

Not Discuss Cruisers
And Capital Ships At
The Geneva Gathering

Great Britain Hoped to
Bring Up Subject But
Americans Will Not Give
Thought to This Class.

OTHER CRAFT TO
GET ATTENTION

It Is Hoped That U. S. Delegates Can Keep All the Points Open for Discussion at 1921 Conference.

Geneva, June 27.—(AP)—With British hopes of reopening the Washington treaty decisions dashed by absence of any fresh instructions permitting American delegations to discuss the size of capital ships and cruisers, interest centers on what Hugh S. Gibson and his confederates will do in the way of assuring some further examination of that question. Presumably the Americans are disposed to put something into the terms of the projected treaty to be framed here that will more or less bind them to a discussion of the sizes of warships at the second Washington conference in 1921 without, however, committing themselves in any way as to what their attitude will be at that time.

This matter will be the subject of negotiations, but meanwhile the British leaders have given no intimation that they have definitely abandoned their attempts to reopen Washington treaty problems at the present meeting. According to some reports they would like to exact a promise from the Americans to refrain pending the 1921 conference, from building any 35,000 ton battleships, of which the British already possess two, the Nelson and Rodney.

It is stated that the Americans undoubtedly will return a negative answer to such a suggestion if it is officially advanced. Mr. Gibson has not been approached by Viscount Saito concerning the reported project for a perpetual peace pact between Japan and the United States, but it is understood that any suggestion from the Japanese along this line will receive earnest consideration.

It is recognized that if Viscount Saito were able to return to Tokyo with a peace pact in his pocket, he would perhaps be less insistent upon demanding a high ratio for Japan in auxiliary warships than was fixed for the larger warships at Washington. The impression prevails that the Japanese are disposed to go more than half way in eradicating the feeling created in Japan by abolition of the gentlemen's agreement and the subsequent refusal of the American congress to permit any quota immigration of Japanese into the United States.

In some quarters the conviction prevails that the two nations might later point a way to solution of the immigration problem which is known to have wounded the Japanese national dignity.

THE COTTON MARKET.

Opened Steady at Decline of 2 to 6 Points Under Liquidation and Selling.

New York, June 27.—(AP)—The cotton market opened steady today at a decline of 2 to 6 points under liquidation and local selling which appeared to be inspired by favorable weather reports.

Some trade buying and covering steadied the market at the opening but selling continued in comparative volume, October declining to 16.83 and January to 17.14, or 8 to 10 points below Saturday's closing figures, by the end of the first hour. There was further liquidation of July contracts in preparation for probable notices tomorrow, and that delivery was relatively easy selling off to 16.46, or about 13 points net lower. The market was quiet later, and except for further switching from July to later months, showed very little trading features. Prospects for showers in eastern belt sections, and private reports emphasizing boll weevil infestation brought in some covering, however, and prices held fairly steady. At midday, October was selling around 16.84 and December, 17.06, or about 7 to 10 points net lower.

Cotton futures opened steady: July 16.58; Oct. 16.87; Dec. 17.14; Jan. 17.19; March 17.35.

Market Close.
January 17.11, March 17.30, May 17.43, July 16.47, October 16.83, December 17.05.

Near 'Perfect Witness' Is Found in Asheville, June 26.—Mrs. Anna K. Montague, on trial for murder, is almost a "perfect witness," lawyers and observers in the courtroom have declared. She has shown that her mind was clear, she has given forth her testimony in a well ordered manner, she rarely paused to study, she did not often retrace her steps when telling her story unaided by questions from her counsel. Her clear voice was audible in the farthest corners of the courtroom. Sometimes, when she touched on the more important parts of her story, she grew dramatic. When she described looking out her window and seeing the body of Mrs. Cooper her voice trembled and was more faint.

