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REMNANTS CHINA'S SHANGHAI FORCES RESIST TO DEATH

6,000 Troops Caught in Nantao District

JAPS TAKE OVER CITY

Kai-Shek Declares Withdrawal is Not Vital Blow to Nation's Defenses

NOW ON 'WATER LINE'

Shanghai, Nov. 10.—The last remnants of Chinese forces in Shanghai, now almost entirely in Japanese possession, resolved today to resist until death in their isolated sector.

The Chinese, estimated at about 6,000 men in the Nantao native district bordering the French concession, virtually were trapped inside a bayonet-pointed crescent of Japanese.

It appeared certain they must be annihilated if they made a last stand. There was no avenue of escape except across the Whang-poo river or into the French area where they would be disarmed and interned.

The Chinese soldiers, helped by coolies, worked feverishly by lamplight digging trenches and raising sandbag barriers. French officers, however, said they surely were doomed if they defied the Japanese overwhelming strength.

The withdrawal of Shanghai's defenders under cover of darkness last night toward their "winter line" protecting Nanking, China's capital, was not a vital blow to the nation's defenses. Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek declared.

He said it would shift the war scene to the great delta lands of the lake region west of Shanghai where China has several strong lines reaching about 50 miles to Changshu, Kashing and Soochow.

Japanese communiques from North China reported the fall of another city, Taiyuanfu, capital of Shansi province. The communiques said Japanese troops occupied the city, the fourth North China provincial capital to be occupied in the four months of the northern campaign, after 24 hours of bitter street fighting from which not one Chinese soldier escaped alive.

LIBRARY OPEN ON SATURDAYS

Miss Ruby McCoin is Named Assistant Librarian Through the WPA

NEW BOOKS RECEIVED

Through the WPA Miss Ruby McCoin has been made assistant librarian to Miss Virginia Price at the Elkin Public Library and as a result the library will be open each week day. Heretofore the library has been closed on Saturday.

Several new books have been received by the library within the past few weeks. "The Turning Wheel" is the latest arrival and many books were donated at the departmental meetings of the Woman's Club. Dr. C. L. Haywood, Jr., has given the library a subscription to the Book of the Month Club and this will insure the newest book of each month. The first received is "The Nile," which has been favorably received by readers and critics. Others who have donated books are Mesdames Fred Rash, W. W. Whitaker and L. G. Meed.

MANY BOOKS NEEDED BY SCHOOL LIBRARY

The following books are badly needed for the high school library and the donation of any or all of them will be greatly appreciated:

Novels: Pamela, Lorna Doone, Pickwick Papers, Old Curiosity Shop, Cloister and the Hearth, Henry Esmond, Vanity Fair, Mill on the Floss, Alton Locke, Old Wives Tales, Clayhanger, Inquisitor, Spinner of the Years, Stars-book Dawn, The Colonel's Daughter, Lost Horizons, Goodbye Mr. Chips, Coningsby, Applecart, Strife, Jane Eyre, Shepherds in Sackcloth. Also any books by H. G. Wells, Conrad, Hardy, Scott, any of Emil Ludwig's Biographies, Letters by Stevenson, plays, short stories and essays by standard authors.

Any person desiring to donate books who is unable to deliver them to the high school library will please call either Mrs. French Graham or Mrs. Joe Bivins.

To Present Program

Sunday evening at 8:30, a group from the Huntsville church will present a program at the First Baptist church in this city. A cordial invitation is extended the public to attend.

Seek To End A. F. L. - C. I. O. Rift



Washington. . . The first attempt in two years to end the bitter hostility between the two rival labor movements nearly hit the rocks when the C. I. O. group, headed by Phillip Murray (right) flatly refused to dissolve their organization as a condition for peace. Now A. F. L. committee, led by Chairman George Harrison (left) counters with proposal to take back suspended unions under former rights and privileges.

Merchants to Hold Special Meeting Next Tuesday A. M.

A general meeting of the Elkin Merchants association has been called for next Tuesday morning at 10:30 o'clock for the purpose of discussing plans for a cooperative Christmas opening.

Every merchant in the city is urged to be present, regardless of whether he is a member of the association.

The Christmas lights for the downtown streets, to be inaugurated for the first time this year, have been ordered, and will be put up and turned on on the day of the Christmas opening, which will probably be around December 1st.

