

Kianghu Province is Now Surrounded by Cantonese

Rebellion Behind the Lines of the Northern China Allies the Cause—Independence Has Been Proclaimed by the Governor—Cantonese Trying to Effect a Junction—Stolen Standard Oil Launch Recovered by U. S. Marines.

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SHANGHAI, March 4—Rebellion behind the lines of North China allies today caused Kianghu province in which this city lies, virtually to be surrounded by enemies. Marshal Chen Ting Yueh governor of the province of Anhui, proclaimed the independence of his province today, according to reports from his capital, and then joined the cause of the Cantonese nationalists.

Northerners Attacked

Simultaneously with Chen's proclamation, the Cantonese Nationalists attacked the northerners near the Chekiang-Anhui border to effect a junction of the Cantonese army in Chekiang and their new allies of the province of Anhui. Chen cut the Tiensin-Pukow railway, isolating the main northern army in Central China from its base. Chen can maintain his resistance to the northerners. Further reinforcements of northern troops to the vicinity of Shanghai would be impossible except by uncertain water transport.

Launch Was Seized

Retreating Chinese soldiers today commanded a Standard Oil Company launch the Neifoo, but were overtaken by United States marines and compelled to return the vessel to its berth. The Neifoo was seized near the garden bridge in the heart of the international settlement and the chase down the river continued for six miles. The launch was not damaged.

N. B. WILL BE ASKED TO HELP BUILD BRIDGE

Augusta, Me., March 3—The matter of reconstruction of the highway bridge over the St. Croix river between Forest City, Maine, and the parish of North Lake New Brunswick has been brought before the legislative committee, upon a resolve for an appropriation of \$10,500, provided a like amount be furnished by the province of New Brunswick or from a Canadian source. The matter was initiated by Bridge Engineer the late A. R. Wetmore, of New Brunswick, who says that the bridge is in very bad condition. Forest City is now an unorganized township with no funds and Washington county is not able to stand the expense so that the matter comes up as a State appropriation. No report has yet been made by the committee, but it is expected to be favorable.

Commendable Action.

The other day on one of the Canadian National trains running out of Sydney, N. S., a traveller dropped a ten dollar bill on the floor of the car. One of the trainmen happened to see the money and picked it up. Not knowing to whom the bill belonged he enquired diligently through the car in an endeavor to ascertain who had lost it and at last found the owner who was not aware of his loss until he heard the trainman enquiring if anyone had lost any money. The passenger in question, in appreciation of the honesty of the trainman and the class of men employed by the Canadian National Railways on its trains, promptly reported the matter to the Railway authorities.

H. C. Ramsay of Bathurst is at the Queen.

ADDITIONAL JUDGE FOR THE SUPREME COURT

Ottawa, March 3—The minister of justice today gave notice of government legislation to provide for a salary of \$12,000 for one additional judge of the Supreme Court of Canada and to make provision for the retirement of any judge of 75 years of age with an annuity "equal to that which he would have been eligible to receive if this legislation had not been passed and if he had at that time resigned his office." A further provision is that if the retiring judge be not eligible for the grant of an annuity, and was appointed before the passing of this legislation of if he was appointed after the passing of this legislation, and has continued in office for at least ten years, he may be granted an annuity equal to two-thirds of his salary at the time he ceased to hold office.

SEAPLANE OFF ON ROUND THE WORLD FLIGHT

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Casa Blanca, Morocco, March 4—The Portuguese seaplane Argus, attempting an around-the-world flight, left here at 7.47 a. m. in the direction Les Palmas, Canary Islands.

The Argus followed the same route taken by the Uruguayan aviator, Major Berges, who has been missing since he left Casa Blanca on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Clermont of Montreal are registered at the Barker House.

SUCCESSFUL DRESS CARNIVAL AT ARCTIC RINK

Some Excellent Costumes Seen—Winners of the Ten Prizes Given by Rink Management.

The first dress carnival of the season to be held at the Arctic Rink took place Thursday night and drew a fairly large attendance. The costumes were excellent in many cases and competition was keen in some cases.

