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CANTONESE FIRING AT RIVER CRAFT

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Shanghai, March 30.—(AP)—Another American warship on the Yangtze river has found it necessary to let loose its guns.

As the destroyed John D. Ford was proceeding up the river toward Nanking yesterday nationalist troops fired on the vessel. The command was given, and the destroyer's four-inch guns and machine guns were brought into action.

Removal of Americans Continued

Washington, March 30.—(AP)—Removal of Americans from the long reaches of the Yangtze river valley of China was continued today to the accompaniment of constant firing from the shore at destroyers and other ships of refuge.

Reporting the situation in the region where conditions have been made more acute on the advance of the Cantonese nationalist armies, Rear Admiral Williams, commanding the American forces in China, informed the navy department that the Cantonese were firing shots at the river craft from Nanking and from other points along the river.

Meanwhile there was apparent uneasiness over conditions at Wuhu in Anhwei province, where anti-foreign outbreaks such as that which took place at Nanking were reported to be momentarily expected. Anti-foreign agitation was reported by Consul A. G. Sawney at Tsinaifu, as having spread also to Shantung province, heretofore held by the northern Chinese troops. Tsinaifu was quiet, but the anti-foreign feeling also was in evidence there, the consul said, and precautions were being taken for their protection.

Another claim also reported the looting of an American Catholic mission at Fuchow, Kwangtung province. It is believed his message referred to the same incident as was recorded in State department advices Monday which said a mission had been looted at Fuchow. The occupants escaped.

The admiral's report indicated no serious disturbances today in Shanghai where General Smedley Butler and 1,500 marines are ashore to protect American lives, and to which point 1,500 additional marines and a number of warships are en route as reinforcements.

The evacuation of Yangtze points was said by Admiral Williams to be proceeding "satisfactorily" but he spoke of 47 Americans and British as having left "Nanking" while stones were being thrown at them. Spanish missionaries and one American family, a Dr. Taylor and his wife and children, declined to leave.

Dispatches from China reported evacuation of 47 Americans at Anking, further up the river, and it was believed here that Anking was the place referred to by the admiral and that his cablegram was garbled.

Negro is Badly Slashed.

Salisbury, March 26.—Miles McCoy, negro, was disemboweled and cut in a number of places on his body tonight by Charles Jones, his brother-in-law, who made his escape. McCoy's wounds are expected to prove fatal.

The soil of Hawaii is entirely volcanic lava.

ABOUT ONE HUNDRED MISSIONARIES WILL NOT DESERT POSTS

Notwithstanding Fact That They Have Been Advised by the American Authorities to Do So.

SHANGHAI IS A HAVEN OF REFUGE

The Rest of Missionaries Are Either En Route to or Will Shortly Leave for City of Shanghai.

Shanghai, March 30.—(AP)—Approximately 100 American missionaries are refusing to leave their posts in the Yangtze valley, notwithstanding advice of American authorities to do so.

The rest of the missionaries are either en route to, or will shortly leave for Shanghai, where the international settlement is affording a haven of refuge from the fury of riotous mobs in the ports and inland towns along the Yangtze river.

The U. S. destroyer Hulbert called at Anking today and took off 47 Americans and British missionaries who will go to Kiangkiang to await the first merchant steamer.

American Catholic Mission at Fuchow Reported Looted

Washington, March 30.—(AP)—The American Catholic mission at Fuchow is reported looted in a dispatch reaching Shanghai, Admiral Williams, the commander of the American Asiatic squadron today advised the Navy Department. The fathers are said to have fled to Kowchow, the admiral's message added.

Fuchow is in Kwangtung province, in which Canton, seat of the nationalist government, is located. The message gave no details of the reported looting, but said the evacuation of Americans from points along the upper Yangtze river was "proceeding satisfactorily."

Cantonese continually firing on destroyers and refugee ships from Nanking and other points along the river, the message continued. "No communication between ships and shore at Nanking."

