

Rival Chinese Factions Continue Battle For Possession of City of Shanghai

CHINESE BATTLE FORCES INCREASE

War Lord of Manchuria Plans Real Drive on the Defenders.

AREA WIDENING

Associated Press Despatch. Shanghai, Sept. 9.—While the preliminary battles in China's civil war continued today with renewed intensity in the vicinity of the prize city of Shanghai, Chang Tso-Lin, war lord of Manchuria, and Wu Pei-Fu, military head of the Peking government, entered their forces to meet in the main contest, a fight for control of the central government of China.

Out of a series of reports from the defending forces of Shanghai in the past 24 hours, it was apparent that the fighting was being carried closer to the city by the invading forces.

Fighting was reported today at three points on the 100-mile front west and south of Shanghai. While no decisive action took place, reinforcements were thrown into the fray by both sides.

The Wu Pei-Fu central government forces took a direct hand in the battle yesterday by sending troops from the province of Honan, controlled by the Peking government, into the conflict on the side of the invading forces.

Issues Proclamation. There was some indication here that General Ho Feng-Lin, defence commander of Shanghai, might quit for a cash consideration of \$2,000,000, but the report was not warranted by any of the aggressive steps being taken by General Ho to drive back the invading forces from the western portion of Kiang Su province in which Peking is located.

A proclamation received here today from General Chang Tso-Lin, announcing the entrance of his armies into the field, said: "Nobody will be disturbed wherever my army happens to be, as my only object is to kill the chief offenders, leaving all others absolutely unmolested."

"Let the sun of heaven witness this utterance of mine." General Chang Tso-Lin, the conflict with prosperity as his ally. The Manchurian territory which he controls has enjoyed unusual crops during the past and the wealth of the banks under his thumb is said to be enormous.

Cannot Stand War Long. In China, money, the currency has been swept by devastating floods and the exact conditions of military governors and the provinces are said to be without the resources to carry on a long struggle. A self-styled anti-imperialist league gave vent to the thoughts of radical interests, said to have been prompted by Moscow, with the publication of statements here today attempting to give a foreign imperialistic significance to the present conflict.

The league statements, characterized by the leading Chinese newspapers as a piece of Bolshevik propaganda, quoted a Moscow despatch charging the present conflict as a plot to divide China, Japan, the despatch said, would dominate Manchuria and Great Britain would hold sway in South China.

REGAIN GROUND. Associated Press Despatch. Shanghai, Sept. 9.—The Kiangsu forces defending Shanghai against the Kiangsu troops have regained all the ground they had lost in the Lihao sector, northwest of this city, it was announced here late today. Heavy rain stopped this evening.

YOUTH IS REMANDED ON CHARGE OF ASSAULT

Basil Wickett Charged With Occasioning Actual Bodily Harm to J. Lathan.

Basil Wickett, 19 years old, was remanded to jail for one week in police court this morning, to await sentence on a charge of assault on J. Lathan, 29 years old, of East End street, occasioning actual bodily harm.

John Lathan, who laid the charge, claimed that Wickett, after striking him, knocked out a front tooth, loosened three others, bruised his lip and injured his shoulder.

According to Lathan's evidence, Wickett had been continually nagging him during his employment with Warner and Wickett. On Friday morning while the two were working on Windward street, Wickett had threatened to put a hoe around his neck and put him out of commission.

Wickett declared that Lathan told him he would put him in the hospital. He asked Lathan if he meant it, he said, and when Lathan picked up a brick to strike him, he struck Lathan instead.

Wickett did not deny that he struck Lathan first.

"It was a brutal and cowardly act," Magistrate Graydon declared after the evidence had been heard. "There is no indication that Lathan had picked the fight, and he says himself that he had no intention of picking up a brick. I will remand you to jail for a week and tell you then what sentence I will impose."

SALVATION ARMY OFFICERS WELCOMED TO ST. MARYS

Brigadier McAmmond and Adjutant Spooner, Salvation Army headquarters officers, were officially welcomed to St. Marys yesterday by the soldiers there when the officers arrived to take charge of the corps in that district which has come under their supervision.

