

Chinese Bandits Again Active; Kidnapped an Italian Priest

Hankow, China, June 18 (AP)—Five hundred brigands who kidnaped Father Malotto, an Italian priest, one hundred miles north of here Saturday, maltreated the priest before they carried him off. The outlaws also seized and bore away several hundred native prisoners, according to reports brought here today.

SOCIAL and PERSONAL

MISS RUTH FARRELL

The District Meeting of the Women's Missionary Society of the Mt. Airy District meets in Pilot Mountain June 19th and 20th. All the Missionary societies of Leaksville and Spray are invited to be present at this meeting. There will be a big picnic dinner on the church yard on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. V. Godfrey and son P. V. Godfrey Jr., Mrs. Reubin Reid and Mrs. J. B. Ray spent yesterday afternoon in Greensboro and were the supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Walker of that place.

Mr. Easley and son of Winston Salem were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Easley for the past week end.

Mr. James Hairston of the Carolina Home spent the past week end at his home in Cascade, Va.

A large number of people attended the mass meeting of the citizens of the county in Wentworth today.

Mr. B. B. Bassett spent the past week end with his parents near Martinsville.

Mr. W. B. Weaver and son Billy, returned yesterday from Clayton, where they have been spending several days. Mr. Poole of Clayton returned to Leaksville with them to stay several days.

The Thimble Club will meet Friday, June 22nd with Mrs. W. R. Walker in Greensboro. All the members are urged to be present at this meeting if possible.

Mrs. Karl Bishopric, Miss Mary Sue Farrell and Mr. Joseph Chandler are spending the day in Greensboro and High Point.

Miss Lois Sweeney of Durham is spending several days with Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Hopper at their home on Bridge Street.

Mrs. Karl Bishopric had as her supper guest Sunday night, Mr. and Mrs. James Chandler, Miss Mary Sue Farrell and Miss Ruth Farrell, Mr. Otto Kircheis and Mr. Joseph W. Chandler.

Mrs. J. B. Ray received a post card from Mrs. E. D. Pitcher, who is traveling abroad, saying that she was sailing for New York on the 16 of this month.

Miss Lucinda Martin and Mrs. G. A. Walters of Greensboro spent yesterday afternoon in Leaksville with Mrs. Martin's parents Dr. and Mrs. S. L. Martin.

Mrs. J. D. Martin of Martinsville is expected today to visit Dr. and Mrs. S. L. Martin, Mrs. Martin will be present at the Martin-Marshall wedding which takes place Thursday June 21st.

MISS MARTIN ENTERTAINS

Miss Lucinda Martin delightfully entertained at a Bridge Party Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. A. G. Walters in Greensboro, honoring Miss Katherine Marshall, bride-elect of this place and Mrs. Francis Martin of Charlotte.

Delicious refreshments were served by the hostess. Among those invited from this place were Misses Katherine Marshall, Kathleen Ivis, Margaret Marshall, Mary Wilson and Rivers, Ivis and Mesdames S. L. Martin, John B. Ray, S. H. Marshall, W. O. Jenkins, B. F. Mebane and A. B. Miller.

WORLD'S SMALLEST STATE UNITES WITH SWITZERLAND

Geneva, June 18 (AP)—Situating between Switzerland and Austria in the little Principality of Liechtenstein, which enjoys an idyllic existence and is the smallest state in the world, with its 11,000 inhabitants, this tiny territory and the little Austrian province of Vorarlberg have now entered into a customs union with the Swiss Republic.

MT. ETNA ACTIVE DOING DAMAGE TO CONSIDERABLE EXTENT

Cultivated woods and fields drowned by flowing stream of lava

LAVA RIVER IS 300 METERS IN WIDTH

Catania, June 18 (AP)—Mt. Etna is active today. Several eruptions during the night were heralded by loud explosions followed by a stream of lava that over-ran a number of cultivated fields and woods. The station at Sastig Leone was destroyed and the railway obstructed while a lava stream three hundred meters wide threatens the district about Lirugua Lassa.

GERMAN POLICE LIFT BAN ON OPEN AIR GATHERINGS

Berlin, June 18 (AP)—Once more, after a ban of nearly six months, the Germans are permitted to hold open air demonstrations in Berlin without special permission.

