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FORD, MIRACLE MAN OF MOTORDOM, LOOMS ON POLITICAL SKIES

His Presidential Boom no Longer Considered Lightly. Both Parties Worried.

BORAH IS ANOTHER SPECTER ON HORIZON

Idaho Senator Cannot Be Ignored—May Lead a Third Party, Leaders Fear.

(By Robert T. Small) Special Correspondent of the Sunday Star

WASHINGTON, May 19.—The shadow of Henry Ford, richest man in the world, lies athwart the national capital...

There no longer is a disposition among national political leaders to treat lightly the "miracle man" of the motor world...

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Another specter on the political horizon is Senator William E. Borah, of Idaho. He is about to undertake a "swing around the circle" on his own...

All of these moves makes for political disorder and if there is one thing the professional politician dreads it is disorder.

Leaders of both the old parties will frankly admit to you in confidence that they do not know just how to go about fighting the spread of the Ford sentiment.

Conscious of the rise of the Fordites, the old party generals nevertheless are afraid to attack him openly lest they bring the movement to a focus and start the formation of a machine which might assume control.

It is a baffling situation; one that is trying the ingenuity of the men whose craft and leadership have

RUSSIAN QUESTION STILL EUROPE'S MAJOR PROBLEM, IN OPINION OF M. TARDIEU

By ANDRE TARDIEU Former French Commissioner to the States

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IN RUM RING INVESTIGATION



Prominent men in New York, Baltimore, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh and other eastern cities may be brought into the government's "rum ring" investigation...

ATLANTA IS SELECTED DEBATE ON QUESTION FOR 1924 MEETING OF FEDERAL COUNCIL BAPTISTS OF THE SOUTH STIRS PRESBYTERIANS

Churchmen Denounce Marathon Dancing, Mob Rule, and Endorse Prohibition

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 19.—(By Associated Press.)—The Southern Baptist convention here today selected Atlanta, Ga., as the place for the convention in 1924.

Marathon dances were characterized as disgusting exhibitions; mob violence, whether by persons masked or unmasked, was declared to "trample in the dust every human right."

On the question of dancing the report said in part: "The ever present and ever insolent dance evil continues. The latest form of nauseating excess to which this destroyer of modesty and morals of man."

Interference by the church in state and commercial affairs of the nation, Dr. J. C. Molloy, Columbia, Tenn., stated 'is in conflict with the teachings of the apostles.'

Burned Child Fears Fire "We must remember we separated from the North Presbyterian church because of the latter's entrance to state affairs," he asserted.

Charges that the council had been "useless" and had never done anything for the church, and that the co-operation of the church with it was against Presbyterian traditions, were advanced by Dr. R. M. Hall, Longview, Texas.

"I am not a separatist unless it is necessary. I call your attention to the past history of many divisions in our church in Scotland. Yet, there has been a concerted movement under way to unite these branches and some day we may see them united."

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ACTION TO RESTORE C. F. AND Y. V. RAILWAY STARTED BY MANNING

Suit is Pursuant to Resolution Passed by Last General Assembly of the State

DISMEMBERED IN 1899 BY A. C. L. AND SOUTHERN

RALEIGH, May 19.—Pursuant to a resolution passed by the general assembly of 1923, Attorney General Jas. S. Manning today filed in Wake superior court a suit for the restoration of the old Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley railroad...

The Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley was originally built as a coal carrying railroad to connect the mountains and the seashore, and citizens of Wilmington, Greensboro and other points along the road subscribed to its stock.

Financial difficulties forced the railroad into bankruptcy and a federal court order was signed directing that it be sold and operated as a unit.

The actual division of the old road occurred in May of the same year. Under the division made at that time and which is still effective, the portion of the old road from Sanford to Mt. Airy is known as the Atlantic and Yadkin and is operated by the Southern, while all of the road east of Sanford, consisting of one line to Wilmington and another running into South Carolina, is a part of the Atlantic Coast Line.

The legality of the transaction has been repeatedly questioned ever since it took place in 1913.

MIGRATION OF NEGRO TO NORTH AND WEST WORRIES THE SOUTH

Senator Dial Urges Immigration of Norsemen to Take Their Places

WASHINGTON, May 19.—Virginia, Tuesday, May 19.—(By Associated Press.)—Probably showers in southern part.

North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, extreme northwest Florida, Alabama, Mississippi; Showers and probably thunderstorms Sunday and Monday. Swedes and Norwegians; moderate into south and southwest winds.

He thinks that the negro migration to the north and west is more serious than the people consider it. He has navigated a movement to induce Scandinavians, Swedes, Norwegians and Danes, to go to the southern states.

"I had a long interview with Mr. A. F. Wallenberg, Swedish minister, and Mr. Daniel Steen, Norwegian minister, in an effort to interest them in our section of the country," he said.

"They informed me that many of their people who have come to this country are of their own countries. These gentlemen had no prejudice against the south. Their people are splendid agriculturists and a great many of them are experts in cattle-raising and dairying."

