

# RAIL UNIONS WRITER DESCRIBES OCCUPATION OF CHINESE CITY BY MARINES TO ACCEPT PAY CUT

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CHICAGO, Jan. 28. (U.P.)—The country's union railroad workers have decided at last to accept voluntarily a "10 per cent wage deduction" for one year.

Officially their decision remains secret until tomorrow morning, when they will place their attitude before a committee of nine railroad presidents, but unofficially they all admitted tonight that they accepted smaller salaries because no other course remained open.

The union leaders stipulated that present salary rates be reestablished at the end of the 12 months and insisted that the railroads wait another year before making any attempt to reduce wages again.

Daniel Willard, president of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad and spokesman for the presidents' committee, celebrated his seventy-second birthday by beaming happily upon the messenger bearing him word of the unions' agreement.

David O. Robertson, union chairman, remained noncommittal to the end by saying:

"Our 20 organizations have reported. I can't discuss what we will tell the presidents tomorrow other than to say that we have reached a single, unified stand."

The Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, however, issued a statement in which they said that although their members were not receiving large enough salaries now, they would accept the wage reductions as the "best settlement possible."

Inasmuch as Robertson said the agreement was unanimous and inasmuch as the trainmen's union is one of the "big four" labor organizations, the stand that the 1,900,000 railway workers have taken is obvious.

# TEN THOUSAND CHINESE MOVE TO FRONT

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nese treaty port, part of whose native city was occupied today by Japanese marines.

A navy radio dispatch to Admiral Montgomery M. Taylor, commanding the Asiatic fleet at Manila, requested all possible details of the situation at Shanghai. Taylor was directed to ask commanding officers of all ships at or near Shanghai to cooperate in obtaining information speedily.

The American government's first concern is with its rights, and those of its citizens in the international settlement that adjoins the native city in which fighting went on all night Thursday.

**BLOCKADE HINTED**

It was feared here that Japan, unable to halt its move against the commercial heart of China, might be forced to declare a blockade of the port.

No blockade affecting the United States, it was learned here, can be recognized while a theoretical state of peace continues; and Japan is insisting each day that she does not intend to declare war on disorganized China.

While a bullet-riddled state of peace is still being maintained, Japan is conceded the right to declare a "pacific" blockade if necessary; this could affect Chinese shipping only.

**ARMS PENALTY**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28. (U.P.)—Congress today began to show concern over the crisis at Shanghai.

Senator Clarence C. Dill of Washington introduced a resolution specifying a fine of \$10,000 and imprisonment for ten years for an attempt to export arms to China or India. It was referred to the foreign relations committee.

The house foreign affairs committee has before it a resolution offered recently by Rep. Morton D. Hull of Illinois, which would authorize the President to put an embargo on goods destined for nations violating the Kellogg peace pact.

**ACTION, NOT TALK**

GENEVA, Jan. 28. (U.P.)—The League of Nations council's carefully laid plans for "strong action" in the far eastern conflict collapsed tonight when the Chinese delegation flatly rejected the program because of Japanese occupation of Shanghai.

"We are tired of words," declared W. W. Yen, the Chinese delegate, in commenting on the council's plan for a strongly worded presidential declaration warning Japan against aggressive action in China. "After this news from Shanghai, only acts will count."

**WINS CROP TITLE 7 TIMES**

MALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 28. (U.P.)—Recent victory of a State College team in the national college judging contest in Chicago marks the seventh time in the last 11 years that the title has been won by a State College team.

**BLONDE SLAIN**

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 28. (U.P.)—Winifred Williams, pretty young blonde matron, who was found alongside a road last Friday, died from wounds "inflicted by an unknown person with homicidal intent," a coroner's jury determined today.

**SHORTRIDGE OPERATION**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28. (U.P.)—Senator Samuel Shortridge, Republican, California, underwent an operation here late today for intestinal disorders. His physician, E. Maxie Page, reported Shortridge "stood the operation well and is resting easily."

lights of 23 Japanese warships flared the sky, flashing signals to the land forces.

Detachment after detachment landed from the ships, pouring through the international settlement and then into the Chapel district, carrying flares and torches.

The fighting began at 10:30 p.m. Thursday after the Chinese had accepted all of the Japanese demands for cessation of anti-Japanese activities. Admiral Shiosawa then asked the Chinese to withdraw their troops from the Chapel district.

Immediately after delivering the request, Japanese gunboats bombarded the Woosung forts at the mouth of the Whampoo river and landed marines.

Other marines began the occupation of Chapel. The first detachments into the native district penetrated a considerable distance before snipers opened fire. The Japanese replied with machine gun and rifle fire and the fighting was quickly intensified.

**BULLETS NEAR CONCESSIONS**

Bullets fell in the international settlement, where United States marines and other foreign troops are on duty, and there were severe skirmishes behind the Rokusan gardens, a popular Japanese resort. The Japanese pressed on, however, and it became certain that their chief objective was the north station.

Bombardment of the station, which lies a short distance north of the boundaries of the international settlement, marked the first time a foreign power had ever dropped bombs in China proper.

Some of the Chinese troops at the north station were reported deserting, but the main body resisted the Japanese attack and reinforcements were sent from the warships in the river. They were landed at the main docks, in front of the central Bank of China.

Automobiles, heavily armored, and trucks led the marines in the attack. Many houses were burning, flames reddening the sky over the northern part of the city.

**JAP FIELD HOSPITAL**

The Japanese established a field hospital in the area, where casualties were cared for. Scores of Chinese gendarmes and one unit of the 5th squadron of the bureau of public safety police were disarmed by the Japanese as they advanced. There was desultory firing in the Humpo airfield area.

A series of rapid developments led up to the Japanese advance on the Chapel district.