The chief of police issued an order early this month lifting the prohibition he instituted late last November. It was then decided to forbid out-door meetings and processions because plundering of shops was regarded as a likely result of the hard times facing the populace during the winter.

A few open-air meetings have since been specially authorized, such as demonstration against the occupation of the Ruhr district and the labor assemblies staged in celebration of May Day.

PRINCE DOES NOT PINE TO BE CALLED ROYAL

London, June 18 (AP)—Lady Astor likes to bring people together at her dinner. At one of her recent entertainments she had among her guests the Prince of Wales and Will Thorne the socialist labor leader and member of Parliament. Thorne now tells this story:

"I said to the prince I would doubtless be unpleasantly criticized by some of my constituents for putting my feet under the table with royalty.

"The prince smilingly replied: 'I object to royalty, Mr. Thorne, but I don't mind being called the Prince of Wales.'"

REALTORS TO DISCUSS MODERN FINANCING

Chicago, June 18 (AP)—Six thousand real estate men from 475 cities are making plans to cruise, motor or go by special train to Cleveland for the 16th annual convention of the National Association of Real Estate Boards June 27-30. Governmental legislative, financial, architectural and other questions of importance in real estate developments and especially fullest utilization of modern financing possibilities to meet the present business acceleration in real estate are to be discussed.

TO ALTER SECULAR CALENDAR

Constantinople, June 18 (AP)—An Orthodox congress to examine the proposal to alter the ecclesiastical calendar so as to bring it in harmony with the western calendar is in session here.

The western system was adopted in secular matters this spring, greatly to the relief of foreign firms, to whom the double dates were very annoying.

The congress is under the presidency of the Ecumenical Patriarch, and among its members are the Bishops of Russia, Montenegro, Serbia, Greece, Cyprus, and Rumania.

COTTON GOES TO SLIGHTLY OVER FOUR DOLLARS A BALE

New York, June 18 (AP)—Yielding to a renewal of liquidation, July cotton contracts broke 85 points or slightly over four dollars a bale, selling at 27 cents, while the new crop months influenced by favorable weather, and crops dropped 65 to 67 points sending October cotton off to 24.24.

Gazette's Campaign Ended; Victors Declared Great Event

Salemsmanship Club Sponsored by the Tri-City Daily Gazette. Concluded Saturday night in blaze of glory.

JUDGE'S STATEMENT

FIRST CAPITAL PRIZE DURANT TOURING CAR

Miss Vera Robertson, Credits 30,340,700

SECOND CAPITAL PRIZE BABY OVERLAND

Mrs. P. P. Wilson, Credits 15,454,000

THIRD CAPITAL PRIZE FORD TOURING

Miss Kate Barnes, Credits 4,289,300

Mrs. N. B. Austin, \$50 Misc. Order 2,703,000

Miss Evelyn Gentry, \$25.00 Misc. Order 1,952,100

Miss Mary King, Cash \$20.00 1,389,000

Mrs. Moran Hopper, Cash \$20.00 909,800

Mrs. Roy Warner, Cash \$20.00 851,500

Miss Roxie Barkdale, Cash \$15.00 839,000

We, the undersigned judges, named as the committee to take charge and possession of the ballot box in the TRI-CITY DAILY GAZETTE'S SALESMANSHIP CLUB Campaign and make the final count of credits, were present and took possession of the ballot box at 9 o'clock Saturday night, June 16th, the hour and date named for the final count. The above candidates win the prizes as set forth opposite their respective names together with the total number of credits polled by each.

(Signed.) Jas. T. Smith

A. E. Millner

B. S. Jones

O. Eggleston

E. M. Hodges

The final week of the campaign, when balloting was blind, saw many members lending every effort to gain the main objectives—the three cars—offered as the chief prizes.

That unusual interest was taken in the outcome of the big battle of ballots was evident from the number of telephone inquiries. From early Saturday evening until long into the night and even throughout Sunday persons in all parts of the field served by the Gazette phoned to this newspaper asking for information as to the results of the big race. Not within the history of the paper, has a circulation campaign attracted the enthusiastic and widespread attention that was shown during the race which ended at nine o'clock Saturday night. The last week of the campaign was especially notable. Rivalry was intense but friendly, and the Gazette feels assured that the successful ones merited the prizes for which they so earnestly strived.

