THE STANDARD'S SPORTING SECTION

FACTIONS AND CAUSES MAKING FOR PRESENT STRIFE IN CHINA

Aims of Gen. Chang Tso-Lin, Gen. Wu Pei-fu, Dr. Sun Yat Sen and Their Followers in the Latest Upset.

Unhappy China is in the throes of another chapter of civil strife. It is the spring fighting season, and so long as the great, idle, costly Chinese Army sprawls over the country, under just such rival commands as tempt soldiers to play politics, so long will this season see marching and counter-marching, the tearing up of railroads and of previous peace pledges, and proclamations of holy patriotism that but signify the larger brigandage. The unfortunate feature of the present plight is that the adversaries are so well matched. Chang Tso-lin, whose troops occupied Peking on April 21, commands about 100,000 men at the most, but his lieutenants, like the notorious Chang Hsun and the various generals of the Anfu party, which are reported to be supporting him, may add 30,000 to 35,000 more. Wu Pei-fu, based on central China, commands about 120,000 troops, with excellent artillery, high morale, and good communications. There is no clear political difference between the two men though Wu is more nearly what the West would call a gentleman. He has been a scholar, and he lays pretensions to political liberalism, but he has been too ambitious. Chang, on the other hand, started life as a brigand, and was hired during the Chinese-Japanese War to fight on the Japanese side as a simple—and not unprofitable—matter of business. A more or less well-grounded empirical judgment on his actions accuses him of not being above acting as Japan's agent today.

Chang Has Money.

The strategic possibilities of the campaign—if campaign there is to be—favor Chang. He has money; the earnings of a tuchun in China are high, and Chang is credited with having stored up at Mukden a cash fund of $30,000,000. Wu has millions but nothing like this. Chang also has communications. More than 60 troop trains bore his army south of the Great Wall to Tientsin and Peking, and are ready to transport it south on the Peking-Hanlow and Tientsin-Pukow railways, the twin lines toward central China. Wu has commandeered the whole Peking-Hankow railway, or as much of it as he can reach, but here again his resources are inferior. Chang also has the advantage of the map. His lieutenants in the Yang-tse provinces seem to control Shantung, which may become an important battleground, Anhwei, Kiangsi, Cheklang, and Kiangsi, where Shanghai is located, and even perhaps, Fukien. With Chang's army filtering steadily down from the north, his plan is obviously to exert a general pressure on Wu so as to drive him away from the coast and virtually surround him in central China. General Chang is all for a protracted and siege-like type of campaign; his soldiers can live on the country, and he has ample supplies and excellent communications. General Wu is all for an impetuous campaign with some real fighting in it; his soldiers are personally attached to him in a way Chang cannot claim. Wu's cause is also helped by the fact that Chang's entrance into Peking is an insult and an affront to constitutional government, the first blow, as it were, which in Wu's clever telegrams symbolizes the contest as one between military autocracy and liberalism.

C. C. Wu's Visit to Mukden.

If that is so, what is Dr. Sun doing on the side of Chang Tso-lin? There is no doubt that the visit of C. C. Wu, the son of Canton's famous foreign minister, Wu Ting-fang, to General Chang's camp at Mukden last month, had some significance in connection with the present crisis. What significance it had the world that is watching China would dearly like to know. The Canton Government has no love for Chang Tso-lin, but it has lost all its former professed kinship with Wu Pei-fu, and which of these two leaders is to be eliminated is today more than likely a matter of indifference to Sun Yat-sen.

There is little doubt but that Dr. Sun will have only begun to fight for a free China when either one of these contending militarists comes off victorious. If he has succeeded in making Chang give lip-service to the "unification" of China he must somehow provide that unification is not so complete as to bring about his own elimination. And for that reason he apparently considers it necessary to take sides. But it is hard to believe that he will fight any serious pitched battles with Wu Pei-fu. If Canton fights, it will have to fight with Chang's money; everybody knows that Canton has no cash surplus to burn up in war on its own account. And if it takes Chang's money, after all it has said about the well-known Oriental power which furnishes that money, it will stultify much of its patriotic standing in China irreparably.

So much for the military situation. President Hsu Shih-chang and Cho President Hsu Shih-chang and Chou Tso-chi, the Premier, have rushed into print with a demand for mediation and an appeal to the 18 provincial governments, which recalls to the foreigner that a civil government is still trying to rule in Peking. But as the crisis which has now broken was developing, that government was exhibiting every week a confusion worse confounded.

Stop-Gap Collection.

