600 and from children from $100 to $200, was referred back to the Judiciary committee for further consideration.

Of the 17 new bills introduced in the house and the five new ones in the senate, only a few were of interest, as they were all local measures. Only a handful of bills, all local were passed.

HOLDS HUSBAND SHOWED CONTROL

Judge Collins Commends Betrayed Man For Not Shooting Wife's Paramour.

Greensboro, Feb. 2.—Thomas Jones, Durham bottler, was taxed with the costs in city court on Wednesday morning for assault on his wife, Olivia Jones, in the O. Henry Hotel on December 9th, but the verdict was in reality one for Jones since Judge David Collins stated that he merely fined Jones the costs since the offense was admitted and there was no way to avoid under the law the imposition of the costs.

Judge Collins declared that Jones was to be commended that he did not come to the O. Henry Hotel that night with a pistol and shoot Tom Shepherd down as most red-blooded men would have done. It would have been the wrong thing to have done but the judge thought Jones was to be commended for his coolness in a situation which would ordinarily have inflamed a man into a dangerous passion.

Falls Into Fire and is Burned to Death.

Gastonia, Feb. 2.—W. H. Rumfelt, Stanley saw mill proprietor, was found in his home burned to death early this morning. He had gotten up in his sleep and had fallen into the open fire place. It is supposed he was stricken with a heart attack as there was no evidence of his trying to get out of the fireplace. He was 75 years of age and is survived by four children.

Rumfelt's body was found by his daughter, Mrs. D. M. Hovis, with whom he made his home when she went to call him to breakfast. He was as well as usual when he went to bed and nothing was heard from him during the night.

Alligator eggs are eaten as a delicacy in the West Indies.

DR. HAYWOOD'S BILL.

May Be Reported Favorably or at Least Without Prejudice.

The Tribune Bureau
Sir Walter Hotel

Raleigh, Feb. 3.—Although the final action of the committee on health with regard to Representative Haywood's bill designed to reduce immorality by making it more difficult to sell contraceptive devices, has not been announced, it is not thought improbable that the bill will be reported favorable, or at least without prejudice.

A strong argument in favor of the bill was presented by Dr. Haywood before the open hearing of the committee on health Wednesday afternoon, in which he was supported by much able technical testimony by Dr. W. C. Horton, of Raleigh. Dr. Haywood said that, according to the reliable statements of physicians and welfare workers, the increase in immorality among boys and girls of from fifteen to sixteen years of age on up has increased startlingly in this state, and that much of this is due to the fact that the fear of hazardous consequences has been largely removed through the use of contraceptive devices, the sale of which this bill of Dr. Haywood's would prohibit.

In answering questions propounded by Dr. Haywood, the continued use of these devices produces a dangerous and serious nervous disorder on the part of both the man and woman, the effect being more severe on the woman, Dr. Horton declared. He said that he had been called uon to treat a large number of cases of nervousness traceable to this cause. A detailed and technical explanation of the manner in which the nervous system was effected by these devices was also given by Dr. Horton.

When asked if there were not other methods to prevent conception, Dr. Horton replied that there were, but that they were equally if not more injurious.

Dr. Haywood ended his advocacy of the bill with the plea that the boys and girls of the state, especially the girls, were entitled to the amount of added protection that would be assured them under this bill, which he said would go far to stop the depredations of unscrupulous men and boys upon innocent girls.

INSTALLS LOUD SPEAKERS ON POLICE AUTOMOBILES

Berkeley's "Scientific" Police Department Has Gone on the Air.

(By International News Service)

Berkeley, Calif., Feb. 3.—Supplanting the police department telephone call boxes which are familiar eyesores on every city corner, Berkeley's "scientific" police department has gone on the air.

A high-powered vacuum tube transmitter has been installed at police headquarters in the city hall which will operate in conjunction with fixed tuned receivers installed in the automobiles of patrolmen.

Through a concealed loud speaker unit in the machines, desk sergeants will be able to communicate instantly with any particular patrolmen or all officers simultaneously, regardless of where they may be in the city.

The transmitter is of 50 watts, of the CW type and will operate on a fixed wave length of 167 meters, below that of commercial and amateur stations. Receiving sets, containing three tubes and installed in the police cars, will be tuned to this wave length.

The Berkeley department will also send and receive criminal data to Los Angeles and Portland over the radio. At a certain hour, these cities, and later other cities, will be called and business transacted. This will eliminate much correspondence, in addition to speeding up the work of catching malefactors.

