

Nationals Take Over Red Capital

NANKING, March 19 (AP)—Fast moving Chinese nationalist troops took over the Chinese communist capital of Yenan today at the end of a 200-mile forced march from Sian.

The first of the government forces at 10 a. m. today entered the red capital—virtually a ghost city since its evacuation by communists and the removal of practically everything that could be carried away.

Dispatches announcing the capture mentioned no fighting and it was presumed that Communist Gen. Ho Lung's defense troops had faded into the Shensi province mountains. Party Chieftain Mao Tse-tung and other communist leaders earlier were reported to have left the city.

The occupation, following swiftly behind an announcement by Minister of Information Pen Hsueh-pei that the government column was within sight of Yenan, indicated that the communists had made good their planned evacuation and carried out their decision not to defend the city.

The announcement from Peng had placed the troops of Gen. Hu Chung-nan within sight of the city's outer defense towers, about 13 miles from the heart of Yenan.

Bay Area Man Buys Drugstore

Carl E. Schneider, formerly of Larkspur, Calif., across the bay from San Francisco is the new owner of the drug store in the Idella's grocery building at 4846 South 8th street. The business was formerly operated by Mrs. Esther Newell.

Schneider, with his wife and young son, arrived here in late February from the bay area where he operated a pharmacy. The couple bought a home on S. 6th in the vicinity of the business location.

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HIGH SCHOOL News Notes and Comment

By MARY O'BRIEN

Head hostess Marcella Rand will preside at the banquet given in honor of the Pelican basketball team and the Junior Varsity team in the cafeteria between 8 and 9 tonight. Other hostesses for the Sugar and Spice affair are Helen Jackson, Helen Eckert, Ardell Swinney, and Nadine Yockey. Coaches and other school officials have been invited to the affair, too.

Nadine Yockey and her food committee will be preparing the banquet meal under the supervision of adviser Helen Stine. Other committee heads include Billie Walters in charge of the serving committee and June Hensly who heads the entertainment committee. Featured vocalists are Darlene Knowles and Patty Meyers, both accompanied by Pat MacMillan.



Mary O'Brien

Shirley Dalton and Joanne Albee have also planned a skit.

Louise Henry, Helen Eckert, LaVerne Ambers, Donna Wilkes, Rose Grondahl, Jacqueline Lund and Mary Brooks have each completed a week's work at the chamber of commerce. Under the annual co-operative program deserving girls are given the opportunity to work afternoons daily from one to five for the practical experience it gives them. The girls listed above will start on the second round of working beginning next Monday.

In the past this system initiated by the commercial department has paid off for Judith Brown and LaVerne Hodges, former participants who secured positions at the chamber of commerce. Currently and through her work in the same program, Effie Botens is the C of C chief clerk.

Leaving after the basketball banquet tonight will be three Sugar and Spice representatives—Billie Walters, Nadine Yockey, and Marcella Rand—who will attend the state meeting of Future Homemakers of America. The state conference is to be held on the OSC campus in Corvallis. Of the above girls, Marcella is the president of the local

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club which has been extremely active this year—playing host to the Southern Oregon conference this past fall, sponsoring the basketball banquet, and now completing plans for a semi-formal dance for this Friday.

A Victory dance is scheduled to be held at the Teen Canteen Thursday night beginning at 8 in honor of the Pelican basketball team. The teen-age band has been engaged for the dance. For this reason there will be no regular canteen dance tonight.

TAX MAN IN
SALEM, March 19 (AP)—State Tax Commissioner Wallace S. Wharton will assume his position April 15, Governor Earl Snell announced today. Wharton has been serving as a captain in the navy, and is a former member of the tax commission.

Barkley Draws One Year Term

John A. "Jackie" Barkley, 20-year-old Klamath Indian and ex-serviceman, drew a sentence of one year and a day in federal court at Portland Tuesday and will go to a federal reformatory, probably Inglewood, Colo.

Barkley was charged with assault with a dangerous weapon in connection with the beating of Richard Powell, 47, operator of the Cross Cut cafe at Chiloquin and a former Klamath Falls restaurant operator, the night of February 18. The beating is said to have occurred on the Harold Wright ranch near Chiloquin and put Powell in Hillside hospital for severe facial lacerations and body bruises. John Arkell, special Indian officer, said today that Powell was recovering satisfactorily from injuries.

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