DEATH BY STARVATION FACES HALF A MILLION CHINESE PEOPLE

Hankow.—Penned up more than a month before by the Red Cantonese armies besieging the city, a half million Chinese people face death by starvation, cold and gunfire in Wuchang. Large numbers of dead lie in the streets. Those remaining have eaten dogs, cats and rats and are dropping in public places or dying miserably in shelters into which they have crawled.

The northern troops of Marshal Wu Pei-Fu, garrisoning the city, having been refused terms of surrender, are holding on desperately, hoping for armies of their ally, Sun Chuan Feng, to break through the Cantonese cordon.

Meanwhile the relentless and well-fed Cantonese outside the walls rest patiently on their arms, having blockaded all exits from the city, and await the time when they shall enter. What will happen then is not known.

The Cantonese have notified the defenders that next Sunday they will loose a general bombardment upon the city of misery, firing from Hanyang arsenal across the Yangtse River and pouring shells from Pagoda and elsewhere in the iron ring upon the suffering people.

A vestige of mercy has been shown. Beginning last Sunday, women and children of the impoverished classes have been permitted to pass through the gates of the river, seeking passage across to Hankow. Thirty-eight thousand have been rescued by boats bearing the emblem of the Red Cross and taken to Hankow to be cared for.

Scenes of horror are witnessed each trip of the boats. In the fight for places on the boats, several hundred have been trampled to death as the maddened hordes struggled for rescue. Many, thrown into the river, are drowned. Next Sunday, if they have not escaped, the rain of fire will pour upon them, for the gates will be closed.

Only a few miles away are the troops of Sun Chuan-Fang, ruler of the five provinces of Eastern China, trying to thrust aside the Cantonese who oppose their march to the relief of beleaguered Wu Chang. Seemingly relief must come to the Wu Chang defenders within a few days.

BIG POWER DEVELOPMENT WORKS AT CARILLON

This map indicates the location of the Carillon power site which is on the Ottawa river, 260 miles from Toronto, at the point where the interprovincial boundary leaves the river and turns southward towards the St. Lawrence. The relative locations of other power sites in eastern Ontario are shown, including that at Morrisburg, where Ontario could obtain 750,000 h.p., and Chat's Falls, where Ontario's share might be 150,000 h.p. The development at Carillon may reach between 250,000 and 300,000 h.p., and it is believed that Ontario will be given 100,000 h.p. of the total. Ontario is now under contract to take 260,000 h.p. developed by private interests on the Gatineau at the point indicated on the map. Inset appears a small map of the Carillon vicinity. The border at that point is shown on maps to run along the shore whereas elsewhere it is in midstream. Ontario claims that the maps are faulty and that half of the water at that point belongs to her. This contention probably obtains partial recognition in the arrangement now agreed to by Premier Ferguson.

DEVICE TO PREVENT RAILWAY ACCIDENTS INVENTED BY VANCOUVER MECHANIC

Vancouver, B.C.—Joseph W. Saunders, 40, Vancouver inventor, announces that he has perfected a device through which he believed it would be possible to eliminate 99 per cent. of all railway accidents.

Saunders explained the device as consisting of a low voltage electrical wire running along railway tracks, which, when affected by open switches, broken rails, washouts, slides, or burned bridges, will automatically bring approaching trains to a halt in time to avert accidents.

Two railway accidents such as he hopes his invention will eliminate have played important parts in Saunders' life. Both his parents were killed in a wreck near Hamilton, Ont., 38 years ago, while his own career as a locomotive fireman was cut short by injuries received when he was 28 years of age, between Port Arthur, Ont., and Duluth, Minn.

"It was an open switch that caused the accident," said Saunders. "I saved my train by reversing the engine and applying the air brake, but with the loss of eyesight in one eye and several broken ribs my railroad days were over. I became a mechanic."

ONTARIO HOLSTEINS WIN MANY PRIZES

Dominion Made a Good Showing at National Dairy Show in Detroit.

Detroit, Mich.—Canada scored a fine clean-up in the Holstein cows, judged Thursday afternoon in the National Dairy Show, when it took prizes in nearly every class, just as it had in the morning session when bulls were judged. The stalls which housed the twenty-five head of cattle sent by the members of the Ontario Holstein Breeding Association had so many ribbons in the fore that it looked like a decorative scheme.

The best showing was made in the class for heifers not in milk, one year and under eighteen months. Here the Ontario men scored one, two, for the Dominion, the blue ribbon going to J. W. Innes, of Woodstock, on his fine animal, C. V. Alcarta Tortilla Ormsby, and the second prize to Haley and Lee, of Springford, on Tensen Teake Abbekerk.