The experiments in the advantages of the radio were made under the direction of August Vollmer, Berkeley's "scientific" chief of police.

Death of Mrs. R. W. Barbee.

Mrs. R. W. Barber died last night at 10:30 at her home in Rowan county. She had been ill for some time. Funeral services will be held at 11 o'clock tomorrow morning at Fairview Church. Pall bearers will be her sons, D. A., M. L., R. W. L. F., C. J., and B. G. Barbee.

Mrs Barbee was born March 2, 1871 and in addition to her husband and ten children, is survived by two brothers and two sisters

WANT $2,000,000 FOR NATIONAL PARK IN GREAT SMOKIES

Bills Calling for Bond Issue of $2,000,000 Presented in Both Houses of Legislature.

OTHER BILLS ARE OFFERED TODAY

Seven Measures of Statewide Interest Presented in House and Several in the Senate.

State Capitol, Raleigh, Feb. 3.—(AP)—A bill seeking a $2,000,000 bond issue for acquisition of lands for the establishment of a national park in the Great Smoky Mountains was presented in the house today by Nettles, of Buncombe, and Squires, of Caldwell, and the senate by Ebbs, of Buncombe.

In addition, the house received seven other statewide bills including a resolution from McLean, of Beaufort, to petition charges to make surplus power of Muscle Shoals available for industrial use of southern states.

The senate engaged in the first hot debate of the session over the bill that would change the date of automobile license year. It passed the second reading and was held over.

Both houses adjourned until noon tomorrow.

Representative George Younce, of Guilford, introduced another of the bills recommended by the State Insurance Department. It would tighten the laws requiring adequate fire escapes for theatres, and other public buildings that house public gatherings.

A "blue sky" offering was made in the House by Sutton, of Lenoir, in the shape of a bill to regulate the sale of stocks and bonds.

In the House 20 local bills were passed in addition to the Muscle Shoals resolution. The only other state bill to come up was the measure that would amend the charter of the North Carolina College for Negroes at Durham, to give the Governor authority to appoint the board of trustees. The version that passed was an amended copy of a measure that stirred up debate last week on whether the President of the institution removed his hat while in the presence of legislators.

The senate passed thirteen bills, of local importance only.

Three new judicial superior court districts would be provided by the Smith bill, which got a favorable report of the joint committee on courts and judicial districts upon assembly convening.

Favorable report on the measure introduced by Senator Smith, of Stanly, came after several days of committee debate on this, and the Nash emergency judges bill, which was also offered as a means of relieving the congestion in the superior court docket.

Complaint with this favorable report on the new districting bill, the committee also sent to the floors of both houses the bills proposing constitutional amendments in the question of permitting the creation of a judicial district without a solicitor.

This constitutional amendment provision under the terms of the bill would be submitted at the next general election in the state.

The amended bill was supported by Representative A. D. McLean, of Beaufort and other eastern North Carolina legislators who expressly did not think additional solicitors were needed to prosecute criminal dockets.

The House received favorable committee reports on ten bills.

The health Committee reported Rev. Oscar Haywood's "anti-immorality bill" unfavorable, but it was accompanied by a minority report.

The Montgomery representative moved that the bill be put on the calendar for next Tuesday, but it was voted down. The bill took its regular place.

Favorable report was returned on the Winston bill to make the "Old North State" the official state song. And Judge Winston's resolution for the appointment of a commission to investigate possibility of reducing the cost of government and consolidating departments was reported without prejudice.

The flow of bills was one of the heaviest in the session.

Thirteen local and eight statewide measures were introduced.

EXPLAINS REASON FOR CONTEST ON WILL

W. T. Efird Says One Probated Not Last One Made by His Father.

Albemarle, Feb. 3(AP)—W. T. Efird, who yesterday took the first steps to break the will of late John S. Efird, claims his only reason is that the will probated was superseded by a later one.

The estate under the terms of the will is divided as follows: One fifth to Mrs. Watt G. Efird; one fifth to Jap J. Efird; one fifth to Mrs. Henry Morrow; one fifth to the children of W. T. Efird; and one fifth to charity an benevolence, the specified objects to be set forth.

Lewis Craig Humphrey Dead.

Louisville, Ky., Feb. 3.—(AP)—Lewis Craig Humphrey, 51, associate editor of the Louisville Herald-Post, died at 6:55 o'clock this morning at his home here.

