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FIGHTING COMMENCED IN CHINA TODAY

BOARD OF TRADE MEMBERS GET GREAT RECEPTION IN BUCKLEY VALLEY

Fighting Commences in China Near Shanghai Between Rival Forces and British are Ready

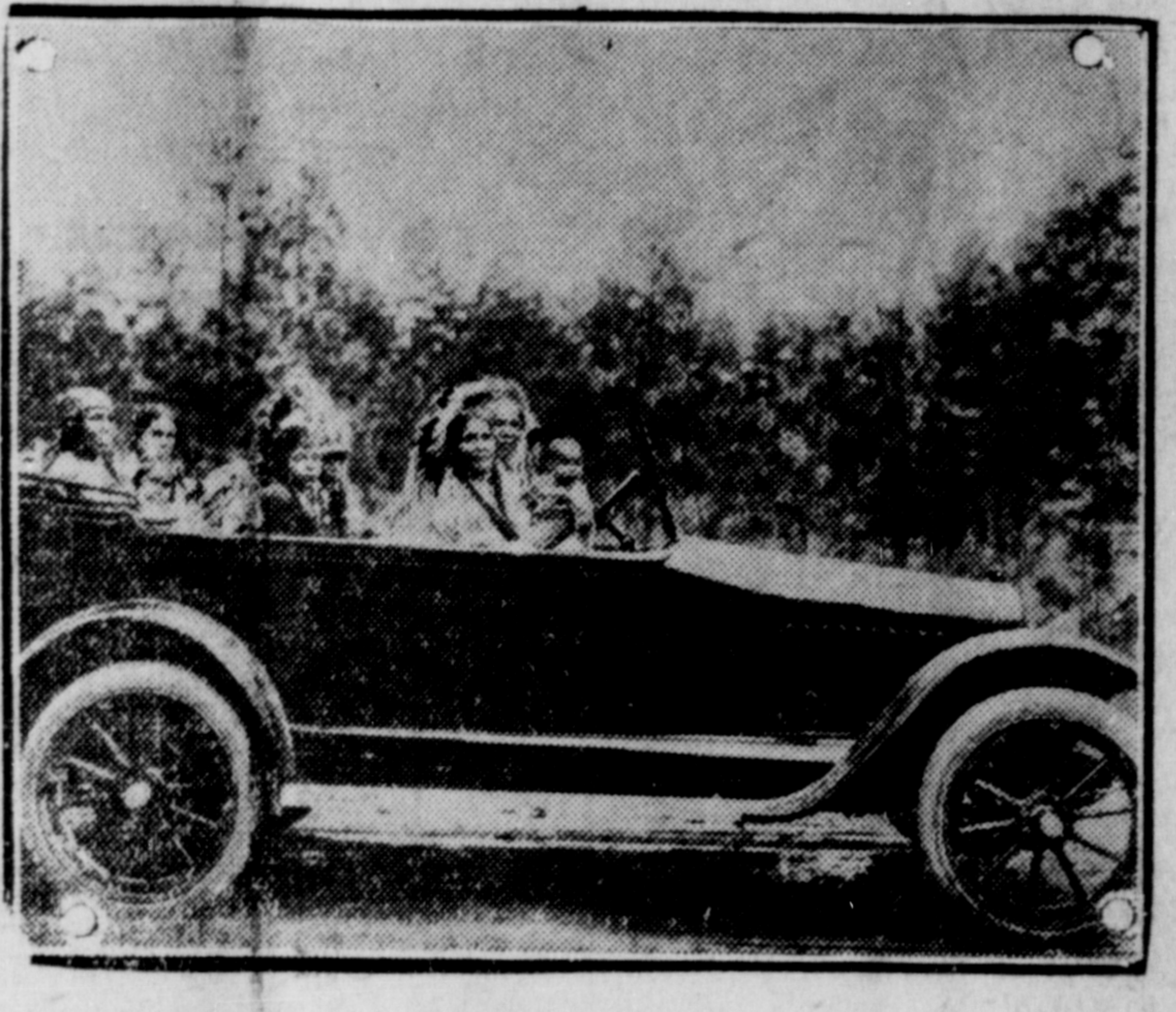
SHANGHAI, Sept. 3.—Fighting commenced today between rival Tuchun forces at Shanghai. The volunteer corps and defence unit, which includes British light horse, United States cavalry and infantry and six armored cars and a field artillery and machine gun company are under emergency orders to assume their posts in the event of a retreat of the Chekiang forces upon the city.