The number of credits turned in by the Club Members and their friends was fairly staggering, and when the committee of judges met, to undertake the task of counting them it would have been discouragingly laborious but for the keen interest they felt in the success of the campaign and the knowledge they had of the popularity of the movement in every section of the territory tributary to Leaksville.

Closed On Time—Promptly on the stroke of nine Saturday night the committee of judges declared the campaign ended and immediately thereafter a seal was thrown on the box. Some of the Club members in their eagerness the last few moments of feverish balloting just managed to get their collection deposited when the call of time came.

The box was opened with the can opener which served in lieu of a key the box being tightly soldered making the final week's balloting blind.

The gentlemen selected to officiate at the final count and to determine the winners started in on the mountain of envelopes contained in the sealed box. Systematic procedure marked their efforts, their count was methodical and business-like. Their selection proved admirable and the Daily Gazette extends its most sincere thanks.

The aggregate credits of the prize winners reached enormous figures as published above. The winners of all the prizes are well entitled to success; they demonstrated

conclusively that energy and persistence are the potent factors in any game of life. In distributing the many hundreds of dollars in awards among the successful Club Members the Gazette gives full value for their efforts in its behalf yet the intrinsic value of the awards is not the only consideration. In the pursuance of their individual campaigns for credits they have learned much in the art of salesmanship that will be of great benefit to them in the future years. They have made many new and pleasant acquaintances. Many formed new ideas along business lines, and most of them have developed a keen sense of observation that will pay many a future dividend. The competition in this race was a splendid training and a valuable experience for all who participated in it. It taught that courage is necessary to overcome the many obstacles that beset the never ending conflict called "life."

Of course it is inevitable that in any campaign that all cannot win the big prizes—Club Members understood that when they entered. Right or wrong, civilization seems to have accepted and applied nature's rule of the "survival of the fittest." To accomplish a given purpose some effort is necessary and fortune seem to lavish her richest gifts upon those who are equipped with energy, sufficient to carry out the mandate of ambition. Yet to the Club Members who worked so energetically during the campaign but failed to win one of the autos, the Gazette extends its genuine regrets. Were it possible, it would gladly remember all club members with a touring car. Of the thanks of the Gazette can in a measure lessen the regret of the Capital prize loser it is theirs. The Daily Gazette appreciates the kindly feeling and good will of every Club Member that entered the race, whether they have 10,000 credits or one hundred times 10,000. There is a wholesome satisfaction in the thought that we try for a goal and miss—our efforts were honestly put forth.

To those whose energy has carried them through the campaign to the successful winning of the prize automobiles the Gazette extends its heartiest congratulations. It is proud of the club members who have made this campaign a remarkable success, and the Gazette hopes that every Club member who takes possession of their prizes won by them by right of conquest, will in turn be proud of their award.

We have dealt with ladies and gentlemen. Our relations have been

French Complete Seizure of Transportation in the Rhur

Essen, June 18 (AP)—The French seized 170 locomotives and 2,000 freight cars on branch lines between Dortmund and Essen, thus virtually completing French control of the Ruhr transportation lines. The food situation at Dortmund, Bochum and other points is growing more serious daily as a result of the French seizure.

LONELY ISLAND RESIDENTS LOOK ASKANCE AT RADIO

St. Kilda, Outer Hebrides, June 18 (AP)—Although cut off from civilization since last August, for no steamer is able to fight its way through the storm and fog during the autumn and winter months, the 75 lonely inhabitants of this island look askance at the telegraph and will not use the wireless station which was built here during the war by the British.

Recently the West Highland steamer Hebrides sailed from the island of Lewis, the largest and most northerly of the Hebrides group, and thus broke St. Kilda's nine months' solitude by taking to it mails, provisions and other necessities.

During the isolated months the islanders send their letters to Lewis in a novel and remarkable way. They put them in a tin canister in sheepskin buoys and launch them when there is a gale of northwest wind. Sometimes the buoys get blown out of their course and take the letters thousands of miles, but very often they cross the 60 miles stretch of sea to Lewis island safely and are then posted from that place.

SHORTAGE OF DRESSMAKERS

Scranton, Pa., June 18 (AP)—In the opinion of the country's chief department stores executives, American women are suffering from a shortage of dressmakers. This fact was revealed a few days ago by a questionnaire sent out by the Woman's Institute of Domestic Arts and Sciences, Scranton.

