

CHEKIANG TROOPS ON SHANGHAI-BANKING FRONT HAVE SUCCESS

During Battle Which Started at Daybreak the Defending Forces Drove Back Invading Kiangsu Forces.

LINE STRENGTHENED DURING BATTLE

Battle Described as Major Attack by the Shanghai Defenders—Wounded Carried to Shanghai.

Shanghai, Sept. 20 (By the Associated Press).—In an engagement which started at daybreak, reinforced Chekiang troops on the front between the Shanghai-Nanking railway line and Kiating, pushed the invading Kiangsu forces back, strengthened their lines, and regained positions near Heingtu, 15 miles west of here.

Wounded Chekiang soldiers arriving here this morning said the fighting was described as a major attack by the Shanghai defenders. Fifteen hundred Chekiang troops to reinforce the line west of here arrived in Shanghai at daybreak from Nanking, 75 miles south of here. Observers said the heaviest shipment of arms sent to the western front in a single day was moved from Shanghai this morning. Arsenal is working day and night refilling empty shells.

Manchurian Troops Victorious. Mukden, Manchuria, Sept. 20 (By the Associated Press).—An engagement between the second army of Chang Tso-Lin, war lord of Manchuria, and the enemy forces of the Ping government, took place near Jehol, north of Peking, near the Chihli border. An entire mixed brigade of the Chihli forces was declared to have been put to flight by the Manchurian troops.

ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE IN THE HIGHT CASE

State's Attorney Says He is Now Ready to Charge Murder With the Murder of His Wife. Mr. Vernon, Ill., Sept. 20 (By the Associated Press).—Important "additional information" has come to light within the last few hours in the case of the Rev. Lawrence Hight, an clergyman, in jail here charged with the murder, by poison of his wife, G. Thompson, the state's attorney announced today.

"We have the evidence now to go to trial on a murder charge," Mr. Thompson said. "I do not care at this time to disclose its nature, but at the proper time we will be able to show that the Ina minister was in the market for poison on a rather extensive scale this summer."

PRINTERS GIVE PRINCE MEMBERSHIP IN UNION

Called at Temporary Home of Royal Vickers But Were Unable to Get Audience With Him. (By the Associated Press.) Srossett, N. Y., Sept. 20.—The Prince of Wales today declined to see a deputation of four members of a New York printing pressmen's union, who called at the James A. Burden home here to present to the royal visitor personally an engraved certificate of honorary membership in the union. The Prince, however, did not reject the membership to which he had been elected, after he pressed the button starting the presses of the New York Herald-Tribune on Wednesday. The Prince's Long Island visit will end tomorrow night.

First Cotton Shipment Is Being Made to Russia. New York, Sept. 19.—First shipments of new crop cotton by the All-Russian Textile Syndicate, incorporated, are now on their way to Russia. Consignments of 12,000 bales have gone forward within the past fortnight, and cargoes aggregating 23,500 bales will leave from Galveston and other southern points next week. The exports, which previously have been routed to Russia through Germany or other European countries, will go to the port of Munnansk. Cotton purchased by the Russian syndicate in the United States since the first of the year is said to have represented an outlay of more than \$40,000,000.

The depression in the textile Co., says Springs and Co., is not helped by the persistent decline in the price of cotton, for until it is evident that a fair price has been established—that the market has found itself—the mills will find it impossible to fix fair prices for goods, the distributing trade will be unwilling to buy and the consumer's opposition will continue.

Defenders Admit They May Surrender Shanghai. Shanghai, Sept. 20.—3:20 a. m.—Surrender of Shanghai to the Kiangsu army seeking to capture it was admitted this morning at headquarters of the defenders at Lungvia to be a possibility. It was asserted, however, that contrary to common reports, the defending Chekiang soldiers were not in retreat.

