

CHINESE IN BATTLE ALONG WIDE FRONT

Cannonading in Civil Warfare Is Heavy.

ARMIES ARE CLOSE TO PEKIN

Southern Naval Squadron Is Taken by Sun Yat Sen.

VESSELS ARE BOMBED

Craft Near Canton in Whampoa River Are Targets of Explosives. Foreigners View Fighting.

PEKIN, April 28.—(By the Associated Press)—Civil war in China started yesterday with heavy cannonading in the neighborhood of Pekin. The armies of General Chang Tso Lin, military governor of Manchuria, and General Wu Pei Fu, military leader of central China, who is contending for the mastery of China's internal affairs, opened fire along a wide front.

As near as it is possible to estimate, the front extends from Machang south of Tien-Tsin, on the Pukow railroad, across the country westward to the city of Tientsin, on the Peking-Hankow railroad, thence northward to Chang Sientien, 12 miles south of Pekin.

Squadron Reported Captured.

According to dispatches from Shanghai, the forces of Sun Yat Sen, head of the South Chinese government, have captured the entire southern naval squadron.

The attack on the vessels which resulted in their surrender was carried out by aircraft in conjunction with southern Chinese troops. The air-craft bombed the vessels at Pak Wu-tun, 20 men being killed and 30 others wounded on board the cruiser Hai Chi in the initial attack, the reports stated.

Later there was a further bombing attack on the vessels near Canton in the Whampoa river. Hai Chi and the other craft attacked surrendering. The squadron captured, the reports stated, included the cruisers Hai Chi and Hai Chen, the gunboats Chu Yu, Yang Peng, Yu Chang, Yung Hsiang, Fel Ting, Fu An and Young An and the training ship Chaoho.

Ultimatum Is Blamed.

The hostilities along the Machang front were said to have been due to an ultimatum from General Wu Pei Fu giving Chang Tso Lin 24 hours to evacuate Pekin and withdraw his troops from Mukden. The ultimatum was ignored.

Hostilities were opened at Machang with artillery. Almost simultaneously cannonading began at Chang-sientien. Wu Pei Fu, who controls the Peking-Hankow railroad, is transporting troops from the Yangtze with a view to turning Chang Tso Lin's west wing, located at Chang-sientien. It is believed that Wu Pei Fu designs to drive Chang Tso Lin's forces from about Pekin.

The fighting near Chang Sientien centered around the river crossing known as the Marco Polo bridge. Pekin was awakened at dawn by the sound of cannonading which continued throughout the day.

Firing Heard Distinctly.

Foreign residents who mounded the city wall could hear the firing distinctly. From the western hills outside the city, where many summer homes are located, the fighting at Chang Sientien was witnessed by numerous civilians.

Most of the foreigners returned to the city on the advice of the legations. They were also advised to display their national flags, and this was done particularly by the Americans.

One hundred and fifty American bluejackets and marines have arrived to reinforce the legation. The total

SUICIDE LEAVES ALL TO COMMUNITY CHEST

ACT OF CHARITY LAST DEED OF GEORGE W. M. JOHNSON.

Aged Watchman, Who Was Weary of Life, Gave Entire Estate to Aid City's Charges.

An act of charity was revealed yesterday when the will of George W. M. Johnson, 62-year-old suicide, came to light and it was found that the solitary aged man had left everything he owned to the community chest. Johnson committed suicide by making his room at the Cadillac hotel air-tight and turning on the gas.

Before Johnson turned the gas on, however, he wrote the coroner a brief note, asking him to turn over all his belongings to the Portland community chest. Investigation disclosed that he had a \$200 savings account in the First National bank and life insurance, the amount of which has not yet been ascertained.

CUPID LAUNCHES DRIVE

Exodus of June Brides Threatens to Disrupt State Office.

OLYMPIA, Wash., April 29.—(Special)—Wholesale exodus of June brides is threatening to disrupt to a considerable extent the working force of the state license department. To date six diamond rings have made their appearance on engagement fingers of young women members of Director Dibble's force, and it is strongly rumored that two more rings have been presented and accepted but the recipients have not yet mustered courage to join the ranks of wearers.

