

AMERICAN MARINES IN NICARAGUA ARE READY FOR ACTION

They Have Been Sent to Matagalpa Where Fighting Between Liberals and Conservatives Reported.

WARNING ISSUED TO THE LIBERALS

They are Told That If Attack Is Made on Matagalpa Marines Have Orders to Open Fire at Once.

Managua, Nicaragua, March 7.—(AP)—U. S. Marines—135 of them—today were on their way to Matagalpa to prevent fighting there between the liberal and conservative factions.

Major H. G. Hartlett, in charge of the contingent, made known that a note would be sent to General Moncada, chief liberal military leader, informing him that if the liberals should attack Matagalpa they would be fired on, as the Marines were being sent for the express purpose of preventing combats that might jeopardize the lives and interests of Americans in Matagalpa.

The Major gave his views to liberal mission which met the marines when the mission was returning from Muz-Muz after unsuccessful peace discussions with General Moncada.

More Marines Due Today. Corinto, Nicaragua, March 7.—(AP)—The U. S. transport Henderson, with about 1200 marines aboard, is due here today.

The British cruiser Colombo which anchored off Corinto a week ago to afford refuge for British citizens if that became necessary, left Corinto on Saturday. Just where the warship is going is not known here.

WINS HONORS

Miss Lela Paul and Miss Augusta Redmond Win Trips to Washington.

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Czant Can!



Otto Czant, twelve, wanted a log house for his pet. The house would cost \$5; he had \$3. He went directly to the president of the bank at Orange, N. J., and his "initiative, confidence and personality" was accepted as security for a \$2 loan at 6 per cent.

LABOR FEDERATION IN STATE WILL CAMPAIGN

New President Plans Drive For New Members—Says Harmony Religious Now.

Charlotte, N. C., March 7.—(AP)—Harmony reigns in the ranks of the North Carolina Federation of Labor, and an immediate campaign for extension of its membership will be undertaken, Roy Morton, of this city, elected President at Salisbury yesterday, said in a statement today.

PART OF JAPAN FEELS EFFECTS OF EARTHQUAKE

In the Osaka District Telephone and Electric Lines Put Out of Commission.

Tokio, March 7.—(AP)—Reports from Osaka say an earth shock today put the telephones and electric lines out of commission there, but apparently there was no other damage.

THE STOCK MARKET

Table listing stock market data including various stocks and their prices.

SOLONS WORK HARD IN AN EFFORT TO WIND UP BUSINESS

Bills Sent Flying Between Both Branches by Special Messengers Throughout the Day.

MORE MONEY TO BUY PRISON FARM

Woltz Bill Passes House and Goes to Senate—Would Have State Buy Nitrate of Soda.

State Capitol, Raleigh, Mar. 7.—(AP)—The General Assembly in hangerover legislation, working without pay, and bending efforts on adjournment Wednesday in conclusion of its biennial session, sent bills flying between both branches by special messengers today.

Senate made the first final legislative step of the day when it passed the House bill authorizing issuance of \$400,000 of bonds to buy additional land for the prison farm.

The Senate entered into a debate on third reading of the bill to allow the State to buy nitrate of soda and sell to farmers at cost.

Senator Duple declared the scheme was impracticable and the state would stand to lose a large amount of money and the farmers would not get soda for less than he was getting it at present.

Senator Hargett spoke for the bill. Senators Call and Seberry spoke against it.

The vote of the bill was 22 to 23, the bill failing to pass third reading.

Senator Seberry moved for a reconsideration in order to table the bill. The effort to clinch the measure failed by a vote of 22 to 18.

Senator Hines, of Guilford, made an attempt to amend the bill which would give all the clerks and pages of both houses an extra dollar a day, but the senate, 30 to 9, voted the extra pay and the bill went to the House by special messenger.

