

MATTERS AND 24 OTHERS INDICTED

“Christian General” Wins Pekin

Gen. Wu Master of Chinese Capital After Routing Army of Gen. Chang—Hostilities Near City Cease.

War Believed Near End

Pekin, May 5.—(By A. P.)—Gen. Wu Pei-Fu was in control of Pekin at noon today and Gen. Chang Tso-Lin, whose forces he routed yesterday in a fierce battle south of the capital, was reported fleeing to Mukden. Chang's army is retreating in disorder toward Tientsin.

All fighting in the vicinity of Pekin had ceased this morning. The section inside the walls occupied by the Americans became greatly excited during the night by an attempt of the soldiers outside to ram the gate and gain entrance. The guards on top of the wall dispersed the attacking troops with machine guns. No foreigners were injured.

Observers here believe Chang's sudden collapse has ended the hostilities. With 50,000 troops, Gen. Wu encircled Chang Tso-Lin's forces outside Pekin and after 15 hours of relentless cannonading, machine gun fire and infantry charges, routed his opponents, making himself the master of the capital.

Wu's forces camped last night unmolested outside the city gates while Chang's soldiers were scattered, having retired with the main body down the railroad toward Tientsin or dispersed in unorganized mobs over the hills.

5,000 to 7,000 Killed.

The routed army left behind artillery, munitions, horses and loaded camels, and its wounded and dead. The total casualties in Thursday's fighting is believed to have reached from 5,000 to 7,000 dead and wounded.

As the fighting was brought near Pekin's walls, warning was sent the city authorities that soldiers were about to enter the capital. The gates were immediately closed, only foreigners who had been shut out being permitted to enter.

General Wu Pei-Fu has sent officers into Pekin to consult with the government authorities after his victory over General Chang Tso-Lin's forces south of this city. General Wu's officers declared the Chihli commander could be expected in the capital soon.

Try to Force Entrance.

General Wu attributes much of his success to the initiative of Feng Yuh-Siang, “the Christian general,” who commanded the operation which resulted in the retreat eastward of Chang's army. Wu declares he will continue to fight until Chang has been driven back to Mukden, of which he is military governor.

Last night crowds of soldiers from Chang's defeated army gathered outside the walls of Pekin, clamoring for admittance. At the southwest gate, where the railroad enters the city, they used a locomotive in an attempt to ram down the gate, but failed. City guards were sent out to disarm the stragglers.

Two thousand of Chang Tso-Lin's soldiers, permanently kept in Pekin, were disarmed under orders from Wu Pei-Fu. This is regarded as eliminating Chang Tso-Lin's authority in the capital.

Outside the walls some of Chang's Manchurian soldiers refused to surrender and were fired on. Sixteen hundred of these troops were captured in one place.

To Prevent Naval Attacks.

Shanghai, May 5.—(By A. P.)—A Japanese minister have instituted the naval commanders of their respective countries to prevent attacks by Chinese war craft supported.

Irish Irregulars Blow Up Barracks

Dublin, May 5.—(By A. P.)—The barracks at Castle Pollard, West Meath, were blown up by irregular forces who destroyed the Mullingar barracks Wednesday. The irregulars were pursued from Mullingar to Castle Pollard by provisional government forces and the barracks were blown up to prevent their occupation.

Two of the men who raided the bank at Buncrana, County Donegal, were shot dead. A 9-year-old girl, one of the civilians wounded during the fighting, died of her injuries.

London Exchange Rates Rise to \$4.44 1-4 for Demand Bills

New York, N. Y., May 5.—For the third time this year exchange rates on London rose today to \$4.44 1-4 for demand bills, equaling the highest price since 1919. The strength was attributed to extensive buying of bills here and in London to meet cotton and grain payments.

Fashionable Women Take Henna Baths for Olive Hue

London, May 5.—Fashionable women now have a craze for taking henna baths. The purpose of the bath is to give the skin an olive hue, which is regarded as becoming when evening dresses of Oriental design are worn.

The Wonders of the Wireless Age



10 Die, 38 Hurt, as Tornado Strikes in Lone Star State

Twister Sweeps Austin, Tex., and Suburb, Causing Property Damage Estimated at \$400,000.

Austin, Tex., May 5.—Ten dead, 38 injured, two probably fatally and property damage estimated at \$400,000 was the toll of death and destruction in the wake of a tornado which late today swept through the west side of Austin and on out of the city to Oak Hill, eight miles southwest, according to a check of the situation late today.

The dead are: Mrs. John Barsley, jr., Miss Ada Barsley, Mrs. J. S. Thompson, jr., Mrs. J. S. Thompson, jr., Eight-month-old baby of Mrs. R. A. Padgett and four negroes.