Prominent Man Marries Shoe Worker (By the Associated Press.) Salem, Mass., Sept. 20.—William Sidney Felton, Harvard graduate, attorney, and world war veteran, was married at noon today at the home of his parents, one of the leading families of Salem, Miss Paula Sneychovics, pretty 18-year-old shoe worker.

In the hills of Sicily mail is carried under armed guard on the backs of burros.

DAVIS ELECTRIFIES HIS GREAT AUDIENCE

Washingtonians Listening in Shout "It's Woodrow Wilson Come to Life."

Washington, Sept. 19.—The most striking political phenomenon here at this moment is the wonder and astonishment at the metamorphosis of John W. Davis. Thousands of people in Washington last night heard Davis' Chicago speech over the radio and friends as well as opponents expressed their astonishment. Some of them could scarcely believe their ears. One old war horse Democrat shouted: "It is Woodrow Wilson come to life!" Those who are familiar with the Wilson style of oratory did not have to stretch their imagination.

But many persons could not imagine how a suave, amiable gentleman could so transform himself as to move 15,000 people into a state of howling enthusiasm. This radio audience sat at the instrument for ten minutes with Chicago sirens screaming in its ears. It seemed for all the world like the New York convention with the Al Smith demonstration repeated except it did not have the cut and dried Al Smith stamp on it. It was real human emotion at high tide.

Mr. Davis entered the west two weeks ago a great Supreme Court lawyer with the mantle of Wall Streets on his shoulders, the mantle which W. J. Bryan has fastened there. Thousands of people out of curiosity went to see him and hear what he had to say. In his two weeks campaign in the west he had so vividly impressed the public that when he reached Chicago yesterday the city was on fire with enthusiasm.

The transformation of Mr. Davis at this late hour has caused some Democrats here to bemoan the fact that the election is only about six weeks off. They declare if he had only ten weeks he could transform the public mind of the country as he has metamorphosed himself. They dolefully admit that the winning of a majority of votes in the electoral college is well nigh impossible even for Crusader Davis. It is remarked that the campaign ought to have begun when the party was wasting its time balloting in the New York convention.

COUZENS TO VIEW ALL TAX RETURNS

Secretary Mellon Agrees to Examination of Records by Senate Committee.

Washington, Sept. 18.—Senator Couzens, of Michigan, won his fight today to have all income tax returns and other records of the Treasury Department thrown open to the examination of a special investigating committee, a course which President Coolidge and Secretary of the Treasury Mellon have hitherto opposed.

Secretary Mellon was in private conference with the senator for an hour and a quarter this noon, after which the Couzens committee announced agreement had been reached whereby requests of the committee are to have free access to all the tax returns the committee wishes to see, with authority to copy therefrom all such information as they deem necessary to the conduct of the investigation.

This is the first time Treasury records have been thrown over to the inspection of a Congressional committee, and while no general publicity is to be given to them, Chairman Couzens will make public during subsequent hearings such facts and information as he may consider relevant in connection with irregularities, Treasury practices or methods and other matters to which his inquiry is directed.

MAKES VISIT TO JAIL FINDS FUTURE WIFE THERE

Romance Started Several Weeks Ago When Body of Christian Workers Visited Jail Ends In Marriage.

(By the Associated Press.) Charlotte, Sept. 20.—A romance which began five weeks ago when a group from the Christian Men's Club visited the county jail to conduct religious services, ended in a marriage ceremony Friday night when 20-year-old Pansy Thacker became the bride of 24-year-old Lannis R. Silver, salesman for a local store. The marriage ceremony was performed after Superior Court Judge W. P. Hardwick ruled that a year sentence being served by the girl should end if she got married. Mr. Silver announced today that he and his bride who is said to be from Burlington, would leave for Washington or New York, where they will make their home.

Man Faster Than Machine. Paris, Sept. 20.—A French lightning calculator, M. Inaudi, was recently pitted against twelve of the latest types of calculating machines. The human machine carried off all but one of the honors.

