

## GAS TO SPEED SHANGHAI FALL, SAYS BUTLER

Chapel and Woosung Forts  
Can't Fight Poison, View  
of Ex-General.

This is the second in a series of interviews with Major-General Smedley D. Butler, retired marine commander, who commanded the American marines in Shanghai in 1927, '28 and '29 during the Chinese civil wars.

BY PAUL COMLY FRENCH  
United Press Staff Correspondent

NEWTON SQUARE, Pa., Feb. 16.—When the Japanese start using gas, the Chinese defense of Chapel and the Woosung forts will cease, according to Major General Smedley D. Butler, formerly ranking major-general of the United States marine corps.

Butler was retired last October at his own request, after thirty-two years' service.

"No matter how bravely the Chinese may fight," he declared, "they can't overcome their lack of gas masks and proper protection against gas attacks."

"If the newly-landed Japanese regulars open up the expected battle with a gas barrage, it looks to me as though the forts at Woosung will fall."

"An entrenched army, covered and protected by sandbag emplacements, can resist an artillery attack for many days."

"It can stay underground during the bombardment and then appear when the infantry wave comes over."

Outlines Chinese Conditions

"The enemy must move its fire ahead of advancing infantrymen, and that's just what the Nineteenth Cantonese route army apparently has been doing."

Butler, with his characteristic energy, was up and down, answering phone calls, replying to the heap of correspondence accumulated since he started his lecture tour last October, as he talked. Another day and he would be on his way to Louisiana and Texas to continue his lectures.

He expects to return in time for his daughter's wedding the first week in March.

As he outlined the conditions in Shanghai, he pointed out the two huge Chinese umbrellas which fill the entire center part of the house. They were presented to him by two Chinese cities for "defending them" during the civil wars.

"Just as soon as the Japanese bluejackets and marines neared the shore below the antiquated old fort, the Chinese manned their defenses and opened with a steady rain of machine gun bullets which forced the attacking forces to retire."

Marine Chief in Tight Spot

"Then when the naval vessels off shore opened with their heavy guns to reduce the works, the Chinese ducked into their dugouts. Of course, such a procedure could continue for weeks."

"But when gas comes drifting over the trenches, then it's a different story."

"Another angle to a possible gas attack is the fact that gas is hard to control once it's released."

"If the wind shifts and blows toward the international settlement, it may cause a considerable number of international diplomatic complications."

"One thing sure is that our marine commander and the colonel of the Thirty-first infantry are in a tight place."

"I was in just such a spot in 1927, '28 and '29," he grinned, "when I commanded a marine brigade in Shanghai and I should know."

LEGION EDITOR SPEAKER

Washington Playlet to Be Given at City Hospital.

"Washington, the Man Who Made Us," will be presented by the Lam-pas chapter, Epsilon Sigma Omicron, in the city hospital auditorium at 8 Wednesday night.

Frank A. White, Hoosier Legionnaire editor, will speak on the life of Washington, Pt. Benjamin Harrison band and the commandery choir will take part on the program which Mayor Reginald H. Sullivan and members of the board of health and the board of charities have been invited to attend.

DEMOCRATS 'TALK SHOP'

Administration Activities Discussed at Monthly Love Feast.

Democratic administration activities were discussed by Mayor Reginald Sullivan, Superior Judge Russell J. Ryan and Prosecutor Herbert E. Wilson at the monthly love feast of city, county and township officials and Democratic ward and township chairmen at noon today at the Washington.

LUBITCH EYEING STAGE

Film Director Plans to Produce Broadway Music Shows.

By United Press  
NEW YORK, Feb. 16.—Ernest Lubitch, German motion picture director, arrived from Hollywood today, and announced his intentions to produce Broadway musical shows. Lubitch's film contract expires March 8.