With the exception of the Padgett baby, all the deaths occurred at Oak Hill. The white victims were members of one house when the tornado struck. All of them were killed instantly except Mrs. Thompson, jr., who died at a hospital.

The Padgett baby died from injuries received when it was picked up by the tornado and carried across a road and then dropped. Its parents also were carried a short distance by the wind, but were not injured seriously.

Wool Growers Make Money by Co-Operative Wool Pools

Lansing, Mich., May 5.—A survey by the American Farm Bureau shows that wool growers apparently are making money by belonging to co-operative wool pools. According to the survey 45,256 growers in 22 states, pooled in 1921. They sold 23,398,000 pounds of graded wool at an average price of 25 cents a pound. The average return to the grower was 20.7 cents and the marketing cost, exclusive of freight and pool commissions, amounted to only 2.8 cents. In comparison with more than 20 cent return to growers in the pool the average price received by other growers, not pool members, was 16.1 cents.

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Former Senator From North Dakota Expires



Lakota, N. D., May 5.—Asle J. Gronna, former United States senator from North Dakota, died at his home here last night. He was 64 years old. Mr. Gronna recently returned from Rochester, Minn., where he underwent an operation.

Mary Pickford Heads Film Actresses' Body

Los Angeles, May 5.—Mary Pickford has been chosen president of a club of motion picture actresses the primary purpose of which is to protect the good names of its members, it was announced here.

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Four Members of Chicago Family Killed by Gas Fumes

Chicago, May 5.—Four members of the family of John Janey were killed by gas fumes in their home and a fifth was partially overcome, it was learned tonight, after the victims had lain in the gas-filled house throughout a night and day. An inspection revealed that a hose connection on a gas stove had fallen off after the members of the family had retired.

French Charge British Trick in Russian Oil Deal

Parisian Correspondents at Genoa Refuse to Accept Denials of Contract by Russians and English.

Genoa, May 5.—(By A. P.)—No American oil town ever had greater oil excitement than Genoa has had over the rumors that various oil agreements have been entered into by the bolshevik delegation. Petroleum is gushing all over the Genoa conference; nothing has created such a stir since the Germans and Russians handed to the surprised conference their Easter treaty.

Russians Deny Contract.

The Russian delegation has denied that it made any contract for the sale of its output. Everybody from M. Tchicherin down has denied reports of all contracts. Col. J. W. Boyle, a Canadian officer, who represents the Royal Dutch and Shell companies here, which are reported to have signed contracts with the soviets, has issued repeated denials from his sick bed.

Beveridge Defeats New by 20,472 Vote Majority

Indianapolis, Ind., May 5.—(By A. P.)—Former Senator Albert J. Beveridge defeated Senator Harry S. New by 20,472 votes in Tuesday's primary for the republican nomination for United States senator, according to complete unofficial figures as tabulated by The Associated Press here today. The vote was: Beveridge, 205,410, and New, 184,938, making the total republican vote cast 390,348.

Four Men Convicted of Entering Railroad Car

Beatrice, Neb., May 5.—(Special Telegram.)—Four strangers, Fred Saville, Charles Fisher, Fred W. Jones and Wilber Moore, were brought here from Wyoming charged with breaking into a Burlington box car to steal a ride. They pleaded guilty and were sentenced to five days each in the county jail.

Filibuster on Tariff Is Charged

Senator Watson Declares Opponents Seek to Delay Bill Until as Near Election as Possible.

Says Delay Unnecessary

Washington, May 5.—Frequent and somewhat prolonged discussion in the senate as to whether there was unnecessary delay in the consideration of the tariff bill, finally culminated in a charge by Senator Watson, republican, Indiana, that there was a filibuster against the measure.

“There is no other object and no other purpose in the measures being adopted to delay its passage,” Senator Watson declared. “The object is to delay the passage of the bill as close to the day of election as possible. Nobody is being fooled and if I have my way we will be holding sessions daily from 11 in the morning until 11 at night.”

Senator Watson, democrat, Georgia, interrupted to say that Senator Simmons of North Carolina, in charge of the democratic fight on the measure, had asked certain minority senators to present their views on particular items in the bill, but declared it was intended that the presentation should be without filibuster and with no purpose of delay.

Unnecessary Delay. Declaring that it was immaterial as to what agreement had been made between Senator Simmons and his democratic colleagues, Senator Watson of Indiana declared there had been unnecessary delay, that the “whole proceedings had been for the purpose of filibuster and that so far as he was concerned it would not be tolerated in the future.”

If the republicans who are responsible to the country for legislation and who must answer to the country for their acts, will stay here to the limit of their physical endurance we will quickly pass this bill,” he added.

