

CHINESE FACTIONS BATTLE NEAR PEKIN

Japanese Interference Is Considered Likely.

MANY WOUNDED ARE SEEN

Main Railway Line Blocked by Battling Orientals in Civil Warfare.

PEKIN, July 16.—(By Wireless to Tien Tsin—By the Associated Press.)—Fighting between troops of the rival factions occurred today at Kwanhun, 30 miles south of Pekin. Numbers of wounded are arriving here. The city itself is quiet but wire and rail communication with Tien Tsin has been interrupted.

The mediators, sent out in an effort to reconcile the contending parties, have returned to Pekin, their mission having failed.

TIEN TSIN, China, July 16.—(By the Associated Press.)—The foreign military commanders here arranged today to dispatch a train during the afternoon to Yangtsun, on the railway line to Pekin, to investigate the situation caused by the hostilities between the Anfu and Chihli parties.

Japanese Interference Likely. The Japanese, it is stated, are anxious to occupy the railway and prevent the transport of Chinese troops. The effect of such a movement, it is pointed out, would be to save the Anfu troops from attacks by the Chihli and Manchurian armies and the other forces in the region.

The Pekin-Tien Tsin railway line is blocked by troop trains between Yangtsun, 30 miles northwest of Pekin, and Lofa, 20 miles further up the line.

Reports of the fighting received here are of the most conflicting character. The train with the investigating party left in the afternoon. It had on board American, British, Japanese and French detachments.

Commander Says Retreat Forced. Proceeding in the direction of Yangtsun, it stopped at Pieshan, where the commander of the Chihli forces was found. The commander stated that he had been forced to retreat by the insistence of the Japanese troops posted at Yangtsun that he remove his troops and guns to a distance of two miles either side of the railway, the effect of which was to create a gap of four miles in his front.

To avoid a Chino-Japanese incident, he added, he was compelled to retreat to Pieshan.

The train proceeded to Yangtsun, where the Anfu troops and the Japanese detachments were found. The Japanese commander, it is stated, admitted giving the order told of by the Chihli commander. The Japanese officer said the proximity of the Japanese troops endangered his post. He did not appear to consider the presence of the Anfu forces in the same light.

The Chihli forces from Paoingfu, it is announced in reports received today, attacked the Anfu troops in that region and drove them back 10 miles with heavy casualties.

An active recruiting movement on the part of the students is in progress here.

JONES FILES FOR OFFICE

Seven Candidates Announced for State Positions.

OLYMPIA, Wash., July 17.—United States Senator Wesley L. Jones today filed with the secretary of state his declaration of candidacy for re-election.

Seven additional candidates for state offices also filed declarations as follows: Clifford L. Babcock, of Port Angeles, for state treasurer; Judge John Truax of Kitsap, for judge of the superior court of the district composed of Adams, Benton and Franklin counties; Judge H. W. B. Bowen of South Bend, for judge of the superior court for Pacific and Wahkiakum counties; Judge D. F. Wright of Olympia for judge of the superior court of Thurston and Mason counties; H. E. McKenney of Kelso for judge of the superior court of Clatsop, Skamania and Klickitat counties, and H. D. McMillen of Ephrata for state senator from the first district, comprising the counties of Okanogan, Ferry, Douglas and Grant. All filed as republicans.

125,000 ASK LICENSES

Total Number of Motorists to File Expected to Be 150,000.

SALEM, Or., July 17.—(Special.)—Approximately 125,000 applications for motor vehicle drivers' licenses have been filed in the offices of the secretary of state today. Based on the present motor vehicles registration records of the state, it is predicted that between 150,000 and 200,000 applications for these licenses would be filed in his department.

Although a large force of clerks are busy checking up the applications it is not believed that all of the licenses will be issued before August 15. Obtaining of these licenses is made incumbent on drivers of motor vehicles under a law passed at the special session of the legislature last January.

FLIGHT TO BE RESUMED

Planes Bound for Alaska to Take Air at 10 o'Clock Today.

ERIE, Pa., July 17.—The four government airplanes blazing an air mail trail to Alaska will leave here at 10 o'clock Sunday morning for Grand Rapids, Mich., second stop on the 9000-mile journey. Three of the planes arriving here Thursday were piloted this afternoon by Captain St. Clair Street, commander of the flight, who had been detained at Elmhurst, Pa. by a broken axle.

Examination of the commander's plane here showed that the wings had been slightly damaged when he was forced to land at Elmhurst.