When Liang Shih-yi got leave of absence as Premier during the Washington Conference, everybody knew he was through and that the Cabinet he headed, described by a certain retired American diplomat as "a body of able men," was a mere stop-gap collection of bureau chiefs. From week to week his leave of absence was extended, until finally, in the middle of April, the farce could be kept up no longer, and Chou Tso-chi was proclaimed as Premier to the, by now, wholly apathetic public. Chou is one of the "regulars"; Finance Minister under Yuan and a former Premier, he represented China's financial experts before the Washington Conference, and moved easily and good-humoredly among the tangled problems presented by China's demands on that occasion. He is not the man to make a fight, either against foreign interference or Japanese aggression; and he has few enemies, which is not always a good sign, in China. His arrival from America was opportune; in fact, he was appointed Premier only a few days after reaching China on a leisurely homeward jaunt from the Washington Conference.

This mild and unprepossessing premier faces a harassing and perplexing set of problems altogether apart from the impending civil war. In 18 months China is supposed to have a presidential election, and the present President, Hsu Shih-chang, a former Grand Secretary of the Manchu regime and guardian of the boy emperor-that-was (still a dangerous symbol for unstable monarchists), is endeavoring to give a constitutional air to the proceedings which the reactionaries plan to inaugurate shortly. It is an open secret that Chang Tso-lin wants to be President, probably to found a new dynasty, though the downfall of the unhappy Yuan is an ever present reminder that the Chinese Republic has deeper roots than are usually imagined.

Li's Moral Cowardice.

The moderates want Li Yuan-hung, whose moral cowardice cost him his rightful tenure of the presidential office during the war, but who is a sincere, well-intentioned outsider in clique politics. It is doubtful if Li will again put his head into what he always called the "Peking noose" once again. This leaves Dr. Sun as Chang's chief opponent—always excepting the enigmatic Wu Pei-fu. There is very little likelihood that Dr. Sun would consider the office seriously.

Dr. Sun is a powerful political organizer and undoubtedly the creater of the modern Republican movement in China. But he is, in his undemonstrative way, a Garibaldi rather than a Mazzini or a Cavour; he has the spiritual fire which holds men together, and he has a splendid contempt for office. He has abdicated the presidency of China once; what he wants now is to see China unified under an administration he and his party can trust to play fair with constitutionalism. His agreement with Chang Tso-ling is no indication that he thinks Chang is such a man; that is a unification movement pure and simple. The whole of liberal China would oppose Chang or any other Tuchun for high executive office, and those who watched the revolt against Yuan gather in 1916 know how effectively such gusts of revolt blow up and what a deadly effect they may have upon tyrants. Chang, counting on Japanese support, hoping to hoodwink the radicals and bribe the professional politicians, may have a try at it, but he will be foolish to exchange the role of a real Warwick for that of a mere president, especially when he can still be Warwick while by aiming at the presidency he may miss not only that but, like Yuan, lose everything else.

Tuan's Reappearance.

An interesting feature of the present line-up in China is the presence of the former premier, Tuan Chi-jui, once leader of the all-powerful Anfu clique, as the third member of the Sun-Chang-Tuan triumvirate. Until very recently Tuan had been living quietly in Peking playing chess and studying Buddhism. When the Anfu crowd fell, due to the popular anger at their comprehensive willingness to play Japan's game in domestic and foreign affairs, Tuan missed the full force of the blow somehow. Perhaps the reputation for probity he has enjoyed for a number of years helped him fight off the reproaches of the patriots; certainly, both as militarist and pro-Japanese he deserved his eclipse, however. During January, he closed his Buddhist treatises, put away his chess board, slipped on coolie dress and one night departed from his well-guarded residence and stole away on the Tientsin train. This seems to be the way a Chinese politician "comes back," for ever since Tuan has arrived in Tientsin he has been a national figure. He has resumed his authority over the military officers who control the troops at the Yangtze mouth and in other Anfu sections; he has held pourparlers with Dr. Sun—incidentally purchasing 50,000 copies of one of Dr. Sun's books—and he has "talked turkey" with Chang Tso-ling. So it is not surprising to learn that he is taking seriously a boom his supporters are preparing to put him forward for the presidency. Incredible as it would have seemed two or three years ago, he is a real candidate now. His election would be a distressing event to Chinese Liberalism, but worse things might befall. However, it is too early to speculate on his chances until it is apparent whether China's forthcoming problems are going to be settled in an atmosphere of peace or civil war. Civil war has a head start now, but mediation has settled worse plights than this in China.