Early in the day both Senators Underwood of Alabama, the democratic leader and Simmons, had declared that there was no disposition on the part of the democratic side to delay passage of the bill.

Asks About Bonus. The soldiers' bonus also got into the debate when Senator Watson, democrat, Massachusetts, asked Chairman McComber of the finance committee if the amendment would be reported soon and taken up immediately by laying aside the tariff bill temporarily. Senator McComber said this was planned and that he hoped to have the bill reported within a week.

“I assume it will not take more than a day or so to pass it,” Senator McComber added, declaring an almost unanimous majority was behind it.

Senator Underwood coincided that a majority probably favored the bill, but told Senator McComber that taking up the bonus measure would “seriously delay” the tariff bill.

It would cause demands from other senators for action on other bills, he said, and declared that the republicans should not accuse the democrats of delay later.

Senator Watson of Georgia said the republicans themselves were responsible for long delay on the tariff, citing the months taken in committee consideration. Incidentally the Georgia senator discussed alleged reckless automobile drivers and traffic rules in Washington, the flow of the Nile, Amazon and Mississippi rivers and other subjects.

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Omaha Man Forms National Society of Brass Monkeys

Washington, May 5.—(By Universal Service.)—Formation of the National Society of Brass Monkeys was announced Thursday by “Colonel” W. F. Stoeker of Omaha. The colonel takes issue with his former neighbor, William Jennings Bryan. He says:

“The Darwinian theory must be correct. Most of our people find themselves in a wilderness and feel as though they were made monkeys of, because the brassie stuff furnished by the political ringleaders makes out feel like a brass monkey.”

It is the aim of the Brass Monkeys, Stoeker says, to attain a membership of about 7,000,000, or the number of President Harding's majority, and to check up on both parties and make known their approval or disapproval accordingly.

Turks Break Up Orphans' Homes; Kill Directors

Immates of Armenian Orphanages of Both Sexes Spirited Away—Near East Orphanage Ordered Closed.

Boston, May 5.—Armenian orphan homes, both male and female, are being broken up, their inmates of both sexes spirited away, and their directors executed by the Turkish nationalist government at Angora, it was declared in a letter from Aleppo, Syria, to the Armenian National Union of America, made public today by the union's secretary, G. H. Pappasian.

The letter mentioned a specific case at Harpoot, where the Turkish nationalists ordered the near east workers to close their orphanage.

Constantinople, May 5.—(By A. P.)—Four American relief workers have arrived here after having been deported from Kharput, Turkish Armenia, 50 miles northwest of Diarbekr. They are F. B. Yowell of Washington, director of the Kharput center, Dr. Mark L. Ward of Newton Center, Mass., chief surgeon; Dr. Ruth Parmalee of Boston, medical director, and Miss Isabel Herley of Pawtucket, R. I.

Mr. Yowell, in a statement issued today, charged the Turks with unjust and untender treatment of American citizens, and cruelties and outrages against Christians in Asia Minor.

“The American deportations were the culmination of a long series of unfriendly acts,” he said. “They are the prelude to fresh Turkish outrages against Christians in Asia Minor. The Turks, encouraged by the vacillations of the allies during the post-armistice period, are getting bolder in their intolerance against the minorities. Unless outside interference is forthcoming, the final chapter in the history of Christians will shortly be completed.”

State of Slavery. “The Armenians in this district are in a state of virtual slavery. They are not permitted to travel within the country, and I have had to request \$25,000 to people in America who forwarded it to pay the traveling expenses of relatives desiring to leave the country. All the property of Armenians, victims of deportations, is confiscated by the Turks. The Armenians are denied the use of the courts.

“The condition of the Greeks is worse than that of the Armenians. The sufferings of the Greeks deportees have continued. Of the 30,000 who left Sivas, 5,000 died before reaching Kharput. One American worker saw 1,500 dead on the road to Kharput. Two thousand died in Kharput during the winter and 3,000 died on the roads east of Kharput.

Added at American Stations. “The deported people were aided at the American consular stations located along the road from Sivas to Diarbekr. In the Kharput district relief was given in opposition to the Turks. Two-thirds of the deported Greeks were women and children. The turn of the deported women and girls along the roads.

“If American aid is withdrawn the survivors will perish. The bodies strewn along the route are consumed by dogs, wolves and vultures. The Neihers are the deported people permitted to do so. The chief causes of death are starvation, dysentery and typhus.

Americans Mistreated. “I have no personal prejudice against any religious belief. I refused to be involved in a religious controversy. Therefore, my statement is impartial.

