

Unbelievable Tales Come From Impoverished Area

Innocent Women and Children Pawns of Warlords of North and South China Battle for Supremacy in Yangtze Provinces

HANKOW, China, Oct. 7.—(AP)—Out of Wuchang, central China's bottomless pit of war, where hunger, pestilence, suffering and death ride their Apocalyptic mounts, 12,000 women and children of the beggar and impoverished element have come bringing with them almost unbelievable tales of the hardships that was theirs in the beleaguered city.

Too humble even to be of value as pawns in the great war game waging for control of the Yangtze valley provinces, the refugees were delivered over by the beleaguered northern army to relief expedition bearing the Red Cross emblems, sent to effect the release of the worse sufferers among the civilian population. The higher classes of the civilian population were not permitted to depart.

An earlier attempt to succor non-combatants failed when the ships of the rescuers were fired on and forced to turn back but Sunday and Monday of this week the opposing forces permitted them to go and in two launches and several lighters they were transported here to the ministering offices of charitable institutions.

The plight of the northern forces in the city, invested by the Cantonese, is desperate say those who were saved. Military as well as civilians are starving. The soldiers killed and ate the livestock early in the siege. Tree roots and leaves went next and lately the people in their desperation have been eating dogs, cats and rats. The streets are littered with bodies, and if there were any able or minded to bury them it would not be in coffins for these have been riddled with sand and used as barricades.

Late despatches reported Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang marching to the relief of the besieged garrison.

VAUDEVILLE ACTS ON PROGRAM TODAY

Elsinore Theatre Offers a Sparkling Comedy to Salem Theatre Public

Five acts of vaudeville and a sparkling comedy picture entitled "Paris at Midnight," fill the Elsinore theatre program today with many entertaining features.

Five beautiful girls in the flowing gowns and powdered wigs of the Colonial days present one of vaudeville's most novel musical offerings under the caption of Cameo Five present "Melodious Moments." Three harps, a violin and cello round out the musical feature.

"Uptown People" is the title of Manny Smith and Nat Cantor's act, offer humorous selections sprinkled with well seasoned original songs rendered in close harmony style.

Wright, Douglas & Kelsey will

liced that the young Rumanian prince had a hole of considerable size in the heel of one of his socks. Every time he took a step the hole showed plainly above his oxford shoes. It afforded considerable amusement to some of his friends and a little chagrin to others.

OREGON FESTIVAL PLANS COMPLETE

Representatives of 155 Institutions in Nation Will Be Present

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Oct. 7.—(Special)—Plans to make the Semi-Centennial celebration, October 18-23, an event of national importance are certain to be successful, announced Dr. James H. Gilbert, general chairman today.

With the event little more than a week away, representatives from 155 institutions in all of the country have accepted invitations. In addition to distinguished educators who will appear on the programs of the various conferences on vital contemporary problems, more than 22 college presidents from universities in all parts of the United States will be here to witness the inauguration of Arnold Bennett Hall as the fifth president.

Never officially inducted into the family of University buildings, Deady hall, first building on the campus, will be dedicated at a special program on Friday afternoon, October 22. This event especially is attracting attention of alumni, among whom will be the two surviving members of the first class of 1878, Judge Robert S. Bean of Portland, and Ellen Condon McCormack of Eugene. On Friday also will be the memorial to the first president, John Wesley Johnson. Hundreds of alumni will be attracted here by the big alumni meeting Saturday morning, at which Dr. Hall will speak.

Among the noted speakers at the Semi-Centennial will be Dr. Clarence Cook Little, president of the University of Michigan; Dr. Frederick L. Paxson, professor of history at the University of Wisconsin Historical Society, both of whom are noted historians; Dr. Frank L. McVey, president of the University of Kentucky; Dr. Henry Suzzalo, president of the University of Washington; Dr. Arthur Crane, president of the University of Wyoming; and many other authorities in their particular fields.

With approximately 4500 invitations out to citizens of Oregon, it is expected that, if the weather is fair, the inaugural exercises will be held on Hayward field. If it rains, the attendance will have to be limited so the Woman's building may accommodate the crowd.

Excluding students, it is expected that about two to three thousand persons will attend the various programs of the Semi-Centennial ending in Homecoming on Saturday.

Steady demand for loggers in all fir-producing Northwest. Several big Oregon mills working two and three shifts.

SALVATION ENSIGN DELIVERS SERMON

"Christianity's Meaning" Is Topic for Scripture Interpretation

Following is a recent sermon delivered by Ensign Pitt of the Salvation Army:

"But he ye doers of the Word and not hearers only."—Jesus.