More than twenty foreign craft were assembled at Shanghai awaiting any action of the rival military governors which would place Shanghai in the line of fire and the lives of foreigners in jeopardy.

Besides the land forces of 100,000 on both sides, the so-called independent Chinese fleet enlisted in the service of General Lu Yung Hsiang is anchored in Whangpoo River. It is said that today's engagement is preliminary to a major battle at Nansiang tomorrow.

SENATOR FOWLER DIED LAST NIGHT

OTTAWA, Sept. 3.—The death occurred here last night of Senator George William Fowler of Sussex, New Brunswick, aged 65. He served on the Legislature of New Brunswick and also two terms in the Dominion Parliament. In 1916 he was given command of a battalion raised for overseas service, the following year, he became a senator. He was Conservative in politics.



"Lo, the poor Indian!" Chief Wild Shoe of Snokan isn't a bit behind his paleface brethren in his appreciation of the pleasure of buzz-wagoning over good roads.

Territory of Georgia Revolt Against Soviet Many Killed or Wounded

GENOA, Sept. 3.—All of Georgia and Azerbaijan has been in active revolt against the Moscow Soviet regime for the past five days. Half of the territory of Georgia has already been conquered by the insurgents, according to representatives of Georgia here, who have received despatches from that country. The sanguinary struggle is continuing. Fighting is occurring in the streets of Batum.

LONDON, Sept. 3.—Despatches received here says that Georgia and Azerbaijan are revolting against the Soviet. Many have been killed and wounded in sanguinary conflicts. Railway and telegraph communication is interrupted.

INSTALLATION OF OIL BURNER IN CITY HALL APPROVED BY COUNCIL

The city council last night, on recommendation of the finance committee, approved of the Board of Works' proposal to install an oil burner in the city hall for heating purposes providing the cost does not exceed \$1,000.

In answer to a question asked by Mayor Newton, Ald. Perry said that the contract price offered the city was \$985 but this did not include excavation for the tank and pipes. The sum of \$1,000 would probably not cover the whole work. The proposal was to have the tank across the street from the city hall, the city to provide the tank and leading pipe and do the excavation.

Ald. Collart thought that the contract price should cover the entire installation.

The report was adopted with the understanding that the Board of Works take steps to keep the cost within the figure allowed.

WITHDRAW TROOPS FROM HERRIN, ILLS.

HERRIN, Ills., Sept. 3.—State troops stationed here since the outbreak between alleged members of the Ku Klux Klan and their opponents, when six men were killed, were ordered to return to their homes today. Orders for their withdrawal came after a heated dispute between the militia commander and the state attorney, D. Duty, who protested against the removal of the troops.

Jack Munro arrived from Watun River on the Prince George this morning and will sail for the south tomorrow night. Mr. Munro is a brother of the late Kenny Munro and is well known here.

Prince Rupert Speakers at Farmers' Dinner Given by Smithers Fair Association

(Special to Daily News)

SMITHERS, Sept. 3.—Taking advantage of the presence in town of farmers from nearly every part of the Bulkley Valley and from other places along the line of the G.T.P., the Smithers Fair Association were hosts at the first farmers' dinner, at the conclusion of the fair there last Friday night. It was a most interesting meeting. S. H. Hoskins presided, supported by J. C. K. Sealy, president of the association, over fifty guests being present to listen to a discussion on the subject of economic agriculture. Delegates from the Prince Rupert Board of Trade visiting party were also invited.

These were S. J. McLeod, president; Geo. W. Nickerson and D. G. Stewart.

Urge Get Together

Called upon by the chairman first because of his dual position as both a large consumer and producer in the district and as a member of both Smithers and Prince Rupert Boards of Trade, Olaf Hanson put some pertinent questions to the meeting regarding the necessity of importing produce from the state of Washington and southern British Columbia which could be and was grown successfully in sufficient quantities along the line of the G.T.P. This was an anomaly which worked to the disadvantage of the local farmers. He asked if it were not possible that the local consumers and producers could act together to cut out this economic waste.

