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MRS. FOSS-HINES, DEALER IN BABES, NOW UNDER ARREST

Los Angeles Police Charge She Has Been Adopting Babies and Selling Them for Various Amounts.

DEATH OF BABY LED TO INQUIRY

Refunded \$35 and Gave Woman Another Baby When First Baby Sold to Her Lost Its Sight.

Los Angeles, March 17.—(AP)—Mrs. Minnie Williams Foss-Hines, accused of wholesale traffic in infants, today faced a felony charge as the result of her alleged operation of a "baby farm" in Los Angeles.

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Will Meet on Saturday to Determine What He Will Attempt to Accomplish.

THE STOCK MARKET

Table listing various stocks and their prices, including American Tobacco, American Smelting, and others.

Traveler

Karnig Perzigan, three, arrives alone in New York from his native Armenia. He was on his way to join his parents in Detroit.

N. C. TREASURY

HAD \$7,761,334 IN HAND FEBRUARY 28

Raleigh, N. C., March 17.—Cash on hand in the State Treasury as of February 28 amounted to \$7,761,334.00, the combined statement of the Auditor and Treasurer today reported.

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Scott Retires From Baseball

Raleigh, N. C., Mar. 16.—Jack Scott, the veteran major league pitcher, recently traded by the New York Giants to the Philadelphia Nationals, has announced his retirement from baseball, the News and Observer will say tomorrow.

Clearance of High Grade Shoes and Hosiery at Richmond-Flowe Co.

Beginning next Saturday morning, March 19th, at 9 o'clock sharp, the Richmond-Flowe Company will offer for sale in the store room on West Depot street next to the A. & P. Store, a lot of high grade women's, men's and children's shoes, pumps and socks and hosiery (their entire surplus stock) at unheard of low prices.

BANDIT'S ROB HOTEL BUT ARE ARRESTED NEAR THE HOSTELRY

R. G. Clark and Frank B. Carter Held in Asheville for Alleged Robbery in Swannanoa-Berkley.

NEGRO FIREMAN CALLED OFFICER

One Man Caught on Steps of Hotel and Other After He Had Walked Off Short Distance.

Asheville, March 17.—(AP)—A sensational holdup of the Swannanoa-Berkley Hotel at 3 o'clock this morning, which netted two well-dressed bandits \$100, was frustrated just as the robbers were making their getaway through the quick action of a negro fireman and the police.

JEFF ASHWORTH NOW ON ROAD TO RECOVERY

No Internal Injuries Have Been Noted and He May Resume Work in a Few Days.

With Our Advertisers

Robinson's is having a timely sale of new and smart sport coats at one-fourth off.

Free Tire Inspection, Air and Water, and Road Service at the Ritchie Hardware Co., dealers in Firestone tires.

Spring outfits for men at Erd's, smart styles and fine values.

Another shipment of spring footwear at G. A. Moser's Shoe Store.

Make an appointment today with the Boyd W. Cox Studio.

New spring lingerie of the better kinds at the Gray Shop.

Courtesy and consideration to depositors have been important factors in the growth and success of the Citizens Bank and Trust Co.

Only three more days of the big March special days at the Park-Bell Co's.

John Greenwood, a Continental trooper, supplied George Washington with a full set of teeth carved from a hippopotamus tusk.

The Better Homes in America To Be Conducted April 24 to May 1

Washington, D. C., March 17.—Every phase of home making, from the selection of the site to the arrangement of furnishings and the planting of the home garden, will be featured in the forthcoming Better Homes in America, the educational organization of which Herbert Hoover is president.

NORTH CAROLINA IN HIGH RANK TEXTILES

Another Laurel Added to the Growing List: South Carolina Second, and Georgia Third.

TOBACCO SALES FAR BELOW FOR FEBRUARY

Wilson Still Holds the Lead for the Largest Total Season Sales.

THE COTTON MARKET

Opened Steady at Unchanged Prices to Decline of 1 Point.—May Off to \$13.84.

Officers Break Up Planned Jail-Break

Irred Farmer Dies at Age of 50

Ten Days' Sale on Goodyear Tires

Prices Moved Uniformly Higher Today as Opening of the Market.

Rock Hill Man Hakes Honors Over at Duke

Durham, N. C., Mar. 15.—Leading 92 honor students at Duke University, James N. Truesdale, of Rock Hill, S. C., today had an average of 97.25, the highest in many years here.

GOVERNOR SELECTS MEMBERS OF BOARD RECENTLY CREATED

Chief Executive Makes Public Names of Men on Conservation and Development Board.

BOARD TO MEET IN CAPITOL SOON

The Board Was Created by an Act Passed at the Last Session of the State Legislature.

Raleigh, March 17.—(AP)—Governor McLean today named the new state board of conservation and development.

