

## BRITISH SOLDIERS ROUTE CANTONESE

### Chinese Forced to Return Steamer Commandeered on Yangtze River.

Shanghai.—Cantonese nationalist troops and British soldiers clashed on the Yangtze river above Kiukiang when the Chinese commandeered a British river steamer. A British destroyer briefly went into action, routed the Chinese and recaptured the vessel.

Faced with the threat of a new general strike if the foreign concessions of Shanghai are not turned over to the Chinese, foreign residents and refugees crowded within the settlement waited tensely for expected attacks by native mobs.

The U. S. S. Perry and Ford and seven Japanese cruisers swelled the total of foreign ships anchored off the city and 700 Japanese troops were landed to help in the defense of the settlement. Japanese residents met to consider advisability of evacuating Shanghai.

Agitators constantly attempted to incite the Chinese in the native city to attack the "foreign devils" in the settlement. The plea to storm the barricades met little open response, but crowds of natives milled about the barbed wire protecting gates, a constant threat to those within.

The inside of the foreign settlement presented a picture of war and terror. Armed troops were constantly on duty at barricades and barbed wire entanglements about the settlement. Bugle calls at night warned residents to be aware of appearing on the streets. Chinese were permitted to enter and leave the settlement only after they were thoroughly searched.

## BORAH COMMITTEE NOT YET DISSOLVED

Washington, D. C.—The senate foreign relations committee may function this summer, after all, investigating the Mexican, Nicaraguan and perhaps Chinese situations.

Senators delving into the volume of senate rules have come across an almost forgotten resolution adopted in 1921, providing that the regular standing committees "shall continue and have power to act until their successors are appointed."

On the basis of this authority, Chairman Borah, who unsuccessfully sought at the last session to obtain authority for the committee to go to Mexico and Central America, is expected to issue an early call for a meeting of the committee with a view to authorizing a sub-committee to act. With the retirement of Senators Pepper, republican, Pennsylvania, and Laproot, republican, Wisconsin, those favoring inquiries into the Mexican and Nicaraguan situations would be in control. Whether a majority of the committee would come to Washington in response to a call is an open question.

## CHANG DEFIES POWERS

### Chinese War Lord Says Aspirations Cannot Be Checked by Warships.

Shanghai, China.—The foreign powers cannot send enough warships to China to suppress the aspirations of the Chinese people, says a statement issued in the name of General Chang Kai-Shek, the Cantonese commander-in-chief, who has arrived in Shanghai. In his opinion the Nanking affair was finished, as all the foreigners were out. He regarded it as merely an isolated incident.

The vigorous threat by the American and British naval commanders that Nanking would be bombarded unless foreigners beleaguered in the city were escorted to safety was followed by the safe appearance of the Americans on the waterfront. With the death of one American missionary and the wounding of an American woman definitely reported, stories of brutality by uniformed Cantonese soldiers against American women, vandalism, outrages and wanton destruction were received from the war-torn city.

### 68 From Transport Sent to Hospital.

San Francisco.—Sixty-eight patients, passengers of the army transport Chateau-Thierry, were received at Letterman general hospital, Presidio of San Francisco, shortly after the vessel docked. These were the victims of an influenza epidemic that broke out aboard the transport after it left the Panama Canal zone. Bodies of the four dead were removed to the post for burial.

### Wool Rate Quiz Wanted.

Washington, D. C.—The interstate commerce commission was asked by the Boston Wool Trade association to reconsider its refusal of last January to order railroads and ship lines to make joint through rates on wool via the Panama canal from the Pacific to the Atlantic coast.

## MRS. A. H. REEVE



Mrs. A. H. Reeve of Philadelphia, national president of the National Congress of Parents' and Teachers' Clubs.

## MEXICAN BORDER MAY SEE LIQUOR FLOOD

Washington, D. C.—Texas and other states near the border may be flooded with contraband liquor and drugs from Mexico as the result of the termination of the anti-smuggling pact.

A huge increase in the personnel of the border patrol will be necessary to prevent a return to the "wide open" smuggling days which followed the advent of prohibition, officials declared.

This was the situation facing the government when the anti-smuggling treaty ended by notice of the United States after being in force just one year.

Its termination means that Mexico will no longer be required to notify this government of plots to ship "prohibition importations" across the Rio Grande.