STOMACH UPSET

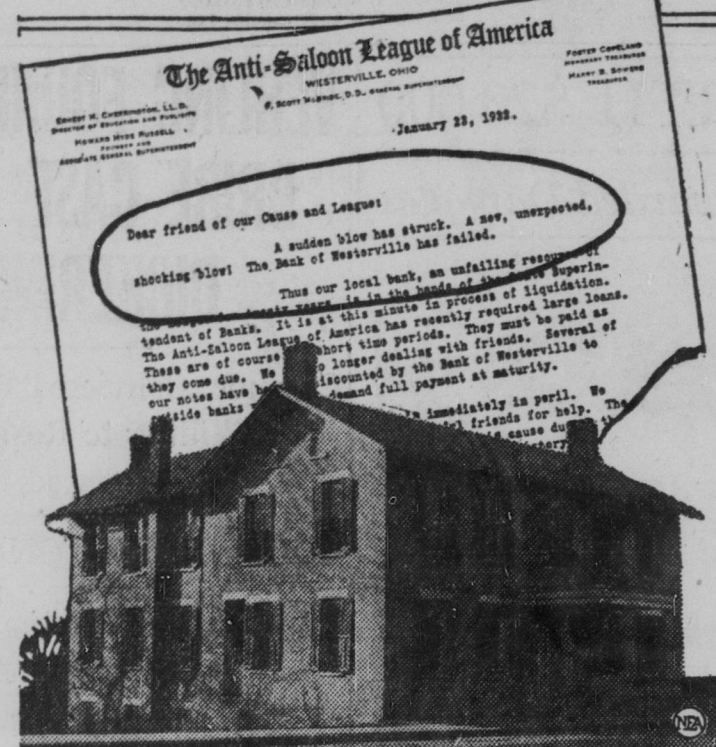
Get at the real cause. That's what thousands of stomach sufferers are doing now. Instead of taking tonics, or trying to patch up a poor digestion, they are attacking the real cause of the ailment—clogged liver and disordered bowels.

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## Anti-Saloon League Faces Ruin; \$700,000 Cut Off Annual Income



How the Anti-Saloon League views its present predicament is shown in the above letter, which recently has been sent to great numbers of potential contributors in an effort to raise funds.

The old building below is one of the two pre-Civil War dwellings in Westerville in which the general offices of the league are housed; prior to 1860, this house was a station on the "underground railway" and many runaway slaves were hidden in its basement over night while en route to Canada.

This is the first of two exclusive stories on the present predicament of the Anti-Saloon League of America, as obtained by Robert Talley, staff writer for The Times and NEA Service, who was sent to Westerville, the league's headquarters, to investigate conditions.

BY ROBERT TALLEY  
NEA Service Writer  
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WESTERVILLE, O., Feb. 16.—I came to this little Ohio town, headquarters of the Anti-Saloon League of America, to investigate reports that the Anti-Saloon League is on the rocks as the result of the business depression and here's what I found:

1. In the dozen years since the arrival of national prohibition, the annual income of the league has declined steadily, and rapidly, from nearly a million dollars in 1919 to less than a fourth of that in 1931.

2. The seven or eight high officials of the league, Treasurer Harry B. Sowers admitted, haven't been paid their salaries in four months.

3. A number of important personnel have been made nonmechanical employees on Jan. 1.

4. Wage cuts of 8, 10 and 12 per cent—depending upon the amount of pay—were made in salaries of all nonmechanical employees on Jan. 1.

5. Mechanical employees in the league's big propaganda plant here—mostly printers, pressmen and binders—have not been cut, as their union wage scales protect them, but their hours have been shortened to four and five days a week.

6. Last summer, everybody got a two weeks' vacation without pay. Then the nonmechanical employees came back and worked for two weeks without pay. The publishing house—which formerly ground out tons of dry literature for the whole nation—was closed for a whole month.

7. The league's official propaganda publication, The American Issue, was formerly a weekly, but has been cut to an every-other-week publication; the number of its monthly state editions has dropped from more than 20 to 10 or 12; a foreign edition of from 25,000 to 30,000 copies a month has been discontinued as a measure of economy.

THE league guards its income figures zealously. They are not public, and never have been obtained by any one except by a United States senate investigating committee. The last occasion was in May, 1930, when the late Senator Charles McNary, during his famous anti-lobby investigation, drew these figures from F. Scott McBride, general superintendent.

I asked Treasurer Sowers for the figures for 1930 and 1931. He declined to give them. He said they were "a little smaller."

I asked him how much smaller. He made an estimate of "about 10

per cent—but 1931 was slightly better than 1930."

Ten per cent off of the 1929 figure of \$265,000 would mean a drop of about \$26,500, or a remainder of about \$238,500.

RECENTLY, the Bank of Westerville failed. It is the only bank in the town and the league did quite a business with it, though it has other—and perhaps larger—bank accounts in Columbus.