California is represented in the General Federation of Women's Clubs by 333 clubs.

STORE ATTRIBUTES ITS SUCCESS TO NEWSPAPER SPACE

In announcing a $16,000,000 i[illegible] crease in their business of th[illegible] ten years, W. A. Wiebol[illegible] ment store of Chica[illegible] credit to newspaper a[illegible]

"Ten years ago, in 1[illegible] annual volume approxim[illegible]ed $4,000,000, W. A. Wieboldt, vice-president of the company said. "Today at the end of 1926, our volume has reached $20,000,000.

"We attribute this rapid advance in a large measure to our constant and intelligent use of the newspapers as the most effective medium available."

State Library

REFUND TO MRS. JONES HELD UP BY COURT

Transfer Tax On Half Million Dollars In Bonds Involved.

Richmond, Feb. 2.—The Commonwealth of Virginia was today awarded a writ of error by the Virginia Court of Appeals from judgment of the City Circuit Court of Richmond, ordering it to refund to Mrs. Julia B. Jones, of New Bern, North Carolina, the sum of $10,039.69.

This was the amount of a transfer tax levied on $501,884.67 of Liberty bonds found in the lock box of her husband, J. A. Jones, wealthy citizen of New Bern, in a Richmond bank following his death which occurred in the North Carolina city, January 28, 1924.

It appears that Mrs. Jones paid the tax under protest and then resorted to court action here in an effort to recover it. ShSe contents that the bonds belonged to her and therefore were not subject to tax. On an envelope containing the bonds was this inscription. "Property of Mrs. Julia B. Jones, memo: the enclosed Liberty bonds are a personal gift from her husband."

Jones also left $4,587.67 deposited in the National Bank of Commerce, Norfolk, and $4,587.46 deposited in the First National Bank of Richmond. Tax levied on this money was paid without protest.

TRAIN HITS AUTO AND OCCUPANTS ARE KILLED

Guy W. Brubaker and Mrs. B. B. Cooper Killed in Accident in Florida.

Fort Lauderdale, Fla., Feb. 3.—(AP)—Guy W. Brubaker, superintendent of junior high schools in Broward county, and Mrs. B. B. Cooper, a teacher, were killed today when their automobile was struck by a Florida East Coast passenger train here. Mrs. Jenny Lind Davis and Miss Ada Gilmore, two other occupants of the automobile, were severely injured.

The automobile, driven by Mr. Brubaker, was taking the teachers to the Daviel school when the train struck it. The car was dragged more than fifty feet before it was cast aside.

Advantage of Using Both Hands.

London, Feb. 3.—Stories published recently of how Sir James Barrie, when his right hand had failed him, had to learn to write with his left, have started a public discussion as to the advisability of teaching children to use both hands.

It is said that out of every hundred babies born, seventeen are naturally right-handed, three are left-handed, and the remaining eighty are capable of using either hand, with equal ease. Yet owing to the existing methods of training the young, by the time those hundred babies are three years old all except the three who were left-handed will use the right hand for such essential work as writing, painting, and the use of all tools.

While Sir James Barrie was put to the necessity of learning to use his left hand when his right hand failed him, Sir Robert Baden-Powell, when bitten by a dog and forced to carry his right hand in a sling, went straight on with his work, writing and drawing with his other hand, for he has been able to use both hands equally all his life.

Three of the world's famous painters, Landseer, Holbein and the great Leonardo da Vinci, could paint two pictures at the same time, using both hands. Even more wonderful seems the fact that the eminent English surgeon, Simeon Snell, could operate equally well with either hand. Sir Oliver Lodge is another well-known man who uses both hands with ease.

Still another point is urged in favor of teaching children to use both hands. It is the left side of the brain that controls the muscles of the right side of the body, so that by learning to use the left hand a person actually rests one side of his brain and is, therefore, able to do more work at a stretch.

New Hog Disease Baffles Kope Elias.

Charlotte, Feb. 2.—A new disease for pigs, not identified by Kope Elias, Mecklenburg county farm demonstration agent, was found today, the pigs of Graham Goodrum dancing. The dance, sometimes done on two feet, sometimes on four, is described as resembling the Charleston, dancing from morning until night. Neighbors watching them are said to have taken measures to prevent their morally minded pigs from associating with the Goodrum porkers.

Russian Bandits Sentenced to Death.

