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CONDITIONS IN CHINA CONTINUE LAWLESS

VERY SUCCESSFUL OPENING FOR NURSES' HOME NEW BUILDING CAMPAIGN

Chinese Bandits Hurlled Prisoners to Death from Top of Nearby Precipice

SHANGHAI, May 16.—Three Chinese captives taken by Suchow train bandits in a raid have been hurled to their deaths over a precipice near the bandits' stronghold where a number of foreign prisoners are being held as hostages for recognition of the Chinese government of the bandits' claim to citizenship and certain property.

The killing of the Chinese prisoners is looked upon as an effort of the bandits to compel quick recognition by China.

The white captives are in good health so far as is known, but have been carried ten miles farther back into the mountain fastnesses.

POLICE BOARD CHINESE TRAIN

Attack Officials, Beat Servants and Seize Everything on Tables

PROTESTS UNHEEDED

Government Gendarmes Keep Possession of Cars for Several Hours

SHANGHAI, May 16.—Members of the Chinese government gendarmes boarded a train bound from Peking to Shanghai today and attacked officials and beat their Chinese servants who resisted. They seized everything on the train and held possession of it for several hours.

AIRIE WAGON OFF ON TREK

Griffith Lays in Supply of Cawing Tobacco and Eatables on Trip California

BANKATON, May 16.—With a covered wagon, a genuine old prairie schooner, drawn by four horses, Jim Griffiths, a pioneer, left today for a 2,500 mile trek to Los Angeles.

Griffiths settled at Vanscoy where 20 years ago and is going back to the States, and he had laid in a good supply of chewing tobacco and eatables and there's plenty of hay for the horses.

MAN TURNS DOWN GERMAN REPARATIONS OFFER RECENTLY MADE

BRLIN, May 16.—Japan has refused to accept the German reparations proposals. Japan finds both the offer and the conditions of payment unsatisfactory.

SHIP ASHORE OFF NOVA SCOTIA

HALIFAX, May 16.—The Danish steamer Jan is ashore opposite Pictou and help is being sent to her. She is a small vessel of 1,000 tons and is bound here with a cargo of sugar from Cuba.

GOULD IS DEAD

MENTONE, France, May 16.—George J. Gould, the United States financier, who has been ill here for some time, died early today.

ALL JOIN TO HONOR FAMOUS IRISHMAN TAY PAY O'CONNOR

LONDON, May 16.—Three hundred members of the House of Commons of all political faiths joined yesterday in honoring T. P. O'Connor, famous Irish parliamentarian and journalist, and "father of the House," the occasion being his 75th birthday.

"Tay Pay" was presented with a gold snuff box.

NORTHERN STEAMER OF LIGHTEST DRAFT

Vessel Commences Service North of Edmonton Today Carrying Freight and Passengers

EDMONTON, May 16.—Today the new river steamer, Northland Echo, which was built here to designs of Capt. John Matheson, is leaving for her first voyage to Fitzgerald. Loaded, she draws only about eighteen inches of water and is therefore the lightest draft steamer in the north.

The new vessel is commanded by Capt. Harvey Alexander. She is 135 feet long and her beam is 24 feet. Her passenger accommodation is for 70 in the saloon. Regular weekly trips are to be made between Waterways and Fitzgerald.

CONFESSED SETTING FIRE TO BUILDINGS

LONDON, May 16.—John Ison confessed to setting 38 fires in this city resulting in property loss of over \$100,000. He was sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary.

ORNITHOLOGISTS UNION

The B.C. Ornithologists' Union met recently in Vancouver, this being the first annual gathering of the organization. The next annual meeting will be held in Victoria. Hon. E. D. Barrow was elected hon. president and Frank Kermode, curator of the provincial museum, president. Delegates from Vancouver Island included Theed Pearce of Courtenay, F. S. Mitchell of Millstream, and J. A. Munro of Victoria. Messrs. Munro and Kermode have been visitors in this district on several occasions in connection with field work.

BIRTH

A daughter was born at the Prince Rupert General Hospital on May 16 to Mr. and Mrs. John Suden.



American prohibition agents recently inspected an alleged "rum fleet" some twelve miles off the coast. They were invited by the crew of the Istar of Glasgow, shown above, to come on board and examine the cargo of "lemonade."

FOREIGNERS GET RELEASE

Chinese Minister and General Give Selves up to Brigands as Hostages

PEKIN, May 16.—With the government's consent, Wu Yu Tin, minister of communications, and General Yang Teh proceeded to the stronghold of the brigands as hostages in order to obtain the release of the foreigners who are held captive there.

FRED STORK ADDRESSED LIBERAL GATHERING AT OTTAWA RECENTLY

Word has been received here that Fred Stork, member for this riding, was one of the speakers at a dinner given recently by members of the Liberal party to Right Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King. There were ten speakers in all and the Skeena member is said to have acquitted himself with honor.