Only One

Miss Minnie C. Peterson, of Ioloye, Mass., was said to be the only woman in the world operating a giant crane for a living. She was photographed at the control box.

FIFTY CENTS EACH IS NEW CHARGE

Secret Provision to Enrich Some Manufacturer Slipped Into New Statute.

Verdict of Suicide

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THEATRICAL MAN TAKES OWN LIFE

Jake Wells Shoots Self Twice, Declaring Life Not Worth Living.

AMERICANS CAPTURE VESSELS FROM CHINESE

Marines Are Said to Have Retaken Two Oil Steamers Which Were Seized.

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NOW INVESTIGATING SUICIDE OF WELLS

Officials Want to Get All Possible Data Concerning Death of "Father of Vaudeville."

QUESTION WOMAN ABOUT THE CASE

Mrs. B. M. Shaeffer, Who Was With Wells at Time, Will Be Questioned Further Today.

Hendersonville, N. C., March 17.—(AP)—Circumstances surrounding the shooting late yesterday of Jake Wells, 60 years old, known as the father of vaudeville in the Southeast, were being further investigated today by officials prior to an inquest expected to be held this afternoon.

The officers were told last night that Wells stepped from an automobile in which he was riding with Mrs. B. M. Shaeffer, manager of his Park Hill Inn, to pick flowers, suddenly pulled a pistol from his pocket and shot himself twice. He died early last night at a hospital here.

While attaches of both the coroner and sheriff's offices said there was no doubt that Wells had committed suicide, they added that officers would question Mrs. Shaeffer further and making a thorough inquiry into the case before announcing a definite verdict. At the office of the coroner it was said that Coroner Kemp was out "investigating."

Mrs. Shaeffer was questioned last night and later at the hotel. It was said that she was in no condition to talk. The officers today planned to go into details of the shooting in order to clear up all angles. Last night Mrs. Shaeffer told officers that she attempted to take the pistol away from Wells but that he pushed her off, and fired one shot. She ran for help and heard a second shot before she encountered King Norris, a friend of Wells.

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Wholly on the Hendersonville highway near the South Carolina line. Otto Wells, brother of the slain man, was due to arrive here this afternoon from his home to take the body of his brother to Norfolk, Va., for funeral and interment. No official date for the funeral has been made, pending Otto Wells' arrival here.

The attachment is not called by name, but the requirements of the law call for a type of card and holder, that is put out by but one manufacturer in the country, according to officials of the state revenue department. A representative of the manufacturer was here two or three months ago exhibiting the thing.

The law directs that the motor vehicle bureau shall issue to every owner each year, at the same time the license plate is issued, the particular card and holder shall be of such a design that the one cannot be removed from the other without mutilating or destroying both.

In addition to the four cent gasoline tax and the annual license charge, the automobile owner already has to pay a 50 cent fee for registering the title to his car at the time of purchase. The new title registration law, which is large a re-enactment of the old with new provisions added, retains the 50 cent registration fee and tacks on the extra half dollar as the purchase price for the special card and holder.

Officials of the revenue department were at a loss today to account for the provision. The law as enacted was not drawn by the department, it was stated. The objectionable section was not discovered until after the legislature adjourned.

Three other persons were in the cell.

London, March 17.—(AP)—A dispatch to the Westminster Gazette says American marines at Shanghai recaptured two Standard Oil steamers which the Chinese had seized.

The Daily Express Shanghai correspondent in reporting the taking over by northern forces of the Kiangnan stock yards where several American vessels are being built, says Rear Admiral Williams of the American fleet, immediately dispatched a warship there. Gen. Pi Chou Chin, the chief commander of the northern forces, took a regiment with him when he seized the dock yards with the ostensible purpose of repairing several northern war vessels. Dispatches indicate a widening in the breach between the soviet and Chan Tso-Lin, the Manchurian war lord, and the possibility of an armed invasion of southern Manchuria.

They also tell of heavy fighting west and northwest of Shanghai between the northern and southern forces, and of the reign of terror in Shanghai growing out of daily murders of workmen who oppose calls to go on strike.

The labor unrest in Shanghai is accentuated by the machinations of the 150 "expert intimidators" from Hankow, who are carrying about propaganda for a general strike if and when the Cantonese forces arrive to take over the city.

This year's short course in athletic coaching at the University of Wisconsin will be held during the ten days beginning June 13.

Credit in a town in Idaho, while Pay Up is in Georgia.

Partly cloudy in the east and central portions, and probably showing the extreme west portion tonight. Friday; somewhat warmer in the east and north portions tonight, cooler day in the west portion.

SKATING

Armory Friday and Saturday Nights

Skates For Rent For 15 and 25 Cents

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