Baseball Results In Big Leagues

SATURDAY'S GAMES

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Cincinnati 5; St. Louis 4.

At St. Louis:
Cincinnati .. .. ..110030000— 5 10 1
St. Louis .. .. ..010010020— 4 14 5
Couch and Hargrave; Gains, North and Ainsmith.

New York 3; Philadelphia 2.

At New York:
Philadelphia 00000200000000— 2 10 2
New York ..00000101000001— 3 10 0
Hubbell and Henline; Douglas and Smith, Snyder and Gaston.

Chicago 11; Pittsburg 7

At Pittsburgh:
Chicago .. .. ..301200140—11 17 1
Pittsburgh .. .. ..000300310— 7 14 4
Aldridge and O'Farrell; Glazner, Zinn, Hamilton, Yellowhorse and Gooch.

Brooklyn 15; Boston 2.

At Brooklyn:
Boston .. ..001001000— 2 7 1
Brooklyn .. .. ..15021124x—15 17 1
Oeschger, Lansing, and Gowdy; Reuther and Hungling.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Boston 1; Washington 0.

At Boston:
Washington .. ..000000000— 0 4 0
Boston .. ..00001000x— 1 4 0
Zachary, Johnson and Gharrity, Picinich; Pennock and Walters.

Detroit 8; Chicago 1.

At Detroit:
Chicago .. .. ..010000010— 1 5 2
Detroit .. ..000341000— 8 11 2
Hodge, Leverett and Schalk, Faryan; Pillette and Bassler.

Cleveland 6; St. Louis 2.

At Cleveland:
St. Louis .. .. ..001000010— 2 11 1
Cleveland .. .. ..10030101x— 6 10 1
Shocker and Severeid; Coveleskie and O'Neill.

New York 2; Philadelphia 0.

At Philadelphia:
New York .. .. ..000000020— 2 5 1
Philadelphia .. .. 000000000— 0 3 1
Mays and Devermer; Harris and Perkins.

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE

Jersey City 11; Syracuse 6.

At Syracuse:
Jersey City .. .. 000311006—11 8 1
Syracuse .. .. ..000103110— 6 9 3
Zellars and Freitag; Montgomery, Schulz, Kirscher and Niebergall.

Baltimore 7; Rochester 1.

Baltimore .. .. ..004000003— 7 11 0
Rochester .. .. ..001000000— 1 6 1
Thomas, Ogden and McAvoy; Hughes, Cox and Lake.

Buffalo 8; Newark 7.

At Buffalo:
Newark .. .. ..100030030— 7 18 2
Buffalo .. ..002100024— 8 8 1
Fileshefter, Barnhardt and Walker; Heitman, Reddy, McCabe and Bengough.

SUNDAY GAMES

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Boston 4; Brooklyn 3.

Brooklyn, May 7.—Powell's home run drive over the right field fence with two out in the ninth prevented Brooklyn from tying the score, and Boston won, 4 to 3. Vance was bumped hard in the first two innings and then blanked the visitors until Powell made his circuit smash. Score:
Boston.. .. .. .. 210000001—4 10 1
Brooklyn .. .. ..00000200 1—3 9 0
Watson and ONeill; Vance and Deberry, Hungling.

New York 6; Philadelphia 0.

New York, May 7.—Jesse Barnes almost duplicated the perfect game pitched by Robertson of the Chicago Americans a week ago, when he pitched a hitless game today against Philadelphia. He passed one player. Only twenty-seven men faced Barnes.

J. Smith, a Philadelphia coach, asked for the ball with which Barnes had been pitching at the end of Philadelphia's half of the seventh. He showed Umpire Hart where there were several cuts in the ball, and Hart threw it out. Score:
Philadelphia .. ..000000000— 0 0 0
New York.. .. ..23001000x—6 9 0
Meadows, G. Smith and Heinline; J. Barnes and E. Smith.

Pittsburgh 11; Chicago 5.

Chicago, May 7.—Pittsburgh today easily defeated Chicago 11 to 5. Home runs by Grohwer and Grimes were features. Score:
Pittsburgh .. .. .400300000—11 12 0
Chicago .. .. ..103000001— 5 8 2
Carlson and Gooch; Alexander, Jones and Cheeves, Osborne and Hartnett.

St. Louis 8; Cincinnati 5.