COMPOSER'S MIND BROKEN

Brain of Famous Italian Is Believed Unstrung.

ROME, April 29.—Rome newspapers announce that Father Lorenzo Perosi, the famous composer of church music and former conductor of the Sistina chapel choir, has lost his mind. The Epoca says a pathetic sight was witnessed in the streets yesterday of the composer giving away his money. He distributed a total of 70,000 lire, the paper said.

Perosi began to lose his health after the death of Pope Pius X and that he now is "merely a shadow of the great genius he was."

Father Perosi was the composer of numerous oratorios. He also wrote many masses. He is 50 years old.

GIRL IS BURNED TO DEATH

Clothing of Daughter of Sawmill Operator Catches Fire.

GOLD HILL, Or., April 29.—(Special)—Miss Mabel Herman, 8-year-old daughter of Charles V. Herman, sawmill operator in the Gold Hill mill, was fatally burned when her clothing caught fire Thursday afternoon and she died a few hours later.

She was playing alone at the sawmill furnace when she was discovered by her mother, who extinguished the flames by plunging her into a trough of water. The child was fatally burned from head to foot.

PHILIPPINES DRY FOR DAY

Liquor Ban for Registrations and Elections Goes Into Effect.

MANILA, P. I., April 29.—The Philippine archipelago is dry today for the first time in history under a law passed by the last legislature prohibiting the sale of liquor on registration and election days. The drought will last until tomorrow and there will be another dry spell next Friday and Saturday, which are also registration days.

The prohibition applies alike to saloons and private clubs.

WHITEHOUSE BARS CHILD CRUSADERS

Harding Refuses to See Bedraggled Party.

DAUGHERTY GREETS VISITORS

Chance of Clemency for Fathers Is Small.

REPENTANCE HELD NEED

Leaders of Pilgrimage Consider Staying in Capital Until Heard by President.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 29.—(By the Associated Press)—Arrival in Washington today of the "children's crusade," composed of children and wives of 114 men in federal prisons for violation of war laws, was marked by an announcement from the White House that the delegation would not be received by President Harding.

Checked somewhat by the failure to see the president, the "children's crusade," 37 strong, also got little encouragement from Attorney-General Daugherty as to recommendation for executive clemency and were uncertain tonight of their next move.

There was some talk that Mrs. Kate Richards O'Hare and other leaders in the American Civil Liberties Union, the organization having in charge the wives, mothers and children of the prisoners they have come all the way to Washington to release from prison, would attend the president's church tomorrow with their charges in the hope he would hear their appeal.

Some Tots Already Tired.

There is some disposition on the part of leaders to send some of the children back home, but keep a party of about 15 here "until we get action." Some of the bedraggled tots already are tired.

Arriving in Washington early this morning, the party, composed mostly of children under 12 or 13 years of age, reached the White House gates shortly before 11 o'clock, to be told that there was little possibility that the president would see them. The police stationed at the gates informed them of the regulations against carrying banners inside the grounds and the placards were left outside.

Before their arrival, Secretary Christian announced to newspapermen that the president would not see the crusaders, but that they would receive "every consideration" from Attorney-General Daugherty.

Ray of Hope Given Woman.

A ray of hope for at least one mother and her son loomed when Mr. Christian announced to newspapermen that the president would not see a small delegation from the party composed of Mrs. O'Hare and Miss Mary G. Fendall, well known locally in social work, had explained that proper procedure would be to see the attorney-general and that he would make an appointment for them.

The attorney-general, after listening to the appeal made by Mrs. O'Hare, announced he was "opposed to a general amnesty," but would take up "each case individually when application is made and give careful consideration on its merits." In any action that he might take, Mr. Daugherty added, he would give great weight to the question whether the prisoner was sufficiently impressed by his punishment and with the laws of the land he had violated.

GIGGLING WOMEN NOW CROWD BARBER SHOPS

MERE MAN IS FORCED FROM LAST PLACE OF REFUGE.

RADIO TO SEND OUT CHURCH PROGRAMME

SACRED MUSIC AND SERMON TONIGHT'S OFFERING.