M. Inaudi easily beat his mechanical competitors in the speed with which he solved problems in addition, subtraction, division, and finding the square or the cube, but in the first round—extracting the square root of a number—a machine came out first. In the third round, which consisted of complicated problems, the man won easily.

Oldest Almanac in World. London, Sept. 20.—Among the treasures of the British Museum is an almanac that is 3,000 years old; it is supposed to be the oldest in the world. It is written like all other Egyptian manuscripts on papyrus, and was found on the mummy of an Egyptian, who had treasured it apparently as something sacred, for it is of a strong religious character. Under the days, which are written in red ink, there is a figure followed by three characters, signifying the probability of the weather.

Bennett Completes Another Long Drive. Greensboro, Sept. 19.—Ralph Bennett this afternoon completed here a 100-hour non stop drive of an automobile drive between here, Burlington and High Point. It was chained to the steering column throughout the drive. Today, as he approached exhaustion; a nurse and physician attended him and an ambulance followed the car.

When the drive ended he was taken to Burlington to sleep awhile. He will be brought here asleep and be shown sleeping, then sleep awhile at High Point.

Prodigy



Myrallene Allen of Covington, Ky., is only 13 months old—but she can read the alphabet as good as the average adult. This picture here was taken during a test Judges, educators, newspapermen and others gave her.

CHICAGO OVATION FOR DAVIS.

Cheering Thousands Afloat His Gain in Popularity Since Previous Visit. Chicago, Sept. 18.—This is a story of contrasts. Exactly sixteen days ago John W. Davis came to Chicago. Except for members of the Cook County Democratic Club, who had drifted down to the station, he was almost unheralded and unnoticed.

Today, after ten days west of the Mississippi, he came again. Horns tooted, paper fluttered down from his office windows to clutter up the streets, bands played, the populace got out and yelled, people surged around him on every side and planged orler him as he made his way to the City Hall for a call on the Mayor. Chicago showed that when she is in a mood to give a reception she knows how.

The band played "It Will Be Hot Time in the Old Town Tonight." This was truly prophetic, for there was a hot time tonight when half a dozen parades descended on the Dexter Pavilion which is out stockyards way, and crammed that building until its 15,000 seating capacity was exhausted. The man who got the corner of a window ledge to stand on was lucky.

COTTON SEED CRUSHED

During August 69,521 Tons Were Crushed—Increase Over Last Year. (By the Associated Press.) Washington, Sept. 20.—Cotton seed crushed during August totalled 69,521 tons, compared with 56,000 tons in August last year; and on hand at mills August 31st, 38,949 tons, compared with 123,063 tons on August 31st last year, the Census Bureau announced today.

Indicted for Murder.

(By the Associated Press.) Chattanooga, Tenn., Sept. 20.—Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bennett, of Rome, Ga., were indicted by the Hamilton County grand jury here this morning for the murder of Miss Augusta Hoffman, Miss Hoffman was a spinster modiste, whose skeleton is alleged to have been found under the floor of the home occupied by the Bennetts here several months ago.

With Our Advertisers.

Take some shares in Series No. 54 now open in the Cabarrus County B. L. & S. Association.

Schobee hats for style and service at Hoover's.

The Window of Prosperity advertisement featuring an image of a window and text about financial opportunities.

Office in the Concord National Bank advertisement with detailed text about shares and loans.

Spurns Prince



Here is a young woman who once turned down a dance "bid" from the Prince of Wales. She is Mrs. Eessie Allen of Los Angeles. Five years ago she was waiting in Lethbridge, Alberta, and so was the prince. "Eddie" spotted her and asked her for a dance. Dressed only in her street clothes, she demurred. But the prince persisted, so she changed her mind and stepped out with him for several numbers.

THE COTTON MARKET

Reports of Rain and Encouraging Reports From Goods Trade Affected the Market.