While the treaty was in effect, the Mexican government actively cooperated with officials of the United States in enforcing the law by giving advance information wherever possible, of proposed consignments of liquor or drugs to this country. This made it an easy matter for American officers to intercept the contraband at the border.

## SHORT NEWS NUGGETS

Elmer S. Landes of Wooster, O., resigned as a member of the federal farm loan board effective May 1.

Robert Naylor of Boise was unanimously chosen as president of the National Forest Wool Growers' association, when the sheep men met in Boise, Idaho.

A woman is to represent the United States at an international conference of economists in London. She is Miss Annabel Mathews, a member of the treasury department's legal staff.

Leo Crow-Ghost, a grandson of Sitting Bull, famed Indian who played a leading part in the Custer massacre, has joined the United States cavalry and is stationed at Fort Meade, South Dakota.

The United States government has sold the Diaz conservative government of Nicaragua 3000 rifles, 200 machine guns and 3,000,000 rounds of ammunition to prosecute its battles against the Sacassa liberal revolutionary forces.

### Pension Payments Not to be Delayed.

Washington, D. C.—The plan worked out for payment of the May and June pension payments by Controller General McCar and Director Lord of the budget will be put into effect by President Coolidge. As a result of the failure of congress to appropriate money pension payments will not be interfered with between now and July 1, when additional funds will be available.

### Jail Lock Yields to Harmonica Key.

Port Orchard, Wash.—With the aid of a key fashioned from the brass parts of a harmonica, Gordon G. Hutton, 19, held on a charge of attempted murder, escaped from the county jail here. Hutton was jailed two weeks ago when he was alleged to have attempted to shoot and kill Eugene Wilson, a state highway patrolman.

### Filipino Rule Opposed by Thompson.

Cleveland.—Complete independence for the Philippines is impossible at this time, and, from the standpoint of American commercial interests in the far east, the United States would be doing an unwise thing to relinquish control of the islands now, Carmi A. Thompson, Philippine investigator, declared in an address here.

### Rebels and Federals in Hard Fight.

Mexico City.—Sixty rebels were killed and 100 captured and 34 federal soldiers were killed and 20 wounded in a fierce combat at Cerro Picachos, state of Jalisco, last week. It is reported in dispatches from Arrandas.

## MILLION PAID FOR AUTOMATIC CAMERA

### Young Russian Socialist Gets Large Check for His Invention.

New York.—A check for a round million dollars was shoved across the polished table of a hotel sitting room here into the hands of a young Russian socialist, who in his days of hunger and hardship had invented an automatic camera to enable the public to photograph itself as simply as it buys its chewing gum, and in such the same way.

Transfer of the check marked the entry into the slot machine portrait photograph business of several leaders in the financial world.

Among the men represented in the transaction were Henry Morgenthau, ex-ambassador to Turkey; James G. Harbord, president of the Radio Corporation of America; John T. Underwood, president of the Underwood Typewriter company, and Raymond B. Small, ex-vice-president and general manager of the Postum Cereal company.

The syndicate of business men gave the \$1,000,000 check to Anatol Josepho, the Russian, for all his rights in a machine that delivers a strip of eight finished photographs, each 2 by 1 1/2 inch long, and all in different poses, eight minutes after the sitter has dropped a quarter in a slot.

Besides purchasing the rights to his invention, the directors of the company have retained him as vice-president and technical adviser.

He was born in Omsk, Siberia, 31 years ago.

## D'AUTREMONT IN JACKSONVILLE JAIL

Medford, Or.—Hugh DeAutremont, 23, youngest of three brothers accused of the murder of four men in an attempt to hold up a train in the Siskiyou mountains 3 1/2 years ago, has been lodged in the county jail at Jacksonville.

Thus ended a peregrination that began in flight from the scene of the crime (Hugh has admitted the flight but not the crime), and took the young outlaw with a price on his head to Chicago, thence to Manila in the armed service of the country which was hunting him, and back in frons to Jacksonville county, where the trail began.

Meanwhile Hugh's divorced parents, Paul DeAutremont of Eugene and Mrs. Belle DeAutremont of Lakewood, N. M., estranged for years, but now bowed by a common grief and united in concern for the only one of their four sons known to be alive, met in a Medford lodging house and later went to the jail at Jacksonville, where they talked with their boy and pledged him their undivided support.