MORE MILLIONAIRES
IN 1925 THAN EVER
BEFORE IN HISTORY

207 Persons in the United States Paid Income Taxes on Million Dollars in That Year, Survey Shows

1916 WAS NEXT HIGHEST YEAR

Seven Persons Showed They Made More Than \$5,000,000 During Year—Millionaires in 17 States.

Washington, June 27.—(AP)—More Americans paid taxes on incomes of \$1,000,000 and over for the calendar year of 1925 than ever before in the government's tax history, a treasury analysis shows. The millionaire incomes total 207, compared with 75 in 1924, and 206 in 1916, the previous high mark.

Seven persons, including two in Michigan and New York, respectively, and one each in Illinois, Oklahoma and Pennsylvania filed returns showing incomes of \$5,000,000 or over. Seventeen states proved the residence of the taxed millionaires, together with one from the District of Columbia. New York led with 96 while Pennsylvania was second with 28. Illinois and Massachusetts had 16 each, Michigan had 13, Ohio 18, California six, Missouri four, Florida three, Connecticut, Indiana, Maryland and Oklahoma had two apiece; while Iowa, Nebraska and Wisconsin each were represented by one.

The 1926 revenue act with its increased excise taxes on automobiles and the income tax payer, proved efficacious in producing more revenue, the report indicated. The average net income of those filing returns was \$5,249 with an average tax of \$3.35 per cent, recording an increase of \$1,707.90 in the income compared with 1924. The rate for 1924 was 2.74 per cent. The total net income for 4,171,051 taxpayers for 1925 was \$21,894,576,403.

New York bore the heaviest burden of any state, with a payment of \$252,457,834 on a taxable income total of \$4,109,183,851. Pennsylvania was the second largest with a tax payment of \$73,924,345, while Illinois, Massachusetts and Michigan followed in that order. North Carolinians paying totaled 15,443, who had incomes totalling \$102,923,590, and paid \$3,178,767 in taxes. Six thousand nine hundred and thirty-one South Carolinians paid \$430,807 on total income of \$39,160,743.

CHEEKER PLAYERS TO GATHER IN BURLINGTON.

Burlington, N. C., June 25.—(INS)—The annual tournament of the North Carolina Cheeker Players' Association will be held at the Alamance Hotel here on July 4. The outcome of the tournament is expected to center around five men regarded as the best cheeker players in the State. They are: H. S. Anderson, Winston-Salem, present titleholder; Edward Scheidt, Chapel Hill, who has held both the state and Southern titles; Coit Robinson, Lowell, former state and Southern champion; H. C. McNair, Maxton, former state champion; and C. G. Anderson, Salisbury, former holder of the Southern crown.

THE STOCK MARKET

Table with columns for stock names and prices. Includes entries like American Tobacco, American Smelting, Atlantic Coast Line, etc.

Hundred Billion Cigarettes in U. S. Last Year.

Washington, June 27.—Almost a hundred billion cigarettes were manufactured in registered factories and bonded manufacturing warehouses in the United States last year. The Census Bureau announces that more than 9,500,000,000 cigarettes were exported, leaving about ninety billion for consumption at home. Cigars manufactured and removed for consumption totaled almost seven billion, and almost half of them, or 43 per cent to be exact, were intended to retail for not more than a nickel. "Stogie" comprised about 93 per cent of this class. Only 2 per cent of the total were intended to retail for more than 15 cents each.

ONCE TOAST OF VIENNA!



Many years ago Anne Novak was belle of the Viennese stage and in the favor of Emperor Franz Josef. Today, at seventy-seven, she lives by the generosity of friends. Their attention was called to her dire straits when she was evicted from her New York home in the rain.

WILL NAME LINDBERGH BRING FAME TO TOWN?

For Third Time the Name of Alabama Town Has Been Changed. Lindbergh, Ala., June 27.—(INS)—Lindbergh—will this little town, its name changed for the third time, awake and make a place for itself in history—follow in the footsteps of the famous trans-Atlantic flyer for whom it has been named?