Out of the closing of the Bank of Westerville have come two stories:

1. The league, in circular letters sent to thousands of regular contributors, delinquent contributors and hoped-for contributors under date of Jan. 28, 1932, gave the impression that the league's financial straits were due to this bank failure.

2. Among enemies of the league in Westerville (and the town has a lot of them) you hear the story that the Anti-Saloon League broke this bank by reason of its heavy borrowings in the period of depression.

Both these stories seem open to question.

THE facts are that on the day the bank of Westerville closed, the Anti-Saloon League, for all its various departments, had on deposit therein only \$4,231.98.

On the word of Treasurer Sowers, the bank held notes of the Anti-Saloon League for "approximately" \$7,500, and notes of The American Issue Publishing Company for "approximately" \$10,000, or a total of \$17,500 in short-term league notes.

Notes that have fallen due since the bank closed have been paid promptly.

These facts certainly don't make it look as though the Anti-Saloon League broke the bank or suffered irreparable damage from its closing. Moreover, it is estimated that depositors will recover at least 70 per cent.

Nor do the claims of the league enemies that "the league broke the bank" appear to hold up when it is shown that on the day the bank of Westerville closed its loans to all the various departments of the league amounted to a little less than 4 per cent of the bank's total loans.

It is said around town that, in addition to the league notes, the bank held various personal notes of the league officials, the grand total of all being around \$50,000.

Even \$50,000 wasn't enough to break the Bank of Westerville, an institution which had listed assets of about \$900,000.

The league's recent circular letter asking for funds says in part: "A sudden blow has been struck. A new, unexpected, shocking blow! The Bank of Westerville has failed."

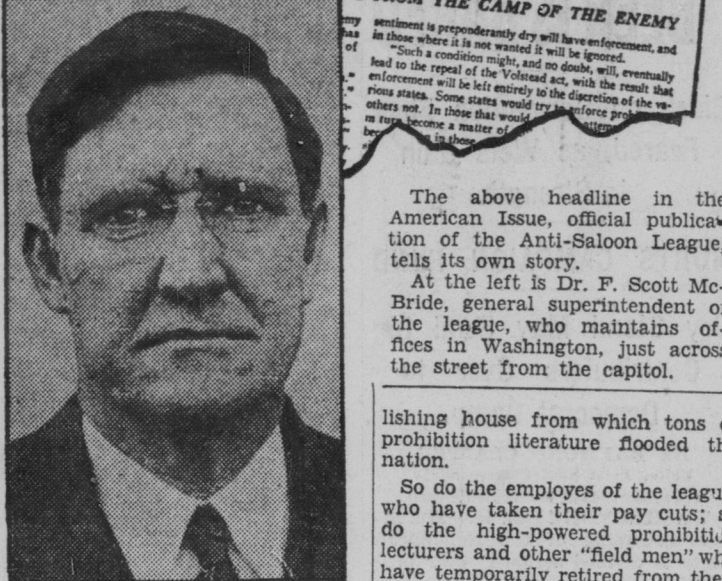
"Thus our local bank, an unfailing resource of the league for twenty years, is in the hands of the state superintendent of banks. It is at this minute in the process of liquidation. The Anti-Saloon League recently has required large loans. They must be paid as they come due."

"Our league credit is immediately in peril. . . . We turn at once to you and all our faithful friends for help. . . . The league's obligations must be promptly paid. . . . What if this be not done? . . . This will mean litigation and publicity with disastrous results. . . . To you, as one of our zealous comrades, we turn with confidence."

Following these two paragraphs of the letter comes the plea for a quick contribution.

WHAT really has hurt the league is the reduction of contributions due to the general business depression and the dwindling public interest in its efforts on behalf of prohibition.

Meanwhile, Westerville waits hopefully to see what the future will bring to what was once the town's chief industry—the big pub-



The above headline in the American Issue, official publication of the Anti-Saloon League, tells its own story.

At the left is Dr. F. Scott McBride, general superintendent of the league, who maintains offices in Washington, just across the street from the capitol.

lishing house from which tons of prohibition literature flooded the nation.

So do the employees of the league, who have taken their pay cuts; so do the high-powered prohibition lecturers and other "field men" who have temporarily retired from their labors; so do the "seven or eight high officials," who perhaps think of their last pay day four months ago as they scan the table showing present contributions only about a fourth of those of a few years back.

As things stand, the league is looking forward hopefully to the presidential campaign of 1932—hoping that it will stir up a big fight between the wets and dries and thus revive interest in the cause.