Nickerson Speaks

G. W. Nickerson of the Prince Rupert Board of Trade, from his point of view, told in a constructive speech what was necessary to enable the Bulkley Valley produce to compete successfully with foreign produce. From a salesman's point of view, he told the assembled farmers what he had been up against in the past in handling the produce of the Bulkley Valley—in hay that was not clean hay but full of weeds, potatoes there were not up to grade, and butter that was bad butter. He instanced hay coming from Washington in regular repeat orders, potatoes from southern B.C. of a regular quality, and butter, cream and eggs coming in increasing quantities from Edmonton, passing right through the length of the Bulkley Valley to the Prince Rupert market. Mr. Nickerson stated that Prince Rupert wanted to buy these things from the Bulkley Valley and the Bulkley Valley farmers wanted to sell to Prince Rupert. He emphasized the necessity of putting the goods in the proper shape for market and of maintaining a regular and steady supply the year round. Instead

CHECK ARTIST MADE CLEAN-UP

Cecil Rutherford Alleged to Have
Cashed Worthless Checks to
Value of \$374.50

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL

Cecil Rutherford, business maker of Kelowna and alleged phoney check artist, committed for trial in the city police court this morning by Magistrate McClymont on a charge of obtaining money by false pretences, presented eight worthless checks to prominent local business houses to a total value of \$374.50 within the space of a very few days last month and received cash and goods in full for them except in one case where Wong Lina, Chinese restaurant keeper of Sixth Street, held out on accused and saved \$26, having paid only part of the check tendered. This in short sums up Rutherford's activities as far as presented by the prosecution in court today. He made a statement to the police on arrest admitting guilt and sought to do the same in his preliminary hearing but was told by the magistrate that it was not up to him to enter a plea on this occasion. Accused will come up before Judge Young for election.

In most of the cases, Rutherford, under aliases, is alleged to have represented himself as an employee of Frank Salter and the checks which he is charged with passing were supposed to have been for wages. One check for \$67.85 was signed by himself and was drawn on the Royal Bank at Kelowna. It was cashed by Owen Fisher and was returned protested from Kelowna.

NUMEROUS AMOUNTS

Rutherford is alleged to have cashed checks as follows receiving cash or goods for them—mostly cash—with the one exception: at Mrs. Grahman's store, \$48.85; Gil's Cigar Store, \$49.95; Acme Importers, \$27.85; Wong Lina, \$16.75; McCutcheon's Drug Store, \$75.60; Universal Trading Co., \$28.75; J. A. Kirkpatrick Co., \$38.90.

At the Chinese restaurant, Wong Lina would only give accused \$20 and told him to come back for the balance when the bank opened. He did not come back.

Evidence was given by clerks in the various stores and also by the police officers. When arrested Rutherford admitted guilt. He had a similar check to those passed on his person for \$79 and also \$181 in cash.

In a statement to the court, Rutherford said he had told the police everything and shown them where to find the goods he received.

OPPOSE LOAN TO GERMANY

Manufacturers of Britain Petition
Parliament Against
Step: Dumping Charged

LONDON, Sept. 3.—The national union of manufacturers of Great Britain has petitioned parliament against granting the proposed loan of £60,000,000 to Germany. The secretary of the union says some of the Dominions are being forced to ban importation of British goods in order to prevent Germany benefitting by the British preference.

Germany dumps goods into Britain and these find their way to the Dominions.

LIBRARY INTEREST IS ON THE INCREASE

Average of 91 Books a Day Taken
Out During Month of August
Says Librarian's Report

Interest in the public library increased during the month of August this year over July, as shown by the record of books loaned. This was contained in the report of the librarian, Miss Mortimer, who told the Library board last night at their regular monthly meeting that 2370 books had been loaned during the month or an average of 91 each day. There had been an increase in the number of books, 21 having been received by gift and 49 by purchase while seven had been taken out of circulation. This left a total of 3,959 books altogether in the library.