Thirty-two animals competed in this class, the largest number seen during the day in one group. Judge Moscrip took great care in his selection when he picked two animals from the Dominion to lead the line.

Other wins in the cow division were: Aged cow, ninth place, to Pontiac Gerken Queen, owned by Arbogast Brothers, of Sebringville; sixth place, same class, to Gypsie Posch Ruby, owned by Saley and Lee. Cows, between four and five years, fourth to Belle Abbekerk Dewdrop, owned by James Rettie, Burgessville. Cow, between three and four, fifth place, to Ourvilla Rhetta Echo, owned by Haley and Lee. Heifer, between two and three years, third, to Beldine Johanna Spofford, owned by J. W. Innes, Woodstock; sixth, to Pauline Banostine Ormsby, owned by Haley and Lee; ninth, to Bessie Posch Pontiac, owned by Arbogast Bros. Heifer, between 18 months and two years: ninth, to Aggie Sylvia, owned by J. W. Innes. Heifer calf, sixth place to Daisy Mercena, owned by D. A. McPhee, of Vankleek Hill; while third in the same class went to Sprucedale Jemima Burke, owned by D. Smith and Son, Gianforth Station.

The grand champion cow was picked as Hollyhock Piebe Forbes, owned by the Hollyhock Farms, Dousman, Wisconsin.

King Abbekerk Susie, entered by Haley and Lee, was awarded third place in class one on the day's program. This class is for bull calves, four months old and under one year. In class two for bulls one year and under eighteen months, Maplecrest Albert Canary Sylvia, another Canadian bull entered by Leroy Siddall and J. F. Gibbons, of Denfield, took fourth prize.

Third prize in the fourth class for bulls between two and three years old also went to the Dominion when Abbekerk Sylvius Lad, owned by J. W. Innes, of Woodstock, was awarded the ribbon. The red ribbon for aged bull went to Sir Francy Mercent Burke, owned by D. A. McPhee, of Vankleek Hill. Ivan Burke, owned by T. O. Dolson, Brampton, Ont., won second place in contest for eighteen months to two years old Holstein Fresian bulls. King Abbekerk, owned by Haley and Lee, Springfield, Ont., won third place in bulls under one year, and Abbekerk Sylvanus Lad, owned by J. W. Innes, Woodstock, Ont., won third place in class two-year-old and under three.

Chief Justice J. T. Brown

Of the court of king's bench, Saskatchewan, who has been appointed with Mr. Justice Wright of the Ontario supreme court to assist Sir Francois Lemieux in the customs investigation.

Canada's Mineral Prosperity.

Victoria, B.C.—"Conditions in the mining industry of Canada are better throughout the whole country than I have ever known them in my time," said Charles Camsell, Canadian Deputy Minister of Mines, and chief executive officer of the Canadian Government in mining matters, who has arrived here after a coast-to-coast tour. "The coal industry is free of labor troubles. Production in the metalliferous mines promises to be the greatest on record this year. Since about 1900 our production has been steadily increasing at the average rate of $6,500,000 annually, and it is probable that the increase this year will be even greater."

French Chefs to Sign Menus as Works of Art

Paris.—Restaurant menus are to be recognized as works of art in the great restaurants of Paris. They are to be signed, like great pictures, with the name of the artists—the chef who prepares them. Demands from the customers for the names of the men who have prepared superb dishes that have pleased, as well as a ralization on the part of the proprietors that it is good business to make the names known, have led to the step.

Peasant Suddenly Enriched As Car of King Kills Dog

Berne.—Caesar was a fine dog, of no specific race or creed. However, he was a good watchdog, and when a friend recently proposed to acquire him to guard his house, the owner suggested 60 francs might be considered a reasonable price. The matter was being argued on a Berne street when suddenly, like a juggernaut, a big motor car swung round the corner. All financial discussion ended, for Caesar had wagged his tail for the last time. While the irate owner threatened dire vengeance the chauffeur conversed in an undertone with a tall gentleman reclining in the motor car, and then handed him a bank note. And as the car disappeared down the street Caesar's astonished master found himself richer by 1,000 Swiss francs, while the gossips gathered around the market pump to discuss the generosity of King Albert of the Belgians.