WINSTON MAN IS KIWANIS SPEAKER

Bank Official Commends Town for Its Many Excellent Advantages

SEVERAL BRING GUESTS

G. R. Dudley, vice president of the First National Bank of Winston-Salem, was guest speaker at the meeting of the Elkin Kiwanis club held at Hotel Elkin last Thursday evening. He commended the town for its progressive industries and schools and voiced the opinion that local youths who leave in quest of greater opportunities are making a mistake.

Garland Johnson, local Kiwanian, was in charge of the program, and Mr. Dudley spoke as his guest. He was accompanied by W. Carroll Barber, vice-president of the Winston-Salem chapter, American Institute of Banking.

Other guests of Mr. Johnson were Sparger Roberson and W. L. Glancy of Mount Airy, and Dr. H. B. Hoskins of Elkin. Richard Lackey, of Hickory, was the guest of Kiwanian E. S. Spainhour, and Rev. L. B. Abernethy, Dr. M. A. Royall and Dr. Hugh Parks were the guests of Dr. C. L. Haywood, Kiwanian.

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P. O. S. OF A. IS TO NOMINATE OFFICERS

There will be a meeting of the P. O. S. of A. at the Junior Hall here next Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock, for the purpose of nominating officers for 1938, and to consider other important business. All members are urged to be present at this important meeting.

WILKES FARMER ENDS OWN LIFE

Thomas Mack Swaim Dies Friday From Self-Inflicted Pistol Wound

WRITERS HELD SATURDAY

Thomas Mack Swaim, 59, Wilkes county farmer, died early last Friday morning from what relatives said was a self-inflicted pistol wound. He succumbed from the wound received about 7 p. m. Thursday as he was being removed from his home several miles west of Elkin.

Members of the family said they were sitting on the porch and heard a revolver shot. They rushed into the house and found Mr. Swaim lying on the floor with a revolver bullet in his head. They could assign no reason for his act other than he had been in a highly nervous condition for several days.

A native of Yadkin county, Mr. Swaim had sold produce here and was a familiar figure on the streets. He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. James Swaim.

Surviving are the widow; eight children, Mrs. Eugene Couch, Mrs. Gwyn Bauguess, Mrs. Daniel Creed, Horton, Moses and Ed Swaim of Elkin; Mrs. Frank Smoot of Jonesville, and Miss Grace Lee Swaim of Ronda and seven grandchildren.

The funeral was held Saturday morning at 11 o'clock at Pleasant Hill Baptist church near here. Rev. Isom Vestal and Rev. Loyd Pardue conducted the services. Burial was in the church graveyard.

COMPLAINTS MADE ABOUT SHOOTING

Dixie Graham, chief of police, stated Wednesday that he has received numerous complaints from irate citizens concerning the shooting of birds and squirrels by boys and men, the alleged offenses taking place inside the city limits.

Chief Graham stated that as a result of these complaints, a close lookout is to be made, and all persons caught in such offense, heavily fined. People shooting firearms within the corporate limits are guilty of breaking a town law, he said.

Bank To Close

The Bank of Elkin will be closed here today (Thursday), in observance of Armistice Day, it has been announced by bank officials. The postoffice will remain open as usual.

All-Stars To Tackle Elks This Afternoon

The battle of the century will be fought here this afternoon when the Elkin All-Stars, a football team made up of former Elkin high school players, meet the present edition of the high school Elks in a game at Chatham Athletic Field.

Much interest has been aroused by the game, with some of the belief that the All-Stars will give the Elks a walloping, while others lean to the belief that the Elks, being favored by training and better physical condition, will have the All-Stars' collective

LATENEWS from the State and Nation

HANCOCK EXPECTS POSITIVE ACTION

Recommendations by President Roosevelt to the special session of Congress which will convene next week of "positive and affirmative action" to relieve business were flatly predicted today by Representative Frank Hancock, who was here for the first time since the announcement nearly a month ago of his candidacy for the seat in the United States Senate now held by Senator Robert R. Reynolds.

Before issuing a formal statement, Hancock conferred at length on the business situation with Marriner S. Eccles, chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, and declared himself much pleased by what he learned of plans now in the making by the administration.

BRITISH STATESMAN DIES SUDDENLY

London, Nov. 9. — J. Ramsay MacDonald, who rose through labor's ranks from Scottish poverty to become thrice prime minister of Great Britain, died suddenly tonight aboard a cruise ship bound for South America.

Dr. Alastair MacKimmion, MacDonald's son-in-law, received news by radio of the death of Britain's first labor prime minister.

The man who was born the son of a Scottish farmer and spurned an earldom only this year, died aboard the steamer Reina del Pacifico at 8:45 p. m., apparently of a heart attack.