TOP GALLANT WAS WINNER

Newmarket Stakes Taken by Lord Penrhyn's Favorite Colt Today

LONDON, May 16.—The Newmarket Stakes for three year old colts and fillies over a mile and a quarter course was won by Lord Penrhyn's "Top Gallant," the betting on which was four to one. Second place was taken by Aga Khan's Terasina at 100 to 7, and the third was the Duke of Westminster's colt "Twelve Pointer," 11 to 8. Seven horses ran.

PRESIDENT HARDING GOES TO VANCOUVER EARLY JULY NEXT

VANCOUVER, May 16.—United States consul Rider here has been officially notified that President Harding has definitely decided to visit Vancouver and Victoria early in July on his way to Alaska.

Communist Member of British Parliament is Suspended by Vote of House of Commons

LONDON, May 16.—When the House of Commons was sitting as a committee of the whole yesterday, J. T. Newbold, communist member, clashed with Capt. E. A. Fitzroy, Conservative, who was acting as chairman of the committee.

Fitzroy ordered Newbold to withdraw and then ordered the sergeant at arms to remove Newbold. Neither moved.

Fitzroy then called the speaker into the House and that official upheld Fitzroy, though agreeing that the decision was a hasty one. He suggested that the House would be probably ready to give sympathetic consideration to Newbold's case Wednesday.

Newbold forced the matter to a vote and the House suspended him, the vote in favor being 300 to 88. The communist member then withdrew amid much excitement.

FISH ARRIVALS

Eleven Boats Sold 155,800 Pounds of Halibut at Exchange Today

Four American boats sold 67,500 pounds of halibut at the Fish Exchange this morning and seven Canadians marketed 68,300 pounds, a total for the day of 155,800 pounds. American catches brought near the 15c mark for first class fish while Canadians received a cent or so less. Second class fish in all cases sold for an even 10c.

Arrivals and sales were as follows:

American	
E. Neilson, 5,500 pounds, and Lincoln, 19,000 pounds, at 14.8c and 10c, to the Booth Fisheries Canadian Co.	
Senator, 20,000 pounds, at 15c and 10c, and Mildred, 23,000 pounds, at 14.9c and 10c, to the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co.	
Maude, 1,800 pounds, at 13.4c and 10c; Malamute, 13,000 pounds, at 13.7c and 10c; and Alliance, 7,500 pounds, at 13.6c and 10c, to the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co.	
Marguerite, 6,000 pounds, at 13.4c and 10c, and Kaiken, 14,000 pounds, at 13.6c and 10c, to the Athl Fisheries.	
Johanna, 20,000 pounds, and Bingo, 6,000 pounds, at 13.4c and 10c, to the Royal Fish Co.	

SOUTH AFRICA WILL NOT ABOLISH TITLES

CAPETOWN, May 16.—A motion to abolish titles in South Africa was defeated in the federal assembly by a vote of 51 to 42.

AMUNDSEN TO MAKE FLIGHT

Wireless Message Tells of Definite Start; in Good Health

NOME, May 16.—Raold Amundsen left Kotzebue, Alaska, April 28 for Wainwright, says a wireless message announcing a definite start on an attempted flight by air across the north pole.

Reports that Pilot Omdahl, who remained at Wainwright all winter looking after the plane is dead, are discredited here. The last reports were that all members of the expedition were in good health.

JOE LYNCH SECURED DECISION VIC FOLEY

SEATTLE, May 16.—California Joe Lynch was awarded the decision over Vic Foley, Canadian bantamweight champion, in a six round bout which was so close that only two knockdowns were scored by Lynch. This influenced the decision.

VICTORIA'S TAX RATE SET AT 39.72 MILLS

VICTORIA, May 16.—The tax rate for 1923 has been fixed by the city council at 39.72 mills on the dollar, an increase of 25 per cent over last year. A reduction in the assessments makes this year's taxes about the same as last year.

Nurses' Home Campaign Drive Makes Good Start Yesterday and full Amount is Expected

The teams in the Nurses' Home collection campaign got nicely started yesterday and at the close of the day reported having met with good success, the sum of \$1,211.50 having been secured to add to the amounts already on hand, making in all \$3,810.20 subscribed up to last night. The work is being continued today and there is every hope that the full amount will be secured. Very few refusals have been met with and hardly any have subscribed less than five dollars. Manager Campbell states that if a thousand people could be found to give five dollars each, there would be no doubt as to the final outcome of the drive. The amounts secured by the teams are as follows:

J. L. Christie's team.....	\$554.00
Milton Gonzales' team.....	181.50
F. Roberge's team.....	155.00
Ben Self's outside sub.....	318.00
The individual amounts collected above five dollars are as follows:	
Previously acknowledged.....	\$2,669.20
Ben Self.....	\$200.00
Stewart & Mobley, Ltd.....	100.00
F. G. Dawson, Ltd.....	100.00
Stork's Hardware, Ltd.....	100.00
Ormes Limited.....	100.00
Mrs. Ben Self.....	50.00
E. F. Reid.....	25.00
Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Christie.....	25.00
C. G. Minns.....	25.00
J. McNully.....	25.00
S. K. Campbell.....	25.00
H. F. Pullen.....	20.00
James McLeod.....	20.00
Boyle Bros. Canada Ltd.....	10.00
F. M. Grosby.....	10.00
Dr. J. McGuire.....	10.00
W. J. McGilchrist.....	10.00
W. J. Alder.....	10.00
T. McClymont.....	10.00
Miss Blanche Harte.....	10.00
Miss M. Meyers.....	10.00
George McIlmoyle.....	10.00
W. E. Hutchings.....	10.00
Eddie Clapp.....	10.00
J. Giecone.....	5.00
W. F. Cameron.....	5.00
W. J. Raymond.....	5.00
E. Bourget.....	5.00
Fred Cameron.....	5.00
J. H. Meagher.....	5.00
F. W. Chandler.....	5.00
A. Mackie.....	5.00
F. W. Mackintosh.....	5.00
O. Hanson.....	5.00
A. Thornthwaite.....	5.00
Rev. G. A. Rix.....	5.00
Miss Betty Barrow.....	5.00
G. W. Johnstone.....	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Foote.....	5.00
John Manson.....	5.00
Archie Knight.....	5.00
Alex. Hunter.....	5.00
J. Naylor.....	5.00
R. W. Cameron.....	5.00
Mrs. G. Slaney.....	5.00
J. N. Killas.....	5.00
T. W. Silversides.....	5.00
Mrs. M. Mercer.....	5.00
Walter Gale.....	5.00
R. M. Taylor.....	5.00
A. E. Wright.....	5.00
Harry McLeod.....	5.00
H. Lefourneau.....	5.00
R. Lawrence.....	5.00
J. C. Anderson.....	5.00
W. L. McKenzie.....	5.00
Miss Jos. Ronseaux.....	5.00
Miss Ida Roberts.....	5.00
Miss Lillian Russell.....	5.00
Miss J. Loisella.....	5.00
Miss D. Lawrent.....	5.00
Miss Ruth Veron.....	5.00
A. W. Edge.....	5.00
Capt. McCoskrie.....	5.00
W. J. Nelson.....	5.00
Mr. McKay.....	5.00
Miss Gladys Mitchell.....	5.00
\$3,810.20	

MRS. E. MCCOY IS ARRESTED

Proprietress of Alice Arm Hotel and Two Assistants to be Tried Thursday

FORMERLY LIVED HERE

Men Remain in Jail and Lady on \$3,000 Bail to Appear Before Magistrate Conway

ALICE ARM, May 16.—Acting upon information laid by Constables Paterson and Allen of the provincial dry squad, Mrs. E. McCoy, proprietress of the Alice Arm Hotel, together with George Graham and F. Garham, late employees, were placed under arrest yesterday.

Graham and Garham are in jail at Anyox and Mrs. McCoy is out on a three thousand dollar bond to appear for trial before Magistrate Conway Thursday.

ENGLISHMEN FOR RAILWAY

Sir Henry Thornton to Have Former Assistants With Him on C.N.R.

MONTREAL, May 16.—Colonel N. H. Balfour, formerly assistant to Sir Henry Thornton in the work of the Great Eastern Railway in England, arrived here today to join Sir Henry as one of his assistants in the management of the Canadian National Railway here. He is accompanied by A. J. Thomas, son of the well-known parliamentarian, and also a former assistant to Sir Henry on the Great Eastern Railway.

FIRPO TO FIGHT JESS WILLARD IN NEXT TWO MONTHS

NEW YORK, May 16.—Luis Firpo of the Argentine and Jess Willard, former world's heavy-weight champion yesterday signed articles for a match not later than July 7, according to an announcement made by Tex Rickard, the promoter. The winner will be matched against Jack Dempsey for the world's title.

LEAGUE BASEBALL

National League
St. Louis 10, Boston 5
(All others postponed)

American League
New York 9, Detroit 5.
Washington 9, Cleveland 10.
(Others, postponed)

Coast League
Seattle 5, Los Angeles 6.
San Francisco 7, Salt Lake 6.
Vernon 11, Sacramento 4.
Portland 1, Oakland 2.

SHANGHAI, May 16.—Several persons were killed and many injured in anti-Japanese riots at Shanti aboard a river steamer.

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