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MISSION FOLKS LEAVING FIELD

They Are Seeking Safety in Shanghai But in That City Extremist Agitation Is Now Growing.

London, March 11.—(AP)—Looting at the inland mission station at Luchow, near Chungking is described in an Exchange Telegraph dispatch today from Hong Kong.

The south troops are reported to be concentrating thirteen miles below Wuhu and advancing on both sides of the Yangtze River.

Reports from Luchow are that a few more missionaries have evacuated posts up the Yangtze River.

The Exchange Telegraph dispatch says it is reported that a French steamer at Wansien was found to contain arms and ammunition.

Rumors of threatened attacks on high British military personages in Shanghai, says a dispatch today's Daily Express have led the authorities to take sudden precautionary measures.

Among them was the posting of international police outside the general military headquarters and hotels where some of the commanders are quartered.

Extremist agitation in Shanghai is reported to be growing, dispatches saying that Wednesday's raid on the headquarters of the Postal Workers Union forestalled a plan to attack the police stations.

The incident growing out of the arrest of Mme. Borodin and three Russian couriers when the northern Chinese troops seized the soviet steamer Pamiat Lenine, continued to occupy a large part of the dispatches.

All of them agree in denying the report that the three couriers had been charged on orders of Marshal Chang Tso-Lin, the northern war lord.

WILLIAMS SENTENCED TO PRISON FOR LIFE

Governor Sates Negro From Chair by Last Minute Reprieve.

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JAPAN ACCEPTS PROPOSAL MADE BY PRESIDENT COOLIDGE

Tokio, March 11.—(AP)—Japan accepted President Coolidge's proposal for a 9-power naval arms limitation conference today when the cabinet voted unanimously to forward the project and cabled the Japanese ambassador in Washington to notify Secretary Kollong of its decision.

LEGISLATURE STOOD BEHIND THE GOVERNOR

A Review of the Events of the Past 64 Days Shows This.

Raleigh, March 11.—The most remarkable feature of the general assembly which just ended is the manner in which it stood behind the administration, and especially the advisory budget commission and the governor, according to a number of state officials, after reviewing the events of the 64 days the assembly was in session.

"This fact is all the more remarkable," said one of the officials, "because there were plenty of members in both houses who were willing enough to buck the administration and the budget, but they just couldn't find the opportunity. For the budget commission, the greater majority of its estimates was correct, and after trying every possible way to make it otherwise, the general assembly finally admitted by passing the appropriations and revenue bills, which differed only very little from the form in which they were originally presented," said one of the state officials.

Another interesting feature of the assembly, especially in the house, was the "revolt of the back country," composed of the 75 smaller counties, most of them agricultural, against further dictation by the 25 larger industrial counties. These counties, led by Representative A. D. McLean of Beaufort—incidentally a cousin of Governor McLean—and Representative J. H. Folger of Surry, with the assistance of Representatives F. D. Winston of Bertie, Nash, Richmond and others, threatened to chop in two the permanent improvements appropriations for state institutions, and successfully led the fight for and passed the state-wide and valorem school tax bill in the house, in order that the other members and the state at large might know that they were out for a larger appropriation for schools and that they meant to get it.

The result was the ultimate compromise on the Wolts educational bill providing for an equalization of \$3,250,000, and for the creation of a state educational board to make a general evaluation of present and future state schools, and to report to the state, so that a new basis of apportionment can be worked out.

The enactment of the county government reform bill is also regarded as a major achievement of the general assembly.

JOSEPHUS DANIELS RAPS LEGISLATURE

Says Assembly Had to Be Blasted Loose From Its Materialism to Aid Schools.

Raleigh, March 10.—Speaking before the Raleigh Women's club tonight on "North Carolina's Next Step in Education," Josephus Daniels painted no pretty picture of a state whose legislature had to be blasted loose from its materialism to help aid schools.

"The Raleigh editor tore into the educational commission a few weeks ago when it declined to advocate an eight months' school term. He has not yet let up and that failure he regards the supreme dereliction of the year. He declared that everything which education received at the hands of the late legislature it had to tear from that unwilling body."