England Guards Secret of New Giant Airship

London.—The utmost secrecy is being maintained in building England's giant airship, the R-101, for England-India-Australia service. Armed guards keep all visitors away from the hangars and each one of the 300 persons employed in its construction is sworn to secrecy. Various groups of workers are strictly confined to separate parts of the erection work and not more than half a dozen persons know anything about the complete plans for the airship, which it is hoped will gain for Great Britain the supremacy of the air.

London Ancestor He Traced 300 Years Proves Absconder

London.—Mayfair is having a laugh at the expense of an American who came all the way to Europe to trace his ancestor of some three hundred years ago who was a taxpayer in Holborn, a section of London.

The books were brought down from their dusty shelves and in due time the name of the ancestor was found. Opposite his name was the remark: "Absconded without paying his rates."

Indians Saved Themselves in Florida Hurricane

Washington.—Not one of the 500 Seminole Indians whose homes were destroyed by the recent hurricane that wrought so much damage in Florida was killed, an agent of the Dept. of the Interior reported to-day. The Indians saved themselves by abandoning their homes, and lying flat on the ground, and holding on to palmettos with their hands until the storm was over.

DROWNING ACCIDENTS IN VARIOUS LOCALITIES

Two C. P. R. Conductors Perish—King of Bootleggers and Mechanic Believed Drowned in Lake Erie.

North Bay, Ont.—W. P. Flemming and Emmett Trahan, both conductors on the C. P. R. and residing in North Bay, were drowned in a lake near Kipawa while fishing. Their bodies were recovered. As there were no witnesses to the drownings it is not known how they occurred.

The men, after completing their run from Mattawa to Kipawa, went to the lake to fish, as they had done many times in the past.

Conductor Flemming was one of the older conductors on the C.P.R., having entered the service in July, 1905. Conductor Trahan became connected with the railroad in 1908.

Niagara Falls, Ont.—It is feared that Aaron Vandevere, Port Colborne, popularly known as the king of bootleggers, with an unnamed mechanic, have lost their lives in the waters of Lake Erie. They have been missing since Tuesday morning. Vandevere, with his son, own a fleet of eight boats. He left Port Colborne on Monday night for Dunkirk and reported out of that place at two Tuesday morning and has not been seen since. It is believed that his craft, a cabin cruiser, took a nose dive in the lake. All the Vandevere boats with the Dunkirk fishermen are searching for the missing men.

Mr. Vandevere is rated as one of the best navigators of Lake Erie. He will be remembered for his part in the fight in Canadian waters with the United States coast guard vessels earlier in the summer and appeared a few days ago on a charge of stealing a machine gun from the United States patrol boat.

Port Dover.—Captain Duncan MacDonald, of the fishing tug Dimmie John, picked up the body of a man ten miles east of Long Point and brought it to this port.

The man, who was apparently about 60 years of age, had a clearance for the four-ton gasoline boat Tourist from Port Colborne to Erie, Penn., with 150 cases of whiskey made out in the name of H. Gibson and dated Monday.

It may be safely conjectured that the Tourist has foundered, and that the other occupant of the craft is also dead.

The man had a life-preserver on, and, in the opinion of Coroner Dr. A. H. Cock, had died in the early hours of the morning. In the pockets of his clothes were $84 in bills, some loose change and a car owner's license for a car made out for A. F. Vandeveer, 233 Charlotte Street, Port Colborne.

THE MARKETS

TORONTO.

Man. wheat—No. 1 North., $1.45; No. 2 North., $1.41; No. 3 North., $1.38.

Man. oats—No. 2 CW, nominal; No. 3, not quoted; No. 1 feed, 60c; No. 2 feed, nominal; Western grain quotations in c.i.f. ports.

Am. corn, track, Toronto—No. 2 yellow, 96c; No. 3 yellow, 94c.

Millfeed—Del. Montreal freights, bags included: Bran, per ton, $29.25; shorts, per ton, $31.25; middlings, $28.25; good feed flour, per bag, $2.30.

Ont. oats—42 to 44c, f.o.b. shipping points.

Ont. good milling wheat—$1.23 to $1.25, f.o.b. shipping points, according to freights.

Barley—Malting, 56 to 61c.

Buckwheat—Nominal.

Rye—No. 2, 85c.

Man. flour—First pat., $8.10, Toronto; do, second pat., $7.60.

Ont. flour—Toronto, 90 per cent. patent, per barrel, in carlots, Toronto $5.70; seaboard, in bulk, $5.70.

Cheese—New, large, 20 to 20½c; twins, 20½ to 21c; triplets, 22c. Stiltons, 23c. Old, large, 26c; twins, 27c; triplets, 30c.