St. Marys is one of the points that has been brought into the London division following the recent changes in territories by the headquarters staff in Toronto.

POSTER ARMY CHASES GLOOM WHILE ALL LONDON SLEEPS

"Business Is Good, Let's Boost" Is the Cheer Spread by Kiwanians.

FAITH SUPREME

Alert Bank Watchmen Suspicious of Industrious Clubmen.

"Business is good. Let's boost!" London awakened this morning to face leaden skies through which the sun could not force a single ray of brightness. As if to take its place, however, there was a sunny message to chase away a dull day's gloom. Business is good. The cheerful message appeared on practically every shop window in town. It spells the spirit of optimism of Londoners as a whole, and the Kiwanian Club in particular.

Business may not be booming, but it is not bad. It is good. To know the Kiwanian boys is to understand their message. They believe in boosting, in stirring up, in stimulating that which is inclined to grow stagnant.

So they went to work last night, or rather early this morning, nearly 20 of them. They took a thousand posters and while London slept, while the rain poured, they stepped out through the streets, told the town they had all the faith in the world and then slipped off home for a nap before getting down to good business early this morning.

Humorous Incidents. The Kiwanians did not get through their night's work without some humorous incidents. One Kiwanian, vouching for this one. Down in the east end a small coupe was parked on the shady side of the street. One of the boys stepped up and applied the message to the rear glass, his brother pasted the poster. Then they went around to the windshield—why not—two glad messages are better than one.

It was then that they noticed that the little coupe was the scene of a betting party. The young couple seemed oblivious of the proximity of the hard working Kiwanians. The windshield was not touched, however, and the Kiwanians tiptoed on their way.

A Chinese Laundry was the next place to be visited. Just as one member was swabbing off the none too clean window with a sponge, the excited laundryman came out and with all the English at his command told the Kiwanians that he would not pay to have his windows washed. He would do it himself for nothing.

Becomes Suspicious. At a bank they nearly came to grief. Business may be good, but it's not good business to hang around the front door of a bank at three o'clock in the morning, or to indulge in monkey business around the windows. Policemen and nightwatchmen were on duty, and the Kiwanians considered this the last word in bad form.

The Kiwanians had hardly started their operations on this particular bank when the watchman appeared on the scene. He expected almost any kind of trouble and was ready to pacify them. Even when he saw the results, he was none too satisfied. Although he did not say so, he may have thought that the burglars had made their headquarters in the bank.

The Kiwanians did the job well. They left nothing undone. One chap said today, as he tried to get a sticker off his car, that the paste the Kiwanians used was enough to hold business together.

Even the vacant stores had to carry the message. So did the big stores and the little hand laundries. Doctors and dentists were not forgotten. They were many laughs to be had when early morning workers noticed on the doctors' office windows the cheery greeting, business is good. They had to carry the optimistic message like everyone else.

Be it said for the Kiwanians, no spirit of blue ruin hovers over their club. They look on the bright side and chase away pessimism every time it shows a sign of appearing. That was the spirit of last night's work.

The workers who spent the night telling London that business is just ready to be treated in a businesslike way were: Yule George, Harry May, Jack Hunter, J. B. Hay, Ed. Marley, Jack Nash, George Chantler, Harold Garner, G. Gammage, Millie Tennie, George Dickie, Bill Wilmshurst, Charlie Thomas, George Yule, Harry Morgan and C. J. Hardy.

ANTI-WAR SUNDAY WILL BE OBSERVED IN CITY

On Sunday, Sept. 21, a mass meeting in the auditorium of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church will celebrate the international anti-war Sunday. Arrangements have been made locally through the Trades and Labor Council to hold this meeting, and Rev. D. C. MacGregor, minister of the church, has given his consent to the meeting taking place in his auditorium.

On the same date similar meetings will be held all over the world under the auspices of the international trades unions executive. Several speakers have been retained for the day, and Woodsworth, the Labor M.P. for Winnipeg, is among the number.