Forty-seven American and British left Nanking, stones were thrown at them as they left. Spanish missionaries and one American family, Dr. Taylor and his wife, refused to leave, although fully informed as to conditions.

The dispatch was filed at 4:50 p. m. (Shanghai time) in view of incoming press dispatches detailing of evacuation of 47 Americans at Anking more than 100 miles above Nanking on the Yangtze river, it was believed here that both reports were of the same evacuation and that Admiral Williams' message might have been garbled in transmission.

France Has 1,200 Blind Musicians.

Paris, March 29.—(AP)—Twelve hundred blind persons earn their living as musicians in France and among them are players of note.

These blind musicians were educated in the National Institution for the Young Blind. They were taught to play for distraction but Valentin Haüy, their leader, showed them how music might make them independent.

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THE STOCK MARKET

Reported by Fenner & Beane (Quotations at 1:30 P. M.)

Table with 2 columns: Stock Name and Price. Includes Atchison, American Tobacco, American Smelting, etc.

JUDGE RAYMOND CUTS OFF ARGUMENT ON TECHNICALITIES

Each Counsel in the Ford Trial Will Be Allowed Only Ten Minutes in Such Arguments.

SAPIRO STILL IN REED'S HANDS

The "Nearly Interminable" Arguments Over Large Technicalities Done Away With Today.

Detroit, March 30.—(AP)—The "nearly interminable" arguments over legal technicalities were done away with in Aaron Sapiro's \$1,000,000 libel suit against Henry Ford when Federal Judge Fred M. Raymond today enunciated a policy of limiting each side.

At the opening of court the jury was sent outside where it has been most of the trial, while Sapiro's and Ford's counsel argued over the production of Sapiro's record books.

"Gentlemen, there has got to be an end somewhere," said the judge. "I wish you would agree on a limit. How about 20 minutes for each of you?"

"That would be twice too much," replied Stewart Hanley, of Ford counsel. William Henry Gallagher, counsel for Sapiro, nodded assent, and the new rule was applied immediately.

The first application limited each side to ten minutes. It was not needed, however, as the attorneys agreed to take up the matter after noon recess.

Sapiro recited to the witness stand, and Jas. A. Reed, senator from Missouri, chief of the Ford counsel, resumed cross examination.

DEATH OF PERRY S. HEATH

Was Known as "The Father of Rural Free Delivery"

Washington, March 30.—(AP)—Perry S. Heath, known as the "father of the rural free delivery" and for years prominent as an editor and publisher, died at his home here early today after an illness of more than six weeks.

A picturesque figure in the last years of the 19th century, the newspaper man and prolific political writer, Mr. Heath entered the post office department in 1897 under President McKinley and with less than \$30,000 authorized by Congress for experimental purposes, he started the first work on one of the greatest advancements in postal distribution in history.

THE STOCK MARKET

Opened Today Without Any Definite Trend, Gains Balancing Reactions.

New York, March 30.—(AP)—The stock market opened without any definite trend today, fractional gains fairly balancing the slight recessions. U. S. Steel, General Motors and DuPont were among the prominent stocks, the shade off in the initial trading while Bethlehem Steel, General Railway Signal and several railroad shares opened slightly higher.

Dodge Brothers Cars Lead All Other Makes in Johannesburg, S. A.

More Dodge Brothers motor cars are registered in Johannesburg, South Africa, than any other make, according to the last report of the Office of Census and Statistics of the Union of South Africa. In the whole of South Africa 51,694 gear shift cars are registered. Of these 8,101 or nearly one sixth are Dodge Brothers vehicles. Registrations of Dodge Brothers cars exceed by 22 per cent, those of the nearest competitor in the gear shift class.

Congressman Lazaro Dead.

Washington, March 30.—(AP)—Representative Ladislav Lazaro of the 7th Louisiana district, died here early today. He was 55 years old, and underwent an operation on March 9th.