PROPERTY VIEW FINAL

Russia Cannot Afford to Concede Anything in Matter of Private Holdings, It Is Said.

BY ARTHUR E. HAUSMAN.
(Copyright, 1922, by The Oregonian.)
UNION HILLS, N. J., April 29.—(Special)—Man—mere man—has been forced from his last place of refuge, the barber shop.

Ludwig Becker, boss barber of this thriving little New Jersey town, came to the wise conclusion some time ago that bobbed hair was no mere fancy for women, that it was a mode that would endure and that hair-bobbing was an art to be studied with extreme care and great earnestness.

Now Ludwig no longer bothers with the plebeian haircut or the matutinal shave. He just hasn't the time, that's all. And the inoffensive male of the species who chances to wander into Ludwig's shop, crowded with women and girls, is greeted with a glance of astonishment and derision, just as a few short years ago the man would have greeted a woman in a barber shop, and is further embarrassed by much giggling and whispering. Small wonder it is, then, that men are growing fewer and fewer in Ludwig's place.

Instead there come to the shop stately society matrons, cooks, domestics, stenographers, high school girls, flappers, finale hoppers and shifters—from many cities and towns, for Ludwig's reputation among the women has spread far and wide.

So Ludwig cares not for the loss of his male patronage. Business is so good that he has had to increase his force of assistants and is even

Monday, Tuesday and Friday of this week, the regular nights for broadcasting from The Oregonian tower, three excellent programmes of radio entertainment have been arranged. Monday and Friday nights the entertainment will include at the beginning of the hour a children's

Church services and sacred music will be sent broadcast from The Oregonian radio tower again tonight as the regular Sunday night programme given between 7 and 8 o'clock. This will be the third weekly religious service to be transmitted by radio from The Oregonian.

It will consist of a service of choral evensong rendered by the choir of St. David's Episcopal church, East Twelfth and Belmont streets, with a sermon by the rector, Rev. Thomas Jenkins. The organist and choirmaster will be Tom G. Taylor.

STRIKERS ATTACK 20 SHIP WORKERS

About 50 Union Men Reported in Gang.

GLASH ATTRACTS SPECTATORS

Police Not on Hand and Fight Rages for Time.

STRIKE ON WEEK NOW

Waterfront Employers Prepare to Accommodate More Men as They Are Obtained.

About 50 pickets of the striking longshoremen's union attacked about 20 non-union workmen at East Water and East Morrison streets shortly after 6 o'clock last night. Some of the strikers were beaten, though a majority of them made their escape. The melee halted traffic moving across the bridge and drew a crowd of spectators.

It was said the workmen decided to leave terminal No. 2, where they had been engaged in loading the steamer Admiral Farragut, before time for the entire force to be transported. A few pickets immediately in front of the dock gate did not act, but it was declared that whistle signals brought other pickets from near-by points for the attack. The fight worked unchecked. One non-union worker had his coat pulled over his head so that his arms were useless and his face was badly pummeled.

Strike Begins Week Ago.

Today marks one week since the serenity of the waterfront was broken by the strike of union longshoremen. Their places have been filled, at least in part, by non-union workers, and this has been followed by numerous developments and clashes that at times have produced a tense situation. The early part of yesterday was passed with only one serious incident, that of a non-union worker being burned by oil of mustard thrown in his face. Both sides were resting last night.

Injunction to Be Asked.

An application for an injunction against picketing in such numbers as employers recite constitute intimidation and against nonunion workers being interferred with in a physical way will be asked by the waterfront employers tomorrow.

The employers declared that in undertaking to replace the regular longshoremen during the week they have been successful, inasmuch as vessels have been unloaded and dispatched to London men pointed to the loss of time in taking care of the vessels, due to limited gangs and inexperienced men, as a costly plan.

As to the situation in general the action of Mayor Baker Friday, in naming a committee of the longshoremen's union to make a detailed report to him of the causes and effects in the water-front controversy, was followed yesterday by the naming of S. M. Mears, president of the Portland Cordage company; J. P. Newell, of Newell, Gossett & Walsh, civil engineers; and John F. Logan, attorney and member of the civil service commission, as a citizens' committee to delve into the matter.