(By the Associated Press.) New York, Sept. 20.—Reports of continued unfavorable weather in the South, coupled with more encouraging reports from the goods trade and relatively steady Liverpool cables, appeared responsible for a firm opening in the cotton market today.

Despite active covering for over the week-end, and some trade buying on the initial advance of 14 to 19 points, the market met considerable realizing and some hedge selling around 22.25 for December which checked the advance and caused reactions of 10 or 12 points from the best. General business was not active.

Cotton futures opened firm. Oct. 22.85; Dec. 22.25; Jan. 22.23; March 22.60; May 22.82.

Closed Steady. Cotton futures closed steady: October 22.55 to 22.58; December 21.95 to 22.00; January 22.05 to 22.08; March 22.28 to 22.30; May 22.46 to 22.50.

DAVIS TO MAKE WHIRLWIND CAMPAIGN THROUGH EAST

Nominee to Speak in Boston, Providence, New York and Again Strike West. Chicago, Sept. 19.—A whirlwind campaign through the east is to be conducted by John W. Davis, the democratic presidential nominee, before he strikes back into the west for a second drive for votes in that territory.

This was decided upon today at a conference the nominee had with his field marshal, Clem L. Shaver. The only eastern dates fixed are at Frederick and Baltimore, Md., both on October 1, but under present plans Mr. Davis will speak at Boston, Providence, New York City, and in Delaware.

WOMAN KILLED BY MAN SHE HAD BEEN KIND TO

Mrs. Clifton K. Hunn, Police Say, Was Killed by an Ex-Convict She Had Befriended. (By the Associated Press.) Pasadena, Cal., Sept. 20.—Mrs. Clifton K. Hunn, wife of the wealthy business man, was killed last night by an ex-convict she once befriended, who the police say, smashed her head with a hammer, shot her through the heart and looted her apartment of gems valued at \$20,000. The police today were seeking as Mrs. Hunn's slayer Harry Connor, alias Harry Carbutt, who, according to detectives was released from an Illinois prison through her influence after serving part of a sentence for robbery, and who was aided with her money to start life anew after leaving the cell.

Anti-War Demonstrations.

Amsterdam, Sept. 20.—The 19,000,000 workers in twenty-two countries organized in unions affiliated with the international Federation of Trade Unions are called upon to join in mass anti-war demonstrations tomorrow, in a manifesto sent out from the headquarters of the Federation in Amsterdam. The demonstration are to be in the nature of a solemn observance of the tenth anniversary of the breaking out of the World War, although timed considerably later than the actual date of the beginning of the conflict.

Guilty of Fifteen Burglaries.

Atlanta, Ga., Sept. 17.—Hobert Wilson, 37, who pleaded guilty to fifteen burglary charges before Judge John D. Humphries in Fulton Superior Court, was sentenced to serve from 10 to 100 years in the convict camps of Georgia. Detectives who worked on the case said that the youth had stolen more than \$25,000 worth of jewelry.

K. K. Officers Indicted.

Fairmont, W. Va., Sept. 19.—Sixteen persons among them several men credited with being state officers of the Ku Klux Klan were indicted by the Marion county grand jury yesterday upon various charges growing out of the shooting last February of Daniel Washington, a negro, after he had been attacked by a band of hooded men.

Grant Gets Reprieve.

(By the Associated Press.) Springfield, Ill., Sept. 20.—Governor Len Small today granted a 90 day reprieve to Bernard Grant, Chicago youth awaiting the death penalty on a charge of murder. The reprieve is dated to January 16th.

WILL BE NO SAFE PLACE IF ANOTHER WAR SHOULD COME

Can Put Whole Nation to Sleep, Bomb Cities and Blow up Battleships With Manless Airplanes and Do Other Things to Make World War Methods Obsolete.

Philadelphia, Sept. 20.—New developments in aerial warfare that render certain World War methods of strategy obsolete were described yesterday by government experts before a gathering of scientists here in honor of the centenary of the Franklin Institute.

