

TRENCHES SAVE CHINESE FROM SWIFT DEFEAT

Japanese Need Bigger Guns to Rout Shanghai Foe, Says General Butler.

This is the third of a series of interviews with Major General Smedley D. Butler, U. S. M. C. retired, who commanded a brigade of American marines at Shanghai during 1927, '28 and '29.

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NEWTON SQUARE, Pa., Feb. 17.—Chinese troops have learned the defensive value of trenches. Major-General Smedley D. Butler declared as we discussed the military situation around Shanghai, before the former marine leader left on a lecture tour in Texas.

"The World war first demonstrated the defense value of trenches," Butler told me.

"While a study of military history throughout the ages will reveal the use of trenches for centuries, it was not until the World war that they became such an important means of defense."

"That fact, together with the increased fighting ability of the Chinese regulars and their heightened morale, is largely responsible for the stubborn resistance they have made at the Woosung forts and in Chapel.

Bigger Guns Needed

"Naturally trenches can be demolished like other fortifications with the proper artillery and the most effective thing the Japanese can do from the military standpoint will be to take over heavier guns from home."

Even with the use of bigger guns, the Chinese can hold on for a long time."

"Properly constructed trenches can stand a lot of hammering by field artillery," he said, "as well as concentrated fire from naval vessels. Apparently the Chinese have learned that fact or they would have been driven out by the first barrage laid down by the Japanese fleet."

China's Strength Puzzle

"Despite the fact that I know the terrain and the general defensive and offensive characteristics of the ground around Shanghai and out to the Woosung forts, it is rather hard to arrive at a very accurate picture of the possibilities of the Chinese repelling the Japanese without knowing the number of men on both sides and their equipment."

Frequently well disciplined force, properly equipped, can defeat many times its number of poorly trained opponents.

"It looks as though the Japanese have about everything needed for a modern military campaign. What the Chinese have or will be able to obtain, is a question."

"And on the point will hinge the continued Chinese defense of Shanghai."

PARHAM ANNOUNCES SHERIFF CANDIDACY

Ex-Policeman Seeks Democratic Nomination in May 3 Primary. Carl J. Parham, 846 Fletcher avenue, independent Democrat, has announced for the Democratic nomination for sheriff in the May 3 primary.

He is the owner of the Parham Manufacturing and Sales Company and also manager of the State Adjustment Bureau.

Parham was a member of the police force in 1928 and 1929, is married and has two children.

HEALTH CHIEF WARS ON MILK PEDDLERS

Morgan Starts Drive Against House-to-House Bucket Sales.

War on peddlers who dispense milk from house to house in buckets and cans has been renewed by Dr. H. G. Morgan, city health officer.

Morgan has sent letters to all milk companies asking them not to sell unpasteurized milk or unbottled milk to peddlers.

Sale of bulk milk on the streets is insanitary and can not be tolerated, he asserted.

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Attends Ceremony at School as Political Aid's Guest.

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Display Smallest Oven



FUNERAL RITES SCHEDULED FOR WAR VETERANS

National Guard Instructor, Auto Firm Employee to Be Buried Thursday.

Funeral services for two World war veterans, one of whom was assistant manager of the Marmon Motor Car Company's used car sales department, the other sergeant-instructor at the Indiana national guard armory, will be held Thursday.

Last rites for William D. Groff, 53, of the Marmon company will be held Thursday afternoon at the Flanner & Buchanan mortuary, One hundred sixty-sixth coast artillery, he was sent to France in 1917. He took part in five major engagements, was wounded and gassed in action and was cited for gallantry when he repaired a telephone line under fire.

During the World war, he was attached to the aviation service, but had not completed his training when the armistice became effective.

Mr. Groff participated in many dirt track auto races in Indiana, Ohio and Texas. He formerly was a member of the Speedway Motor Company.

Since leaving this motor company, he was engaged in automobile sales work for various agencies and had been employed by the Marmon company six years. He was a member of the Masonic order. He was married to Miss Jane Friedman of this city, died Dec. 28, 1931.

Full military honors will be accorded George W. Holmes, 37, sergeant-instructor at the Indiana National Guard Armory, at Crown Hill cemetery Thursday afternoon, following funeral services at 1:30 in the Shirley funeral home, 946 North Illinois street.

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of bread displayed at the convention.

Miss Edna Johnson, 6620 East Washington street, is getting the oven's measurements in the photo.

The oven, shown in the above photo, is twenty-eight inches long and fourteen inches wide. It is just as long as a twist loaf

of bread.