Seriously Ill



Mrs. Reed Smoot, wife of the Utah Senator, was seriously ill at her home in Washington.

THE AMERICAN INTERESTS IN CHINA

Some of the Questions That Have Arisen in the Public Mind.

Washington, D. C., March 30.—What are the American interests in China which United States warship and marines have been sent to protect? How many Americans are residents there? These are some of the questions that have arisen in the public mind in view of the startling news that has been coming in from Shanghai the past few weeks.

According to an estimate made before the beginning of the present troubles by an American college professor resident in China, a man who has made a special study of foreigners in that country, there were at that time 240,000 aliens in China of all nationalities.

Of these the Japanese made up a large majority. Next came the Russians, of whom there were nearly 70,000. Then there were 9,000 British and about 8,000 Americans, with the remainder divided among twenty nationalities. All these were scattered among 400,000 native born, or a population nearly four times larger than that of the United States.

Most of the Americans in China, except the missionaries, have been congregated in such international places as, first of all, Shanghai, which enfolds most business headquarters, Peking, Harbin, Hankow, Tientsin, Nankin, Ichang and Hong Kong. It is Shanghai, which most visitors see and of course it is the center of American activities.

Shanghai's growth in the past decade has been very rapid. During this period the Americans have been very conspicuous in the affairs of the city. An American, a State of Maine man, Stirling Fossenden, has served as head of what is termed the international government. For some months of the year, too, the Asiatic fleet has lay at anchor off the Bund, and at such seasons the traveler has naturally received the impression that the predominant force in Chinese waters has been American.

Many American enterprises have sprung up in this international city. The new American school is perhaps the best outside the United States. The American Club is housed in a palatial home that cost \$1,000,000. The navy Y. M. C. A. ranks with the best at home. There are newspapers, women's clubs, banks, shops, hotel, cabarets and other features which have sprung up since the World War to greet the American visitors.

American trade in China has grown very fast. There was a time when a Chinese banker said that American business men became interested in China about once in seven years and then forgot about it. There was a time when the New England merchant and trader had a great interest in the China coast. At that time there was a saying "as rich as a captain in the China trade." Later came a period of the international development of America and the opening of the west. American business was absorbed with interests at home and for the time the China trade was neglected.

In 1908 the United States participated in the foreign trade in China

AMERICAN IS HELD FOR A RANSOM BY MEXICAN BANDITS

Edgar W. Wilkins Held for \$20,000.—His Ten-Year Old Son Released to Bear Ransom Demand

EFFORTS TO CAPTURE THE BANDITS FAIL

Ambassador Sheffield Directed to Make Representations to Mexican Foreign Affairs Office.

Washington, March 30.—(AP)—Ambassador Sheffield, at Mexico City, was directed today by the State Department to make representations at the foreign office regarding the kidnapping at Guadalajara Sunday of Edgar M. Wilkins an American citizen.

Mexican military authorities at Guadalajara have been making efforts to obtain Wilkins' release and capture the bandits, thus far without success, so far as the Washington government knows.

Wilkins is held for \$20,000. His ten year old son, captured with him, was released to take the ransom demand to Guadalajara.

FOUR MEN SHOT TO DEATH IN CHICAGO

Eleven Children Made Fatherless.—Slayer Lost His Job.

Chicago, March 30.—(AP)—Four men were shot to death here last night within an hour, making 11 children fatherless.

John Palumbo, 39, a contractor, and his assistant Jack Prete, were killed in their homes by Joseph Clemente, 39, who lost his job and thought his family would starve.

A fourth man, Frank Palumbo, was shot and killed in his automobile by unidentified assailants. He is not related to John Palumbo, police said.

Clemente lost his job and went gunning for his employer. He found him sitting at his evening meal, listening to the prayers of his four children. He opened fire, and slew Palumbo, Clemente then raced to the home of Prete and leveling a pistol over Prete's son, shot Prete dead.