RUSSIAN MINISTER WALKS OUT

Brussels, Nov. 9. — Foreign Minister Maxim Litvinoff of Russia created a sensation in the Brussels conference on the Far Eastern war tonight by unexpectedly announcing his immediate departure for Moscow.

The abrupt manner of the Russian delegate's leaving was regarded as a protest against a movement he believed was under way to eliminate Russia from conference activities, particularly from conference committees.

PEACE CONFERENCES ARE ADJOURNED

Washington, Nov. 9. — Peace conferences between the American Federation of Labor and the Committee for Industrial Organization were adjourned for eight days late today after the warring factions deadlocked on the issue of which industries each should dominate.

THREE YADKIN BOYS GET LONG SENTENCES

Of 26 men sent to federal prisons by Judge Johnson J. Hayes at Winston-Salem last week, three of them were from Yadkin. Two of them were brothers, Jess and Grady Pardue of Brooks-Cross Roads and Nelson Pinnix of the same neighborhood.

They were convicted of violation of the prohibition laws. Grady Pardue and Pinnix were sent to Chillicothe, Ohio, for 18 months each and Jess Pardue was sent to Atlanta for 18 months.

As a result of being in financial straits many a man does a crooked thing.

Postpone American Visit



Displeased over labor's reaction to their proposed American visit, the Duke and Duchess of Windsor postponed their trip on the eve of their scheduled sailing date. It is reported that the couple plan to make the trip after the first of the year.

RED CROSS SOURCE OF HELP TO ALL

Agency Aided Over a Million Flood Sufferers Last Year

EVERYONE SHOULD JOIN

Do you realize what it means to be a member of the American Red Cross? It means giving food, medical aid, clothing and every other possible service to the needy in your community.

Over a million flood sufferers were aided last year by the Red Cross. The public health nurses made over a million visits to the sick; its members checked seven million homes and farms for accident hazards. Great strides have been made through the organization in the instruction and prevention of disaster by teaching first aid, home hygiene, care of the sick and life saving. Do you know that 95 Red Cross life saving certificates were awarded this year to residents of Elkin.

There should be genuine pride in wearing a Red Cross membership button. In doing so you are opening the road to safer, healthier, happier lives for millions of people.

Below is a summary of the work of the local chapter during the past year:

Roll Call, 1936, \$128.75; cash on hand, \$112.27; donations to flood relief, \$1,138.99; Total, \$1,376.01.

Cash Paid out: Remittance to chapter for roll call, \$62.87; Remittances to national chapter for flood relief, \$1,140.00; Yeast for pellagra patients, \$5.00; First aid supplies for Elkin and North Elkin schools, \$9.27; Clothing and shoes for children of indigent parents, \$37.12; Sheets and supplies for obstetrical case on relief, \$2.98; For care of bedridden woman, \$6.00; Coal for three indigent families, \$12.36; Food for four indigent families, \$9.84; Clothing for aged man unable to work, \$3.86; Total cash paid out, \$1,289.30.

Balance July 1, 1937, \$86.71; Cash paid out: First aid supplies for Elkin schools, \$7.46; Disinfectant for Elkin schools, \$13.17; Food for indigent families, \$4.07; Shoes for school children of indigent family, \$5.11; Total cash paid out to Nov. 1, \$29.81; Balance Nov. 1, 1937, \$56.90.

STATE SANATORIUM TO BE DEDICATED TODAY

Asheville, N. C., Nov. 6.—The new western North Carolina Tuberculosis Sanatorium will begin receiving patients tomorrow, the building committee has announced after a tour of inspection.

Formal dedication will follow on November 11.

Meanwhile, the trustees will meet at the Sanatorium November 10 to receive bids on a new wing and nurses' home to be constructed during the winter months.

First patients to be admitted will be chosen from a waiting list maintained at the State sanatorium. There are at present 400 persons on this list.

The new sanatorium will accommodate upwards of 200 patients.

NIMRODS MUST HAVE HUNTING LICENSE

The hunting season will open Saturday, November 20, and everyone taking to the field with gun and dogs should be very careful that they have proper license badge if they would escape arrest and fine. It was learned here Tuesday, as two special deputy game wardens are to be assigned to this section.

Legion Auxiliary To Have Special Armistice Program

The Woman's Auxiliary of the George Gray Post of the American Legion will observe Armistice Day with a special program this morning (Thursday) at 10:45 on the grounds, at the new high school building. A tree, planted on the lawn, will be dedicated as a memorial to Elkin's war dead, eight in number, who are buried in Hollywood cemetery. Members of the families of the deceased veterans will have a part in the services.