Butter—Finest creamery prints, 36 to 37c; No. 1 creamery, 35 to 36c; No. 2, 34 to 35c. Dairy prints, 29½ to 30c.

Eggs—Fresh extras, in cartons, 51 to 52c; fresh extras, loose, 50c; fresh firsts, 45c; fresh seconds, 35 to 36c. Storage extras, 43c; do, firsts, 40c; do, seconds, 34 to 35c.

Poultry, dressed—Chicken, spring, squabs, 1 to 1½ lbs., 32 to 35c; do, springs, over 4 lbs., 38 to 40c; do, springs, 3 to 4 lbs., 35 to 38c; do, 2½ to 3½ lbs., 33c; do, 2 to 2½ lbs., 32c; hens, over 5 lbs., 28c; do, 4 to 5 lbs., 26c; do, 3 to 4 lbs., 24c; roosters, 22c; ducklings, 5 lbs. and up, 35c.

Beans—Can. hand-picked, $2.60 per bushel; primes, $2.40 per bushel.

Maple produce—Syrup, per Imp. gal., $2.25 to $2.30; per 5-gal., $2.15 to $2.25 per gal.; maple sugar, lb., 25 to 26c.

Honey—60-lb. tins, 12½ to 13c; 10-lb. tins, 12½ to 13c; 5-lb. tins, 13 to 13½c; 2½-lb. tins, 13½ to 14c.

Comb honey—$3.40 to $4 per dozen.

Smoked meats—Hams, med., 33 to 34c; cooked hams, 47 to 48c; smoked rolls, 28 to 30c; breakfast bacon, 35 to 40c; backs, boneless, 37 to 45c.

Cured meats—Long clear bacon, 50 to 70 lbs., $23; 70 to 90 lbs., $21.50; 20½ lbs. and up, $22.34; lightweight rolls in barrels, $42.50; heavyweight rolls, $39.50 per bbl.

Lard—Pure tierces, 16 to 17c; tubs, 17½ to 18c; pails, 18 to 18½c; prints, 19 to 19½c; shortening, tierces, 13¾ to 14c; tubs, 14¼ to 14¾c; pails, 15 to 15½c; blocks, 16½ to 17c.

Heavy steers, choice, $7 to $7.50; do, good, $6.50 to $6.75; butcher steers, choice, $6.50 to $6.75; do, good, $6 to $6.25; do, com., $4.50 to $5.50; butcher cows, choice, $4.75 to $5; do, fair to good, $3.75 to $4.50; butcher bulls, good, $4.50 to $5.50; bolognas, $3.50 to $4; canners and cutters, $2.25 to $3; good milch cows, $70 to $100; springers, choice, $80 to $115; med. cows, $45 to $60; feeders, good, $6 to $6.50; do, fair, $5 to $6; do, med., $7 to $9; calves, choice, $12.50 to $13.50; do, good, $9 to $11; do, med., $7 to $9; grassers, $4 to $4.50; good lambs, $12 to $12.25; do, bucks, $9 to $9.75; good light sheep, $6 to $6.50; heavy sheep and bucks, $4; hogs, thick smooths, fed and watered, $11.75; do, f.o.b., $11.25; do, country points, $11; do, off cars, $12.25; select premium, $12.32.

MONTREAL.

Oats, No. 2 CW, 69c; No. 3 CW, 65½c; extra No. 1 feed, 66c. Flour, Man. spring wheat pats., 1sts, $8.10; do, 2nds, $7.60; do, strong bakers, $7.40; do, winter pats., choice, $6.40 to $6.50. Rolled oats, bag 90 lbs., $3.75. Bran, $29.25. Shorts, $31.25. Middlings, $39.25. Hay, No. 2, per ton, car lots, $14 to $15.

Cheese, finest wests, 17⅛ to 17¼c; finest easts, 16¾ to 16⅞c.

Butter—No. 1 pasteurized, 32½ to 33c.

Eggs—Storage extras, 43c; do, firsts, 39c; do, seconds, 34c; fresh extras, 52c; fresh firsts, 47c.

Good veal calves, $11 to $12; poorer ones, $10; grass calves, $3.75 to $4; ewes and wethers, good lots, $11.25; do, poorer lots, $10.50 to $11; bucks, $1 per cwt. less; hogs, good quality thick smooths, $12.10 to $12.25; do, selects, $12.75.

