

China's Political Rift Widens In Manchu City

By TOM MASTERTON
KAIYUAN Manchuria, April 12 (AP) — China's political rift widened perceptibly today in this communist surrounded city as Gen. Liang Hwa-sheng told correspondents he would "sweep away" all communists in a drive to northern Manchuria.

The arrival Tuesday of a cease fire team of American, communist and government members served only to worsen the situation. Liang told a press conference he had received no instructions regarding the cease fire team and declined to discuss its mission. He is deputy commander of government forces in northwest China.

Expressing fear for the safety of communist cease fire team members, government military authorities ordered them con-

finned to their quarters. The reds were told they could not go on the streets without bodyguards of government soldiers.

Spying Charged
This development was reported after the communist leader, Maj. Gen. Keng Piao, was said to have complained that the reds were being spied on by plainclothesmen. The government was reported to have withdrawn the plainclothesmen with an explanation that they were assigned as guards, not as spies.

A midnight attempt by a band of 120 communists to enter Kaiyuan—which has sandbag machinegun posts and barbed wire tanglements—enlivened the situation. Fifteen minutes of machinegun and mortar fire followed, after which government officials reported the communists had been repelled without loss of life. They said the city was surrounded by communists.

The reds further vexed government officials by blowing up railroad bridges six miles south of Kaiyuan, isolating the city more than 12 hours until the spans could be repaired.

Radio Halt Ordered
Liang ordered the communists to discontinue using their radio, asserting that communist activity in this area had increased following their arrival. Later, presumably acting under pressure, he also ordered government members of the cease fire team not to use their radios. Both groups, however, were permitted to use transmitting facilities of U. S. army executive headquarters.

The communists complained that their living quarters, above a restaurant, were unsatisfactory. They were promised more suitable accommodations.

(In Chungking, the communist New China news agency reported that Kuomintang—national party—members of a truce field team in Mukden refused safe conduct guarantees to communist liaison officers seeking to reach "the battle front" through government lines. The dispatch was dated Yen-an, communist headquarters.

The agency also said that Kuomintang-inspired student paraders held an anti-Soviet demonstration in Mukden Tuesday, shouting anti-Russian slogans.

Cordon Scores Housing Bill

WASHINGTON, April 12 (AP) — Senator Cordon (R-Ore.) said today he believed the housing bill passed by the senate would do "more to retard building than to expedite it."

The senator, who took an active part in the debates on the measure, told a reporter he sought to get the title of the bill eliminated "because it is wholly misleading and fraudulent."

The bill is entitled "The Veterans Emergency Housing Measure." And Cordon said there was nothing in it to aid veterans except to give them a 60 day preference in purchasing a new home and a 30 day preference in renting one.

Cordon said he voted against the measure because the senate refused to give a subsidy to veterans.

He said the \$600,000,000 subsidy to producers of building materials, authorized by the bill is enacted would not reach the veterans. He supported an amendment, that was defeated, to allow payments to the veterans.

He said the measure would retard building of homes because "it is human nature for a man to get all he can and no man will increase production when he knows that by waiting the government is going to pay him a premium."

Flashes Of Life

FISH STORY
BAXTER SPRINGS, Kas., April 12 (AP) — Besides the big one that got away, Fisherman Virgil Tyler had these events to bemoan:

"The 'big one' broke his pole and Tyler lost his line; his minnows died; he lost his fishing light and a string of 12 crappies; he leaned over to adjust a line and his billfold fell into the water, and when he tried to retrieve it he fell into the lake.

Two companions rescued him.

IT'S HAPPENED
CHICO, Calif., April 12 (AP) — You've heard the one about the burglar who stole everything but the kitchen sink.

Bert Loomis of Chico is looking for an intruder who broke into his home and departed with nothing but—the kitchen sink.

ELEPHANT SHORTAGE
LOS ANGELES, April 12 (AP) — New Councilman John R. Roden, former army flier, wants the park commission to do something about an acute elephant shortage in the city zoo.

War-time high cost of elephants delayed a replacement for Tom Tone, who died a year and a half ago, but, Roden insisted, "there may be some improvement in the elephant market."

Pilot Warns P-38's Hard To Control
HILLSBORO, Ore., April 12 (AP) — R. A. Wardell warned inexperienced pilots today that it isn't easy to control a speedy P-38 if they are used to only the put-put kind of planes.