St. Louis, May 7.—Doak's pitching beat the Reds 8 to 5 today. Score:
Cincinnati .. .. 00001040—5 9 1
St. Louis.. .. .. 01203200x—8 13 1
Rixey, Gillespie, Markle and Hargrave; Doak and Clemons.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Chicago 9; Detroit 7.

Detroit, May 7.—Falk's home run in the ninth won for the White Sox 9 to 7. Score:
Chicago .. .. .. 000106002—9 13 1
Detroit.. .. .. ..001000303—7 17 3
Faber and Schalk; Dauss, Cole, Oldham and Bassler.

St. Louis 10; Cleveland 7.

Cleveland, May 7—St. Louis defeated Cleveland here today 10 to 7. Ken Williams was hitless in three times at bat. Score:
St. Louis .. .. 050200300—10 14 0
Cleveland .. .. 00100202 1— 7 16 2
Kolp, Van Gilder and Severeid; Mails, Martin, Bagby, Keefe and O'Neil.

New York 8; Washington 1.

Washington, May 7.—New York won easily today 8 to 1. Score:
New York.. .. ..042010010—8 14 1
Washington.. .. 000000010—1 2 1
Jones and Devermer; Phillips, Brillhart and Gharrity.

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE

Syracuse 5; Baltimore 4.

Syracuse, May 7.—Syracuse registered its first victory of the year over Baltimore today 5 to 4.
Baltimore.. .. .. 110010010—4 10 1
Syracuse.. .. .. 00002021x—5 8 1
Groves, Frank and McAvoy; Kirscher and Fisher.

Reading 11; Buffalo 4.

Buffalo, May 7.—Buffalo lost a tough one today to Reading 11 to 4. Score:
Buffalo.. .. .. ..11000020000— 4 10 5
Reading .. .. 00100000307—11 17 1
Tomlin and Bengough; Brown and Clark.

Rochester 14; Jersey City 4.

Rochester, May 7.—Rochester had little trouble defeating the Skeeters 14 to 4 today.
Jersey City.. .. 100000111— 4 9 1
Rochester .. .. 40154000x—14 16 0
Lucey, Carruthers, Knowlton and Schenk; Blake and Lake.

Toronto 9; Reading 0.

First Game—
Reading ..... 000000000—0 4 1
Toronto ..... 10700100x—9 10 0
Swartz and Johnson; Martin and Sanberg.

Toronto 11; Reading 2.

Second Game—
Reading ..... 0100001— 2 6 4
Toronto ..... 007130x—11 7 1
Thomas and Tragressor; Taylor and Devine.

Eighteen Year Old Swimming Star

George Burton, the eighteen-year-old swimming star of the local Y.M.C.A., returned to the city on Saturday, after competing in the Maritime Swimming championships, held last week at Wolfville, N. S. Burton was successful in winning the breast stroke event against the field; came second in the finals of the 100 yards; and captured third place in the back stroke event. In the 100 yards, he was defeated by Marshall, of Halifax, maritime champion, who nosed out a winner by a matter of inches only.

Burton was the only representative of St. John in the meet, which was won on points by the Halifax Y. M .C. A.

Blonde Giant Blazes Athletic Trail

Tiny Hartranft from Pacific Slope Wonderful Thrower of Weights.

San Francisco, May 7.—Among the western athletes who are expected to present unusual strength at the Cambridge I. C. A. A. A. A. meet May 27-28, none has attracted more National attention than Glenn (Tiny) Hartranft, Stanford University weight performer. His early season records in shot and discus are already within inches of world's records that have stood for years.

Hartranft is a Canadian-American, and a sophomore in the university. His home is in Southern California. He only began to develop this last year at Stanford, having failed to make any sensational heaves in high school.

In his first competitive meet this year, against the Olympic club of San Francisco, Hartranft put the shot 50 feet ⅜ of an inch. The world's record is held by Ralph Rose, made in 1909. In 1912 Pat McDonald made the nearest approach to this record, defeating Rose in the Olympic games with a heave of 50 feet, 4⅝ inches. Since then the record has never been in danger by a matter of a good many feet. Hartranft is consistently putting the big pellet around 48 and 49 feet.

A week after making his record shot heave, Hartranft, in Los Angeles in competition with the University of Southern California, made a record of better than 147 feet in the discus, with the world's record approximately 156 feet.

Hartranft is a tall, blonde, 6 feet 3 inches in height, with 210 pounds of solid flesh There is no doubt in the mind of Coach "Dink" Templeton that he is a potential champion. Templeton is working hard on Hartranft's form, which is none too good at present, representing brute strength in the main.