Steagall banking bill in one short afternoon. There is some smoldering resentment at these methods, but Garner only crinkles his face into more of a smile and laughs it off.

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Texas Puts Garner Into Race for White House

Speaker Says It's All a Mystery to Him, After Senators Act.

By United Press

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—Friends of Speaker John N. Garner of Texas have put him formally into the Democratic presidential race.

His first comment was, "I don't give a damn."

This amiable Democrat was put forward in a statement by the two Texas senators, Morris Sheppard and Tom Connally. They said the Texas delegation would present his name to the Democratic national convention. Their joint statement emphasized that Garner was offered as a candidate "in no narrow sectional sense."

"I don't know a damn thing about it," Garner said pleasantly, when the United Press asked him about the statement.

"It is okay with you?" he was asked.

"I can't okay it because I never saw a word of it and I don't give a damn," Garner replied. "That's about all I can say, old chap."

Garnier has won great personal popularity in the house. Since he was elected Speaker when the Democrats took control last December, he has ruled the house with an iron hand. His secret is that he does it with a smile.

Time after time, when Hoover emergency measures have come up, Garner has thrown the house parliamentary machinery into high gear and swept over potential opposition among his Democratic following.

This week he put through the

CONFERENCE TODAY ON DETENTION HOME SITE

Women's Organizations to Talk to County Commissioners.

Representatives of women's organizations were to confer this afternoon with Marion county commissioners on a new juvenile detention home site.

The matter has been studied by the commissioners, who said that a site opposite the Athenaeum, East Michigan street and Massachusetts avenue, is receiving consideration.

It is said it can be bought for \$29,000.

Another proposed site, under consideration for some time is at North Alabama and Ogden streets. This price is said to be \$27,500.

PETITION ON TRACTION SALE TO BE HEARD

Security Holders Expected to Buy Street Railway Property.

Hearing on a petition to sell property of the Indianapolis Street Railway Company at auction will be held March 21 before Circuit Judge Harry O. Chamberlin.

George C. Frey, receiver for the company, filed the petition.

Holders of the company's securities are expected to purchase the property.

Organization of two new corporations, one to control lines and the other to have title to the Traction Terminal building and adjacent real estate, is planned.

Investment of approximately \$5,000,000 is provided for in the plans. New trolley cars, electric busses and motor coaches will be bought.

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Shot the Roll

By United Press

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 17.—A small boy's target rifle brought \$11,000 back into circulation today.

Eleven bullet-torn \$1,000 bills were presented to Laswell & Co., members of the Los Angeles Stock Exchange, in payment for securities which a well-dressed customer ordered.

The man explained his son had "shot the roll."

The money had been hoarded in a tobacco tin. The 10-year-old found the tin and used it as a target for a .22-caliber rifle.

Post of Foreign Wars, the post of which Sergeant Holmes was a member. Mr. Holmes died Tuesday of tuberculosis in the veterans' administration home in Dayton, O.

Seafarer Holmes enlisted in the army in 1911. As a member of the One hundred sixty-sixth coast artillery, he was sent to France in 1917. He took part in five major engagements, was wounded and gassed in action and was cited for gallantry when he repaired a telephone line under fire.

Following his discharge in 1920, he returned to Indianapolis and became instructor to the Indiana national guard, and also acted as custodian of the Armory. His wife, the former Miss Edith Norris of this city, died Dec. 28, 1931.

Funeral services for Mrs. Bessie P. Matheson, former Madison (Ind.) resident, will be conducted at the Flanner & Buchanan mortuary at 2 Thursday afternoon, with burial in Crown Hill cemetery.

Mrs. Matheson came to Indianapolis with her parents thirty years ago. Twenty years ago she was married to Robert W. Matheson. She was a member of the Order of Eastern Star.

Funeral services for Walter H. Larmore, 71, Indianapolis resident twenty-three years, who died today at his home, 902 Villa avenue, after illness of seven years, will be held in the Wald funeral home, 1222 Union street, at 2 Friday. Burial will be in Washington Park cemetery.

There are auto shows and auto shows, and some are looking-glasses.

But the 1932 auto show at the state fairground isn't a "looking-glass" show.

Officials of the exhibition today declared that the five days of letting the public see this year's motor show firmly tagged the 1932 exhibition as a "selling-show."

"High-priced cars are selling as well as the lower-priced models. People are coming to buy as well as to see," one official said.

One exhibitor of cars in the four-figure class reported five sales.

"And that's a record considering the fact that our prices and values are more for the appreciation of the moneyed man than for the installment plan purchaser of modest models," the exhibitor said.

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