New bills in the senate included, one by Williams of Pasquotank, brought of Wake, and Woodson, of Rowan, co-jointly to fix the salary of the State commissioner at \$6,000; one by Hargett and Broughton amending the motor vehicle law; and one by Maguire of Surry requires the state highway commission to connect state roads with those of other states.

The Woltz equalization bill was passed by the House on final reading, and was sent to the Senate by special messenger.

Bootleggers Find Way to Give New Liquor Taste and Color of Old Ape.

Atlanta, Ga., March 7.—(INS)—Modern methods are being used by bootleggers in getting their preparations ready for sale.

A new and quick way of "aging" whiskey in a charred keg was revealed a short time ago when investigators, after a raid on a bootlegging joint in a downtown hotel, found that the large funnel through which the whiskey was poured into bottles contained a quantity of plug chewing tobacco and ground coffee, to give it "that charred color and taste."

The detectives, who were operating out of the Solicitor General's Office, found six gallons of whiskey in cans and 30 pints in bottles.

Three men were arrested in the room and a fourth in another room on a different floor of the hotel. All were placed in the Fulton county tower.

The officers went to the hotel on a tip that a big poker game was in progress in one of the rooms. They learned in the course of their probe that liquor was being delivered to the players from some point nearby and the investigation then turned into a liquor raid.

Much Good Legislation Has Been Enacted by Legislature

The Tribune Bureau Sir Walter Hotel Raleigh, March 7.—Much legislation of real merit and foresight that is sure to rebound to the credit of the state as a whole has been enacted in the six days which the general assembly has been in session, a survey of its accomplishments shows. True, there have been many measures that failed to be enacted which many hoped might be. But on the whole, despite the delay which at times grew irksome, there is no doubt that the present session will go down in legislative history as one of the most important in years.

One of the most outstanding features of the session has been the almost unanimous approval given the "business administration" of Governor McLean by both houses, and the absence of anything even bordering upon a fight on the executive budget system. In fact, the greatest endorsement which has been given the executive budget has been the adoption by the general assembly of the three administration county government reform bills, which in reality is nothing more than the extension of the executive budget system to all the counties in the state, at least in the supervision of county finances.

There were no followers—both the house and senate have stood for the bills which regard the enactment of county government reforms. Bills among the most important acts of the present general assembly.

Although the house has been notably independent, refusing to acknowledge or follow any particular leadership—not because there were none capable of being leaders, but because there were no followers—both the house and senate have stood for the most part solidly behind the governor in the majority of his major requests. Of course, there have been sporadic outbursts of opposition to the governor from time to time, such as developed during the debate on the concealed weapons measures, which were bootlegged to defeat in the house.

But for the most part both houses have stood firm in their support of the executive. This is further evidenced by the fact that the majority of the recommendations made in the governor's biennial message have been put into effect.

In fact, it is only necessary to glance over the list of the more important measures already enacted, or certain of enactment before adjournment, to see that for the most part the bulk of the legislation has been distinctly constructive and that the general welfare of the people of the state generally has been the concern of the legislature.

True, there was a tendency for a while toward purely local and sectional legislation—but that is always to be expected. And after the members had gotten what they wanted for their own localities, they settled down to business on the general statewide measures.

Here are some of the major bills enacted during the present session: Equalization fund for education increased from \$1,500,000 to \$3,250,000. Bond issue of \$30,000,000 for further highway construction, which also prohibits further lending by counties to highway commission.

Three county government reform bills, regulating bond issues and putting counties on budget system, enacted.

Maintenance appropriation bill, carrying approximately \$15,000,000 yearly for the maintenance of State departments and institutions approved.

Revenue bill to provide sufficient income to meet maintenance enacted. Bond issue of \$2,000,000 for Smoky Mountains National Park.

Bond issue of \$1,250,000 for bridge across Cape Fear River at Wilmington.

Appropriation for pensions for Confederate soldiers increased from \$1,200,000 to \$2,500,000 for the biennium so that veterans may receive approximately \$1 a day for balance of their lives.