The judges were Mrs. A. E. Mathewson, C. Archie Williams and A. K. Limerick.

Ladies' prizes were awarded as follows:—1st, Florence Armstrong, Queen of Hearts; 2nd, Bessie Fleet, "The Midnight Sun"; 3rd, Hope Rockwell, Valentine.

Gentlemen's prizes were awarded as follows:—1st, George M. Gillespie, Chatham, Imperial Indian Cadet; 2nd, Osborne Brown, Royal North West Mounted Police; 3rd Roy Estabrooks, Troubadour.

Combination—Gertrude Forbes and Yvonne Cormier, Local Gossips.

Most original costume—1st Mrs. William Hall and others, The Old Woman who lived in a Shoe; 2nd Muriel Buritt, Spearmint Gum; 3rd Mrs. Howard Shields, Quaker Oats.

A STORY OF DEPRAVITY FROM ONTARIO

Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., March 4—Charged with criminally assaulting a girl under 14 years of age, Peter Dunn of Thessalon was this morning committed for trial at the next court of criminal jurisdiction by Magistrate A. Elliot in the district Police Court. The committal was made following evidence given at the preliminary hearing by Mrs. Mary Isobel Davey and two young girls. The charge was laid by Provincial Constables E. W. Keen of the Soo and Andrew Cote of Blind River, on behalf of the 12-year-old daughter of Henry Edward Davey. Davey is being held in custody on three charges: incest, procuring and attempt to commit suicide. The court room was cleared of all those who were not directly interested in the case.

The child and her mother told a story of unprintable conditions in the home, where Davey, it was charged, lived upon the proceeds of crime forced upon his daughters, threatening to kill his wife if she informed upon him.

PRESIDENTS TO EXCHANGE MESSAGES

(Special cable to The Daily Mail by the British United Press)

Berlin, March 4—Direct cable communication between the United States and Germany which was interrupted by the great war will be restored today when President Von Hindenburg and President Coolidge exchange messages via Western Union cables to the Azores Islands and thence to Emden by a German built cable.

Dr. S. H. McDonald and Dr. H. Farris of Saint John were at the Queen last night.

HOPES TO REMOVE THE MORAL STIGMA FROM GERMANY

Archives in the Foreign Office to Be Published—ed Soon.

STATEMENT BY MARX

Will Prove Germany Not Responsible for the World War.

(Special cable to The Daily Mail by the British United Press)

Berlin, March 4—Archives in the German Foreign Office soon to be published will prove Germany was not responsible for the world war, Chancellor Marx told the "German Women's Committee, against the war guilt lie."

The disclosures of the archives will remove the "moral stigma" of war guilt from Germany and will lift an obstacle to international reconciliation, Marx said.

GOVERNMENT TO MEET AGAIN EARLY IN WEEK

Meeting is Likely to be Completed This Evening—Communicating With Mover and Seconder.

The Provincial Government began its session Thursday night and was at work until an early hour this morning. The session was continued this morning and was resumed this afternoon after the funeral of the late A. R. Wetmore, Chief Bridge Engineer, which was attended by the Government in a body.

Premier Baxter stated this afternoon after the morning session was finished that he expected the Government would complete business by this evening. Early next week, probably Tuesday night, the Government will meet again in preparation for the session of the Legislature which will open on Thursday next.

The Premier said that routine was largely taking up the attention of the cabinet. The government today is in communication with members of the House relative to their acceptance of the duties of moving and seconding the Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne.

Dr. H. A. Farris and Dr. S. H. McDonald of Saint John were before the Government last night and presented a request for increased provincial assistance to the Saint John County Hospital in which tubercular patients are treated. Hon. James A. Murray, Commissioner of Immigration and Industry, also was before the Government.

SEARCH FOR MISSING MAN UNSUCCESSFUL

Sydney, N. S., March 3—"You may never see me again," declared Angus MacNeil, 54, former rural mail driver, as he left the home of his brother here at 3 o'clock this morning and plunged into the raging blizzard.

This was the story told the police by the brother, Dan MacNeil, this morning. A search throughout the day failed to uncover a trace of the missing man.