The police found Clemente entrenched behind a push cart in the yard of a relative. Clemente fired a volley, missed, and raced for a shed. Two volleys from police guns struck him. He was dead when the police found him inside the shed where he had dragged himself.

ATTORNEY GENERAL TO CONDUCT INVESTIGATION

Charges of Mistreatment of Inmates At State Hospital at Morganton.

Raleigh, March 30.—(AP)—Attorney General Dennis Brummitt announces he will conduct an investigation here April 6 of charges of mistreatment of inmates at the Hospital for the Insane at Morganton.

Charges that B. H. Williams of Beaufort County was mistreated while at the institution were made by Representative McLean, of Beaufort during last Legislature. Hospital authorities have been notified to attend hearings.

A will, consisting of twenty-five words, exclusive of signatures, disposed of property valued at more than \$1,000. It was written on the back of a bridge score card by a Mineola, New York woman.

only 9.7 per cent. of the total foreign trade of the country. Since then it has mounted above 16 per cent. In eight years China jumped from 28th to 5th place among world buyers of American goods.

Nearly all of the cigarettes imported into China have come from the United States. Other items that have figured largely in American exports to China are wire nails, textile machinery, electrical equipment, illuminating oil, sewing machines, automobiles, structural steel, and machinery of many different kinds.

CARRIES SECRET BITTERNESS TO RESTING PLACE

Bryson City, N. C., March 29.—Fred Fischer, 70 years old, for many years known as one of the most brilliant attorneys in Western North Carolina, who died a week ago at his home near here, ordered a friend to dig his grave beside that of his first wife, 10 days before his death. He died here today. Apparently neglected by some early science, Mr. Fischer had been known as an eccentric as well as a brilliant attorney.

The only friend he ever accepted in this section died years ago, and since that time he never had spoken to persons outside his family, except to go to the railway station occasionally to inquire for correct time. To speak to him on the street brought no response. Mr. Fischer was a member of a prominent Salisbury family and a brother of the late Christian Reid, noted writer.

THE COTTON MARKET

Prices Eased Off Shortly After Opening Under Southern Liquidation.

New York, March 30.—(AP)—The cotton market opened steady today at an advance of 2 to 4 points, active months showing net gains of 3 1/2 points after the call, on a continuation of overnight buying orders brought in by the firmer tone of yesterday.

There was further buying here believed to be for continental trade account, but the demand was less active than previous day and prices eased off shortly after the opening under Southern selling and liquidation.

The weekly report of the weather bureau seemed to make rather more favorable showing than expected and may have accounted for part of the selling which eased prices off to 14.38 for July and 14.80 for December, or 5 to 6 points net lower.

Private cables said trade calling and continental buying had been supplied by liquidation and hedge selling in Liverpool.

Cotton futures opened steady, May 14.25; July 14.48; October 14.69; December 14.88; January 14.91.

With Our Advertisers.

The Dove-Best Grocery Co. announces the installation of an electric refrigerated cabinet and the sale of fancy ice cream for parties and receptions.

Women's glove silk vests for 98 cents at the J. C. Penney Co. The colors are peach and pink only. See ad. The Parks-Bell Co. is featuring Gingham in a new ad. today. The prices are attractive. Look them up.

Made-to-measure clothes by Storrs-Shafer Co. are sold by Richmond-Florence Co. See the samples at the store today and Thursday. Sale starts Friday morning. See Thursday's Tribune and Times for many bargains offered.

The smart new tailored suits at Robinson's deserve a place in your wardrobe. Dresses from \$5 to \$50 at the Gray Shop. Sport coats \$9.75 to \$40. Hats \$1 to \$15. Beautiful silk underthings. Exclusive shop for the sale of the famous Trilliner silk underwear.

One lady free tomorrow at the Concord Theatre with each paid ticket at 30 cents.

Watch this paper tomorrow for an important announcement from the Gray Shop.

Bridges Will Succeed Sink.