Statewide game law finally enacted. Law giving State highway commission greater authority in locating and abandoning roads enacted.

Numerous new provisions for better regulation of highways and traffic on highways enacted in Hargett highway control act, increasing speed limit to 45 miles per hour, modifying stop law at railroad crossings and providing for tail lights on all vehicles on highways.

Salaries of supreme and superior court judges, as well as several other State officers increased, so as to be in keeping with dignity and duties of the offices.

Administration of bankrupt State banks put in hands of banking department of State corporation commission, instead of in hands of private receivership.

Consolidation of fisheries commission with department of conservation. These are but a few of the most important measures enacted and might be increased with a score of other measures, all more or less far reaching, but not so greatly affecting the state as a whole.

Next to its belief in continuing the policy of "business and economy in government" was the interest shown by the assembly as a whole in improving the taxation system in the state, especially the elementary schools. And the result of this interest is shown in the large increase given to the state equalization fund, now fixed at \$3,250,000. In order to get this much the house had to convert the senate. But the bluff worked—or had the necessary psychology—and both houses finally agreed on the larger equalization fund as a compromise.

But the assembly has made mistakes, naturally, since it is but human, and a number of important measures were killed in both houses, which many people over the state thought should pass. Chief among these measures that failed of enactment was the state-wide Australian ballot bill and three or four other measures proposed especially by the women's organizations of the state. The failure of the anti-Klux bill, after being passed once, and then recalled, was also disappointing to many. The bills recommended by Governor McLean for the better control of carrying concealed weapons, and imposing heavier penalties on the violators, also failed to carry.

All the measures designed to revise the constitution, especially by a constitutional convention, failed to prevail, as did most of the judicial reform bills advocated by the judicial conference. The bill which would have permitted banks to charge a collection fee of 10 per cent. of the face value of notes that were overdue was killed after three attempts to get it through the house. Its opponents saw in it an attempt to circumvent the 6 per cent. interest law. The bills designed for the examination and licensing of barbers, plumbers, naturopaths and such allied "professions" also failed as did the highway police bill and the bill to license automobile drivers.

FIGHT FOR LONGER SCHOOL TERM GOES TO SENATE FLOOR

The Bill For Constitutional Amendment Defeated in Committee But Minority Report Will Be Made.

ALLEN FAVORS THE MEASURE

The Minority Report Will Bring Matter to Floor of the Senate Where Battle Will Be Continued.

Raleigh, March 7.—(AP)—The bill proposing an amendment to the constitution to provide an eight-month school term was reported unfavorably by a vote of 12 to 5 by committee on education today. Senator J. M. Broughton filed notice of a minority report, so that the matter will be threshed out on the floor of the Senate some time before the end of this session.

Senator Broughton, sponsor of the measure, spoke briefly in its behalf, arguing that the bill would merely submit the question to a vote of the people. He thought this legislature should give the people of the state an opportunity to vote on this matter at the next general election. The bill involved no expenditure of money at this hour.

Senator Spainhour, of Burke County, opposed the bill because he found that it was being supported by Senators and representatives of those counties which already have an eight-month term. State Superintendent A. T. Allen spoke briefly for the favorable report on the measure, but there was so much confusion in the senate chamber where the committee meeting was being held that he had to cut his speech short.

NOT RAISE CHINESE QUESTION AT GENEVA

China's Representative Says Question Is Not One For League of Nations.

Geneva, March 7.—(AP)—Dashing into the league of nations palace for the private session of the council this morning, Chu Chao-Hsin distributed a statement declaring that China would not raise the Chinese question in the council.

"Our attitude," the statement read, "is conciliatory and our demands are most legitimate, since we have nothing to ask for but non-interference with our sovereignty and territorial integrity."

"Some thought that China would suddenly raise in the council the international situation in China, but I can assure you no such action will be taken."

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Sweet Baby



On a doctor's orders, Nancy Alice McKinney, of Cincinnati, Ohio, was placed on a diet of sour milk at the age of three weeks. Now she is more robust than most children her age.