He sat down his new army-surplus Lightning here yesterday on a flight from Kingman, Ariz. Previously, he had flown nothing faster than an 80-horsepower cadet for more than an hour.

Wardell said he would use the powerful twin-engine plane for forest and crop dusting. It cost him \$1250. He has had 3000 hours in light planes—half of them as an instructor—but only a short course several years ago in twin-engine operation.

Shore Leave Given 46 Chinese Seamen

COOS BAY, Ore., April 12 (AP) — The U. S. Immigration service has approved shore leave for 46 Chinese seamen who staged a sit-down strike on the Dutch motorship Vanderhelst, a consular official said today.

G. Wu, secretary to the Chinese consul in Portland, said the Chinese embassy received word of the crewmen strike earlier after they were denied leave at San Francisco, on immigration officials' orders.

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Landscaping Plays Major Part In Beautifying Home

Editor's Note: This is the second of two installments of an article on gardening in the Klamath country.

By MRS. W. P. MYERS
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The home beautiful was never closer to the heart of America than it is at present.

For years the garden clubs and women's organizations all over the nation have been stressing the fact that it takes landscaping outside as well as the interior decorations to make a house a home.

Ornamental plantings are made to beautify the surroundings in which they are placed. Attractiveness is achieved through selecting such trees and shrubs as are in harmony with each other and suited to the location in which they are to grow; for as the home is called the soul of the garden, so the garden becomes the bower and appeal of the home; the lawn the canvas for the home picture.

When you decide to landscape your home, go out and take a good look at the house and think how you would like to have it appear when completed. With your mind's eye measure the height and breadth of planting space, then decide whether you want tall or low-growing shrubs to predominate; for as the walls and the rug form the background of a room, so does the house and lawn determine the shrubs which fit best in your foundation planting.

The height and shape of the building, size and depth of the windows, angles of the house to be emphasized or reduced, together with the shape and space of the yard are the main factors to consider in the planning of a foundation planting.

Personal Taste
The variety and size of shrubs to be used are largely a matter of personal taste. We like to use shrubs of a large size so that they will look grand when first planted, rather than plant small sizes and have to wait two or three years for them to grow into the space they are to fill.

The space where the shrub is to be set should determine whether it be tall or short or medium height as well as to need of a narrow or broad-growing type. It is in this connection that your landscaper can be of service in helping you to select the shrubs suitable for your planting, as he is familiar with the growing habits of the various plants and knows what size and height to expect them to make in the years ahead.

As a general rule for foundation planting, I would say that tall growing evergreens, such as

Most Desirable

Among the most desirable low-growing evergreens are, Pfitzer, savin and tamaricus juniper, dwarf box, globe and Berkman golden arborvitae. The medium tall evergreens include box tree which may be sheared to any desirable shape, spring Green and vase juniper, Hovey, Warena, Bakers and compacta arborvitae.

A pleasing doorstep set up is to use a tall or medium evergreen against the wall with a low dense one in front. This will stress the entrance and make it a place of welcome as it should be.

After the background is set out a more handsome effect may be had by grouping lower evergreens in front so as to tie the house to the yard. The low-growing junipers, heath and rock daphne are ideal for frontage of foundation plantings. The tamaricus juniper is most beautiful as a ground covering around low wide steps. This juniper with creeping heather and rock daphne makes a perpetual green carpet and the bright flowers on heather or daphne are a joy in spring and early summer.

Enhances Effect
Some people want all the shrubs used to be low or medium height. If the house is small or has a low-hanging roof, the lower-growing shrubs would be very correct. However with tall houses, sharp angles and much space between windows a few tall evergreens well-placed adds much to the attractiveness of the planting.

We have mentioned only a few of the leading evergreens which are hardy in this climate. There are others as well as some broadleaf evergreens which stand our cold winters and dry summers and are lovely in the foundation planting as well as in other landscape effects.

While an entire planting of evergreens as a foundation is

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Items under the new allocations include \$60,000 for a sewage disposal plant; \$85,000 for alterations to kitchen, dining room and subsistence storeroom; \$100,000 for an occupational therapy building; \$30,000 for additions to the general storehouse, and \$15,000 for roadways and walks.

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