The Raleigh editor began his address with texts from Jefferson, one of which reminded the members in 1800 that they cared more for roads than they do for schools. "Sounds like a 1927 trouble," he said. "For roads he was willing to go all the way, but his sense of proportion rebelled utterly when he saw \$30,000,000 for roads and nothing for the loan fund to build schools in the country."

"A blunder corrected in the very last hours of the assembly. Likewise he bemoaned the smallness of spirit which stopped the equalizing fund short by more than a million."

Compensation Law Called Dead Issue. Charlotte, March 10.—A workman's compensation law is a dead issue in his state, and will be so for many years to come, F. D. Bradley, consulting engineer of the North Carolina Chapter of Associated General Contractors, said here today. "North Carolina will never have a workman's compensation bill," he declared, blaming the Legislature for not passing a bill that would have provided paymen by employers in case of accident or death of workmen. Labor and capital will bitterly oppose any efforts on part of either to revive it, he thinks.

TRAVELOGUE ON—BERMUDA

CONCORD HIGH SCHOOL

March 11th at 8:00 P. M.

Benefit Hot Chocolate Fund

State-Wide Game and Fish Laws To Be Under One Department

Tribune Bureau Sir Walter Hotel. Raleigh, March 11.—One of the outstanding economic measures enacted by the recent general assembly was that which placed the administration of the state-wide game law under the direction of the Department of Conservation and Development, following similar action with the Fisheries Commission.

The amendment to the game law proposed by Representative Fred I. Sutton of Lenoir, also author of the bill which bears his name, and adopted during the closing hours of the assembly Tuesday night, will save many thousands of dollars for North Carolina and will relieve the necessity of having to create more than 100 new offices, according to Wade Williams, director of the department.

"At the time the original game law was passed," said Mr. Phillips, "the consolidation of the Fisheries Commission with the Department of Conservation and Development had not been authorized. After this consolidation had been accomplished, however, it was logical and economical to place the administration of the game law with the same board that will administer the fisheries laws. Under the state anglers' bill, license for taking sport fish with reel and rod—but not with hook and line—will have to be taken out by everyone who desires to fish after April 1, 1927."

"It is proposed in all cases where local conditions make it possible, to have the same wardens enforce both the game and fish laws. It is further proposed that in more than one-fourth of the counties where fire wardens are on active duty to consolidate their duties still further so that one warden will have charge of forest fire prevention as well as the enforcement of the game and fish laws."

The idea of consolidation to prevent the creation of unnecessary offices, has been endorsed by Governor McLean as a step toward bringing about greater economy and efficiency. It was this reaction on the part of the members of the senate, after unceremoniously tabling the Sutton amendment, that after re-convening, it decided to take the amendment from the table and put it through three separate readings. It has passed the house about a week ago.

Under the consolidation act, the Governor will be required to appoint a new board of conservation, consisting of twelve members. This board will succeed the present Fisheries board of twelve members and six of the board of the Department of Conservation and Development, all of whose terms expire on April 1, 1927.

There will be created in the re-organized department a new division of commercial fisheries and a new division of game and inland fisheries. These will be in addition to the forestry, mineral resources, water resources and state publicity. Importance of the commercial fisheries of the state as a separate unit was a deciding factor in causing the creation of a separate division when the measure takes effect. Since game animals and sport fishing are closely associated, they will be placed in the same division, according to present tentative plans.

ARBOR DAY Will Be Observed Hereafter on First Friday After March 15th.

Tribune Bureau, Sir Walter Hotel. Raleigh, March 11.—Under terms of a bill passed by the General Assembly last week, will be observed in the future in North Carolina as Arbor Day. The legislative action provides that the observance of the occasion shall come each year on the first Friday after the fifteenth of March, changing it from the corresponding time in November.

The change in date of Arbor Day was made on the recommendation of the Department of Conservation and Development and State Forester J. S. Holmes. This season corresponds more nearly with that observed by other states in the same zone, and comes more nearly being a uniformly good planting season for all parts of the state than any other.

Arbor Day was first set by legislative statute in North Carolina in 1915 although the date of its first observance dates back to 1893 when the custom was first adopted in the State.

