

PERSISTENCE IS LOT OF MAJORITY IN CHINA

badly than government employees. High officials continue to live in government-furnished foreign-style houses, ride in official automobiles and receive numerous privileges which free them from the necessity of living on their meagre salaries.

The average government employee, however, gets only the equivalent of eight to nine American dollars a month, plus rations of rice, oil, salt, sugar and coal. Most of them live in congested government dormitories, with a whole family of four or five often crowded into one small room. But it is estimated that in Nanking alone, over 8,000 government employees are not given living accommodations.

Life for these people is a matter of trying to keep alive. Clothing and many other commodities are priced beyond their reach.

In these circumstances almost all resort to "squeeze" or bribery. Although squeeze is nothing new to China, it is more in evidence today than ever before. You even pay to buy travel fares.

SCHOOL TEACHERS SUFFER
School teachers and college professors are in much the same plight as the ordinary government employee. Majority of them are deep in debt or suffering undernourishment. Large numbers are known to hold several jobs outside their teaching hours—in many cases menial labor jobs—to make ends meet.

Chinese students are another class hard hit by the inflation. About one-third of the country's students depend on a government pittance.

Many educational institutions now demand payment in terms of rice—or the cash equivalent of the rice prevailing at the time payment is due. In many localities, house rents are collected on the same basis.

Chinese soldiers are better off. Although a common soldier gets only a few cents in terms of United States currency he gets his food and clothing free. In large cities soldiers travel free on all municipal vehicles.

But reports are reaching here that soldiers in rural districts are helping themselves to anything they can lay their hands on. And in Shanghai the imposing police force has been unable to stop "gate crashing" by soldiers at theatres.

The inflation has brought to a standstill the businesses of small manufacturers and merchants. Handicapped by insufficient capital and lack of raw materials, they find the cost of production so high that they cannot compete against imported products cheaper in price and better in quality.



BERLINERS CHEER ANTI-COMMUNIST DEMONSTRATOR—A group of the rioting German demonstrators in Berlin cheer their unidentified comrade who climbed to the top of the Brandenburg Gate and hurled the Russian flag to the ground, where it was torn to shreds. The gate is the dividing point in Berlin between the British and Soviet sectors. It was at this anti-Communist demonstration that Red soldiers fired at the crowd after being stoned.

On The Side

... by H. S.

What do delegates to an engineers' convention do? Like any other gathering of specialists, they talk shop and, according to City Engineer D. C. Stewart, who attended the Municipal and Public Works Division of the British Columbia Engineering Society recently, engineers with individual problems were to get expert advice during informal talks after conference hours. It seemed there was usually someone who had had personal experience with the situation under discussion and was willing to pass on their information.

While in Victoria Mr. Stewart met a former commanding officer, Dr. Lyle Trorey, whom he served with on the Continent when they were both with a survey company of Royal Canadian Engineers. At that time they were engaged in the task of identifying enemy transport and weapon movement by means of aerial maps. Dr. Trorey, now managing director of Aero Surveys Limited, addressed the convention on "Aerial Photos as an aid to Municipal Planning."

Delegates were welcomed to Victoria by Mayor P. E. George at the opening of the convention. During the two days of meetings, addresses that ranged from "small bridges and cul-

LAKES DISTRICT MAN IS MISSING

A search was begun in the Francois Lake area Thursday for Joe Corbett, district rancher and pioneer, who has been missing in the wooded area south of Burns Lake since last Sunday when he went out to round up a number of horses. District residents and provincial police began the search after it was learned that he had failed to return from the hunt. The search was reported to be continuing today. Corbett, a well-known pioneer in the Lakes District, was known to have suffered from a heart ailment for many years.

As others see us—"Narrow winding and wandering roads ramble throughout the upper reaches and lead aimlessly throughout the rocky hills and knolls that make up the residential part of the city. This is composed mostly of old houses, including many good ones, and the occasional remodelled one. Also scattered around are a few new houses, part of the current expansion going on in the area.

These asphalt roads are barely wide enough for two cars to pass and are tediously built round and over small hills and other obstructions.

Through the business section are straight wide roads, one block of which is paved with good street light sand sidewalks and the next block is a nightmare in wet weather.