Treasurer Sowers did not put it that way—no high Anti-Saloon League official is ever that indiscreet—but he did say that presidential election years usually are the best years for collections and quite candidly admitted that the league spent "more than \$100,000" in the presidential campaign of 1928. That, incidentally, was the year of the big fight on Al Smith.

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## SALES MOUNT AT AUTO SHOW; CROWDS GOOD

Success of 1932 Edition Is  
Virtually Assured by  
Interest Thus Far.

The steeds on rubber that you see at the annual auto show at the state fairground get a daily currying each morning before the show opens.

Every day is race day at the show. And the cars showered on the sheen of each model is the care of a trainer for a Top Flight entered in the Kentucky Derby.

The hand-prints of the public who glimpsed the show Monday are erased today. Rubbers, who with chamolins and cheesecloth, polish doorknobs and fenders, are the first to open the daily exhibition.

Success Is Assured

Success of the 1932 show, from a standpoint of attendance and sales, virtually was assured today as reports of new sales and prospects flooded the exhibition floor, sponsors said.

"Bought" signs bobbed up in booths. The chatter of salesmen became livelier.

The flashy Hupmobile display of the Robinson-Thompson Auto Company drew its quota of visitors at the show. The models shown accentuate the modern lines of least wind-resistance coupled with smartness.

The Buick, one of the largest displays at the show, gives visitors a wide range of models from which to choose a family car.

100-Mile Stutz Shown

Then think of a car guaranteed to travel at 100 miles an hour and you have the ultimate in motordom. The Stutz Motor Car Company shows a model with this guarantee.

The model factory, in which De Soto cars are made, attracts numerous patrons of this year's exhibition.

A car that can be served to you on a tray features the Lokey Motor Company's booth of Hudson-Essex cars. The cars are models under glass of the new lines of the Hudson and Essex cars. Each model can be held by two men. They are made of cast-iron.

The show opens at 10 a. m. each day and closes at 10:30 p. m. Friday is the last day of the exhibition.

## TOM MIX MARRIED TO AERIAL ARTIST



By United Press  
CALEXICO, Cal., Feb. 16.—A romance that began under a circus "big top" culminated today in the honeymoon of Tom Mix, cowboy film star, and Mabel Hubbel, circus aerialist, after a surprise wedding Monday.

Mix, 52, and Miss Hubbel, 28, were married across the border from here by General Juan N. Vasquez in the presence of Mix's daughter, Thomasina, and Mr. and Mrs. Monte Blue.

The couple met when both were playing with the Sells-Floto circus, and admitted today it was a case of "love at first sight," though the secret of romance was closely guarded.

