

BUTLER NOT BE SILENCED BY HIS DISMISSAL

Philadelphia's Conditions to Be Given Publicity From His Diary.

MAYOR TO BE TARGET

City's Executive Insisted That Law Violators of Millionaire Class Be Let Alone.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 24.—General Smedley D. Butler, dismissed by Mayor Kendrick as head of the Philadelphia police, said today that the publication of his diary would "raise a ruction." He kept it during the two years he was director of public safety and recorded, among other things, conversations with the mayor and other city officials.

The general said that a broadside in which he alleged the mayor was a protector of big violators of the prohibition law was only a preliminary blast.

"I'm going to keep right on with the attack until I get ready to stop," he added, "and I won't stop until I prove my case."

General Butler let it be known that he would endeavor to recall his letter of resignation from the Marine Corps, which he submitted Monday in order to remain here. He plans to visit Washington early next week for a conference with Major General John A. Lejeune, commander of the corps, who has indicated that he is anxious to have the general remain in the service.

Refused to Be Partial. In making public letters which passed between himself and Mr. Kendrick, and Joseph P. Gaffney, city solicitor, the general attempted to show that it was because he would not "go easy" on the big hotels that he was "fired."

Butler said that he wanted the Ritz-Carlton hotel padlocked for liquor law violations and the dance licenses of the Bellevue-Stratford and the Walton hotels revoked for the same reason, but the mayor disapproved.

David P. Provan, manager of the Ritz-Carlton, is under \$1,000 bail for a hearing on charges of violating the prohibition laws as a result of a raid on two rooms of the hotel where a private party was being held.

The correspondence included a letter from Butler to the mayor last November which said in regard to one hotel:

"Drunken men and young girls were found upon ballroom floor." In one memorandum, Butler quoted the mayor as saying: "You're going too strong on these \$7,000,000 investments, and you have to lay off these big places" because there is a difference between a \$7,000,000 investment and a cheap place which blackmails people."

Mayor Kendrick made no comment upon the correspondence but issued an appeal to the people to support him in enforcing the law.

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HARVARD SINGERS REJECT CONTEST SONG AS "MUSHY"

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Harvard Glee Club singers decline to sing "sentimental and mushy" songs and have so characterized the "Lump in the West," written by Horatio William Parker and submitted to them for their program in the intercollegiate glee club contest here March 6. The intercollegiate Musical Corporation, in charge of the contest plans refused however to withdraw the song and the Harvard Glee Club announced it would not take part in the contest.

"The song was too simple to suit Harvard," was the terse comment at headquarters for the contest.

SCHULTE TAKES BRIDE AS GATES OF PRISON OPEN

COVAGER, Wash., Dec. 23.—C. Schulte, 37, of Adport, and Mrs. Winnie Drews of Portland, giving her age as legal, were married here last night by the Rev. Luther B. Deck. The witness was Mrs. A. Schulte, of San Diego, Calif., mother of the bridegroom.

After the ceremony here they left for Portland, where they will reside.

The marriage is the culmination of a romance that began at Reedsport about three years ago. The bride has been living in Portland for the past few months and had visited Mr. Schulte in the prison recently.

THREE-SIDED WARFARE ALSO MARKED BY VICTORY FOR MANCHU FORCES IN NORTH SECTOR.

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CHINA'S PAYROLL OF COAL COMPANY IS TAKEN BY GUNMEN

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) PITTSBURGH, Dec. 24.—The Christmas payroll of the Pittsburgh Terminal Coal Company, \$47,900, was taken from the pay car by six armed men at Mollenauer, a mining settlement, near Pittsburgh today. The robbers escaped in an automobile.

The bandits shot I. L. Gump, a guard, in the abdomen. His condition is critical.

Leroy Hutton, paymaster, Gump and another guard had alighted from the special Pittsburgh and West Virginia railroad pay car to go to mine No. 3, nearby, when the robbers drove up. The bandits opened fire immediately. The first volley brought down Gump. Hutton drew a pistol, but was forced to drop it. One robber jumped from the machine, took the bag containing the payroll and then returned to the car. As the robbers drove away towards Liberty, another mining settlement, they fired a parting volley.

STANDARD DOLES OUT BIG PROFITS

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—The Standard Oil Company of New York today gave its stockholders a Christmas present by declaring a stock dividend of 25 per cent. This action follows the merger of the Magnolia Petroleum Company into the Standard Oil Company of New York by exchanging four shares of Standard Oil for one of Magnolia or a cash payment of \$181.23 a share for Magnolia.

