

Madame Chiang Kai-shek Has Faith That Nationalist China Will Win

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Madame Chiang Kai-shek still has faith in Nationalist China's ability to cope with the life and death crisis created by the southward sweep of the victorious Communist war machine. The first lady of China made this statement to me in the course of a conversation I had with her in New York.

Madame Chiang has no doubt that the Nationalist forces will defeat the communist armies in the southern theater and ultimately will reclaim the territories lost in the north. How long will this great operation require? She doesn't know; she is only sure that it will be achieved. In support of this belief she recalled that during the war with Japan the Chinese armies were forced back to approximately the same line they now hold—and flung the invaders back.

She feels certain that the people of China as a whole do not believe in communism or trust it, though many are submissive to it now because of circumstances over which they have no control. She envisages a new China which will come through moral and spiritual rehabilitation.

She is returning home to resume her place beside her husband in the attempt to make these things come true. She has absolute faith in Gen.

eralissimo Chiang Kai-shek. She is furious over aspersions cast on him recently in this country.

My meeting with Madame Chiang was at the home of her brother-in-law, H. H. Kung, the Chinese statesman and international banker. She has been in America for some months on a mission which, I think, may be described as that of unofficial interpreter at this tragic moment in her country's history. In any event she has had conversations with many prominent people, including President Truman and General George Marshall, and rather obviously has been presenting the urgency of what is happening in China.

Madame Chiang is, so to speak, going to get back into military uniform. She long has been

known as her husband's right hand—his wisest and most trusted adviser and his best ambassador. Many times she has won over hostile regimental commanders to his side. She even has gone into the war zone with money to pay troops who were on the verge of mutiny.

Gen. George C. Marshall New Red Cross Chairman

WASHINGTON, Sept. 23.—(AP)—President Truman announced Thursday that Gen. George C. Marshall is being appointed chairman of the American National Red Cross.

He said Basil O'Connor, long time chairman, is resigning. The changeover will take place Oct. 1, Mr. Truman said.

Reading Workshop Dated For Douglas Teachers

Douglas county elementary teachers will attend a reading workshop at the Roseburg elementary school Thursday and Friday, Oct. 13 and 14. Arrangements were made by Kenneth Barneburg, county school superintendent, in cooperation with the general extension division of the State System of Higher Education.

Victor Phelps, field representative and assistant professor of education for the extension division, will coordinate the course, assisted by a staff of specialists from Southern Oregon College of Education at Ashland.

About 315 teachers are expected to attend.

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HAPPY AFTER JUDGE ACQUITTED—Judge Robert Carpenter (left), his 82-year-old father, R. C. Carpenter (center) and stepdaughter Barbara, 20, stand among group of well-wishers shortly after a jury at Atlanta, Ga., acquitted Judge Carpenter of attempted murder in the shooting of his one-time business associate, Attorney John Lockwood. The jury freed Carpenter after 59 minutes deliberation.—(AP Wirephoto).

Be Careful With Fires, Cigaretts, Urge On Hunters

M. M. Nelson, Umpqua National forest supervisor, today issued an early warning to hunters, asking that they take extreme care with fires and cigarettes during the coming deer season.

Nelson said that easterly winds are now prevailing in the higher altitudes throughout the county. He said this constitutes a future fire hazard because of the extremely drying nature of the winds.

He warned hunters and others in the woods about smoking and lighting, warming or cooking fires. "This east wind will pick up any untended fire or sparks and whip them into a large blaze in no time," Nelson said. The east winds, not noticeable in the valley, have already forced several logging companies to stop operations, he said.

American Architect Disappears In Poland

WASHINGTON, Sept. 23.—(AP)—An American architect has been missing mysteriously in Poland for more than a month. The State department twice has asked Poland to explain.

This was disclosed last night by a State department official. He identified the missing man

as Hermann H. Field, 38, director of building plans for Cleveland college, downtown branch of Western Reserve University, Cleveland.

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