Moscow, Feb. 3.—(AP)—Four bandits, members of the gang known as the "Stranglers' Corps," with a record of eighteen murders in and around Moscow, were sentenced to death today. Five others, including four women accomplices, were given ten years imprisonment.

It is said of the Empress Josephine that she possessed over one hundred and fifty shawls, most of them extremely beautiful and valuable.

MARINES AND SHIPS [illegible]ERED TO CHINA; WILL BE SAFEGUARD

Known Now That Marines Have Been Ordered From Guam for Duty in Shanghai.

OTHERS WILL GO TO GUAM POST

Thre Cruisers Are Ordered to Chinese Waters and Others May Be Ordered There Later.

Manila, P. I., Feb. 3.—(AP)—It was learned here today that a detachment of Marines will arrive here from Guam tomorrow, and will proceed at once to Shanghai on board the United States ship Pecos.

Fourth Regiment Going.

San Diego, Calif., Feb. 3.—(AP)—Marines of the fourth regiment hoisted the last of their equipment aboard the transport Chaumont here today, preparatory to sailing for the Orient. They expect to go to Shanghai eventually, although their present destination is Guam.

Three Cruisers to Chinese Waters.

Panama, Feb. 3.—(AP)—The United States cruisers Richmond, Cincinnati and Marblehead will sail from Balboa in the next 24 hours, presumably for Chinese waters, under orders received from the navy department. They will be followed by the Raleigh.

All four cruisers are now at Balboa, together with the Trenton, which will proceed through the canal from the Pacific to the Atlantic side some time today.

NEW JERSEY MAYOR IS ALLEGED BRIBE TAKER

Rum Runner Says He Paid Edgewater Mayor $22,500 to Allow Landing Liquor Cargo.

New York, Feb. 2.—Dewitt Turner, confessed Chicago rum runner, testified in federal court today that he paid Mayor Henry Wissel, of Edgewater, N. J., $22,500 in cash and gave him 400 cases of whisky and five cases of alcohol to permit landing of the $2,000,000 rum cargo of the schooner Eker.

William Theobald, another witness, told from the stand how he was paid $200 for unloading cases of whiskey from the Sker while Edward Pickering and Alexander Flannery, Edgewater detectives, stood guard. Flannery, he said, paid him $50 for one night's work.

With Our Advertisers.

Youthful new frocks for spring at Robinson's. Also lovely silk and delicate straw millinery.

The fascinating new high colored felt hats you will find at Fisher's. See ad. for illustration.

"Summer Bachelors" today and tomorrow at the Concord Theatre. Vaudeville tomorrow night. Breezy, funny, snappy.

Valentines, little ones, big ones, middle-sized ones, at the Kidd-Frix Co.

Hoover's have the smartest shapes and shades the season has produced in Stetson and Schoble hats.

Children's portraits a specialty at the Boyd W. Cox Studio. Phone 879.

The Richmond-Flowe Co. has all kinds of Conkey's poultry feeds. Start your chicks off right.

All kinds of fresh vegetables at the J. & H. Cash Store.

The Yorke & Wadsworth Co. has just received another car of galvanized roofing at $4.75 per square.

THE COTTON MARKET

Opened Steady at Advance of 3 to 7 Points May Selling up to 13.68.

New York, Feb. 3.—(AP)—The cotton market opened steady today at an advance of 3 to 7 points on continued covering by shorts in the old crop months, additional buying brought in by the relatively firm ruling of Liverpool, and reports of a steady spot basis in the South.

May sold up to 13.68 and October to 14.07 in early trading, net advances of about 4 to 8 points, but Southern hedging and realizing caused reactions of 5 or 6 points by the end of the first hour.

Private cables said the Liverpool market had been influenced by trade calling, together with buying by Manchester and the Continent, and there had been encouraging sales of cotton cloths to Egypt.

Cotton futures opened steady: March 13.43; May 13.66; July 13.87; October 14.05; December 14.20.

Insane Man Is Taken From Hotel to Charlotte Jail.

Charlotte, Feb. 2—S. D. Gray, 28, of Bennettsville, S. C., was taken from a local hotel Tuesday night and lodged in the county jail pending arrangements to commit him to a Minnesota institution for the insane, police announced today.

Gray escaped from Morganton last October, police said.

Officers said they found the man and his wife in the hotel. Mrs. Gray has arranged for her husband to be sent to the Minnesota institution, it was stated.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Partly cludy tonight and Friday, rising temperature in the central and west portions tonight and in the east portion Friday. Moderate southwest winds.