The end of transportation of great armies overseas, bombing of cities by unmanned automatically operated airplanes, a new camera that "nullifies camouflage," wiping out a battleship with a single air bomb, and the possible paralyzing of an entire nation by a combination of new chemical discoveries were among the new weapons of war discussed.

The session, presided over by Rear Admiral W. A. Moffitt, had as speakers Major General Patrick, chief of the Army Air Service; Major General Squier, signal corps expert, and Dr. Joseph S. Ames, of Johns Hopkins University, member of the government advisory council on aeronautics.

Referring to the "manless" airplane, General Patrick, stating that "who should what limits to impose upon new ideas at attack, if, unhappily war should come again?"

"Just as we now give a harmless anesthetic to an individual for a surgical operation, so we may be able in future to put a whole nation to sleep for 48 hours by a combination of new chemical discoveries with radio controlled, manless airplanes."

He warned against the possible development of unique instruments of war by a single country, and recommended a world-wide net of inter-communications, linking radio, land lines and submarine cables as "a powerful agency for preventing war" through rendering less likely development of new weapons.

General Patrick, stating that the Army already possessed an "automatic pilot" that flies airplanes without anyone aboard, expressed the belief that their control by radio was only a matter of brief development and "that whole flocks of such planes controlled by a man in a distant airplane would in future operate against hostile cities, attacking at the will of the remote pilot."

"We have really gone so far," General Patrick said, "as to now believe that transportation of an expeditionary force across the seas is an impossibility. If the Germans had known in the world war what we know now, few of our million men would have reached France."

The general made a plea for conservation of helium gas for use in dirigible airships which, he said, was being wasted by industries in this country at the rate of 500 million cubic feet annually.

The air chief said that Great Britain was about to build an airship twice as big as the giant naval dirigible Shenandoah.

Before another sectional meeting held at the University of Pennsylvania, Dr. W. D. Coolidge, assistant director of the General Electric Company, described a new type portable X-ray, weighing 30 pounds about the size of an automobile radio storage battery, foolproof and operating from the ordinary household lighting circuit. The machine promised to bring X-ray into much wider use, Dr. Coolidge said.

It would prove useful, Dr. Coolidge said, to the builder, the plumber, the electrician, etc., since it would be just as easy to look through walls and floors as it is for the doctor to see the bones of the human body. It also would prove a great help to the customs inspectors and jewelers.

KIDNAPPING STORY IS BEING INVESTIGATED

Officers Want Information About Story Told by Mack Briggs. (By the Associated Press.) Danville, Va., Sept. 20.—Mack Briggs, aged 12, was being held today by the authorities at Wentworth, N. C., near here, for investigation of his story that he was "kidnapped" by a carnival company from his home in Greenville, S. C., two years ago.

The boy was found exhausted on a road, and added that he was trying to make his way to Greenville, though he expressed the belief that his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Briggs, are now living in Florida. The boy is quoted as saying that he ran away from the organization at Richmond a few days ago. Efforts are being made to get in touch with the parents.

Davidson Dedicates Her New Hostel.

Davidson, Sept. 19.—It is safe to say that Davidson—town and college—is as proud of and as pleased with its new hotel, the Maxwell Chambers, in whose honor the building is named and to whose memory the initial page in its first register is dedicated, as its Charlotte in her new million dollar hotel with its twelve stories. At present the Maxwell Chambers is content with two.

Last evening was the formal opening, when town community in general was invited to come and see for themselves and partake of light refreshments—punch served in lavish abundance and cake in accompaniment.

Dry Goods Market.

New York, Sept. 19.—Trading in the cotton cloth market turned dull today, although quotations held firm and in some cases were marked up slightly. Linen markets were more active with a broader inquiry for household and dress goods. Raw silk prices moved irregularly lower with most lines reduced from 5 to 10 cents. Burlap quotations were unchanged.