All schools, civic, patriotic and fraternal bodies are urged by the department to join in with the programs and tree planting exercises. Instructions and advice for tree planting and suggestions for programs for Arbor Day will be furnished by the Forestry Division of the Department of Conservation and Development upon application.

C. C. CRANFIELD IN THE SALISBURY JAIL

Bound Over to Rowan Court on the Sum of \$10,000. Salisbury, March 10.—C. C. Cranfield, young Winston-Salem man, who staged a sensational shooting at the Southern passenger station in this city on the night of Saturday, December 18th, when he shot E. M. Streit and Norman Colger, Birmingham, Ala., and Dallas, Texas, young men, students at Washington and Lee University, who were on their way to the holidays, was given a preliminary hearing in county court here this morning and bound over to May term of Rowan Superior Court in the sum of \$10,000. There were six cases against Cranfield, two charging secret assault with intent to kill; one larceny of an automobile, high way robbery, and assault with a deadly weapon and carrying concealed weapons.

Cranfield's victims declared they had never seen him before today and that the shooting was in the dark as they alighted from the train here to send him out of town. He forced another young man at the point of a pistol to drive him out of town over sections of the county, finally winding up near New London, holding a pistol on the young man all the time. Whether he was doped up or laboring under some hallucination is not known. He was traveling on the same train with his wife, on which Streit and Colger were riding but in different coaches. In default of bail Cranfield was remanded to jail.

WADE SAYS HE IS NO KLUCKER

Story Mentioning Him as Possible State Dragon Brings Denial. Raleigh, March 10.—Reports listing his name among those mentioned for the grand dragoons of the Ku Klux Klan in North Carolina brought from insurance Commissioner Stacy Wade a denial today of any connection with the organization.

"I give you my word that I am not a member of the organization nor have I ever been. I was astounded when I saw the article," he said, referring to a news story which gave publicity to the report. "I can't imagine where they got such information, but it is ridiculous."

George Washington frequently earned as much as twenty-seven dollars and fifty cents a day as a surveyor, points out Dr. W. E. Barton in an article in this week's Liberty.

POUR KEROSENE ON FIRE AND SIX DIE AS FLAMES SPREAD

William Stevenson, 4 of his Children and One Grandchild Perish When House Burns.

ONE SON LEAVES DURING THE FIRE

Ran From House and Has Not Been Found.—Two Women in the House Were Injured.

Browns Mills, N. J., March 11.—(AP)—Use of kerosene to make the kitchen fire burn faster resulted today in the death of a father, his four children, and one grandchild. They were burned to death when the farm house of William Stevenson at Sunset Lake, near here, was destroyed. Mrs. Stevenson and a daughter were badly burned, and one son is missing.

The dead are: William Stevenson, aged 55; Shinn Stevenson, 12; Ernest Stevenson, 11; William J. Parker, 9; Mildred Stevenson, 6; and Lillian the grandchild, one month old.

Stevenson's wife, Rebecca, 48 years old, was seriously burned. Clara, the mother of Lillian, is suffering from burns and a fractured hip, the result of a fall from second story. The missing son is William Jr., 14 years old. His mother said she saw him flee in his night clothing from the burning house. A search for him at homes of neighbors in nearby woods was started immediately.

STUDENTS GET CHANGE TO CLEAR THEMSELVES

Cases Against University Students Charged With Gambling Will Be Reopened.

Chapel Hill, N. C., March 11.—(AP)—Twelve of the thirteen students of the University of North Carolina suspended by the student council several days ago for gambling will be given a new chance to clear themselves.

This time a committee of six students, three from the graduate school and three from the undergraduate school, will hear evidence in the case and make a report to the student body. Final decision will rest with the student body.

This action was decided on today at chapel when 10 of the presented petition asking for reconsideration. One man already had his case reconsidered by the council.

Through the medium of the petition the names of 10 of the suspended students became public, the council originally having refused to give out the names. They are: B. W. Booker, J. L. Perkins, E. Y. Parker, I. C. Ainsley, F. P. Eller, John H. Parker, J. E. Said, F. C. Dial, P. R. Peel and F. R. Fleming.