Railroad literature and time tables of the Frisco system will hereafter conform with the new christening, officials have announced. The little town, formerly known as Coal Creek, and formerly a watering point of the eastern division of the Frisco, is still served by the system. It began as Parkville and contains the hostesses of the Lindbergh family. Augustus Lindbergh, uncle of the famous "Smiling Slim," came here from Pensacola, where he left his vessel while it was held in quarantine, and obtained a job with the Kansas City, Memphis & Birmingham railroad at what was then Parkville. He had charge of the water pump.

Augustus soon married Miss Martha Evans, daughter of a widely known family of that district. He continued working at the water pump until he died, when the pump was placed in charge of his son, Oscar, then 14 years old. Oscar is now finishing a course in law and will begin practice in Birmingham, he says. Hubert Lindbergh was the next punper. He held the job five years today to give the final word to Lewis Lester J. Maitland and Albert Hagenberger on their non-stop flight to Honolulu. Rumors that Gen. Patrick might make the flight were heard in army circles, and asked if he would go, the general replied: "I should prefer not to answer that question at this time."

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Mr. Simmons Favors Dennis G. Brummitt.

New Bern, June 27.—Senator F. M. Simmons Saturday recommended the election of Dennis G. Brummitt, of Oxford, to succeed John G. Dawson, of Kinston, as chairman of the state Democratic executive committee, in response to inquiries as to his views, before leaving for Gloucester for a rest on the coast. The senator stated that he regretted very much that Mr. Dawson's private business makes it necessary for him to resign the office, as he had made "a most excellent chairman" and in that capacity had rendered invaluable service to the party and the state, for which the people are duly appreciative and grateful.

FEW SEARCHERS IN BURKE COUNTY ARE SEEKING MURDERER

These Men Keep Up Hunt for Broadus Miller Although There is Little Chance of Finding Him.

BELIEVE NEGRO IN MOUNTAINS

Officers of Burke and Caldwell Counties Will Not Give Up Search Until They Know Negro Gone.

Morganton, N. C., June 27.—(AP)—Hopeless determination kept a few searchers in the mountains above Collettsville last night, but Broadus Miller, negro slayer of Gladys Kincaid, is believed to have escaped in the wild thickets of those hills.

Officials of both Burke and Caldwell counties are convinced that the outlawed negro is somewhere in the mountains between Collettsville and Ripshin Mountain, and they declare a search will be maintained until he is captured. Relatives of Miller are said to live in the negro section four miles above Collettsville and officials are expecting him to come out of the woods to one of those houses. The last time he is known to have eaten was last Friday. The belief is held that starvation will drive him from his mountain seclusion by tonight, and it is felt that a steady guard will be set up around the entrance to the territory in which he is believed to be hiding.

BIG CHANGE MADE IN FIRE FORCES

Discord Between Firemen and Chief Ends in Radical Changes By Board.

Statesville, June 24.—Statesville fire department underwent a complete change in management and personnel this afternoon. The act was the culmination of the demand made by the firemen that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen suspend Fire Chief W. L. Neely or accept the resignation of every member of the fire department.

Discord between the firemen and Chief Neely had been brewing for some time and the matter came to a head in a special session of the city aldermen Monday night, when the firemen appeared with their demands. The city authorities not being in position to allow the firemen to walk out en masse took the only course for the safety of the town by relieving Neely temporarily and retaining the firemen. Mayor J. B. Rouse and Alderman Alex. Cooper were appointed by the board to make a full investigation and take final action in disposing of the perplexing problems.

JULY 4TH WILL BE BIG TIME AT STATESVILLE

Annual Horse Show Will Be Staged and Ku Klux Will Hold Celebration. Statesville, June 27.—This city is making extensive preparations to take care of a two-fold celebration to occur here on Monday, July 4, when the great annual horse show of the Iredell Horsemen's club will stage its affair at the show grounds and when some five or six thousand spectators are expected to witness the show. The grand state-wide rally in this city, a mammoth program to cover the entire day for the visitors to this city has been mapped out and plans are practically complete for the Independence day celebration.