At the close of the services graves of the soldiers will be decorated by the Auxiliary.

A cordial invitation is extended the public to attend the dedication.

J. R. POINDEXTER PAINFULLY HURT

Elkin Mayor Suffers Dislocated Hip When Tractor Overturns

IS IN LOCAL HOSPITAL

Mayor J. R. Poindexter, of Elkin, was painfully injured Monday evening when a tractor with which he was attempting to pull a truck out of the mud on his farm in Wilkes county, reared up and fell over backwards. Although the heavy machine did not fall completely upon him, the mayor suffered a dislocated hip in the accident.

Carried to the nearby farm house, Mr. Poindexter was put to bed until a local doctor could be summoned to administer a narcotic to relieve the pain. He was then placed in an ambulance and brought to the local hospital, where the hip was forced back into place. He is expected to remain at the hospital for a number of weeks.

Mr. Poindexter had carried some fertilizer to the farm in a light truck prior to the accident. In some way the truck slid into a ditch and became stuck. Going to the barn, he got out the tractor and hitched it to the front end of the truck. In applying full power, the tractor wheels refused to turn and as a result the heavy machine reared up backwards, toppling over against the front of the truck. Mr. Poindexter averted dangerous injury or possibly death by rolling out of the way. However, he believes that either the steering wheel or some other protruding part of the tractor struck his hip, causing the dislocation.

He is said to be getting along satisfactorily.

COUNTY SCHOOL BUS HITS WAGON TUESDAY

A Franklin township school bus was in collision with a wagon while enroute to school Tuesday morning, according to a statement by John W. Comer, county superintendent of schools.

Considerable damage was done to the wagon and the driver of the wagon was slightly injured, but no one else was hurt.

GRAHAM NAMED WILDCATS' CHIEF

High Point, N. C., Nov. 9. — Former Lieut.-Gov. A. H. (Sand) Graham, Hillsboro, has been named commander of the 71st (Wildcat) Division of the American Legion.

OVER 100 HERE FOR ANNIVERSARY DINNER TUESDAY

John Folger, of Mount Airy, Makes Fine Address

IN HONOR OF ROOSEVELT

George Royall, President of Young Democrats, Master of Ceremonies

BRIEF TALKS ARE MADE

Celebrating the fifth anniversary of the election of President Franklin D. Roosevelt, more than one hundred Young Democrats met here Tuesday evening at a dinner staged at Hotel Elkin to hear a rousing speech by John Folger, of Mount Airy.

Similar dinners were staged throughout the nation Tuesday as Young Democrats did honor to the President.

Mr. Folger, who was asked to make the main address following the illness of R. A. Freeman, of Dobson, who was to have been the speaker, held his audience spell-bound by the excellence of his address, and was complimented highly at the conclusion of the event by all who heard him.

George Royall of Elkin, president of the Surry County Young Democrats club, which sponsored the event, acted as master of ceremonies, and called upon many present for brief talks, including a number of visitors from Yadkin county. In addition to these talks, a brief talk was made by Mrs. Kate Barringer of Mount Airy, vice-president of the club.

Following an excellent dinner, the program was opened by a brief address of welcome by W. M. Allen, Elkin attorney. Response was by W. R. Badgett, prominent Pilot Mountain Democrat. A. B. Carter, of Mount Airy, introduced Mr. Folger.

Highlights of the program, which was considered an overwhelming success, was the music presented by Byron Bryan and his Nut Crackers, and a recitation by Miss Glenda Norman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Foley M. Norman, of this city.

INCREASE HEALTH ALLOTMENT \$5.00

Town's Part is Now \$30.00 Monthly to Maintain County Health Dept.

TO BUILD NEW ROAD

At a meeting of the Elkin board of commissioners, held in the city tax office Monday evening, the commissioners instructed Dixie Graham, chief of police, to have a road built leading around back of the Elkin elementary school building so that people living in that section would have an outlet without having to drive through the school grounds. It was also ordered that the present driveway through the school grounds be blocked with a row of heavy posts.

The commissioners also voted to increase the town's appropriation of \$25 per month for the county health department to \$30 per month in order that the county's four-unit health department may be maintained.

The world needs an anti-war pack which will pack a wallop.

Encouraging financial note: Football spectators being warned to look out for pickpockets.

JOE GISH

THE STRING OF A VIOLIN IS BROKEN IN STRETCHING IT TOO MUCH.