DAVIS WILL RETURN

State Library TOMORROW EVENING

The Democratic Nominee to Speak Three Times Today, Twice in South Bend and Once in Fort Wayne, Ind.

NEW YORK WILL BE HEADQUARTERS NOW

From There Candidate Will Make Whirlwind Campaigns Into Rhode Island, Delaware and Other States

(By the Associated Press.) Chicago, Sept. 20.—John W. Davis, Democratic Presidential candidate, was ready today to follow up his campaign in Indiana opened last night in a ringing speech at Gary where he declared anew for the "principles of human equality, personal liberty, and popular sovereignty" and pledged his party to do battle "in very state in the union" in assault against "privileges in government."

Mr. Davis was to make two addresses today at South Bend and one tonight at Fort Wayne. He planned to leave Fort Wayne tonight and will arrive in New York Sunday evening. With his personal headquarters there as a base he will conduct a whirlwind campaign in Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New York, Delaware and Maryland before again heading westward. Early in October he will speak in West Virginia, Ohio, Indiana, Southern Illinois, Missouri, and perhaps in Oklahoma, Kansas and Michigan.

WILLIAM ALLEN WHITE IS STILL IN THE RACE

Says He Wants to "Free Kansas From the Ku Klux Klan." Topeka, Kans., Sept. 20 (By the Associated Press).—His slogan "free Kansas from the Ku Klux Klan" William Allen White in a statement issued today in connection with the filing of his independent candidacy for Governor, declared "I am in the race to stay and win."

"The issue in Kansas this year is the Klan above everything," the veteran Emporia editor asserted, adding that the Klan has become a national menace.

He attacked the Republican and Democratic gubernatorial nominees, charging that the two major parties are "led in the race for Governor by men who had Klan support in the primary, and who will not disavow that support today."

Mr. White referred to his petition as "the largest independent petition ever filed for any office in Kansas."

"None of these petitions came from my home town or county," he said. "I wished honestly to test sentiment."

GANGSTER FOUND DEAD IN NEW YORK TENEMENT

"Dutch Louis" Killed by Unnamed Person—Sister Says Girl "Pestered Him" (By the Associated Press.) New York, Sept. 20.—Louis Cassanza, a notorious East Side gangster known as "Dutch Louis," was found dead in the rear hallway of a Roosevelt Street tenement house early today with two bullet wounds in his chest. Nearby was found a pistol with one empty shell. A sister of the dead man told the police Cassanza had been "pestered by a girl."

The police were convinced, however, that at least two men were involved in the crime.

IRENE CASTLE SUING HER SECOND HUSBAND

Charges Robert C. Treman Has \$40,000 Worth of Her Securities. (By the Associated Press.) New York, Sept. 20.—Robert C. Treman, who was the second husband of Irene Castle McLaughlin, former dancer, was arrested last night in Ithaca, N. Y., on a civil order obtained by Mrs. McLaughlin from Supreme Court Justice Aaron J. Levy, it was learned today.

The order was requested on the ground that Treman had refused to return to his wife \$40,000 worth of securities.

Southern Wants to Issue Bonds.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, Sept. 20.—The Southern Railway today applied to the Interstate Commerce Commission for authority to issue \$7,280,000 of 4 1/2 per cent. purchase trust certificates with which to equip thirty locomotives, 25 passenger coaches, 10 baggage express cars, 6 dining cars, 2,025 box cars, and 290 stock cars, the total cost of which will be \$8,838,000.

\$50,000 Picture for \$40.

London, Sept. 20.—While on a visit to Rochester, a Kent novelist bought a painting from an antique dealer for \$40. At the British Museum the picture was found to be a Rubens, and the owner has been offered \$50,000 for it.

WHAT SMITTY'S WEATHER CAT SAYS

Probably showers tonight and Sunday preceded by fair to east portion tonight; warmer in west portion tonight; warmer Sunday.