During the month there were 24 new borrowers and five had cancelled their membership leaving 1568 members.

Complaint was made by the librarian that some borrowers did not take care of their membership cards and it was suggested that Miss Mortimer should make a charge for renewal cards. This will be done if it is found that carelessness in handling the membership cards continues.

The librarian is preparing a list of books to submit to the book committee with a view to placing an order soon. These will be taken from the autumn catalogues which are now coming in and it is hoped to have many of the volumes ready for autumn reading.

Those present at the meeting were Rev. G. G. Hacker, chairman, James Black, Mrs. Kirkpatrick, H. F. Pullen and the librarian.

GOOD ROADS CONVENTION

Government Urged to Complete
Highway in Time For Next
Season

PENTICTON, Sept. 3.—J. J. Johnston of New Westminster was elected president of the Good Roads League of British Columbia. Other officers were:

1st Vice-President—J. H. Colley, Kamloops.
2nd—Lorne Roe, Penticton.
3rd—A. E. Howse, Princeton.
4th—Reeve Lockley, Esquimalt.

Secretary—Frank H. Bird.

Early completion of the trans-provincial highway to make it available for the 1925 tourist season was urged in a resolution which requested the government to make public the amount realized on the three per cent gasoline tax and make a definite allocation of the whole fund for highway construction.

Deputy Minister of Public Works J. Griffiths announced that the government had appropriated \$20,000 toward the completion of the road from Quesnel to Prince George.

TWO LIBERALS ARE ELECTED

Montreal and Rimouski Return
Supporters of the MacKenzie
King Government

MONTREAL, Sept. 3.—In the Rimouski federal by-election yesterday Sir Eugene Fiset, Liberal, was elected over his conservative opponent. Returns are incomplete.

In the St. Antoine division of Montreal Alderman W. J. Hushion, Liberal, defeated William Birks of Montreal, Conservative, by approximately a thousand majority.

Fiset defeated Elzear Sasseville by a majority of 1500.

INDIANS FINED

David Smith, native of Kitwanga, was fined \$25 at Terrace by Stipendiary Magistrate E. T. Kenny for bartering caribou meat. Charlie Smith was assessed \$10 for a similar offence. Barney and Jacob Morgan were dismissed on account of insufficient evidence.

Vice President of Gold Company Assured of Success of Project Plant Ready in Three Weeks

The plant being installed at Massett by the P.B.C. Mines Ltd. for the extraction of gold from the black sands is almost completed and should be running in about three weeks' time, stated Herman Block of Baltimore, vice-president of the company, to the Daily News this morning. Mr. Block said he now had no doubt as to the ultimate success of the project. The plant now being completed will be capable of handling 150 tons of concentrates per day. It is the intention of the company in the very near future to extend its operations so as to handle 1,000 tons per day. There will be more than one plant. The pure gold will be shipped through Prince Rupert.

Some extraction has already been made at the company's smaller plant at Rose Spit but, not having official final returns, Mr. Block was not inclined to make a definite statement as to the results. There has been no gold shipped yet.

The most of the machinery has already been installed in the Massett Inlet plant, Mr. Block reported and the laboratory is incomplete. D. S. Willemar, formerly of Hazelton, is manager at Massett as well as assayer and chemist. C. T. Cabrera is in charge at Rose Spit.

Mr. Block, who has been at Massett Inlet for the past month, came over to arrange for the delivery of the rest of the machinery that is needed and also to meet George W. B. Fletcher, president of the company, who is due on this evening's train from Philadelphia. They may go south before proceeding to the Islands.

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DANDURAND CHOSEN VICE-PRESIDENT LEAGUE COMMITTEE

GENEVA, Sept. 3.—Senator Dandurand of Montreal was yesterday elected vice-president of the League of Nations commission on social and humanitarian questions.

STEADY MOVEMENT TO HARVEST FIELDS

One Hundred and Fifty Men Have
Been Sent from Here Since
August 20

The C.N.R. city ticket office reports a steady movement of men from this city to the prairie harvest fields. Since August 20, 150 men were sent east from here. Transportation orders are furnished by the provincial labor bureau where general orders were received last week for 200 men.