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Six Americans, Prisoners of Bandits, Staring Death In Face In Chinese Hills

Four of 15 Foreigners Held by Brigands Doomed to Die Tuesday Morning

DIPLOMATIC CIRCLES IN PEKING STIRRED

Realized That Unless Agreement is Reached Captives Will Be Slain

PEKING, May 19.—(By Associated Press.)—Fifteen foreigners, six of them Americans, some of them ill, all of them weary, bruised and footsore, poorly fed and worse clad, tonight are looking death in the face in the Paotzuku hills of Shantung province as they approach the end of their second week as captives.

The foreign and Chinese governments are unable to satisfy the brigands by Tuesday that their terms for the release of the prisoners will be met, and the robbers' chieftain makes good his threat, two of the Americans and two Britishers have little more than 48 hours to live.

They will be shot as a warning that the marauders mean to force compliance with their demands under their chief's ultimatum sent out Saturday.

"We are pleading for our lives, and unless Peking, Washington and London realize that the bandits are ready to sacrifice their own lives and those of all their captives in their fight for reinstatement in the Chinese government, immune from punishment, we are surely doomed," is the statement made by Leon Friedman, one of the Americans, speaking for all.

Friedman's statement sent to his brother in Shanghai, has stirred the foreign communities of China. In Shanghai tomorrow a mass meeting will be held to pass resolutions demanding that American and British give a guarantee that the promise of the Chinese government to the outlaws will be carried out and win the freedom of their imprisoned nationals.

The shadow of death has descended seven times this week on the bandit prison corral in the Paotzuku hills. Two of the Chinese prisoners were thrown from the cliffs because their promised ransoms had not been paid, and five others were shot in cold blood for failure to obey orders.

Frenchman is Freed. One man, Marcelo Berube, a Frenchman, who was captured in the hills, was freed with instructions from Wang, the bespectacled, scholarly young bandit leader, to go to Peking and lay before the Chinese government and the foreign diplomatic corps the desperate plight of the 15 others.

WASHINGTON, May 19.—Failure of the Chinese government to effect the release of the foreigners captured by bandits in Shantung led officials of the American legation in Peking to cable the state department today that "either foreign guarantees or intermediaries seem to be necessary" to produce results.

Direct negotiations between the bandits and Chinese officials, the dispatch declared apparently are impossible because of mutual distrust.

On the other hand the dispatch reported that the military governor of Shantung had offered commissions in the regular military forces of that province to the bandit leaders provided the captives should be released. Whether this offer will be found acceptable is not clear here and further information is anxiously awaited.

BRITISH COURTS HIT GOVERNMENT A BLOW IN O'BRIEN AFFAIR

Despotic Powers Assumed During War Period Dealt Smashing Stroke by Jurists

By A. G. GARDNER Special Cable Dispatch to Sunday Star

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GRIEF-TORN CAMDEN TURNS TOWARD FUND FOR FIRE SURVIVORS

Care of Those Left Dependent Will Be Assured Through Subscriptions

RUINS BEING COMBED FOR GRISLY SOUVENIRS

Mother Who Forced Son to Attend Now Crazed With Sorrow at His Death

CAMDEN, S. C., May 19.—(By Associated Press.)—Still dazed by the tragedy of Thursday night, in which 75 persons lost their lives in the fire at Cleveland graded school, eight miles from here, the Cleveland school and Camden communities, and Kershaw county are preparing with acute realization of the extent of the tragedy to care for in every way those left dependent by the fire.

Only a Leader of the Mussolini Type Seems Lacking in Gallic State

By WILLIAM BIRD. Special Cable Dispatch to The Sunday Star.

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PARIS, May 19.—France's evolution toward Fascism has taken definite shape.

There is lacking, however, a leader of the Mussolini type. Until he is found any experiment along this line risks failure.

Minister of War Maginot is reported on excellent authority to have declared in his recent conversations with political leaders that, should the new parliament, which is to be elected next spring, show a majority of radicals, the government will decline to summon it and will continue the existing reactionary chamber in power.

This declaration takes on the highest significance because it is known that Maginot is slated to become minister of the interior, a position which corresponds to that of postmaster general in the cabinet at Washington so far as being the chief political official of the government is concerned.

In that office his task will be to organize parliamentary selections through prefects and other governmental officials throughout the country.

Since 1919 the national elections have been held in the midst of a bolshevik scare. French sentiment has drifted steadily toward the "left" organizations but the parties of the "left" are hopelessly divided and it is feared their victory would mean chaos.

Therefore nationalist leaders would undoubtedly approve a Fascist coup that would keep control in the hands of a united minority whose motto would be Fiat.

It is unlikely that any such coup would produce any more resistance here than took place in Italy when the "black shirts" usurped the government.

AMERICAN YOUTH SOUND AT HEART DESPITE EVIL TO WHICH HE IS EXPOSED

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