

# LI AGAIN BECOMES CHINA'S PRESIDENT

Executive Forced Out by Militarists 5 Years Ago.

## EXECUTIVE IS CALLED

Republican Parliament Takes Action and Makes Request for Resumption of Office.

PEKIN, June 11.—(By the Associated Press.)—Li Yuan-Hung, who five years ago was forced out of the presidency of China by the militarists, arrived here today and resumed the post of the nation's chief executive. Li came from Tientsin in response to the call of the revived republican parliament, which recently met there, that he again assume the direction of China's affairs.

President Li Yuan-Hung issued his first mandate shortly after assuming office today, appointing as premier Wu Ting-fang, former minister to the United States and since 1917 one of the strongest supporters of the Canton government's struggle against what it termed the militarism of the north.

Acceptance Is Understood. It is understood that Dr. Wu Ting-fang has accepted the premiership. In the meantime President Li has designated Dr. W. W. Yen, foreign minister under the last premier, Liang Shih-yi, to assume the post of acting premier until Dr. Wu's arrival from Canton.

The unification of China is declared in official circles here to have been brought considerably nearer by Wu Ting-fang's acceptance of the premiership. It is contended that Dr. Sun Yat-sen, president of the republic of South China, in whose structure Wu has been a consistent pillar of strength, will be unable much longer to maintain a separate government.

Proponents of the re-united China programme count on Wu to swing many of Sun's supporters to the new Peking government, which already has the backing of a large bloc of the revived republican parliament, as well as that of General Wu Pei-fu, conqueror of Chang Tso-lin and the outstanding military figure of the country.

Visit to Peking Expected. It is expected that in the near future members of the old republican parliament resident in Canton will come to Peking as the result of Wu's assumption of office at the head of the cabinet.

Wu Ting-fang has been an active enemy of the Peking government since 1917, when Li Yuan-Hung was forced out of the presidency by the militarists and the republican parliament dissolved. At that time he resigned the premiership to throw the weight of his support to the struggle of the southwestern provinces against the militarists of the north.

He has consistently backed the Canton government's battle for the restoration of the republican parliament, a programme which is one of President Li Yuan-Hung's most prominent administrative plans.

It is understood here that President Li obtained Dr. Wu's acceptance of the premiership before leaving Tientsin.

Li Is Backed by Wu. Li's return to the presidency was sought by Wu Pei-fu, chief of China's military men, as well as by the revived republican parliament, but the elderly Chinese statesman declared himself reluctant to leave his retirement to re-enter turbulent political seas at Peking. On being importuned, he said he would undertake the responsibility if all the tuchuns and high inspecting commissioners would resign immediately, accompanying him to Peking to confer on the welfare of China.

It was the tuchun, or military governor, system that brought about the downfall of Li's presidency in 1917.

In an appeal to the tuchuns, Li said: "I am willing to sacrifice myself, but if this programme be not adopted, the extinction of the nation is before our eyes. It is my inclination to stay until death in this my home. I have no more desire to see the people of the world. I am old."

What ambition I have is only to see remission, and I would lay down my life to bring it about a day earlier."

General Li Yuan-Hung, ex-president of China, who was living in retirement in Tientsin when Wu Pei-fu sought to induce him to resume the presidency, was born in 1864 in Hupeh, and was graduated from the Peking naval college, Tientsin. He served on a cruiser during the China-Japan war and after the war assisted in the training of modern troops at Nanking and Wuchang.

Fortifications Are Studied. From Wuchang he went to Japan to study fortifications, an undertaking to which he devoted two years. He became a major of cavalry on his return and later held several commands. As General Li, he was in charge of the Chungteh maneuvers in 1915.

He accepted command of the revolutionary forces in 1911, albeit somewhat reluctantly and directed their operation against the forces of the imperial government. At the conclusion of hostilities, General Li arranged the Shanghai peace conference which settled the terms of the abdication of the emperor.

After the abdication of the Manchu Li was elected vice-president of the new Chinese republic. Concurrently he was appointed chief of the general staff and tuchun, or military governor, of Hupeh, with headquarters at Wuchang. He was re-elected vice-president of the republic in 1917, and at the request of President Yuan Shih-kai was relieved of his tuchunship and went to Peking to reside. It was said that Yuan feared that Li might revolt against him.