London, Ontario, Honors Brave English Girl

London, Ont.—Honoring Ethel Langton, 15-year-old daughter of the keeper of St. Helen's Fort lighthouse, Bembridge, Isle of Wight, for her courage and endurance in keeping the light burning for three days during a gale last March, the St. George's Society of this city has sent her a unique medal of recognition. The medal is in the form of a Canadian $5 gold piece, set in gold maple leaves. It bears the following inscription: "To Ethel Langton, for courage and endurance. By St. George's Society, London, Canada."

It will be recalled that Miss Langton's parents made a dash to shore to replenish provisions just previous to the Isle of Wight storm and were not able to get back. For three days and nights their daughter was alone with only her pet dog for companionship. She kept the big beacon burning, climbing 20 feet up a steel ladder at intervals to replenish the oil. All the food she had was a loaf of bread.

Date of Royal Wedding is Set for November 20

Stockholm.—The wedding date of Princess Astrid of Sweden and Crown Prince Leopold of Belgium has been set for Nov. 20 in Brussels.

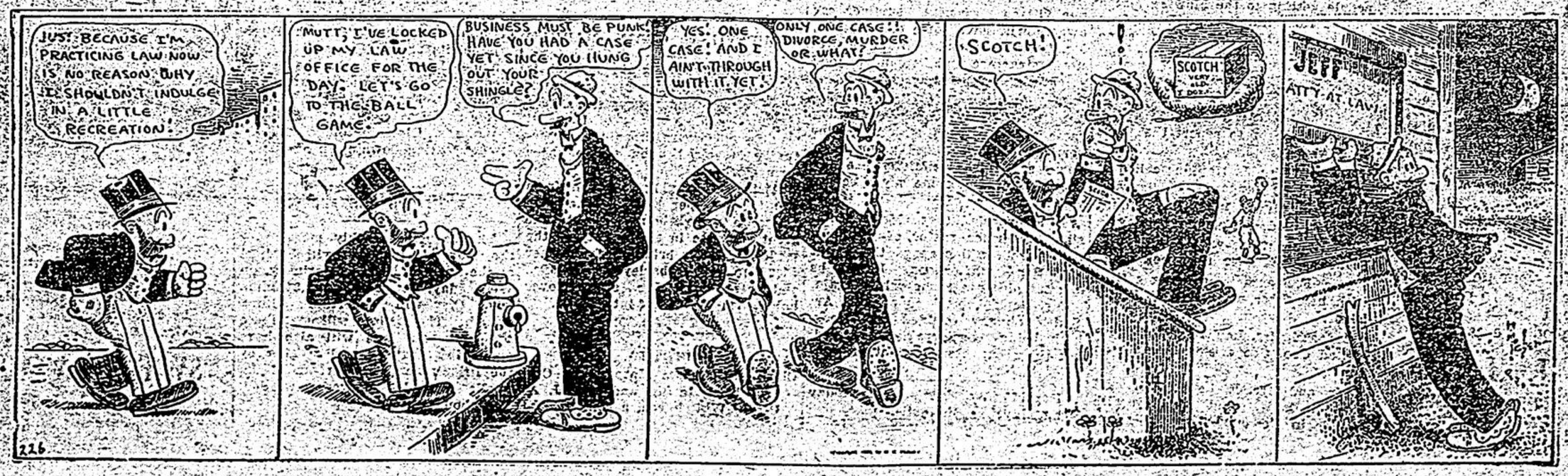
Newly revealed details of the courtship show that the young couple met oftener than hitherto realized. While the world press was linking the name of Princess Astrid with the Prince of Wales she was maintaining frequent correspondence with the Belgian heir. Last summer he spent a considerable period at the country estate of Princess Astrid's parents, Fridhem, in Osthergoth and, and in Denmark they met at the baptism of a common relative.

The young Prince has made an excellent impression on the Swedish public, and the match meets with overwhelming popular favor.

Former British Officer Earns Living Making Telephone Directories.

London.—One of the queerest jobs in London is thumb-slotting telephone directories. The work brings the man who does it, an ex-army officer, an income of about $5,000 a year.

He hit on the idea through having difficulty in finding an address in the telephone book. Thinking that much time could be saved to city firms if each alphabetical section was thumb-slotted, he bought a concave chisel, a hammer, and a small steel stamp for each letter of the alphabet. He calls on clubs, business firms and private houses and charges 2 shillings for each book thumb-slotted. The task takes him about ten minutes. He can easily index fifty book a day and is never out of work, as new directories are frequently issued.

MUTT AND JEFF—By Bud Fisher.

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