TOURIST CAMP PROMISED

Springfield to Equip Grounds for Summer Travelers.

to this end were adopted at a meeting of the Springfield chamber of commerce Friday night. A stove, fuel, water and light will be supplied on the vacant half block at the west end of Main street.

The local chamber has voted to affiliate with the state chamber of commerce. Springfield was the first town to subscribe its quota of funds in the recent drive for the state chamber.

The housing problem here will be taken care of by the chamber. The enterprise of the American Legion and the Loyal Legion of Loggers and Lumbermen in bringing the Chautauque to Springfield again next year was commended by the chamber.

CLARKSTON IS REAL DRY

LEWISTON WATER CARTS TAKE FLUID TO NEIGHBORS.

Pipe Lines Lost in Storm and City Will Not Get New Supply for Week.

LEWISTON, Idaho, July 17.—(Special.)—With the crew working over time to relay water by a pipe line to Clarkston, Wash., that city is still suffering from a water famine today.

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VANCOUVER WORKERS VOTE TO AFFILIATE

League to Send Delegates to Yakima Conference.

SECRET SESSION IS HELD

Opposition Develops to Plan to Join Forces With Alliance in State-Wide Movement.

VANCOUVER, Wash., July 17.—The Workers' Non-partisan league of Clark county tonight voted to affiliate with the Triple Alliance and send five delegates to the conference next week at Yakima between the Triple Alliance, Farmers' Non-partisan league, Railway Workers' Welfare league, Independent Voters' league and the Committee of 48.

The meeting was held behind closed doors, but reports indicate that the session was stormy, much opposition developing to the affiliation plan.

The fight for participation in the movement to place a state ticket in the field, along with the affiliated organizations, was led by Mr. Short, who advocated abandonment of the unit rule of voting in the alliance.

An labor has by far the greater number of members it is thought going away with the unit rule will give labor control to the detriment of the farmers and railroad workers.

The nature of the instructions given the delegates to the Yakima conference was not announced by those who attended the meeting.

The various bodies which will meet at Yakima next week will hold separate sessions, but it is planned to bring about unified action through conferences. By this means it is proposed to line up all of the organizations represented for the ticket which it is planned to place in the field.

COLONEL SLADEN GOES UP

FORMER OREGON MAN MADE BRIGADIER-GENERAL.

Service in France Brings Honors to Army Officer Well Known Over Northwest.

Another former Oregon resident, Colonel Fred W. Sladen, has just been promoted to the rank of brigadier-general in the regular army, according to word received here yesterday.

General Sladen is a former Portland resident who has been connected with military affairs in the state for more than 20 years. He saw active service in France during the world war and was decorated with the distinguished service cross and the distinguished service medal for bravery.

He has been serving with the army of occupation in Germany and is still stationed there. He was stationed in Washington, D. C., early in the war, was secretary of the general staff abroad and later a general in the national army.

After graduating from West Point, he went to Vancouver barracks as a second lieutenant, more than 20 years ago, and during the Spanish-American war was a first lieutenant, serving with General Otis as an aide-camp. He was a captain at Vancouver barracks for a few years, and was stationed at various points throughout the United States.

His father, Major J. A. Sladen, was on General Oliver O. Howard's staff, in command of the department of the Columbia, and was stationed at Portland and Vancouver barracks.

For a time Major Sladen was connected with the 14th infantry and then retired and entered business in Portland.

RAILWAY MEN IN POLITICS

Congressional Slate to Be Offered Political Bodies.

YAKIMA, Wash., July 17.—Forest L. Hudson and H. Alvin Moore of Seattle, respectively president and secretary of the Railwaymen's Welfare league, arrived here today to prepare for the convention of the league to be held tomorrow for the purpose of nominating a congressional slate for presentation on Monday to the state conventions for the Triple alliance, Non-Partisan league, committee of forty-eight, Workers' Non-Partisan league, Private Soldiers' and Sailors' legion and Independent Voters' league, all of which will be in session here on Monday.

The railwaymen, it was said today, expect to adopt a platform similar to that of the Triple alliance, "welfare" platform adopted last year. Their nomination of candidates will be confined to candidates for congress and these they will endeavor to have the other conventions endorse. The candidates they expect to nominate, according to their leaders, are: First district, William Schreiber, Seattle; second district, C. E. Brower, Everett; third district, Homer T. Done of F. E. Morrill, Tacoma; fourth district, F. H. Sylvester, Pasco; fifth district, H. Sylvester Garvin, Spokane.

Umbrella Jimmy, Age 100, Loses His Home.

Questionable Eloquence Causes Court Order to Move.