WINNERS IN CONGOLEUM CONTEST ANNOUNCED

The Gold Seal Congoelum drawing contest was held yesterday afternoon at the Congoelum exhibit at the Western Fair. Winners of prizes were: 1. Charles A. Scanton, 467 Horton street, 9 by 12 Gold Seal Congoelum rule. 2. Mrs. R. Elliott, 17 Hyatt avenue, 9 by 6 Congoelum rule. 3. George Reely, 795 York street, 3 by 6 Gold Seal Congoelum rule. 4. Victor Bailey, 371 Rattle street, 3 by 6 Gold Seal Congoelum rule.



THE MARQUIS OF CHOLMONDELEY AND HIS WIFE.

who is a sister of Sir Philip Sassoon, the best known member of the Marquis's family, are shown above. They are at present greatly embarrassed by onerous taxation.

GENERAL SYNOD PLANS NEARING COMPLETION

Formally Opens on September 24 With Service in St. Paul's.

The general synod of the Church of England will meet in London on Sept. 24. The sessions will occupy the ten days of the month, and will be presided over by the Marquis of Cholmondeley, lord bishop of Gloucester, England, who will be the special preacher. His lordship is one of the foremost scholars of the world and is a forceful speaker.

The synod will formally open on Sept. 24, with a service in St. Paul's Cathedral at 11 a.m. The Right Rev. Dr. Headlam, lord bishop of Gloucester, England, will be the special preacher. His lordship is one of the foremost scholars of the world and is a forceful speaker.

On the following Sunday visiting clergymen, among whom will be bishops, will occupy every Anglican pulpit in the city. In the afternoon there will be a great mass meeting in the city hall, to which all are invited. The speakers will be: Bishop of Saskatchewan, who has done great work in the Canadian West; Dr. Headlam, lord bishop of Gloucester, England, who will be the special preacher. His lordship is one of the foremost scholars of the world and is a forceful speaker.

The sessions of the synod will be held every day, morning, afternoon and evening, at the city hall. The public will be welcomed to all sessions.

DOUGLASS REITERATES HEALTH BOARD STAND

School Children Should Be Under Body Jurisdiction, Chairman Claims.

Alderman Leonard Douglass, chairman of the board of health, today reiterated his opinion that the whole matter of health of school children should be under control of the board of health.

"The board of health," he says, "is the proper authority under whose charge the health of school children should come. The school nurses are paid more than the city nurses and the board of health has charge of things looking after the children and the whole matter would be centralized. It would save a deal of overlapping and make for a more efficient control of health in the city."

"The board of health is responsible for looking after the city in general, and it is not logical to make the school children a separate part of the city. Premier Howard Ferguson in his review of the expenses of the city in favor of this move and I think it would add greatly to the efficiency of the health system."

GOLDFISH WILL SOON GO TO HOME AT SPRINGBANK

The goldfish at Victoria Park will shortly be taken to their winter quarters at Springbank, where they are kept indoors. If they are left too long in the outdoor aquarium at Victoria, the falling leaves of autumn make it difficult for the park keepers to get the goldfish from the water.

The pretty finny creatures breed quickly, and their large numbers are a nuisance for the park keepers. Many of the young ones do not survive the winter, though the stock is kept fairly high.

L. SWEENEY FREED ON DRIVING CHARGE

Motorist and Companions Claim Speed Not Over Ten Miles an Hour.

This morning in county police court, Magistrate Hawkshaw dismissed the case against Leonard Sweeney of Hamilton, charged with reckless driving on the highway near Dorchester on Aug. 6 last.

James Barker, teamster, Dorchester, told the court that he was grading the road just out of Dorchester on the day in question when the scraper which he was driving was struck by the car driven by Sweeney. The hind axle was bent and the cast iron saddle supporting the scraper blade broke in two. Barker could not approximate the speed of the car.

A second witness on behalf of the crown testified that the Sweeney car had passed him travelling at the rate of 40 miles an hour, the width of a 10-acre field from the point at which the accident subsequently took place.

Sweeney himself stated that when he was approaching the ton of the hill at the foot of which the accident occurred, he was travelling 15 miles an hour, and that, shutting off his engine, he had coasted down the hill and was going about 10 miles an hour when he struck the scraper. He was passing the machine on the left side of the road, since it was too far over to permit him to pass it on his right side of the road, when he said one of the horses on the grader shied, throwing the hind end of the machine in the front of his car.