EX-SENATOR ALIEN PROPERTY KEEPER

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Howard Sutherland, former senator from West Virginia, was appointed today to be alien property custodian.

Mr. Sutherland, who is a Republican, succeeds F. C. Hicks of New York, who died several days ago. The new custodian served two terms in the house of representatives as one term in the senate, retiring from the latter body in 1923. He was engaged in the coal and timber land business before entering congress. He was born at Kirkwood, Mo., and is 60 years old.

KARASICK-YOKEL BOUT IS A DRAW

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 24.—Mike Yokel, Salt Lake light heavyweight wrestler, and Al Karasick, Oakland, Cal., wrestled two hours to a draw here last night, each winning one fall.

Yokel took the first fall in one hour, 15 minutes with a stop over time hold and the second went to Karasick in 29 minutes with a reverse headlock.

TIENTSIN WON BY NATIONALS IN BIG BATTLE

Thousands Fall in Bloody Fighting That Rages for Two Weeks.

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The troops of General Li Ching-Lin, civil governor of Chihli and Feng's enemy, are fleeing in disorder.

Chaos reigns in the native quarter of Tientsin, where soldiers attached to the defeated army are engaged in looting. Foreign volunteers and troops are protecting the gates of the foreign settlement, which is barricaded.

Feng's supporter, Sun Yueh, has been appointed Tupan (civil governor) of Chihli to succeed Li.

A work train has left Peking to repair the railway, which has been closed to traffic for two weeks owing to the fighting.

General Li Ching-Lin is reported to have taken refuge in the Japanese concession, accompanied by his staff.

MANCHUS ALSO WIN

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) TOKYO, Dec. 24.—Kokusai, (Japanese news agency) advices from Mukden, Manchurian capital, say that adherents of General Chang Tso-Lin, Manchurian war lord, claimed that the warlord administered a severe blow to General Kuo Sung-Lin when he yesterday captured Paikpu, cut Kuo's lines of communication, and captured a quantity of munitions.

It is claimed that Chang's forces have already captured 12 field guns, twenty heavy guns and many prisoners. It is said that Chang has offered a big reward for the captured Kuo.

The situation is extremely confusing to Tokyo. The foreign office claims that the defeat of Chang Tso-Lin is only a matter of time while the war office says that Chang has a chance for victory.

General Nanno Matsui, for a long time adviser to Chang Tso-Lin, has returned to Tokyo, but government spokesmen deny he was recalled.

The Mukden correspondent of the Tokyo Nichi Nichi Shimbun says that the town of Singinfu, west of Mukden, was damaged by an aerial bombardment yesterday during fighting between the armies of Marshal Chang Tso-Lin, Manchurian war lord and General Kuo Sung-Lin.

Simultaneously Chang launched a general counter attack along the whole front, resulting in his right wing advancing to within two miles of Singinfu.

REBEL DECISIVELY BEATEN

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) TOKYO, Dec. 24.—Latest dispatches to the Kokusai news agency from Mukden today stated that troops of General Kuo Sung-Lin were routed along the border after having been decisively defeated by the army of Marshal Chang Tso-Lin, war lord of Manchuria.

General Kuo, formerly a supporter of Chang, against whom he revolted, is reported to have escaped disguised as a coolie in a Chinese cart. His officers are reported to be surrendering at Singinfu, 37 miles west of Mukden.

RADIO ENABLES FARMER TO BEAT THE SPECULATORS

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) BISMARCK, N. D., Dec. 24.—Installation by farmers of radio receiving sets enables them to beat the elevator man in the sale of grain, a complaint received here today by the state railroad board.

Nation's Sowing Of Winter Wheat Below The Forecast; Large Acreage Abandoned

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The area of winter wheat sown this fall is 39,540,000 acres, which is 1.96 per cent less than the revised estimate of 39,956,000 acres sown last fall the department of agriculture today announced.

The sowings in the fall of 1923 were 38,864,000 acres, and in the fall of 1922 they were 46,103,000 acres. Winter damage during the last ten years has caused an average abandonment of 10.9 per cent of the acreage sown to winter wheat. The abandonment has ranged from 1.9 per cent to 28.9 per cent in different years during that period.

The condition of winter wheat on December 1 was \$2.7 per cent of a normal, compared with \$1.0 a year ago; \$8.0 two years ago and \$4.0, the 10-year December 1st average.