For a week the Japanese fleet in the harbor and Japanese marines on shore had been ready to back up the demand of Tokio that China cease anti-Japanese boycott, dissolve anti-Japanese societies, and anti-Japanese statements in the press and make reparations and apologies for incidents and insults to Japan.

The Japanese ultimatum expired at 6 p.m. Thursday, at which time Wu Ten-Chen, mayor of greater Shanghai, accepted all Japanese demands. At that hour, however, 13 more Japanese warships had arrived in the harbor, bringing the total to 23, and 1,000 more marines had landed, making 4,000 ready for action.

A bomb previously had been hurled at the Japanese consulate and foreign military officials in the international settlement intensified preparations, indicating they expected Japan to act despite the Chinese

international settlement and the French concession, listening to the fighting a short distance away and prepared to protect their own colonies. The French soldiers alone guarded their concession, and adjoining them were the Americans, and British in the international settlement. Japanese blue-jackets patrolled another section of the settlement, but they were shifting constantly as detachments were withdrawn to aid in the occupation.

In addition to the Japanese marines, there are about 6,000 foreign troops available for protection of the settlement. The American destroyer Truxtun, with 120 men and officers, is in the harbor, and eight other American warships are in the Yangtze river nearby.

**U. S. MARINES READY**

There are 1,153 American marines and 53 officers in the settlement, protecting some 5,000 American citizens. Col. Richard S. Hooker is in command.

The British force in the settlement is commanded by Brig. Gen. George Fleming. The British have 2,170 men and 100 officers on duty. The French have 1,000 men and 30 officers guarding their concession. There are three British gunboats off Shanghai, three French warships and two Italian warships.

The Shanghai volunteer corps, which was mobilized Thursday, is standing by to give any aid.

At Nanking, the Chinese national government indicated that it planned action against the Japanese, but the confused political situation made developments uncertain. Chiang

asked the Chinese commanders to withdraw their troop concentrations from the Chapel district, pointing out that Chinese rowdies had been looting and causing disorder in the area. He declared the occupation of Chapel was essential to protect Japanese nationals and secure a permanent settlement which would assure Japan that China means to keep her promise to cease anti-Japanese activities. The proclamation emphasized the "extreme potential dangers" of lawlessness because of the lack of effective control of Chinese troops, numbering some 25,000.

The admiral also said he was considering a request to the Chinese to withdraw to a zone five miles outside greater Shanghai to end the intense military activities within the city and along both sides of the Whampoo river as far down as the Woosung forts.

**WILL RESIST**

The admiral demanded the removal of all Chinese barricades and other defenses in the region of the international settlement. A copy of the proclamation was sent to Mayor Wu Ten-Chen, but he protested that it had been received too late for him to act before the Japanese began occupation of the city. Some of Chiang Kai-shek's military leaders in the city attempted to persuade the Chinese troops to withdraw, but the Cantonese forces, telegraphed Chiang Kai-shek that his army was "prepared to shed all its blood in the Whampoo river" in resisting the Japanese.

Japanese gunboats steamed down the river and opened fire on the Woosung forts. A state of emergency was declared throughout the Shanghai area. From the bridge of the flagship Ataka, Admiral Shiosawa directed the enveloping maneuver against the Woosung forts, which were silenced after 40 shells had been fired by the Japanese, and against Chapel.

**JAPS FILL STREETS**

The occupation began at 10:30 p.m. and by midnight the Japanese troops were streaming into the darkened streets of the native sections, pushing steadily forward toward the north station despite persistent sniping by the Chinese.

Olive-clad United States marines, the blue-uniformed troops of France and the soldiers of Britain stood elbow-to-elbow on the borders of

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**ALIMONY FOR BEAUTY**

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 28. (U.P.)—While Janina Smolinski, Polish beauty prize winner, and her husband, Walter Grabowski, Hollywood wig maker, shouted at each other, a superior judge today ordered Grabowski to pay \$250 for the support of his wife pending trial of their contested divorce suit.

**HOG-TIES MOUNTAIN LION**

SELIGMAN, Ariz., Jan. 28. (U.P.)—Clarence Denny, cattleman, holds some sort of a record for his recent feat in lassoing and hog-tying a 135-pound male mountain lion.

Kai-Shek, who was denounced recently by the Cantonese political faction, appeared to be back in the strongest position again.

**FLIES TO L. A.**

Dr. R. D. Balcom of Las Vegas hospital flew to Los Angeles by Western Air Express Thursday afternoon. He will return by car with Mrs. Balcom and daughters.

**ON BUSINESS**

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District Attorney Harley A. Harmon, accompanied by his family, left yesterday morning for Los Angeles, and expect to return Sunday evening.

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LOST—Gold lace earring. Lost on Fremont street. Return to Age office and receive reward.

## PERSONAL

**ATTORNEY ILL**

H. S. Laney, well known local attorney, who has been confined to the Las Vegas hospital for the past three days, was able to return to his home last evening.

**LEAVES HOSPITAL**

Mrs. Ralph Miller, Westside resident, was discharged from the Las Vegas hospital yesterday, almost fully recovered from her recent illness.

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**FROM AKRON**

Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Gordon, formerly of Akron, O., have arrived in Las Vegas to make their home here. Mrs. Gordon is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Schur of this city. Gordon was in the furniture business in Akron, and plans to look over the business prospects of Las Vegas.

**SEEK REDS IN SHRINE TREK**

EL PASO, Tex., Jan. 28. (U.P.)—Mexican secret service agents have been stationed in Juarez across the Rio Grande here to prevent Communists entering Mexico with the throngs going to the Guadalupe shrine near Mexico City.

If Mrs. Van Santongue will call at The Age office she will receive a free ticket good for today only at El Portal theater.

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