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COHEN OF CHINA.

AMAZING STORY OF RISE TO FAME—

MYSTERY MAN AN ENGLISH JEW.

The *Sunday Chronicle* contains the amazing story of one Morris Cohen, born in London, who at the present time is supposed to be a powerful personality in China and one who has the strings of the Chinese Nationalist movement in his hands. Claiming that it is able exclusively to reveal the full facts of Cohen's remarkable rise from poverty to a position of far-reaching possibilities, the *Sunday Chronicle* describes him as the active enemy of Moscow in their aims in the Far East.

Erroneously reported to have been assassinated by his enemies in the civil war, Cohen, who is an Englishman by birth and upbringing, is still engaged in his secret activities in China—the latest report is that he is in a position tantamount to that of Chancellor of the Exchequer—and he is a man of whom much will later be heard. It is now believed that the report of his execution was put out by himself or his associates in order to facilitate his escape. The story of his life reads like a romance.

RISE TO LEADERSHIP.

Moisha (Morris) Cohen began life in the East End of London as the child of humble Jewish parents, became the leader of Canada's Chinese population, went to China, where he was the right-hand man of President Sun Yat Sen, and to-day is a power behind the Nationalist forces.

For many years Cohen's father held a post in Canton, and it was while living out there with his parents that the future "mystery" man of China became acquainted with the people of whom later he was to be the virtual leader.

Early in life his adventurous spirit took him to Canada, where he carried on a successful trade amongst the Chinese settlers in Vancouver.

He applied himself to the acquirement of their tongue, and opened out a real estate business out of the profits he made by advising the settlers on land purchase. Throughout the Dominion the Chinese implicitly obeyed his behest.

HEROISM IN FRANCE.

When the Great War came his regard for his Motherland led him to recruit a Chinese Labour Battalion, and while serving with it in France he performed several deeds of bravery.

On one occasion he carried a wounded British officer on his shoulders for over six hundred yards

in the face of heavy fire, and when a decoration was offered him in recognition of his courageous act he refused it.

His self-appointed duty over at the end of the war, he returned to Canada and became a member of the Kwop Tang, a kind of Chinese Freemasonry, of which he was the only white member.

His association with Dr. Sun Yat Sen began when the famous leader of the Chinese Nationalists escaped to Canada after the fall of the Government.

Of the seventeen Chinese commanders, sixteen were murdered by their own officers, and Dr. Sun was the only one who escaped assassination.

SUN YAT SEN'S BODYGUARD.
He fled to Edmonton, where he was protected by a strong bodyguard raised and commanded by Cohen—no longer Morris Cohen, the English Jew, but Cohen Moisha, Chinaman and Nationalist.

Cohen unsuccessfully tried to obtain Canadian, and, failing this, American officers to train his Nationalist Army.

In each case permission was refused, but in 1923 he went to Russia, where he enlisted the help of a number of ex-English, German, and Russian officers, to whom was entrusted the training of the Cantonese Army, which was slowly establishing the power of Nationalist arms in China.

To-day Cohen is the leader of millions of Chinaman, who have learned or are learning the power of organisation and discipline, and at any time some event may occur which will put the whole destiny of the Far East in his hands.

£1,000,000 CONTRACT.

Always a bitter enemy of Communism, his hatred of the Reds and their terrorism was accentuated by the outrages committed at Hankow by a body of Russians directed by Jacob Borodin.

He has made it clear that it is for the uplift of the Chinese, not the gratification of the aims of Moscow, that he is working.

His greatest hope to-day is that in the near future he may visit England as the accredited representative of a new China.

In particular he is anxious to negotiate a £1,000,000 contract for rails, which had been placed with English firms prior to the disastrous upheaval in China.

Zionism in Italy.

Senator Bacelli, the former Minister of Education, who recently returned from a visit to Palestine, has an article in the current issue of the periodical *Echi e Commenti*, published by a number of prominent Senators and Deputies, in which he expresses himself in favour of the Jewish upbuilding work in Palestine.

Rabbi Arrested.

Rabbi Schneuersohn, the famous Rabbi of Lubavitch, has been arrested in Leningrad, states a report just received. The Rabbi is charged with having been collecting funds for Yeshibahs. The message adds that there is much anger among the Jewish population over the arrest of the Rabbi.

The "Chronicle" Cake.

No. 943.

Writing under date of the 19th inst., Mr. George Tobias acknowledges receipt of the *Chronicle* Cake, as follows: "I very much appreciate the honour you have bestowed upon me in presenting me with the *Chronicle* Cake. During the last six months the Guild Orchestra have been giving regular concerts, during which time my work, although being hard, has been most pleasant. The success of our Orchestra, I must say, has been largely due to the wholehearted support given me by the members. I can assure you that I have long been my hope to one day produce a Jewish orchestra of outstanding ability, and I am sure that the time is not far distant when my hope will be fulfilled. Once more thanking you for this honour."