UMBRELLA JIMMY, centenarian, who has lived in Portland since it was a village, yesterday joined the army of home-seekers by causing his neighbors had him arrested on a charge of using profane language.

"That place is nothing but a hornet's nest, anyway," he told Municipal Judge Rossmore, "and I like the neighbors any better than they like me."

"Umbrella Jimmy's" real name is James Sheridan, and he was born in Cork, Ireland, March 4, 1820, when the Oregon country was still under the sway of the Hudson's Bay company. He came to Portland when it was a mere string of houses along Front street, and watched it grow to a large city.

As he was years rolled by "Umbrella Jimmy" patched umbrellas and indulged his habit of "plain talk," as he calls it, until his conversation was not what modern society calls elegant. Finally Mrs. Sadie Antonson and Mrs. Pearl Brown, who live close to his home at 14th and Broadway streets, swore out a warrant for him, charging him with using profane and abusive language.

"Sure I talk plain, Judge, yer honor," pleaded "Umbrella Jimmy,"

when he appeared in court. "But I'm an old man, Judge, yer honor, and sure you'll not be puttin' me in jail for that."

"But we are entitled to some protection," insisted the complainants. "Yes, and I'd leave ye alone there tomorrow if it wasn't for me winter's wood bein' in."

"How much is the wood worth?" demanded Judge Rossmore, who was anxious to settle the quarrel amicably.

"Six dollars, at the least, Judge, yer honor," snapped the old man. "Wish I could get a winter's wood at that price," muttered the judge, as the complainants agreed to let the wood at that figure if the umbrella-mender would move.

PROBE SPLITS COMMITTEE

ANGEL ISLAND "DIRTY HOLE" CHARGE AT ISSUE.

Japanese Youths Who Served Overseas With U. S. Army Testify to Investigators.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 17.—A sharp division of opinion as to whether conditions at Angel Island immigration station were as bad as one member of the house immigration committee painted them and the views on assimilation of two young American citizens of Japanese parentage, who saw service overseas, were the center points of interest in today's session of the committee.

Several members of the committee objected vigorously to Representative Isaac Siegel's assertion that the station was "a dirty hole" and "the worst station in the country."

The committee members all showed great interest when Chairman Johnson called forward a group of young American-born Japanese, men and women, Kyoshi, who were first witnesses, said he was a private, first class, in the 347th field artillery.

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His story was one of education in a family that became Christianized many years ago, his parents having come to this country in 1855.

Mr. Tagasaki and his sister, Miss Kazuo Tagasaki, of their education in American public schools, supplemented for a short time in their early childhood by Japanese schools. Americanization work, he said he did, consisted of visits to the Angel Island immigration station, Suisun, in prison, "to see how humanely the Americans treat their prisoners," studies in American ideas, lectures by prominent American citizens and visits in homes of Americans.

Japanese schools in California, about which the committee asked many questions, gave instruction only in the Japanese language, as far as he knew, he said. As permanent institutions, he declared he opposed them but considered them a necessary connecting link between the generation of Japanese at the present time.

T. N. Slocum, who described himself as the only Japanese sergeant-major in the American overseas force, said he served in Sergeant Alvin York's regiment and had a brother in the Canadian army who was killed at Vimy ridge. His English name came as the result of adoption in an American family in North Dakota many years ago.

Mr. Slocum said his father was the only Japanese who ever patented a home-made in this country, it being named Manitou, N. D.

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Only What Is Right

-That's All We, the Dairymen Who Produce the High Quality of Milk You and Your Children Drink, Ask

Much has been said recently regarding the milk situation in Portland. That the milk consuming public of Portland may understand and judge the issue more clearly, they should know who the contending factions are and what they represent.

We, the dairymen, 2051 in number, comprise the Oregon Dairymen's League, as a non-profit association organized under the laws of the State of Oregon for the purpose of promoting, fostering and encouraging the business of producing and marketing our own milk co-operatively, and for reducing speculation and collectively handling the problems of dairymen.

The other faction is the distributors, whose business is simply the handling and distributing after we, the dairymen, deliver it to them in Portland.

Our price to the distributor is slightly less than 7 cents, out of which we pay haulage and freight charges.

The distributor's price to you is 15 cents, giving him a gross profit of over eight cents.

Recently the distributors raised the price of milk 1c per quart. Their reason was the increased cost of production. We, the dairymen who produce the milk, did not receive any of this advance, in spite of the fact that we are the ones who pay increased cost of production.

No Fair-Minded Person Will Ignore or Attempt to Minimize the Fact That the Great Burden and Risk Are Assumed by the Milk Producer.