Sweeney's evidence was corroborated in every detail by his father and brother, both of whom were riding in the car at the time of the accident. County Engineer Charles Talbot, roundly scored the drivers of motor vehicles on the highways, especially concerning the passing of graders working on the road.

He described the evidence given in the case as "damnable," and pointed out to the magistrate that in all cases there would only be the evidence of the one man on the machine in support of a conviction.

"A driver of one of our graders is taking his life in his hands every time he goes out on the road," he declared. "Engineer Talbot, 'and soon we'll be unable to get any men to take on the job.'"

While expressing the opinion that there was altogether too much reckless driving on the highways, especially with regard to the passing of graders, whose drivers were in continual jeopardy of their lives because of that same careless and reckless driving, Magistrate Hawkshaw held the evidence of the positive evidence of the defendant and his two witnesses, that he was going only 10 miles an hour, and that the horse shied, of the grader was the whole case, and he decided to dismiss the case.

MAYOR IS IN FAVOR OF FIVE-CENT FARES

States He Opposes Cut Because It Will Hurt the Employees.

Mayor Wenige takes exception to a salary printed yesterday in the Free Press, in which it is stated that he opposes the reduction of the London Street Railway fares to seven cents, and nine limited tickets for a dollar on any other ground than the effect on the wages of the street railway employees.

"It is not true," he says, "to say that I am opposed to the reduction which will come into force automatically next year, except for the fact that it would result in a reduction of the men's wages. It is obvious that when the company faces a reduced revenue that it must stretch somewhere, and the best place would be the wages of the men employed."

"To enforce this reduction in the fares, which has the sanction of the legislature, is, in my opinion, to add to the number of men out of work and to reduce the living standard of the men in the community. I am, however, strongly in favor of finding some way of making the street railway fares the same as they are now, in order to benefit the men. The average man or woman who rides in a car would not, I believe, grudge the present fare or even a higher fare, if it means a fair wage for the men."

ADJ. SPOONER TO ASSIST IN BIG CONGRESS PLANS

Adjutant Spooner of the Salvation Army headquarters staff leaves London tomorrow for Toronto where he will remain until October 15 assisting the Toronto staff officers prepare for the annual Salvation Army Congress to be held in Toronto from October 10-15, over which General Booth will preside.

The London officer has had considerable experience in working out plans for congresses, and for the past few years has been among the officers to draft the program.

A feature of the congress will be a great missionary demonstration at the Victoria Memorial Church in Toronto. A spectacular review of the missionary work carried on by the Army in all parts of the world will be shown.