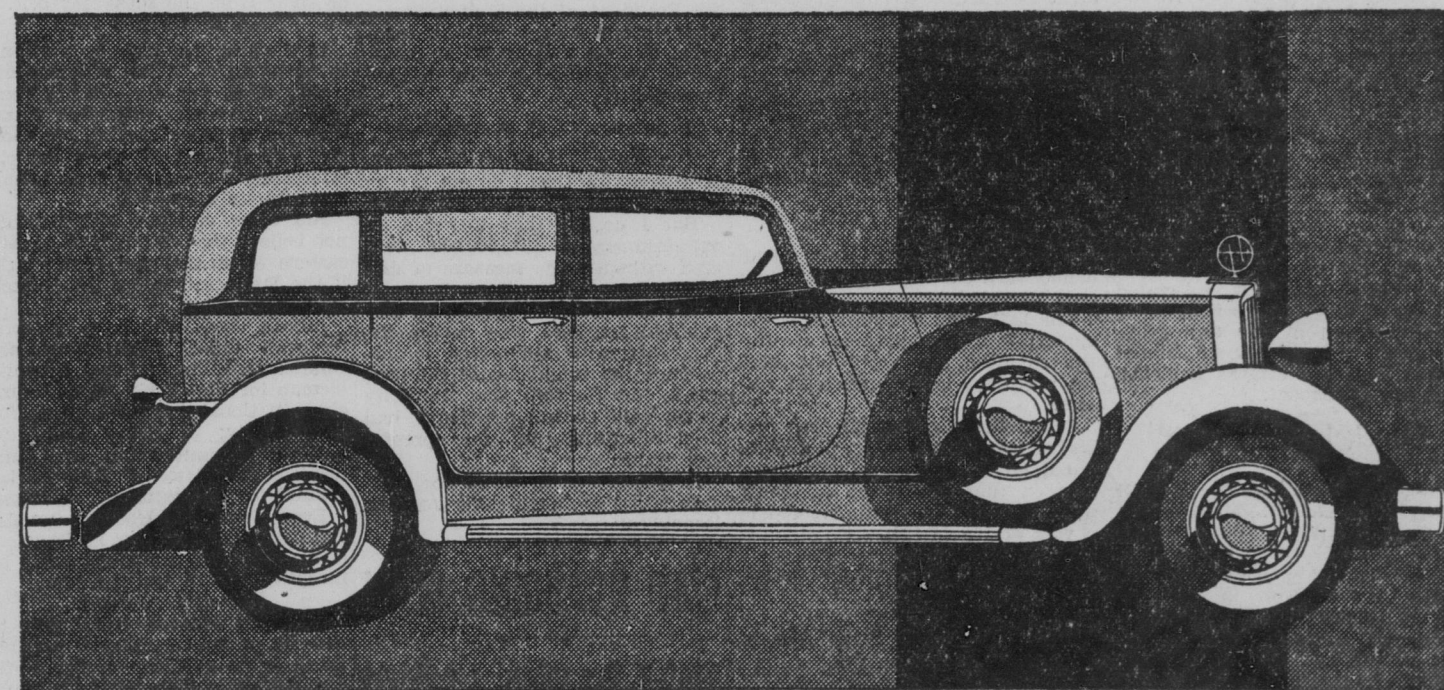
Mix had denied repeatedly that

Mrs. Mabel Hubbel Mix of circus fans with her breath-taking feat of doing 300 one-arm revolutions on a high bar without a net, he contemplated marriage. He has been married twice before, his second wife, Mrs. Victoria Forde Mix having obtained a final decree last Jan. 5 after Mix is reported to have settled \$500,000 on her.

While recuperating from a recent operation for appendicitis, he said he would need "another million dollars" before marrying again.

She not only is a famous trapeze artist, but also is a "swell cook," according to Mix.

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## 'Bulls' Treed

Odds of 3 to 2 Too Much  
for Cops in Night-Time  
Cattle Roundup.

TWO "bulls" bent on rounding up three bulls were treed by the three bulls until another "bull" rounded up the three bulls, and rescued the two "bulls."

Radio patrolmen Bennett and Johnston, alias "bulls," were called to a highway near the entrance to Broad Ripple park Wednesday where a truck loaded with four bulls, driven by E. H. Agnes of Bunker Hill, had overturned.

One of the bulls suffered a broken leg. The other three were at liberty, but not at ease.

Johnston tried to illuminate the scene with a flashlight. A bull caused him to do a running high jump over a fence.

Bennett twisted the tail of another bull. It had a red flag effect, and, believe it or not, a "bull" can climb a telephone pole. Bennett did.

Motor Patrolman Fred Titus formed reinforcements and the three bulls were loaded into the truck and three more "bulls" went back to their regular jobs.

MAROONED BY SNOW

Roads, Trails and Railways  
Blocked in Colorado.

By United Press  
ALAMOSA, Col., Feb. 16.—Huge snowslides that plunged down the granite faced mountains of the San Juan valley of Colorado to form in land icebergs across roads, trails and railroads, today successfully defied rotary snow plows.

Officials of the Denver and Rio Grande railroad, whose tracks were buried beneath the masses of ice, snow rock and trees, announced they would abandon attempts to open the line until the thirty persons marooned in the stalled trains on Cumbres pass since Friday are rescued.

High winds and fresh snow, nullified their efforts to clear the tracks the officials said.

Old at 40?

Beware Kidney Acidity

If you feel old and run-down from Waking Up Nights, Backache, Leg Pains, Nervousness, Stiffness, or Irritation, caused by Kidney Acidity, use quick-acting Cystex (Sis-tex). Often shows big improvement in 24 hours. Guaranteed to satisfy completely or return empty box and get money back. Only 75c at druggists.—Advertisement.

Funeral services for Richard T. Tripper, Jr., 27, Snodgrass high school graduate and Indianapolis resident twenty years, will be held at his home, 411 West Thirty-ninth street, at 2 Wednesday. Burial will be in Crown Hill cemetery.

Mr. Tripper died Monday at the home. He formerly was a member of