The area sown to winter wheat this year and the crop percentage of some of the leading states follows:

- Nebraska 3,047,000 and 68. Illinois 2,109,000 and 67. Kansas 11,492,000 and 84. Oklahoma 4,748,000 and 87. Washington 955,000 and 67.

RUSSIA WILL NOT ATTEND LEAGUE ON SWISS TERRITORY

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) GENEVA, Dec. 24.—Soviet Russia's reported refusal to attend any disarmament conference held on Swiss soil has brought about a dramatic political situation in Switzerland.

The whole matter goes back to the assassination by Maurice Conrad, a Swiss engineer, of Vaslav Vorovsky, Soviet envoy to the Lausanne conference in May 1923 and Conrad's subsequent trial and acquittal.

Fear is expressed that Russian hostility to Switzerland as a result of the Vorovsky incident and the Soviet's repeated declarations that it will attend no conference on Swiss soil may eventually force the League of Nations to move to some city outside this country.

Conrad assassinated Vorovsky and wounded two of his companions at Lausanne in May, 1923. He surrendered to the police, justifying his act as one of vengeance for the murder of relatives by the Bolsheviks in Russia.

The assassination created a great stir in Moscow, but nothing to compare with the feeling which followed Conrad's acquittal after a trial in November, 1923. The Soviet government pronounced a formal boycott against Swiss citizens, declaring: "We shall have no trade or dealings with the Swiss and neither shall they come here nor our people go to Switzerland."

SILVER-LEAD VEIN STRIKE IN IDAHO IS WORTH 100 MILLIONS

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) IDAHO FALLS, Idaho, Dec. 24.—A thirty-foot vein of practically pure lead and silver ore has been tapped by a tunnel driven approximately 1700 feet below the outcropping on the Salmon river property of the Walker H. McGinnis Metals company of New York, representatives of the company here said today. The estimated value is \$100,000,000.

YOUTHFUL TRIO HOLDS UP SCOTTS MILLS BANK DURING NOON, BUT TIME LOCKED VAULT LIMITS BOOTY TO \$30

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) SALEM, Ore., Dec. 24.—Three youths, all of them said to be under 22 of age, at noon today made an unsuccessful attempt to rob the state bank of Scotts Mills in eastern Marion county, and held the cashier, J. O. Dixon, prisoner for 45 minutes before they were frightened away by the return from lunch of H. S. Dixon, teller.

Thirty dollars, money collected in community Christmas fund for poor children, was the only loot secured by the bandits. The three youths, all armed with revolvers, entered the bank just after it had closed for the noon hour and ordered the cashier, who was working on the books, into a back room. All of

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BROTHER RABBI DECLARE DR. WISE GUILTY OF HERESY

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Dec. 24.—Rabbi Louis Silver, chief rabbi of this city, who has just returned from a conference of orthodox rabbis of the United States in New York, said today that the recent statement of Rabbi S. Wise of New York was discussed and declared heretical and that a statement to that effect would be sent to Zionist organization with a request that Rabbi Wise be removed from the chairmanship of the \$5,000,000 fund campaign. Rabbi Wise has stated the belief that Jesus was an actual person, not a myth, and that the Jews must follow his teachings.

STATE AFFAIRS HALTING TO PAN SANTA HOMAGE

Washington Preparing for Three-Day Observance; Carols to Be Sung.

TREE AT WHITE HOUSE

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The spirit of Christmas engulfed Washington today, submerging even the important affairs of state, as Santa Claus, aided by grownups and children, made last minute preparations to be king for a day.

With congress already in adjournment unless after New Year's, the wheels of government began slowing down today for an almost complete holiday stop of three days. Although the shutdown does not become effective until the close of the days work, several cabinet members slipped out of town to spend Christmas with their families, and hundreds of employees also left their posts.

President Coolidge, busy at his desk, left the White House preparations for tomorrow to Mrs. Coolidge and their son, John, who is home from college. Nothing elaborate is planned, as they expect to spend the day in the session of the executive mansion and to have no house guests. There will be a White House Christmas tree, however, and the president and Mrs. Coolidge and decorated today, and tonight the President and Mrs. Coolidge expect to take part in a Christmas Eve ceremony at a community tree planted south of the treasury.

Coolidge to Hear Carols. The President, at six o'clock will press a button lighting the tree, and he and Mrs. Coolidge expect to remain for the singing of several Christmas carols. Later in the evening, the choir of First Congregational Church which they attend, will call at the White House to sing carols, among them "Bells of Christmas" composed by Dr. Jason Noble Pierce, the pastor, and dedicated to Mrs. Coolidge.