## ROAD BUDGETS LARGE

### Washington Spends \$18,620,000 and Oregon \$15,000,000.

Washington, D. C.—Oregon will spend \$15,000,000 on road construction this year, including state and local highways, the federal bureau of roads announced.

The Oregon program is said to include 252 miles of road to be built by the state highway department, of which 125 miles will be earth improved, 125 miles sand-clay gravel and macadam, and two miles asphalt, concrete or brick.

The bureau estimates indicate that the state of Washington will build 385 miles of road this year at state expense and that state and local expenditures combined on highways will total \$18,620,000. Idaho is expected to spend \$9,250,000. Idaho is expected to spend \$3,250,000 in all and to construct 145 miles of state highway.

### Chile to War on Alien Oil Exploit.

Washington, D. C.—Another oil land controversy similar in many respects to that presented by Mexican laws, was envisioned by officials when notification was received that the Chilean congress had passed a law declaring all oil lands belonged to the state. American investments in Chile are large.

### N. J. Town Bars Knickered Women.

Collingswood, N. J.—Any female who wears knickers in this town will be liable to a fine of \$200 or 90 days in the "hoosegow." The borough council has a "vice and immorality act" which, among other things, forbids anybody to appear on the street in garb not customary for his or her sex.

### Auto Pilot Hits 166-Mile Pace.

Daytona Beach, Fla.—Speeding under unfavorable course conditions, Major H. O. D. Segrave, British driver, set a new unofficial American straight-away record of 166.51 miles an hour for a mile on the Ocean Beach speedway here.

## EZRA BRAINERD, JR.



Ezra Brainerd, Jr. of Oklahoma, named a member of the interstate commerce commission by President Coolidge.

## ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE SPENDS \$13,000,000

Washington, D. C.—Expenditures of the Anti-Saloon league in educational and political campaigns during the first six years of national prohibition approximated \$13,000,000, figures made public by the senate campaign funds committee show.

The national organization expended \$3,430,285 and had receipts of \$3,428,829, leaving a deficit of nearly \$2000. Most of this money went into the smaller states to assist the state organizations which had only small local incomes.

Of the states in which the league has large organizations, New York took first rank in the matter of outlay, the total cost being placed at \$1,738,810. Illinois ranked second with \$1,200,599. These were the only two states in which expenditures exceeded the million-dollar mark.

## HAYNES DRY DIRECTOR

### Ohio Will Assume Active Control of Prohibition Enforcement.

Washington, D. C.—Roy A. Haynes of Ohio again is to have active charge of prohibition enforcement. Effective April 1, he will be acting head of the new prohibition bureau, with wider powers than at any time since he was named prohibition commissioner in 1921.

He has held that post since, working under the directions of the internal revenue bureau, but for several years practically has been a figure-head. With legislation passed in the closing days of the last congress, providing for a prohibition bureau, instead of a subordinate unit, Secretary Mellon put Haynes in charge of it.

At the same time he announced the appointment of Ernest W. Camp, of Michigan, acting chief of the customs division.

### Continued Exile of Kaiser Requested.

Berlin.—The continued banishment of the kaiser beyond July 1 of this year, when the present banishment expires, was demanded in a letter sent to former Premier Marx by the Prussian government. The Prussian government hints that it has information that the kaiser is planning to return as soon as the present law expires.

### Oregon Motor Licenses Bring \$5,153,782

Salem, Or.—Gross receipts derived by the state of Oregon through the sale of motor vehicle licenses and motor vehicle operator registrations during the six months period ending March 15, 1927, amounted to \$5,153,782.51, according to a report issued by the secretary of state.

## THE MARKETS

### Portland.

Wheat—Big Bend bluestem, \$1.34 1/2; hard white, federation, soft white, western white, hard winter, \$1.32; northern spring, \$1.31; western red, \$1.29.  
Hay—Alfalfa, \$18.50@19 ton; valley timothy, \$18@18.50; eastern Oregon timothy, \$21@21.50.  
Butterfat—45c.  
Eggs—Ranch, 19@23c.  
Cheese—Tillamook, triplets, 26 1/2c; loaf, 27 1/2c per lb.  
Cattle—Good, \$8.50@9.65.  
Hogs—Medium to choice, \$10@12.75.  
Sheep—Lambs, medium to choice, \$11.00@13.00.