Presidency Taken in 1916. Li became president of China at the death of Yuan in June, 1916. He resigned July 1, 1917, when General Chang Huan carried out his coup d'etat and restored the Manchu emperor to the throne. The restoration was of brief tenure and the republic was re-established by Marshal Tuan. But General Li refused to resume his office as president of China and was succeeded by General Feng Kuo-chang. He later retired to Tientsin.

While in retirement his influence still was strongly felt and his assistance repeatedly was sought when the republic found itself in difficulties. He had previously firmly resisted efforts to bring him back into active political life.

## NEWLY CHOSEN PREMIER OF JAPAN.



BARON KATO.

## RICKENBACHER IN CRASH

ACE IS FORCED TO ABANDON 15,000-MILE FLIGHT.

Aviator Leaves on Train for San Francisco With Harding's Message to Shriners.

OMAHA, Neb., June 11.—Eddie Rickenbacker, around the country flight ended abruptly early today when his large all-metal plane crashed while attempting to take off from the air field here for Denver.

None of the Rickenbacker party was injured. The plane took off the local field and when only a few feet in the air the engine stalled and dropped the machine to the ground, nose first. The propeller and landing gear were demolished and the plane so otherwise damaged that Rickenbacker was forced to abandon the contemplated 15,000-mile flight around the country for the purpose of making an industrial and aeronautical survey of the United States.

Rickenbacker, who carried a message from President Harding for the Shriners' convention at San Francisco, left this morning for that city by rail to deliver the message. In an official statement Rickenbacker attributed the cause of the accident to the lightning which struck the plane at Detroit last Thursday.

"I am through with commercial aviation for the time being," Rickenbacker said. "There is not a plane in the United States fitted to make such a long tour. The plane we were flying was the nearest approach and it fell short."

Today's accident to the huge plane was the third since it was struck by lightning at Detroit. After the party left Detroit the plane was forced down at Ypsilanti, Mich., and then again near Dexter, Iowa, Friday afternoon.

Eddie Stinson, holder of the world's endurance flying record, who was piloting the ship at the time of the crash this morning, said that the plane was a "Sam Blair of Chicago, newspaperman, and Theodore Lovington, mechanic, were the members of the Rickenbacker party."

## COLONEL LOVELAND DIES

Member of California Railroad Commission Succumbs.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 11.—(Special.)—Colonel Harvey D. Loveland, 69, member of the state railroad commission, died at his home, 1538 Bay street, this afternoon after an illness of three months. Death was caused by blood poisoning, as a result of diabetes. Colonel Loveland is survived by his widow, a son, W. J. Loveland of Berkeley, and a nephew, Harvey A. Loveland of Oakland.

In the point of service, Colonel Loveland was the dean of public utility commissioners in the United States, having been continuously since 1907 a member of the California railroad commission. He served as president of the Trans-Mississippi Commercial congress, achieving signal success.

OTHER SUSPECT SOUGHT. One Chinaman Under Arrest for Astoria Tong Shooting.

ASTORIA, Ore., June 11.—(Special.)—While both the police and sheriff's departments have been working steadily on the case since yesterday, the second man implicated in the murder yesterday of Seid You, a member of the Bing Kung-Bow Leong tong, has not been found.

The chief suspect of the Hip Sing tong at Seattle, was arrested last night near Warrenton. He was still in custody today and formal charges probably will be filed against him tomorrow. He has been identified by persons who saw the slayers as one of the assassins.

VETERANS TO ENCAMP. Gathering Wednesday to Precede Oregon Pioneers' Session.

The Indian War Veterans will meet in their annual encampment Wednesday at the Pythian temple, 388 Yamhill street. This is the gathering which always precedes the meeting of the Oregon pioneers. The public is invited to the afternoon session.

A large committee will have charge of the banquet. The committee includes the following:

Table—Miss Minnie Bishop, Mrs. Anna

## BARON KATO TAKES OFFICE AS PREMIER

Pledge Made to Enforce Arms Treaties.

## SEIYUKAI GIVES SUPPORT

Majority Party in Diet Is Behind New Government Leader.

TOKIO, June 11.—(By the Associated Press.)—Admiral Baron Tomomaburo Kato, head of Japan's delegation to the Washington arms conference and minister of the navy in the recently resigned Takahashi cabinet, today accepted the premiership.

Kato's non-party cabinet came into power with the avowed intention of carrying out the Washington arms conference agreement in spirit and to the letter.