REVENUE BILL MUST PASS LOWER HOUSE

Senate Amendments Are Expected to Be Accepted by Members of the House.

Raleigh, March 7.—With the revenue bill back in the house and all the senate amendments accepted, adjournment of the general assembly now appears possible by Tuesday, but not before, since the revenue bill cannot be passed on third reading until that day. The general maintenance appropriation bill is also back in the house, but the house refused to agree to the senate amendments increasing the total about \$55,000 a year, and a conference committee, composed of Representatives Townsend and Folger was named to attempt to work out an agreement in conference. This final action on this measure is not likely until Monday or even Tuesday.

Both the revenue and maintenance appropriation bills are in balance now, and it is thought that but little difficulty will be experienced in working out an agreement. The principal changes in the appropriation bill were in the allowances for the two state hospitals for the insane both in Raleigh and Morganton, and the allowance was increased \$25,000 a year for each. The house also took exception to the increase granted the Smoky Mountains National park commission from \$1,500 to \$7,500 yearly, taking the stand that now after approving the park appropriation, it should not be called upon to do anything more.

Although the revenue bill came back to the house much amended by the senate, these changes were already pretty generally known and went through without much opposition. The tax imposed on the production of tobacco manufacturing companies, written into the bill in the house by Representative Townsend, was removed by the senate, and the tax on manufacturers of bottled drinks was lowered somewhat.

However, in order to make up for these losses of revenue, the corporation income tax was increased from four to four and one-half per cent, while the franchise corporation tax was changed to include both capital and surplus. Hereafter it has been upon capital only, and not upon the surplus. These are the major changes, though a number of other changes of lesser importance were made.

The senate spent most of its time Saturday working on local bills, and acted on no measures of outstanding state-wide importance.

The house was in a belligerent mood and tabled a number of measures whenever there were any features in them that they did not like. Among those that were tossed upon the growing heap of dead measures was the bill imposing further restrictions upon those seeking to practice law in the state, by making it more difficult to obtain a license. The bill was also defended by Representative Lee of Buncombe, its author, but the laymen opposed it more than the lawyer, and it went to its doom.

Another bill that would have permitted county officers to chase law violators beyond the county line, was also tabled, on the grounds that peace officers would be chasing petty offenders from "Manure to Murphy" if the law was passed.

Another measure that would have repealed the present regulations with regard to separate contracts for plumbing, heating and wiring in public buildings, especially state buildings, was defeated by tabling, when Representative Squires of Caldwell pointed out the good features of the law as it is now, saying that to repeal it would cost the state thousands of dollars.

A bill curtailing the powers of the highway commission, and requiring it or its contractors to give due notice and to pay damages where parties are incurred, was passed with a roar of yes, as was the bill marking the minimum sentence 30 days for those convicted of driving an automobile while intoxicated. Another bill requiring that all county officers be required to give bond was also adopted without opposition.

The bill putting the control of ferries in the hands of the highway commission was likewise adopted.

Members of the House far outnumbered their less numerous colleagues in the Senate in the bill introducing the 60th Congress, the two sessions of the 60th. House members offered 18,312 bills and resolutions while the number in the Senate was 6,417.

Williams Endorsed. Washington, March 5.—Copies of resolutions passed by the Cabarrus County Bar Association endorsing H. S. Williams, of Concord, for appointment as district attorney for the new Middle North Carolina Federal Judicial district were received today by members of the State delegation in Congress.

35 Children in 25 Years of Wedlock. Canges, B. C., March 7.—After giving birth to another son, her twenty-third child, Mrs. I. Tanaka, wife of a Japanese fisherman of Salt Spring Island, near here, has just established what is believed a record for British Columbia if not the whole Dominion. Mrs. Tanaka has had 23 children in 25 years of married life. Seventeen are living. She is her husband's fifth wife.

Horses continue to decline in number in the United States. There were 15,270,000 horses and colts January 1 this year, compared with 19,233,123 in 1910.