THE COTTON MARKET

Opened Steady at Advance of 2 to 6 Points on Covering and Trade Buying. New York, March 11.—(AP)—The cotton market opened steady today at an advance of 2 to 6 points on covering by recent sellers and trade buying. There seemed to be local buying on the belief that recent liquidation had improved the market's technical position, but demand was supplied by further realizing or southern selling, and prices advanced only before the end of the first hour. May sold up to 14.14 and reacted to 14.09, or within four points of yesterday's closing quotation. Private cables reported hedge selling in Liverpool, but good buying of cotton cloths for home use. Some of the early buying here was probably promoted by bullish figures on cotton goods business for February.

The forenoon market was under considerable pressure, continued liquidation and some Southern selling, easing prices off to 14.05 for May and 14.36 for October. Trading tapered off later, and the market at midday was quiet within 2 or 3 points of the lowest, and about unchanged to 2 points higher compared with yesterday's closing quotations.

Cotton futures opened steady. March 13.95; May 14.08; July 14.26; Oct. 14.41; Dec. 14.57.

America Is Now The Most Hated Nation on Earth.

Shreveport, La., March 10.—America is now the most hated nation on earth, the promotion of peace and good will between other nations in spite of the fact that her rich swaggers makes her the best of nations, Dr. J. E. McCall, the woman's missionary council of the Methodist Episcopal church, south, here tonight.

The wealth, the naive good will and religious passion of the American people enable them to aid in welding the human race into a brotherhood of love and hope, Dr. McCall said. Dr. McCall is director of the social service department of the community church of New York.

He termed this work the supreme duty of this generation in which the religion has brought up the hatred of mankind; "We shall be collecting war debts for at least two generations."

"Then years ago we were hard on work on our job and were the best loved and most admired people on earth," he said. "Today we are the most hated and despised. Our greed for dividends has brought up the hatred of mankind; We shall be collecting war debts for at least two generations."

Indian Death Rate in North Carolina Lowest in United States.

Washington, March 10.—The death rate of Indians in North Carolina is the lowest in the country, according to figures prepared by the Bureau of the Census.

The rate in North Carolina is 13.2 per 1,000 population as compared with the rate in Wyoming, which tops the list with 80.1 per 1,000 population.

The North Carolina rate has increased to 13.2 in 1924 from 12.7 in 1923, and 11.2 in 1922.

The average white death rate in this country is around 12 per 1,000. These figures by the Bureau of the Census were quoted in a speech by Representative James A. Frear, of Wisconsin, just printed in the Congressional Record.

The first government-regulated postal route in the United States was established in 1672 between New York and Boston, according to an unanswered question in this week's Liberty.

12, Slays Man

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NO REFERENCE TO DANCES AT DUKE

Editor Says That Article Didn't Refer to Durham Institution. Greensboro, March 9.—The North Carolina Christian Advocate group out Thursday to the Methodist of the State contains the official and fervent denial of the editor, Rev. A. W. Dyer, that his editorial of last week castigating dance chaperones and likening them to heretics, mother of Salome, was a reference to the fact that the Duke University faculty members chaperoned a dance given by the University juniors at Durham on February 11.

His editorial had no more reference to Duke dance the Advocate of tomorrow will state than the revelations description of the new Jerusalem is an accurate pen picture of the new Duke University.

The ugliest feature of the interpretation given the Herodias paragraph as a comment on the Duke dances, the latest editorial states, is that it links an editorial of the Christian Advocate with a vicious attack upon Duke University and its president from a vile source in the distant city of Memphis, Tenn.

The issue of the Christian Advocate going out tomorrow includes a letter from a news correspondent at Duke University who writes he sent accounts of the dance to the daily newspapers and made a mistake in including among the chaperones the names of members of the Duke University school of religion.

Mr. Plyer's denial closes with a declaration of unbroken loyalty to the university and to President W. P. Few.

COUNTY GOVERNMENT REFORMS ARE STRESSED

Dr. E. C. Branson Says There Should Be Head of Government in Each County in State. Chapel Hill, March 11.—(AP)—Better business methods in county government were urged by Dr. E. C. Branson, of the University of North Carolina faculty, in an address here today before the annual Citizenship School of the North Carolina League of Women Voters.