The sole condition upon which Admiral Kato assumed office was an agreement by the war department to cut down its estimates by 40,000,000 yen. Retrenchment will be the keynote of the new premier's policy.

The cabinet chosen by Baron Kato was confirmed officially at 10:40 o'clock this morning. It contains several members of the cabinet of ex-premier Takahashi and includes seven peers.

Seiyukai Gives Support. The Kato cabinet assumes the helm of Japanese statecraft with the support of the Seiyukai, or majority party in the diet, to which the last premier, Viscount Takahashi, belonged, and the backing of the majority in the house of peers. The support of both is declared to be pledged with the understanding that neither is to exert undue influence on the new cabinet head.

Baron Kijuro Shidehara, ambassador to Washington, who recently returned temporarily to Tokyo on account of his health, is reported to have been offered the portfolio of minister of foreign affairs. This post in the Takahashi cabinet was held by Viscount Yasuya Uchida. The vernacular press, which at the outset bitterly opposed the Kato-for-premier movement on the ground that the admiral's selection would be unconstitutional, now appears inclined to support him.

Admiral Baron Tomomaburo Kato, who today took up the mantle of premiership laid down by Viscount Koriyoko Takahashi, is 61 years of age, or three years older than Li Yuan-Hung, the veteran Chinese statesman who almost at the same hour assumed the presidency of the republic of China.

Kato Born in Hiroshima. Admiral Kato was born in Hiroshima prefecture in 1871. Like President Li of China, he turned to a naval career early in life. Both graduated from their country's naval academies, but while Kato continued his life on the sea, Li transferred to land service. Both saw active service on opposing sides during the Chinese-Japanese war.

The new Japanese premier entered the Russo-Japanese war as a rear-admiral, chief of staff of the first squadron of the Japanese navy with the decoration of the second-class order of the Golden Kite. In 1906 he entered the Saito ministry as vice-minister of the navy, became a vice-admiral and commander of Kure naval port. In 1913 he was named commander of the first squadron and at the outbreak of the world war he participated in hostilities as commander of the battleship Settsu.

When the Okuma cabinet was partially reconstructed in 1915, Kato took over the navy portfolio, which he has retained ever since throughout the lives of the Terauchi, Hara and Takahashi ministries.

ALLEGED KILLERS FREED. Men Accused of Murdering Wenchatchee Man Acquitted.

WENATCHEE, Wash., June 11.—Everett Bozarth and Ray Bigelow, charged with the murder of John Weber here last November 26, were found not guilty here at 5:15 P. M. today by a superior court jury which had deliberated 22 hours.

The defense was an alibi, evidence of presence of "mysterious stranger" in the vicinity at the time of the murder having been introduced to support it. This was the second trial, the first resulting in jury disagreement.

School to Sell Property. CENTRALIA, Wash., June 11.—(Special.)—The Centralia school board yesterday called for bids for the sale of the old Primmer home, located on school property, at the corner of Iron and Walnut streets. The bids will be opened June 24. The proceeds of the sale will be used to remodel the manual training building so it will also house the domestic science department. This keeping several rooms in the high school and relieve congested conditions in the building. The school board at its regular meeting Friday night voted to prohibit the use of the high school athletic park for Sunday baseball.

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## MR. PROCTOR IN CITY

SCULPTOR TO PARTICIPATE IN STATUE DEBATE.

Designer of Roosevelt Memorial Prefers Block of Marble for Mounting of Bronze.

A. Phinister Proctor, sculptor, from whose hands the equestrian statue of Theodore Roosevelt is to be presented the city by Dr. Henry Waldo Coe, will emerge, arrived in Portland late last night and will assist in a conference today for the purpose of deciding on the base the huge bronze will be mounted upon.

Mr. Proctor said he was not fully cognizant of the details of the discussion which has arisen concerning the base of the statue. He was en route to California and decided to come to Portland to have a hand in the final decision. He explained that he had submitted a model of the statue to two New York architects, who drew plans for him of suitable bases.

He said he preferred one of California granite, not more than eight feet high and simple in design. A certain amount of carving, he declared, would enhance the statue and that he hoped he would be able to persuade the interested parties to adopt the design he favors in order that it will be in absolute keeping with the sculptor's conception of what the finished work should be.

He reported that retouching of the final model was completed and certain parts of the statue had already been cast when he left New York. It should be finished and shipped in time to reach Portland about the middle of July, he added.