For Instance: Investment in Ranch, Horses and Barns. Investment in Cows, Calves and Bulls. Investment in Machinery and Vehicles. Labor for Operating Farm and Dairy. Taxes, Insurance, Etc., on Buildings and Farm. Maintenance of Fences, Buildings and Machinery. Accidents, Disease and Death of Livestock. Failure and Damage to Crops.

If we must continue to accept a loss on our milk, then we are going to deliver direct to the consumer, so that the consumer may benefit.

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CONTRACTOR LOSES SUIT

COUNSEL TO APPEAL CASE TO OREGON SUPREME COURT.

Decision Dissolves Restraining Order Against Use of Court-house Fund.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., July 17.—(Special.)—Judge Hamilton of Roseburg, in the suit of J. M. Dugan, contractor, against Klamath county and the county court, today decided the case against the contractor, who sued for \$90,000, alleged to be due for a short time by E. A. Streblov of Sumner, Wash., who is here for that purpose.

This firm will be established at the suggestion of the officers of the Puyallup and Sumner Fruitgrowers' association, which operates the big cannery here. Some local men took stock in the enterprise and it is planned to develop a place where proper methods of growing and cultivating various fruits and berries will be displayed.

Several Seek Re-election. KELSO, Wash., July 17.—(Special.)—The first filings for county officers of Cowell county were made yesterday by R. A. Davis, auditor; L. P. Brown, treasurer; Hite Imus, clerk; W. M. McCoy, assessor, and John Hoggatt, sheriff, all of whom are seeking re-nomination on the republican ticket. C. C. Ruffalon of Kelso filed for the office of representative. William Sogari, attorney, and Joseph Gardner, superintendent, will probably resign soon. Frank G. Barnes, senator, will likely be a candidate for re-election, and John Bogart of Woodland will seek that office. H. E. McKenney of Kelso wants to be judge of the superior court district comprising Cowell, Klickitat and Skamania counties. Mr. McKenney formerly served as judge. Judge Darch will not seek re-election.

Chechalls Candidates File. CHEHALIS, Wash., July 17.—(Special.)—Herman Allen, incumbent, and Otto J. Albers, today filed for the office of county attorney. Both are Chechalls men. E. C. Bechley filed for re-nomination as county engineer, and Robert Somerville filed for re-nomination as commissioner from the First district. All are republicans.

Philadelphia Tennis Stars Win. PHILADELPHIA, July 17.—Wallace F. Johnson and Samuel W. Pearson, Philadelphia, won the middle states doubles tennis championship here today.

France Honors Air Pioneers. LEMANS, France, July 17.—The monument here to Wilbur Wright commemorating his first public flight at Lemans and the pioneer work of him and his brother Orville, their predecessors and contemporaries, was dedicated by prominent French and Americans today.

Progressives Pledge Support. WASHINGTON, July 17.—After running through an accumulation of more than 2500 congratulatory letters and telegrams, Franklin D. Roosevelt, democratic vice presidential nominee, announced today that more than a

third of them were from progressive republicans, pledging their support of the democratic presidential ticket.

Obituary. RAINIER, Or., July 17.—(Special.)—Ell Davis, a civil war veteran, 75 years old and a resident of Rainier for the past 12 years, died in a Portland hospital yesterday and will be buried here tomorrow afternoon under the auspices of the Masonic lodge.

EUGENE, Or., July 17.—(Special.)—Mrs. Marceline Whittaker, a pioneer of the Siuslaw valley and for many years a resident of Eugene, died at San Diego, Cal., a few days ago and the body will be brought to this city for interment. She was aged 71 years. She is survived by two daughters and two sons, Mrs. Willard Wheeler and Mrs. W. H. Talbot of San Diego; William Whittaker of Seattle and Wesley Whittaker of Mapleton.

Credit Men Picnic. One hundred and twenty-five members of the Portland Credit Men's association, with their wives and families, picnicked all day yesterday at Canemah park, near Oregon City, a baseball game between the "rats" and the "hims" being the feature of the programme. In charge of the day's entertainment was H. J. Parr. In the evening the merry-makers gathered around a large campfire and sang, while dancing was also a feature of the night's festivities. The special train which conveyed the gathering

to and from the picnic left the city at 1:30 P. M. and returned at 10:30 P. M.

They're Nailed!

Ask to hear The NEW EDISON

which backs this challenge (reprinted from an advertisement by the Edison Laboratories).

We are informed that the representatives of talking-machine manufacturers have stated that they are able to distinguish between a singer's voice, or instrumental performance, and the New Edison RE-CREATION of such voice or performance.

We hereby