According to the story told the police, the man was acting strangely of late and similar scenes had occurred, but the threat of disappearing had never been carried out.

Would Keep British Troops Within Bounds Of Foreign Settlement

The Chinese Commissioner for Foreign Affairs Demands Their Withdrawal From Adjacent Positions—Says Positions Were Occupied Without Permission of the Chinese Authorities.

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SHANGHAI, March 4—The Chinese Commissioner for Foreign Affairs today demanded immediate withdrawal of British troops from positions outside the boundaries of the foreign settlements.

The positions were occupied, the commissioner said in a letter to senior counsel, without permission of the Chinese authorities and the action constituted an "infringement of China's sovereignty."

Positions outside the foreign settlements were occupied by British troops last week. To the west and north of the foreign settlement British battalions took positions along railway lines.

The Shanghai-Hangchow-Ningpo Railway is on the west and the Shanghai-Nanking Railway is on the north.

STRENGTH OF MOUNTIES TO BE INCREASED

Winnipeg, March 4—Canada has decided to increase at once the strength of the Canadian Northwest Mounted Police from 1,000 to 4,000 men, and with this force to patrol the entire Canadian border to stop the smuggling of liquor and other merchantable goods at all hazards. The Commissioner for the West will be located in Winnipeg, and one in the East. From Halifax to Vancouver and the Yukon the boundary will be closely watched. The revelations before Royal Customs Inquiry in Winnipeg the past ten days has shown the necessity of such a force, as the Customs men are incapable of handling the work, and smuggling has reached enormous proportions in Canada.

ENVOY TO U.S. CONFERRING AT OTTAWA

Ottawa, March 3—Paying his first visit to Ottawa since his formal reception by the United States Government as minister from Canada, Hon. Vincent Massey spent a busy day today.

He arrived at noon and was this afternoon in conference with Government officials, including Dr. O. D. Skelton, under secretary for external affairs.

Mr. Massey stated that his reception at Washington had been most cordial. When asked whether he had any indication yet as to the extent of the activities of the Canadian office at Washington, he replied: "You can say that the office is already an extremely busy place." He added that his time at Ottawa would be taken up with a discussion of details of organization work.

TO SEND ENVOY.

Ottawa, March 3—Canada will probably be represented at the official opening of the new Australian Houses of Parliament at Canberra on May 9. Hon. Ernest Lapointe acting prime minister stated today that the government had had the matter under consideration.

Frank Whelpley of Saint John is in the city.

THE OLD AGE PENSION BILL DISCUSSED

Ottawa, March 3—Old age pensions were under lengthy discussion in committee of the House of Commons today.

Eight of the twenty clauses in the bill were approved and progress was reported late tonight. The measure will come up for further consideration tomorrow.

Two amendments were ruled out of order in the course of today's discussion. L. J. Ladner, Conservative, Vancouver South, seconded by Wm. Irvine, U. F. A., Wetaskiwin moved an amendment that the government should bear 75 per cent of the cost of the scheme in place of 50 per cent, the various provinces to contribute the balance.

Another amendment was presented by Hon. R. J. Manion, Conservative, Fort William to permit payment of the pension to returned soldiers at 65 years of age in place of 70. General J. A. Clark, Conservative, Vancouver-Burrard, seconded Dr. Manion's amendment.

Deputy Speaker Johnston in ruling both amendments out of order, declared that he did so for the reason that an amendment to increase expenditures could not be moved by a private member.

PORT ELGIN BOY DIED OF INJURIES

Moncton, March 3—After suffering terribly from burns sustained last July, George R. Larsen, ten-year-old Port Elgin boy, succumbed to his injuries in the City Hospital here last night. He had been undergoing treatment here since December 10 last, but the burns were so extensive that it was impossible to affect a cure. For a time he seemed to improve, but gradually absorption of poisons from the burned tissues brought on death. The boy was scalded by steam from a dredge last summer near his home. He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. John Larsen of Port Elgin, and his remains were forwarded there today for burial.

A man may avoid some accidents by keeping out of an automobile, but he can't always keep out of the way of one.