He stressed the need of a better system of public expenditures by the county board of commissioners.

"We need a head of county government in each county conversant with all conditions of government, just as the President is to America, and as Governor McLean is to this state," he declared.

The organization went into the second day's sessions this morning when the league heard reports of its various committees.

Charles C. Peterson of New York, the veteran billiard referee, has officiated at about 275 championship matches.

Blow Up Truck and Get \$100,000.

Pittsburgh, Pa., March 11.—(AP)—Blowing up an armored truck with a bomb while it was en route to the Pittsburgh Terminal Coal Company's Coverdale mine this afternoon, nine armed bandits escaped in an automobile with the pay roll estimated to amount to approximately \$100,000. The driver of the truck and two guards were badly injured.

Ellison Loses Suit.

New York, March 11.—(AP)—Angelo M. Ellison, former hotel elevator operator, lost his suit for the \$15,000 estate of the late Edward T. Walker today in favor of Arthur T. Walker, former private secretary, and chief beneficiary of Stables under the Seales when a jury returned a verdict in his favor.

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WEATHER FORECAST

Increasing cloudiness and somewhat warmer tonight, Saturday cloudy and lower by rain.

MORE EVIDENCE IS OFFERED BY STATE

E. A. Jones Tells Jury How He Was Seized in Store by 75 Masked Men Who Gave Him Flogging.

NEGRO AT STORE ALSO FLOGGED

Jones Said Men Told Him They Came "On Order of Ku Klux Klan"—No Klansmen on the Jury.

Raleigh, March 11.—(AP)—The testimony for the prosecution was continued today in the case of E. A. Jones, charged with secret assault in the first of the flogging trials growing out of the alleged whipping of E. A. Jones, county merchant, on the night of last December 15th.

The case in Wake County Superior Court was picked up this morning following corroborating stories told yesterday when the trial opened.

Questions concerning membership in the Ku Klux Klan was injected at the beginning of the trial when the prosecution asked every juror to tell whether or not he had ever belonged to that organization. Three of the jurors accepted said they had belonged, none said they belong at present.

One of the panel who said he belonged at present was rejected by the prosecution.

Jones on the stand said 75 masked men had come to his store and announced their arrival "on order of the Ku Klux Klan," he said. Sam Green, negro helper to Jones, testified he also was whipped. William Jones, 16, son of E. A. Jones, testified he had a good look at Rogers' face when Rogers' took off his hood to remove bullets from Jones' pistol which the storekeeper had in the store. Jones said he recognized Rogers by his voice.

W. L. Upchurch, one of the state's character witnesses, said the Wake Cross Roads Baptist Church had investigated and found without foundation reports that Jones had sold liquor or had any connection with women. The defense cited the conviction of Jones in Wake Forest recorder's court on charges of possession of liquor.

Jones said he was driven to the woods in the automobile of former deputy sheriff Clyde Weathers, and flogged.

State Tests. Raleigh, March 11.—(AP)—Conclusion of prosecution testimony and commencement of defense alibi and character testimony today moved the first of the 11 Wake County flogging cases on two scheduled arguments this evening.

THE STOCK MARKET

Prices Displayed Firm Tone as Pools Resumed Operations. New York, March 11.—(AP)—Stock prices displayed a firm tone at the opening of today's market as pools resumed operations in a number of specialties. New peak prices since 1925 or longer were recorded in the first few minutes by National Biscuit, Republic Steel and Owens-Illinois. Baldwin, Kelly-Springfield, and International Telephone, each showing initial gains of a point or more.

New Fellowships Established by Duke University. Durham, March 10.—Establishment of four new fellowships valued at \$800 each and the increase in value from \$200 to \$300 of a graduate scholarship were announced Wednesday by Duke University.

The increase will aid encouragement and assistance to students of high character and marked ability who desire to enter the graduate school of the University.

Few Under 14 Work in State. (By International News Service.) Raleigh, March 11.—Only seven per cent of the children under fourteen years of age enter industrial employments in North Carolina, as compared with 12.6 per cent in the entire United States.

This fact was made public here in the annual report of the child welfare commission, which gave the results of 7031 inspections made by the commission during the past two years.

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