### Seattle.

Wheat—Soft white, \$1.33; western white, northern spring, \$1.33 1/2; hard winter, \$1.33 1/2; western red, \$1.30; Big Bend bluestem, \$1.35; Big Bend dark northern spring, \$1.36 1/2; Big Bend dark hard winter, \$1.36.  
Hay—Alfalfa, \$25; timothy P. S., \$22.  
Butter—Creamery, 44c.  
Eggs—Ranch, 25@30c.  
Hogs—Good, \$12.50@12.65.  
Cattle—Steers, choice, \$9.00@9.75.  
Cheese—Cream bricks, 25@26c; triplets, 26c; loaf, 26c.  
Spokane.  
Hogs—Good, \$12.35@12.40.  
Cattle—Steers, good, \$8@9.00.

## OREGON STATE NEWS OF GENERAL INTEREST

### Brief Resume of Happenings of the Week Collected for Our Readers.

August Rossi, prominent citizen and a member of the city council, dropped dead in Beaverton last week.

Six veins of coal, one running six feet in width, have been opened on the John Day river, 23 miles west of Canyon City.

Approximately \$40,000 will be expended in improvements on the Oregon national guard's new encampment grounds near Gearhart.

The forest service will construct 31 miles of new telephone line in the La Grande section of the Umatilla national forest this summer.

The Klamath country lost one of its earliest pioneers when Martin R. Frain, 94, died at the home of his son, W. L. Frain, of Topsy, Or.

J. H. Jensen, 60, farmer, residing in the Lewis and Clark district near Astoria, died while driving an automobile between Astoria and his home.

There will be no increase in the salaries of Salem school teachers next year, according to a decision reached by directors of the school district.

Silver Falls Timber company camps, which opened a week ago, were forced to close again because of the heavy snows which fell during the past week.

By an overwhelming vote of about 13 to 1, a \$300,000 bond issue has been authorized by the taxpayers of Union high school district No. 2 at Klamath Falls.

A decision to hold a celebration in Hermiston some time this spring to mark the completion of McKay dam was made by the Hermiston commercial club.

The operating revenue of the Valley & Siletz Railway company during the year 1926 was \$259,799, according to a report filed with the public service commission.

Following what he thought was a coyote that had been after his turkeys, Orb Lowell at his place near Harrisburg last week, shot and killed a blue Arctic fox.

Early gardening is going on at Sweet Home. Several farmers have cabbage plants three inches high, lawns are being mowed and a general clean up is in progress.

Cleveland Martin, living near Gold Hill, has eight ewes which gave birth this spring to 20 lambs. Two of the ewes had triplets and one gave birth to quadruplets.

After many months of slow construction because of a "pay-as-you-build" policy, the new Christian church at Vernonia was occupied for the first time last Sunday.

Rebuilding of Marcola's fire-swept business district started last Thursday when Riley Garrison, whose garage was dynamited to check the flames, began reconstruction.

Mrs. Darwin Davis was seriously injured at Seaside Monday, when a golf ball she had placed on a hot stove exploded, throwing acid and hot rubber in her face and eyes.

Plans were offered at a meeting held in Grants Pass last week of Josephine county poultry men for formation of a Rogue river valley co-operative poultry marketing association.

Salem is growing more rapidly than any other municipality in Oregon, with the exception of Klamath Falls, if telephone connections and construction are considered an indication.

Net sales of water by the Bend municipal system in the first nine months of operations were \$58,718, according to the auditor's report. Operating expenses for this period amounted to \$17,408.

Astoria banks announced that they will institute a system of service charges on average monthly balances of less than \$50 and will reduce interest rates paid on savings deposits after April 1.

Silverton voters approved a \$45,000 bond issue to improve the city water system last week. The count was 115 to 32. It was planned to carry out extensive improvements providing an additional flow.

A 50-gallon capacity moonshine plant, fully equipped and carefully hidden away in sagebrush, was found last Sunday by Bend boys who were eight miles southeast of town on a rabbit hunt.

The 14th annual conference of the daughters of the American Revolution convened in Corvallis last week, with 16 of the 20 Oregon chapters represented and more than 100 delegates and visitors in attendance.

Thirty miles of barbed-wire drift fence will be constructed in the Fremont national forest, in the Chewaucan and Sycan cattle and horse division, in the coming season. The fence will be primarily for the purpose of keeping cattle out of sheep range.