Very old buildings, only moderately old buildings, and a few quite modern buildings are all quietly resting side by side around the business area—about three blocks wide by five blocks long. Business lots come in three conditions: (a) on a level with the road; (b) deep in a gully

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QUIET BUT INTERESTING

Miss Doris Dale and R. B. Morgan United in Marriage

A quiet but interesting wedding was solemnized at St. Andrew's Anglican Cathedral on Wednesday evening when Miss Doris Dale, former superintendent of the Ridley Home, and Reuben B. Morgan, former well known halibut boat operator and now navigator of the Anglican Mission boat Northern Cross, were united in marriage by Rev. Basil S. Prockter. Mrs. G. V. Hanley and Cyril Morgan attended the couple and Peter Lien presided at the pipe organ to play the wedding march.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. V. Hanley, Alfred Street, where a number of friends gathered to tender their felicitations to the couple. G. V. Hanley proposed a toast to the bride to which the groom responded. Refreshments were featured by a handsome wedding cake which was duly cut by the bride.

Mr. and Mrs. Morgan are residing at 879 Summit Avenue.

The bride arrived here about a year and a half ago from Yorkshire, England. The groom has been a resident of Prince Rupert for many years.

NEW PASTOR HERE TODAY

Rev. George Sendell to Assume Pulpit of First Presbyterian Church

To assume the pastorate of First Presbyterian Church, the pulpit of which has been vacant since Rev. A. F. MacSween left for the prairies about a year ago, Rev. George E. Sendell arrived in the city by this afternoon's plane from Vancouver.

Mr. Sendell was recently ordained in Vancouver after graduating from Union Theological College. He is a Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Divinity.

Mrs. Sendell and child will be arriving later.

James Forman left on Wednesday night's train for a holiday trip to Edmonton.

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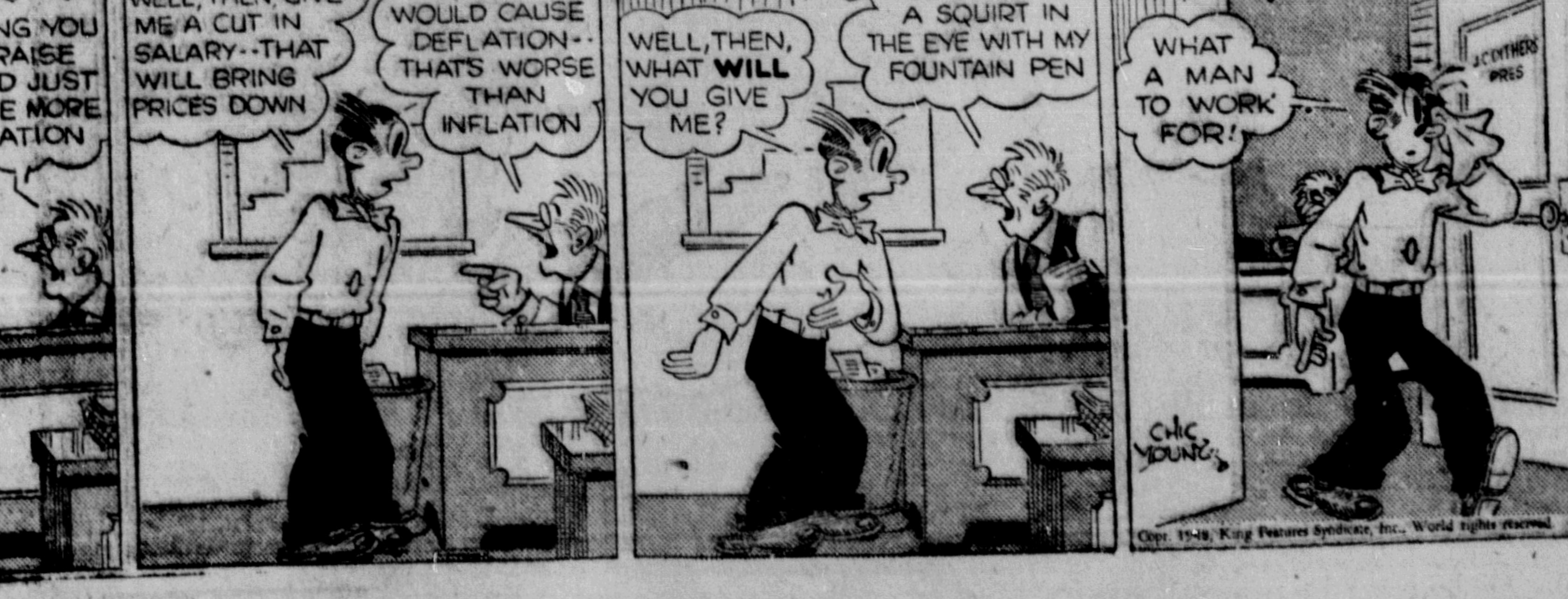
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