## SIX WHO SAVE

(Six little character sketches from the teller's window.)



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—and then she confessed.

"Well, it's just a little savings account in your name that I sometimes drop a dollar or so into. I started the habit when you were a baby."

—and so I have two accounts at my own window now, and some day I hope to do something fine for Mother with the one of them.

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One is close to life at this window. Somehow when I go home at night I feel that all's well with the world.

(The End.)

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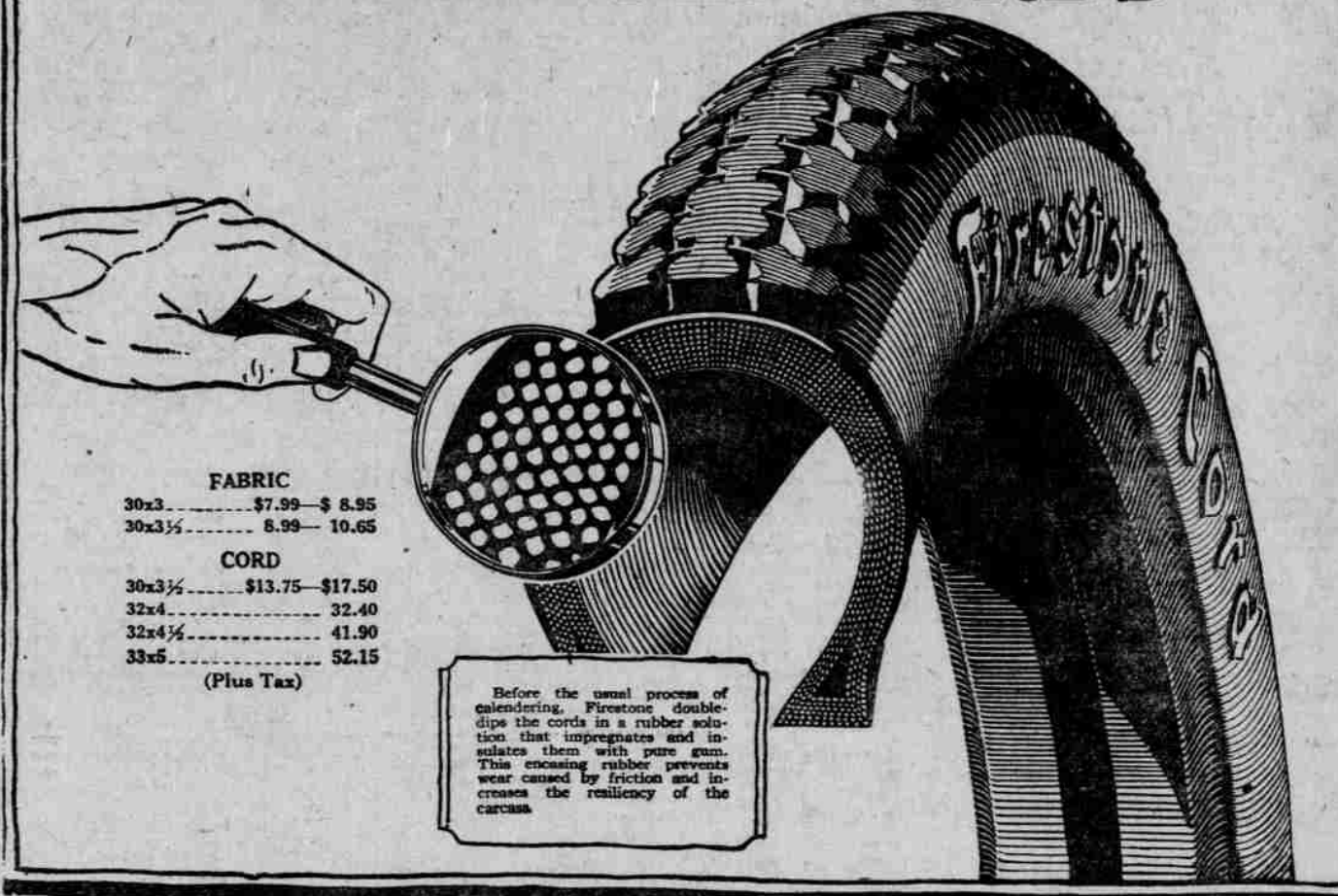
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