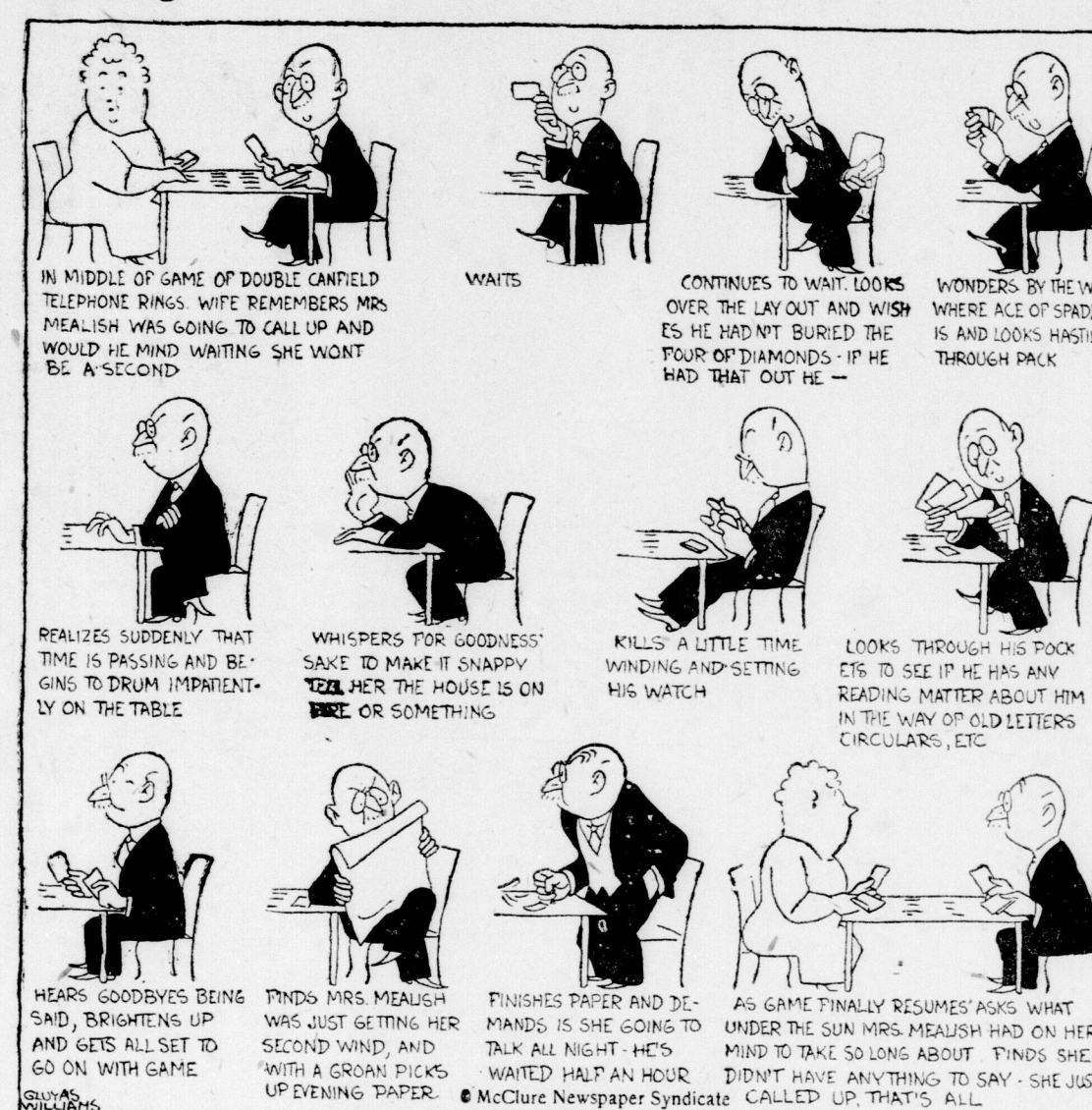
BUILDING TRADE GOOD SO FAR IN SEPTEMBER

So far, September has fared very well in the building line. In the seven working days of this month building permits have been issued from the office of the building inspector for a total amount of \$1,125,000. The building inspector considers this very good considering the time of the year.

Most of the business has been in the way of large home-made buildings and there are no outstanding permits. The largest permit in the past few years has been for the Cronyn Memorial Church Parish Hall, which was for \$40,000.

Hellol! Hello! Waiting

By GLUYAS WILLIAMS



RECORD VOTE EXPECTED IN MICHIGAN PRIMARY

Seven Republicans Seeking Nomination as Governor of State.

Associated Press Despatch. Detroit, Sept. 9.—With a record vote for a primary election forecast by political observers, voters of Michigan are today choosing between three candidates for the Republican nomination for United States senator and seven aspirants for the Republican nomination for governor. On the Democratic ballot there are no contests, except a last-minute opposition in the gubernatorial race, where it has been announced a sticker vote will be sought. United States Senator James Couzens, incumbent, is opposed to the nomination of the United States district court judge for the short term, made by the appointment of Couzens to fill a vacancy. Daniel W. Tussing of Lansing is also opposing the senator for the short term.

Senator Couzens, a resident of Detroit, claims strong support in Wayne County. Judge Tuttle, who has made his campaign on charges of party irregularity against Couzens, has the support of the Anti-Saloon League, while Tussing is credited with being a Ku Klux Klan candidate.