STAR THEATRE PROGRAM FOR WEEK OF JUNE 27th TO JULY 2nd

TODAY—TUESDAY "LOVE MAKES 'EM WILD" WITH JOHNNY HARBOW, RALLY PHIPPS and FLORENCE GILBERT Also a Comedy "TAKE THE AIR" And a Fox News "The Landing of Lindbergh in Paris" WEDNESDAY—THURSDAY "THE TELEPHONE GIRL" WITH MADGE BELLAMY and LAWRENCE GRAY Ber Best Picture—It's a Paramount ADMISION 10c-25c FRIDAY—SATURDAY TOM MIX and DONL the Wonder Horse "The Circus Ace" Also a Comedy "CUPID THE CLOCK"

RETIRED MERCHANT ADMITS SUICIDE

ILL HEALTH CAUSE

HAD BEEN ILL SEVERAL WEEKS

Sold Out Business After He Suffered a Nervous Breakdown.—Was One of Best Known Men in City

Despondency over his failing health is believed to have actuated Arthur Jones, prominent Concord merchant, to commit suicide at his residence, 224 North Spring street, shortly after 8 o'clock this morning.

Mr. Jones took his life by firing the barrel of a twenty gauge pump gun over his head, firing the lead into his body by pulling the gun toward him after fastening one end of his suspenders to the trigger, and the other end to the latch or knob of a closed door in the living room. Death, apparently, was instantaneous.

Mr. Jones was widely known in Concord where he had been in the grocery business for several years. Until early this year Mr. Jones was associated with Calloway and Jones, grocers, at Gibson Mills. He was taken ill in March and following this sickness he suffered a complete nervous breakdown. After disposing of his interest in Calloway and Jones, Mr. Jones purchased a building from Davis Stone, on North Spring street, and opened a small grocery business. He had operated this store only about a month when his health forced him to remain at home, and since that time the store has been closed.

Mr. Jones was held in high esteem by his Concord friends. He was a member of the McGill Street Baptist church and was intensely interested in church activities until the failure of his health. Mr. Jones was a native of Ireland, county, being born near Moorestown. He was 44 years of age. Mr. Jones was married to Miss Zula Propst several years ago and to this union was born one daughter, Marie Jones. Surviving besides the wife and daughter are: Mrs. James F. Jones, mother of the deceased; one brother, Luther Jones; and five sisters, Mrs. Charlie Austin, Charlotte; Mrs. John Long, Monroe; Mrs. J. W. Bailey, Mrs. W. A. Crooks, all of this city.

RAIL PUBLICATION IN PRAISE OF THIS STATE

"Tea Pee Flashies" Devoted Issue Entirely to North Carolina. Raleigh, June 25.—(INS)—Against the "proverbial" progress of North Carolina, the Old North State, echoed around the four corners of the United States!

The Texas and Pacific Railway, in its periodical "Tea Pee Flashies," devotes its June 15th issue entirely to North Carolina. It deals with the health's progress in education, roads, and agricultural and industrial development. The June issue of the periodical has been called to the attention of Governor Angus W. McLean of North Carolina by J. E. Shores, general agent of the Texas & Pacific Railway. "It is a generally accepted truth," I believe," said Shores, "that the progressive spirit of North Carolina has become proverbial. For a number of years I have traveled over the State and have noted on every hand evidence of well-directed progressiveness. However, I did not full realize until recently the tremendous growth that has taken place. "Recently, I had occasion to prepare an article on your state for my publication. The writing of this article naturally called for a careful study of statistics dealing with education, agriculture, manufacturing, etc., which brought to my attention, in most striking manner, the extraordinary expansion that North Carolina has enjoyed."

WEATHER

Fair tonight, Tuesday increasing cloudiness; not much change in temperature.