“All the 20 Americans in Kharput have been treated by the Turkish officials with the utmost discourtesy and injustice, notwithstanding their work has been extended to the relief of the patients. Patients were admitted to the hospitals if the Turks wanted them admitted; many Christian refugees, terribly ill, were turned away to die outside the gates. The hospital base was closed by the military without explanation.”

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Federal Grand Jury Charges Mail Used to Defraud Investors

Former State Treasurer Walter A. George, Ralph E. Sunderland, Willard V. Mathews and Walter Stickle Named in Joint Indictment Covering Guaranty Securities, Pioneer Bank and Colonial Timber Deal.

Judge Fixes Bonds Aggregating \$225,000

Twenty-five men were indicted by the federal grand jury yesterday on charges of conspiracy to violate section 215 of the penal code, having to do with using the mails to defraud.

Thomas H. Matters, Willard V. Mathews, Ralph E. Sunderland, Harris L. Fuller, John Hecox, former State Treasurer Walter A. George and Harold R. Cozier are among the 25. All the 25 are named in a single indictment consisting of 40 large type-written pages, reciting alleged manipulations of the Guaranty Securities company of Omaha and Lincoln and of Iowa, the Pioneer State bank of Omaha and the Colonial Timber & Coal corporation.

Matters is indicted for acts alleged to have been performed while he was at liberty under bond pending his appeal to the federal supreme court from a conviction for violation of the banking laws in connection with the wrecking of the First National bank of Sutton in 1915. He was pardoned by President Harding after serving six weeks of a five-year sentence.

Several of the men, including Mathews and Matters, were indicted by the county grand jury last fall. Mathews pleaded guilty and is serving a term in the penitentiary. The jury that tried Matters disagreed and he is to have a new trial in district court May 15.

Wide Range of Bonds. Bonds were fixed by Federal Judge Woodrough at the request of United States Attorney Kearney at amounts ranging from \$1,000 to \$25,000 for each defendant and totaling \$225,000 for the 25.

These are the men indicted, with the bond fixed: Willard V. Mathews, Omaha, \$25,000.

Harris L. Fuller, Omaha, \$10,000. Ralph E. Sunderland, Omaha, \$10,000.

Harold R. Cozier, Omaha, \$5,000. Thomas H. Matters, Omaha, \$10,000. H. W. Sewall, Omaha, \$1,000.

John Hecox, Omaha, \$1,000. James G. Cloud, Omaha, \$5,000. Alf L. Steiner, Omaha, \$1,000. Lucien B. Fuller, Lincoln, \$1,000. Alexander L. Mathews, Broken Bow, \$10,000.

Rev. Charles H. Rogers, Lincoln, \$10,000. Sigel G. Moore, Des Moines, \$10,000.

LeRobert D. Eyselboom, Denver, \$10,000. Walter L. Stickle, Kearney, \$25,000. Walter A. George, former state treasurer, \$1,000.

James R. Ellison, Charleston, W. Va., \$25,000. George L. Roach, Denver, \$10,000. Homer Molyneux, Denver, \$1,000. Vogel Gettier, College View, Neb., \$1,000.

Howard A. Sharrick, \$1,000. Thomas M. Finney, \$1,000. Ed G. Smith, Auburn, \$1,000. William H. Culver, Los Angeles, \$25,000. Charles Rudolph, Chicago, \$25,000.

Explains Mathews Bond. A bond was fixed in the case of Willard V. Mathews, Mr. Kinsler said, in order to hold him if he is paroled or otherwise released from.

Jeffers Urges Cut in Railroad Rates

Washington, May 5.—(Special Telegram.)—An early reduction in freight and passenger rates is urged by Jeffers, chairman of the Interstate Commerce commission in a letter by Representative Jeffers.

“Following a period of serious agricultural and business depression, Nebraska and the middle west seem to be on the high road that a reduction in freight and passenger rates is recommended by the commission at no distant date. Such action will do much to insure a revival of agriculture and business in our Nebraska commonwealth, as well as in our sister states of the middle west.

Trio of Auto Speeders Kidnap Motorcycle Cop

Canton, O., May 5.—Three auto-nihilists whom Motorcycle Cop William W. Wise attempted to arrest for speeding late today, forced the officer to get into their machine at the point of guns and speeded away. They were pursued and overtaken by four automobiles filled with officers and a gun fight followed in which one of the fugitives was shot and seriously wounded. He was brought to a local hospital.

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Highest Friday. Cheyenne, 55; Public, 55; Davenport, 55; Salt Lake, 55; Denver, 55; Santa Fe, 55; Des Moines, 55; Sheridan, 55; Dodge City, 55; Sioux City, 55; Lawrence, 55; North Platte, 55.