Executives of the largest department store in the country's principal cities were asked whether there was a shortage of professional dressmakers in their community. One hundred and thirty-one replies were in the affirmative. The existence of a shortage was denied by 58 executives, located principally in New England cities.

The shortage of dressmakers was found to be general from coast to coast with the exception of four New England states. It was declared to be particularly acute in Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois and Michigan.

RUM SHIP FLEET ANCHORED OFF ATLANTIC CITY

More than 2,000 cases Scotch and champagne landed

COAST GUARDS ARE NOW ON THE ALERT

Atlantic City June 18 (AP)—A fleet of rum ships is anchored about 7 miles off Atlantic City, according to word brought ashore by fishing smack and although coast guards have been on the alert, embargo runners have landed more than 2,000 cases of Scotch whisky and Champagne during last week.

DEMURRERS RECOGNIZED

Washington, June 18 (AP)—Demurrers filed by nine of 27 persons charged with conspiracy to use mails to defraud in connection with the sale of stock of Birmingham Motors, were sustained by Justice Bailey of the district of Columbia Supreme Court who declared there was nothing in the indictment which showed a scheme to defraud.

pleasant throughout. They have in turn dealt with an institution which to the best of its ability made the campaign one long to be remembered for its wholesome and straight character.

It was a great race and it left in bold relief the possibilities of that greatest of all virtues—AMBITION.

THE ORGANIZATION OF RECLAMATION SERVICE STARTED

Office of Director is to be abolished and commissioner substituted

A. P. DAVIS FORMER DIRECTOR TO RETIRE

Washington, June 18 (AP)—Sweeping changes in the organization of the reclamation service was seen in announcement by Secretary Work, abolition office of director effective, July 1st. D. W. Davis, former Governor of Idaho will assume charge with the title of Commissioner. Arthur P. Davis of Illinois, Director since 1914 will retire.

HEIRS SEEKING HIDDEN CASH FLOW UP FARM FOR YEARS

Regina, Sask., June 18 (AP)—Ten years ago a farmer, Norman Curtis, arrived from Iowa and settled with his family on a farm near Langbank Sask. He brought \$5,000 cash with him, paid \$1,500 down on his farm and being a non-believer in banks, buried the remaining \$3,500 in a field telling no one, not even members of his family where it was concealed. During the winter of 1913 he was frozen to death and with him died the secret of the hiding place of the money.

For the past decade members of his family have organized many futile searches for the hidden treasure. Every conceivable place has been dug up, stones moved and hunches followed, but still Curtis' hoard remains safe from everyone, bank robbers included.

FIVE MILLION DOLLAR FIRE

IN NEW BRUNSWICK FORESTS
Fredericton, Canada, June 18 (AP)—Fire sweeping through forests in New Brunswick continue unabated and have already caused 5-million dollar damage.

ITALIAN TOWN DESTROYED

London, June 18 (AP)—Exchange telegraph dispatch quotes unconfirmed message received by Naples newspapers to the effect that the town of Linguaglossa has been destroyed by lava from Mt. Etna.

CHARGED WITH SEDITION

Pittsburgh, June 18 (AP)—Thomas Myers-Cough Secretary-Treasurer of the Progressive International Committee of the United Mine Workers was arrested on a charge of sedition today.

TURKISH TRANSPORT CARRIES CARGO OF GUNS IS SEIZED

Constantinople, June 18 (AP)—The British destroyer Splendid seized in the sea of Marmora, a Turkish transport carrying a cargo of guns from Thrace.

EARTH SHOCKS REGISTERED AT GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY

Washington, June 18 (AP)—Earth shocks beginning at 3:35 this morning and lasting an hour and a half, were registered on the Georgetown University Seismograph today. They were estimated to have occurred 2,700 miles from Washington and are said to have been moderate intensity.

NORTH POLE AIRPLANE FLIGHT IS ABANDONED

Christiania, June 18 (AP)—Captain Ronald Amundsen has abandoned his flight across the North Pole by airplane it was announced today by the Norwegian Minister of Defense.

KILLS WIFE THEN SELF

Frederick, Md., June 18 (AP)—Roy Smith, 20, shot and killed his wife 19, near Woodsboro yesterday and then committed suicide, scattered shot from the gun wounding four other persons riding in the carriage with Mrs. Smith. Jealousy is said to have caused the deed.