The Salem Nut Growers' Co-operative association transacted \$40,896.53 of business during 1926, according to the annual report of the organization. The association handled 170,996 pounds of walnuts and 2546 pounds of filberts.

Appointment of Henry W. Meyers of Salem as superintendent of the Oregon state prison, was announced by the state board of control. Meyers will take charge of the prison April 1, and will receive an annual salary of \$4000.

Mrs. Sarah Trask, 75, believes "It's the climate" in Grants Pass, for while visiting there with her son, Lem Trask, she has started cutting her third set of teeth. It now appears that she will be forced to discard the set of false teeth which she has been using for the last 25 years.

The state treasurer last week sent to New York a check for \$1,535,863.32 covering highway bond principal which amounted to \$700,000, and interest. The payment is due April 1. It was reported by the state treasurer that the outstanding highway indebtedness was reduced by this payment from \$36,066,750 to \$35,366,750.

Imperial, ghost city of central Oregon, in the high desert country east of Bend, must pay a tax of 30 cents for each of its lots this year, although only a few stakes mark the site of the town once advertised as the seat of a four-year high school. Imperial is hard to locate these days, because the last deserted building has been moved away.

Said to be the first of its kind in Oregon, a long-distance water stage recorder is to be in operation on the Deschutes river at Denham Falls by the start of the 1927 irrigation season. Connected with Bend by wire, this recorder will automatically register the volume of water in the river, recording the readings in an office in Bend, 12 miles from the falls.

Thomas Richmond and Fred Assenheimer of Douglas county were recommended for membership on the fish commission to represent the second district, and Sam Hughes of Marion county and Otto Hartwig of Portland, from the state at large, by a group of dealers and fishermen representing the coast district, who conferred with Governor Patterson recently.

According to news from Gold Hill, recent summing up of the surveys made by the highway engineers in planning the new highway from Roseburg to Diamond and Crater lakes, indicate that the road will be constructed through the low pass in the Umpqua mountains at the headwaters of Trail creek, and join the Medford-Crater Lake highway at Trail.

Oregon monthly pensions have been granted as follows: George Wedekind, Portland, \$40; John F. Hilton, Portland, \$20; Aaron C. Sample, Salem, \$25; Fred W. Zepp, North Bend, \$30; Claude Kaye, The Dalles, \$30; Duncan L. McKay Jr., La Grande, \$30; Henry Bolton, The Dalles, \$30; Waldon C. Long, Albany, \$12; William F. Turnbow, Umatilla, \$25.

The Wilson River Toll Road company, with headquarters in Portland, filed articles in the state corporation department in Salem last week. The purpose of the corporation is to construct a toll road from a point near Forest Grove to Tillamook. This proposed highway would shorten the distance between Portland and the Tillamook beaches approximately 35 miles.

Checks of \$500 each were received from the state by H. Christoffersen, chief criminal deputy sheriff of Multnomah county; George Jackson, county jailer; Ed Gloss, county constable, and P. V. Rexford, motorcycle deputy sheriff, as rewards for the capture of James Willos and Ellsworth Kelly, convicts who escaped in a prison break in Salem, Or., in August, 1925.

Nine per cent more lumber was cut in 1926 in Oregon and Washington than in 1925, the United States forest service and bureau of the census have estimated. The figures of the two agencies are based on the output of 65 mills whose cut represents 65 per cent of the total output of the two states. In 1926 the cut was 12,258,000,000 board feet; in 1925 it was 11,243,000,000.

By the middle of April, according to Hood River fruit shipping concerns, all of the record tonnage of the 1926 apple crop will have been forwarded to market. About 25 cars remain to be shipped. The association is already making preparations to handle the season's strawberry tonnage, which will reach approximately that of last year. Growers have been able to contract their berries to canners at a minimum price of 9 cents a pound.

That there will be no modification of the scheduled advance in grazing fees for national forests is indicated in a letter received in Salem by Sam A. Koser, secretary of state, from W. M. Jardine, secretary of the federal department of agriculture. There will be no increase in fees during 1927, but after this year an increase will be applied in installments of 25 per cent each during the years 1928, 1929, 1930 and 1931. The full increase will be applied during the years from 1931 to 1934, inclusive.