FEAR NEW CYCLONE HAS STRUCK ALONG MADAGASCAR COAST

Many Deaths Reported From Thursday's Storms Reaching St. Denis, Reunion, Indicate

SEVERAL VESSELS ARE NOW MISSING

Vessels Due at St. Denis Are Believed to Have Been Caught in Storm and Crews Perished.

St. Denis, Reunion, March 7.—(AP)—A new cyclone of great intensity following that of last Thursday was menacing this island today.

Reunion Island is Abd-el-Kr place of exile. It was feared that a new cyclone had swept over the island of Madagascar where there were many deaths and extensive property damage in last week's cyclone.

No details were available as to the exact number of dead at Madagascar, but there came confirmation that the town of Tamatave on the east coast was virtually wiped out by Thursday's storm.

Several small steamers due here were missing today. It was feared that the steamer St. Anne from Madagascar had been lost with all aboard.

THE COTTON MARKET

Opened Steady Today at an Advance of From 4 to 9 Points.

New York, March 7.—(AP)—The cotton market opened steady today at an advance of 4 to 9 points in response to higher Liverpool cables and soon showed net advances of 10 to 15 points on trade buying and covering. Offerings were comparatively light under the heavy selling of last week, and there seemed to be some rebuying by interests that had taken profits on long contracts on the recent advance.

Private cables reported trade lifting and French buying in the Liverpool market, with a small supply of contracts.

The advance later extended to 14 1/2 for May and 14 7/8 for October contracts, or about 17 to 20 points above Saturday's closing quotations. Prices reacted a few points on light offerings, but the market was quiet and steady within 4 or 5 points of the best at midday.

Cotton futures opened steady, March 14 1/2; May 14 3/8; July 14 4/8; Oct. 14 5/8; Dec. 14 7/8.

CHARLOTTE GROCER IS WOUNDED BY BURGLARS

J. T. Wilkie Greeted by Shot When He Opened His Grocery Store Today.

Charlotte, March 7.—(AP)—J. T. Wilkie, a grocery, was shot and seriously wounded by burglars as he opened his store here shortly before daylight this morning. The robbers fled without warning.

Wilkie told police who talked with him at a hospital, that he was greeted with the flash of a gun as he opened the front door of the store. Two negroes, he said, ran from the place. They had forced their way through a rear entrance.

No trace of the assailants was found this morning. Wilkie was shot through the jaw.

FORMER OFFICER SAYS HE SLEW DONALDSON

C. E. Fitchett's Statement Clears Mystery of Atlanta Investigator's Death.

Atlanta, March 6.—Charles E. Fitchett, said to be former lieutenant policeman, is under arrest at Chattanooga, Tenn., and has confessed to having killed Bert Donaldson, special investigator attached to the solicitor general's office here, last July, George W. Chambliss, former solicitor general of the Chattanooga district, announced here tonight.

Mr. Chambliss brought a duly signed manuscript admission from Fitchett, who said the slaying of the investigator was a part of a plot to "get" Donaldson and Solicitor General John A. Boykin. He named several others who, he said, were implicated in the killing.

Prefers Jail Term to Living With His Wife

Winston-Salem, Mar. 4.—"Give me six months, 12 months, 18 months, anything you want to, I'll do anything but I can't live with that woman," and Herbert J. Caudle, while man, standing before Assistant Judge Moses Shapiro in municipal court today, pointed a finger at his wife, who was sitting near at hand. Caudle was given a suspended sentence some time ago, conditioned upon his contributing to the support of his wife. After vainly trying to get along, he told the court, he has been trying for the past week to get the suspended sentence executed. Judge Shapiro complied with the request and gave Caudle a six months' term.

One Thing that can't be pressed in alcohol is a secret.

WEATHER FORECAST

Rain tonight and probably Tuesday morning, warmer in the east and north portions tonight, colder Tuesday afternoon and night.