Mayor Baker was led to name such a committee, through concern as to effect of the labor difficulties on

PROFESSOR ACCEPTS BRYAN BIOLOGY PRIZE

COMMONER SHOWN UP, SAYS UNIVERSITY MAN.

WEST VIRGINIA EDUCATOR DECLARES BELIEF IN BIBLICAL MIRACLES AS WELL AS EVOLUTION.

MORGANTOWN, W. Va., April 29.—Dr. P. C. Spangler, professor of botany at West Virginia university, today said he had decided to accept the \$100 sent him under protest by William Jennings Bryan, as a reward to any college professor who would harmonize the Darwinian theory of evolution with the Bible.

In a letter to Mr. Bryan the professor called upon him to retract a statement that the biologist was "guilty of cowardly evasion."

Accepting the check, Dr. Spangler wrote: "I hardly expected to win the prize. However, I am glad I undertook it since I was able to show even you how untenable your stand is where you insist on interpreting the facts of biology as you do."

The five new questions submitted to Professor Spangler by Mr. Bryan were answered in the letter. To the first question, as to whether he believed he descended from an ape, Dr. Spangler said: "No; the biologists of today do not teach that man descended from the ape of today, and no one believes it except those ignorant of the facts of biology."

"Yes" was his answer to the other questions, which were:

"Do you believe in biblical miracles?" The supernatural as recorded in the Bible; The virgin birth; Resurrection of Christ and his appearance to his disciples?"

FORESTERS DISCUSS PLAN

Methods of Apportionment Are Considered at Conference.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 29.—Methods of apportioning among the states federal funds for co-operative protection of forest lands against fire were discussed today at a conference between foresters from 25 states and officials of the forest service. The federal government now contributes \$400,000 yearly toward the cost of maintaining state systems of protection and more than 200,000,000 acres of forest land is now receiving some form of fire protection through the co-operation of state and federal forest officials.

The states represented at the conference included Oregon, Washington, Idaho, California, Maine, Massachusetts, Iowa, Minnesota, Montana, Texas and Wisconsin.

GENERALLY FAIR SLATED

Forecaster Says Showers Probable in Pacific States.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 29.—Weather outlook for the week beginning Monday:

Rocky mountain and plateau regions—Considerable cloudiness; normal temperatures and occasional showers.

Pacific states—Generally fair and normal temperatures, but with a probability of occasional showers in Washington and Oregon.

LOVE IS WON BY POISON

Sweethearts Quarrel; Girl on Operating Table Wins Back Lover.

FEORIA, Ill., April 29.—"I'm glad I did it," Edith Shores, 19-year-old girl, said today at a local hospital, where she was recovering from poison taken last night after she had quarreled with her sweetheart, Thomas Ford.

"He came to the hospital and held my hand while I was on the operating table, and he's coming back to me," she said. "There was another girl."

MAN CRAWLS HALF MILE

Farmer With Broken Leg Drags Himself Across Field to Home.

DALLAS, Or., April 29.—(Special)—While working with a tractor on his farm, five miles from Dallas, Earl Tidd sustained a broken leg.

He was alone in the field at the time and dragged himself for a half mile to the house, where a physician was summoned from this city.

GENOA CONFERENCE

IT LOOKS AS IF THEY NEED US ALL RIGHT!

I AM UNALTERABLY OPPOSED TO WOMEN ENTERING POLITICS!

IT MIGHT BE A GOOD THING AFTER ALL

AND THEN HE READ LADY ASTOR'S SPEECHES

DEPORTATION FOR ALIEN NARCOTIC VENDORS

WHILE WERE ABOUT IT WE MIGHT SEND HIS COUSIN ALONG TOO

THE FIRST TIME DAD HAS HAD HIS PICTURE TAKEN FOR YEARS

WELL HERE I AM WITH 17 MILLION ASSORTED GERMS STICKING TO ME—I THINK I'LL SETTLE DOWN HERE AND RAISE A FAMILY OF ABOUT 37,000,000

GET OUT THE FLYSWATTER

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