Governor Alexander J. Groesbeck is running for nomination for his third term, standing on his record. This record has been challenged by Herbert F. Baker, who has campaigned against the governor who claims farmer and labor support. Charles R. Sligh of Grand Rapids also claims support of farmers and strength in northern Michigan. W. W. Potter, James W. Hamilton, Rev. Frederick Perry of Adrian, said to be the Ku Klux Klan candidate, and Lieutenant-Governor Thomas Reed, asking farmers' support, is the seventh candidate.

Although there are a number of local issues up for decision, among them several charter amendments, including one to permit the city to establish rapid transit lines in Detroit.

RAILWAY COACH SLEEP INTERRUPTED BY COP

Mike Balaz, of St. Thomas, thought the coaches at the London and Port Stanley car barns a luxurious place to spend the night. They offered him shelter from the rain and cold, so he chose out one of the more elaborate ones and nestled himself comfortably in a double seat and prepared to spend a blissful night.

Shortly after 2 o'clock this morning his sleep was rudely interrupted by a constable. He was taken from his comfortable abode and spent the remainder of the night in the police station.

After a severe lecture by Magistrate Graydon this morning, in which he was told of the inadvisability of trespassing on railroad property, he was allowed to go on condition he left London at once for his home in St. Thomas.

HAS NEVER MISSED A FAIR IN THE PAST FIFTY YEARS

John Thornicroft, aged 72, of West Lorne, is in the city this week paying his annual visit to the Western Fair.

Mr. Thornicroft has the honor and distinction of never having missed attending the Fair since the date of its organization more than 50 years ago.

Some years ago Mr. Thornicroft was an exhibitor at the Fair as well as a spectator. At that time exhibiting among other things home-made cheese. Of late years, however, he has contented himself with combining a three-day visit to the city with a visit to the Fair.

HISTORICAL CLANS FROLIC AT PORT

Berry and McDonald Families Gather For Annual Reunion.

FEATURES MANY

From the sunny shores of Mull, an island on the western coast of Scotland, in the year 1823, a sturdy Scotchman, Donald McDonald, sailed for America, the land of milk and honey.

After four years of labor in the vast virgin forest, which is now Port Stanley, he was joined by Janet McDonald, in 1827. He married this Bonnie lass, and established the McDonald clan in Upper Canada.

A quarter of a century elapsed and the times changed; log cabins disappeared, and frame ones took their place. Donald McDonald was the first to hew the lumber and erect the first frame house in Port Stanley. Then from Sussex, England, in 1858, the Berry clan, an old seafaring people, migrated also to the land of promise.

Last night at Hillcrest Inn, Port Stanley over one hundred lineal descendants of these two historical clans gathered from all parts of Canada, and the United States to hold their second annual reunion.

Early in the day the election of officers for the ensuing year took place. Dan McDonald of Port Stanley, and son of the founder of the Canadian clan, was unanimously elected as president, and the vice-presidency going to Captain William Berry, also of Port Stanley. Miss Annie Ferguson of Detroit, was re-elected secretary-treasurer, and the remainder of the committee comprised Mary Berry, Jun., of London, and Hugh Savage of Detroit. A vote of thanks was tendered to Miss Rayner for the use of Hillcrest Inn.

Descendants were gathered from Detroit, Mich., Northville, Mich., Lakewood, Ohio, Cleveland, Ohio, Brookline, N. Y., Lorraine, Ohio, Monroe, Mich., Seabrook, Wash., Sundrich, Ont., London, Ont., Iona, Ont., Dunton, Ont., and many others from the surrounding district.

After the business was transacted a long list of sports was run off. The features were the balloon race, the whistling race, the shoe race, the pelin race, marshmallow race, the necktie race, and the sealed order race.

One of the most picturesque features was the fifty-yard dash. The sun was just sinking over the brow of the hill, and as the contestants, with their bright caps and ribbons, rushed across the bridge, a more beautiful scene could not be imagined. With a bountiful dinner and supper, supplied by the Ladies Guild of Christ Church, the picknickers departed to their respective homes.

EXECUTIVE TO MEET

The executive of the Western Ontario Women's Institute will meet in the board room of the Chamber of Commerce on Thursday morning for the annual convention to be held in this city in November.

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