Hartranft entered the National championship in 1921 at Los Angeles, taking only a third place and attracting little attention. Hartranft is just beginning to develop, and track coaches on the Pacific coast predict that with a few more years and more form he will make history in the weight events.

The big fellow is far from clumsy, however. Curiously enough, despite his weight, he is also a sprinter, and consistently steps the 100 yard dash off in 10 1-5 seconds. In the meet with the University of California, he took first place in ten seconds flat.

"Dad Moulton, veteran Stanford track trainer, believes Hartranft is wasting himself in the weights when he might be a sprinter of National repute. Templeton, however, will be quite satisfied if "Tiny" comes up to shot and discus expectations, although he will enter him in the 100 yard dash in various Stanford meets this spring, and may give him a chance at the semi-finals in the I. C. A. A. A. A. at Cambridge.

Canadian Hurdler Won At Hanover

In An Open Event at Seventy-Five Yards He Won in 9 3-5 Seconds.

Hanover, N. H., May 7.—Earl J. Thompson, the Canadian hurdler, Saturday failed in an attempt to set a new mark for the 75 yards high hurdles. He won in 9 3-5 seconds, an open event at this distance held in connection with the Pennsylvania-Dartmouth track meet. The record was made originally by Waldo Ames, of the University of Illinois in 1917.

Montreal Racing Season Opens

Some Three Thousand Attended the Meet at Maisonneuve Track Saturday.

Montreal, May 7—The opening of the racing season in Montreal took place at the Maisonneuve track on Saturday afternoon when a crowd of some three thousand attended. There was a brisk play on the machines and the highest price of the afternoon was paid by Kathleen K. which returned $34.15 on a two dollar ticket.

PITCHER MORGAN RELEASED

Boston, May 7.—Pitcher Cyril Morgan, right hander, who has been on the roster of the Boston Nationals for three years, yesterday was released outright to the Waterbury Club of the Eastern League.

Western League Owner Is Dead

Mike Finn's Death Followed a Home Run Made by a Tulsa Player.

Omaha, Neb., May 7.—Mike Finn, owner of the Omaha Western League baseball club, dropped dead at the Western League baseball park here at 4.30 yesterday afternoon. Mr. Finn's death followed a home run made by a Tulsa player with one man on base. Heart failure was the cause.

Mr. Finn entered baseball as a left handed pitcher, being with the Portland, Me., club of the New England League in the '80's. Later he managed teams in Newport, R. I., and Rochester, N. Y. For eleven years he was connected in a managerial capacity with Southern Association clubs. During his baseball career he was scout for the New York National League and Detroit American League clubs.

Mike O'Dowd Defeated Gibbons

New York, May 7—Mike O'Dowd, former middleweight champion, last night defeated Mike Gibbons, of St. Paul in a twelve round contest at Long Island City. O'Dowd received the judge's decision.

ASSINABOINE RIVER BEGINS RECESSION

Many Visitors to Northern Part of Brandon to See Flood.

Brandon, Man., May 7—While there has been no official report of a change in the height of the Assinaboine River, it has dropped about an inch in some places on First street, which is now closed to traffic. Many people from the district visited the city today to see the flood.

The people from the North are cut from the city. Other conditions are about the same.

MACDONALD'S BRIER

The Tobacco with a heart

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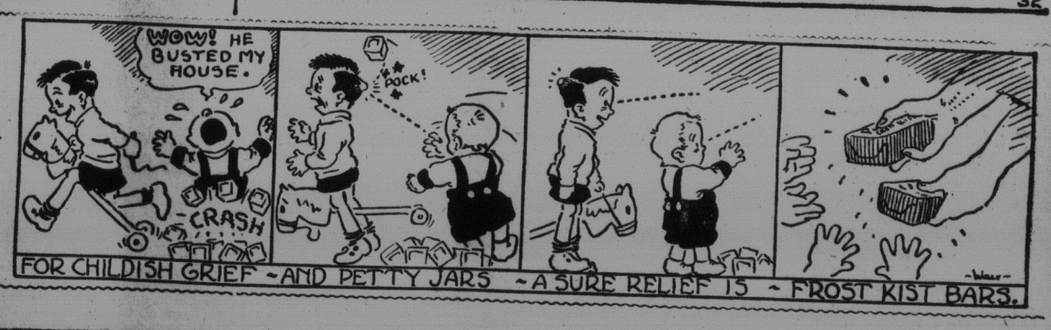

Gas Buggies—You Can Fool Any Man Once.