Raleigh, March 30.—Edwin B. Bridges of Charlotte, who will succeed H. Hoyle Sink as Commissioner of Pardon and Paroles, also as Secretary of the Salary and Wage Commission on April 1, has been spending several days in Raleigh in conference with Mr. Sink, and going over the details of the details of the office. Mr. Sink will take up his duties as permanent emergency judge of the Superior Court of the Western district on April 1.

Earl Carrol Ordered to Prepare For Prison.

New York, March 29.—Earl Carrol, theatrical producer, today was ordered to surrender Monday to be given the sentence of a year and a day in the federal penitentiary at Atlanta, Ga., imposed as a result of his famous "bath tub" party.

THINKS NO LARGE NUMBER CHINAMEN WERE KILLED BY EXPLOSION

The Area Fired Upon by American and British Ships Was Occupied by Only a Few Chinamen.

SAYS A REPORT BY ADMIRAL WILLIAMS

Such Chinese as Were Killed Were Probably Attacking Foreigners or Looting Property.

Washington, March 30.—(AP)—Doubt that any large number of Chinese were killed when American and British ships opened fire to protect foreigners at Nanking was expressed in a report to the Navy Department today from Admiral Williams, commanding the American forces in China.

Inasmuch as the area fired upon is largely owned by foreigners, Admiral Williams said, "few Chinese lived there, and it is not believed any large number was killed. Such as were killed were probably attacking foreigners or looting foreign property."

No shells were directed against the Chinese section of Nanking, the report continued, adding that the effect of the firing not only was to rescue the American consul and his party, but other foreigners in the city. The bombardment brought instantaneous results, the admiral said, the foreigners being able to leave their position immediately.

Cantonese Commander Regrets Nanking Affair.

Shanghai, March 30.—(AP)—General Chang Kai Shek, Cantonese commander, sent his chief of staff and a secretary aboard the Japanese flagship here this morning to convey his regrets to the admiral for the Nanking affair.

PIERCE ENTERS PLEAS OF NOT GUILTY TODAY

Denies That He is Guilty of the Killing of Dr. G. H. Gerberding.

Hickory, N. C., (AP)—Joe Pierce, charged with killing Dr. G. H. Gerberding last Sunday night, entered a plea of not guilty when brought before recorder M. H. Yount in police court this morning. His defense will be that he did not drive his rented car past Lenoir-Rhyne College where Dr. Gerberding was run down and killed by an automobile.

The state called six witnesses when the preliminary hearing began at 10 o'clock today. It is believed here that the trial will continue throughout the day. To defense is being represented by W. C. Feinster of Newton and T. P. Pruitt and Wither and Whitener of Hickory. City attorney John W. Aiken is representing the state.

RHINELANDER QUITS DIVORCE ATTEMPTS

Latest Reverse in Courts Discourages Man Wed to Negress.

White Plains, N. Y., March 29.—Leonard Kip Rhinelander, wealthy member of an old New York family, is through with his fight to obtain an annulment of his marriage to his wife of negro blood, Alice Jones Rhinelander.

This became known today after the Court of Appeals refused to overturn the decision of Supreme Court Joseph Morschauer, who had denied his plea for annulment. Mrs. Rhinelander, on the other hand, will probably take up the battle that has been waged by her husband for more than two years and will attempt to obtain a separation in her own behalf, her counsel said.

Charlotte Office in Old Mint Building.

Raleigh, March 29.—The Charlotte office of the U. S. States Employment Service, of the State Department of Labor, will be located in the old Mint building in Charlotte, and will be opened April 1, it is announced by Frank D. Grist, Commissioner of Labor. John Boyd Pharr, of Charlotte, will be superintendent of the office.

Space for the office is being provided by the Government, but for a time it was feared that it might be possible to get the office located in one of the Federal buildings in Charlotte. The old Mint building now houses the office of the Prohibition enforcement branch, and some other Federal offices. Mr. Grist considers it fortunate that it has been possible to secure offices for the employment bureau in this building.