About the best interpretation Christianity can have is the life we live. Thoughts, words, actions, yes—but mostly actions, or the things we do. Or, to put it tersely, one might say that Christianity is service, simply because all of Christ's life can be summarized or summed up in that one meaningful word. His mission was to serve, and that he did with wholehearted zeal to the last step of His life's journey and the last drop of His blood. We read not of His having been linked up with any creed or dogmatic teaching of His day—only that He observed the commandments handed down in the ancient Mosaic law; but we do know, however, that the Son of God went about doing good to all, irrespective of who it was to whom the good was done. Christ gave a new interpretation to the law of Moses when, condensing it into one short but matchless statement, He commanded to "love the Lord, thy God, with all thy heart, and thy neighbor as thyself." The Ten Commandments still hold, but how well are they all embodied in that one simple command of the Lord Jesus. For if we sincerely try to love our neighbor as ourselves, we will certainly not seek to do any of those things against which we are enjoined by the decalogue.

Jesus saw that the people of His time were governed or controlled too much by law and too little by love, and so He set Himself to the task of teaching them the law of love in terms of practical service, for to love is to serve. Moreover, He gave them the Golden Rule (Matt. 7:12), and then consistently conformed to it in His own life. Whoever makes that simple teaching the rule of his life has truly found Christianity.

It is significant to note that the lives of Christ's closest followers, His disciples, were dedicated in service to others—Peter, James, John, and others of whom we have record. Indeed, that they should have become servants of all was but a natural sequence to their calling by the Galilean; He could have no other purpose in choosing them than that they should perpetuate the ministry already begun—the ministry of service to God and man alike. Inward with the spirit of their lowly Master, it was possible for these humble men to go about doing good to all just as it is likewise possible for us to do the same today.

What the present world has need of is more of this law of love, in divinely directed service. We have enough other laws, God knows—enough creeds, dogmas, or doctrines to save a world, if such things could save it. But the world, despite all these, is yet a long way from being in that state which might liken it unto the kingdom of heaven, where

only peace and goodwill should abound, and consideration of others should come before thought of self.

Christ calls for more "doers"—practical workers instead of professional followers. But there is a condition to be met and complied with before one can serve in the noblest sense, even as He served.—It is this: "If any man would be My disciple, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me." Following Christ means loving and serving.

ZANE GREY EPIC AT OREGON TODAY

"The Vanishing American," Stars Richard Dix as Indian Chieftain

The final epic of the American Indian reached the screen at the Oregon Theatre today in Paramount's picturization of the Zane Grey story, "The Vanishing American," which features Richard Dix, Lois Wilson, Noah Beery and Malcolm McGregor.

Here is a picture of indefinable heart-appeal, of glorious action and of eternal romance. "The Vanishing American," adapted for the screen by Lucien Hubbard and directed by George B. Seitz, treats of a subject near to the hearts of all of us—the passing of the Red Man. There is no part of American history that is more romantic, more interesting, more epochal in quality than the story of the first Americans—the Indians.

The story treats of the subject of the Red Man in his last stand against civilization in the same manner that the crossing of the Western plains was handled by James Cruze in "The Covered Wagon." It is the most important production that has ever been attempted for the screen, made in the same sweeping manner as its former great companion productions, "The Covered Wagon," "North of 36" and "The Thundering Herd."

Klamath Falls—Construction begins on 1100-foot viaduct, to cost \$120,000.

PRICE ON WALNUT CROP ANNOUNCED

Selling Agents of Oregon Growers Say Supply Sold or Contracted

PORTLAND, Oct. 7.—(AP)—Open prices of the Oregon walnut crop were announced here today. Announcement also was made by selling agents of the Oregon growers that the entire crop had been sold or contracted. The prices were as follows: Jumbo Franquettes, 32c; large Franquettes, 28c; medium Franquettes, 25c; Jumbo mayettes, 29c; Jumbo Oregon, 29c; large Oregon, 26c; medium Oregon, 22c. Opening prices on filberts ranged from 18c on Barcelonas to 22c on Du Chillys.

DINNER STORIES

A bashful young man was courting a girl, but he was so backward in his love making that she began to grow impatient. Finally, one night, while they were taking a walk he summoned up courage to put his arm about her. "Do you think I'm making progress?" he hesitantly asked. "Well at least you're holding your own," was the reply.

"I wish," said the little invalid who was being washed in bed, "that I need never, never have to be washed again."

"I'm afraid," said mamma gently, "that as long as you have me to take care of you, you'll have to reconcile yourself to be washed thoroughly every day."

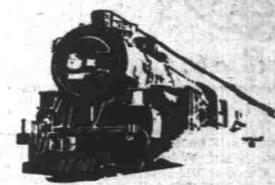
The invalid pondered for a moment. "Then," said she, "I shall marry very early."

A mule auction took place in a ring enclosure, access to which was by one small gateway, and considerable amusement was caused among the onlookers by the

efforts of the men in charge of the animals to get them to go through it. One mule especially seemed obstinately bent on doing anything and everything but pass through that gateway. "Want any help?" shouted one of the bystanders, as the mule-driver rested a moment. "No," answered the driver, "but I'd like to know how Noah ever got TWO of these blighters into the ark."

He had called on her twice a week for six months, but had not proposed. "Ethel," he said, as they were taking a moonlight stroll one evening, "I am—er—going to ask you an important question." "Oh, George!" she exclaimed, "this is so sudden. Why, I—" "What I want to ask you is this," he interrupted, "What do you have on and your mother decided upon for our wedding?"

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