The day before Christmas program at Children's hospital, and ceremony at St. Peter's.

ROME, Dec. 24.—Pope Pius XI, picturesquely clad in floral robes of rich medieval design and surrounded by ecclesiastical dignitaries, today performed the ceremony of closing the holy door of the basilica of St. Peter's, the mammoth mother church of Catholicism. The ceremony, officially brought in a close the year of penitence and pardon specifically marked on the Catholic calendar once every quarter of a century.

The holy door had remained open since a year ago today when the pope was the central figure in a similar opening ceremony. Since that time more than 3,000,000 Catholic pilgrims from every corner of the world had crossed the sill and kissed the door posts of that sacred aperture as a sign of devotion and humility. Most of them likewise kissed the celebrated fisherman's ring on the right hand of the supreme spiritual leader and received medals commemorative of the holy year from the pontiff's own hands.

Cardinal Hayes of New York was a prominent figure among the cardinals at the ceremony, while the group of bishops in the procession included Bishop Lillis of Kansas City, bishop Hoban of Scranton, Bishop Drumm of Des Moines, and Bishop Lawler of Lead, S. D.

Several thousands of pilgrims, together with multitudes of Romans, men occupying high positions of state and members of the historic Roman aristocracy, composed the 7,000 persons who filled the great basilica today to bear witness to the time honored ceremony.

Nature Smiles On West. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 24.—Christmas in the west is expected to be in keeping with the spirit of the day, calm, peaceful and bright. The United States weather bureau said the sun is expected to shine all over the western land with the exception of the northernmost coast country, where a bit of a storm is brewing. The disturbance appears to be a local one however, from the coast to beyond the plains, clear, cool weather is the order, with the temperature hovering

LIVELY MEETING OF ROTARY CLUB

Today's meeting of the Rotary Club was a lively one and the committee in charge of the Christmas tree put over some fine stunts that brought roars and roars of laughter from the members. Foster Butler, Oscar Berrie, Jimmie Goodman and L. J. Barnes "did their stuff" in a way that brought much cheer to the hearts of every Rotarian. Each member received a "valuable" gift befitting his particular profession, taken from a neatly decorated tree in the banquet hall. There was a lot of good singing and the boys were rarin' to go for a good time.

The grand prize, a fine gold watch offered by President Booth to the member who had best carried out the principles of Rotary for the past year was voted to Charley McElhinny, the club's song leader. The members were loud in their praise of the services rendered by Charlie during his long term and he was the club's unanimous choice for the beautiful gift. Dexter Rice made a short talk in which he elaborated on the fine service rendered by the lucky recipient of the watch.

AUTOMATIC DEVICE FOR RECEPTION OF TELEGRAMS HERE

Telephone Exchange Completed Installation of Telegraph Printer to Speed Messages.

DRY SQUAD RAIDS NIGHT LIFE CLUBS OF GAY NEW YORK

Twenty-Day Leeway Given by Federal Attorney Holiday Boon to Celebrants.

(Associated Press Leased Wire.) NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Federal Attorney Buckner has begun his third and largest "padlock crusade" by a holiday onslaught on "white way night haunts, some of their favorite social and theatrical resorts.

At midnight last night, Deputy United States marshals, prohibition agents and police began a wholesale presentation of summonses on persons who are given twenty days in which to accept "consent decrees" or fight their cases.

The padlocking proceedings are the result of evidence previously gathered by the authorities. Several of the places proceeded against were involved in two previous drives by Mr. Buckner's office.

The twenty-day leeway, it is admitted, will not prevent any holiday plans from being carried out, but it is hoped that the proceedings will have a "moral effect."

Mr. Buckner asserts some of the cabarets, restaurants and night clubs have sent out holiday invitations which, "in broad daylight" they may have their throat slacked by a visit to the resorts.

Some of the clubs against which summonses were issued bear such descriptive names of Texas Tommy, Chummy Club, Cozy Stepin, Hop Up Club, the Charleston and the Necka Club.

EXCURSION RATES FOR SUMMER TRIPS ANNOUNCED

Announcement is made by John M. Scott, Assistant Passenger Traffic Manager, Southern Pacific Company, Portland, that low round-trip summer excursion fares to destinations throughout the United States will be in effect for the coming season.

These summer excursion tickets will be placed on sale effective May 22nd and will carry final return limit of October 31, 1926.

In discussing the low fares, Mr. Scott stated the object is to stimulate travel, which will enable many to visit their old home, who would be unable to do so if fares of this nature were not authorized.

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