Electricians Want One Dollar an Hour.

Charlotte, March 29.—Electrical workers here today started a movement to secure a contract with employers calling for a minimum scale of one dollar an hour.

Bank Robbed.

Gleason, Tenn., March 30.—(AP)—The Bank of Gleason was entered and robbed of \$5,000 some time last night or early today.

WEATHER

Cloudy tonight and Thursday, probably showers Thursday in west portion; somewhat warmer tonight.

ICE IS CHEAPER

DO YOU KNOW—That the INITIAL cost of the SMALL mechanical refrigerator for the home is equal to paying the AVERAGE housewife's ice bill TEN years in advance?

DO YOU KNOW—That the purchase price for a household mechanical refrigerator, if invested at 8 per cent., will return an amount IN INTEREST PAID ON it which will pay the AVERAGE family's ice bill from April 1st to October 15th?

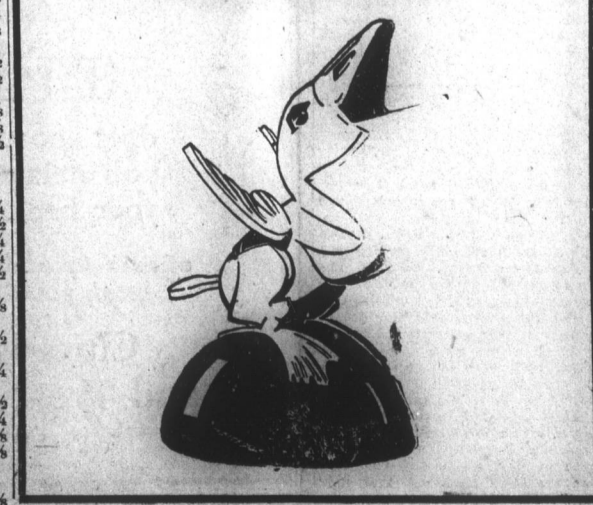
DO YOU KNOW—That the loss through depreciation of a mechanical refrigerator, plus repairs and maintenance, is double the amount of the average consumer's ice bill for one year? Depreciation is as positive an element of loss as any expense. To illustrate, if the life of a machine be six years, the depreciation will be one-sixth of the cost each year.

DO YOU KNOW—That the ANNUAL SAVINGS to the AVERAGE CONSUMERS in the use of ice refrigeration over mechanical refrigeration will pay the ANNUAL PREMIUM ON A \$5,000 OLD-LINE ORDINARY LIFE INSURANCE POLICY, at the age between 32 and 35 years, and will in addition allow the dividends to be paid back to you in cash or go to purchase additional paid-up insurance?

DO YOU KNOW—That ice is NOT ONLY the most economical, but the most dependable means of refrigeration you can have? It NEVER gets out of order, requires NO repair bills, no mechanics, plumber's or electrician's services.

Yours for SERVICE, A. B. POUNDS

IT'S THE GOOSE THAT LAYS GOLDEN EGGS



ANNOUNCEMENT

The 5th Series in this Old Reliable Building, Loan and Savings Association will open April 2nd.

Running Shares cost 25 cents per share per week, matures \$100.00 in 328 weeks.

Prepaid Shares cost \$72.25 per share, matures \$100.00 in 328 weeks.

Tax Returning Time Is Here, Remember That All Stock is Non-Taxable.

Now is the accepted time to take shares and make a safe investment which will bring you the best return and you will be helping some good family get a home of its own.

The Cabarrus County will be 29 years old on April 6th. Think of doing business that long without the loss of a cent on any loan or in any other way, and in the past ten years maturing its stock in 328 weeks. How many individuals have such a record?

You can take shares any time now. A lot of people already have taken a running start by taking shares in

SERIES NO. 59—NOW OPEN

Cabarrus County Building Loan and Savings Association OFFICE IN THE CONCORD NATIONAL BANK