

# CHINA

## MONTHLY

# TRADE REPORT

COMPILED BY THE  
AMERICAN COMMERCIAL  
ATTACHÉ

(PEKING ~ SHANGHAI)

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

From reports of representatives  
of the Departments of Commerce  
and State in China.

ISSUE OF NOV. 1st 1928

*Republication of material in this report is not permissible*

CHINA MONTHLY TRADE REVIEW

ISSUE OF NOVEMBER 1, 1928

- oOo -

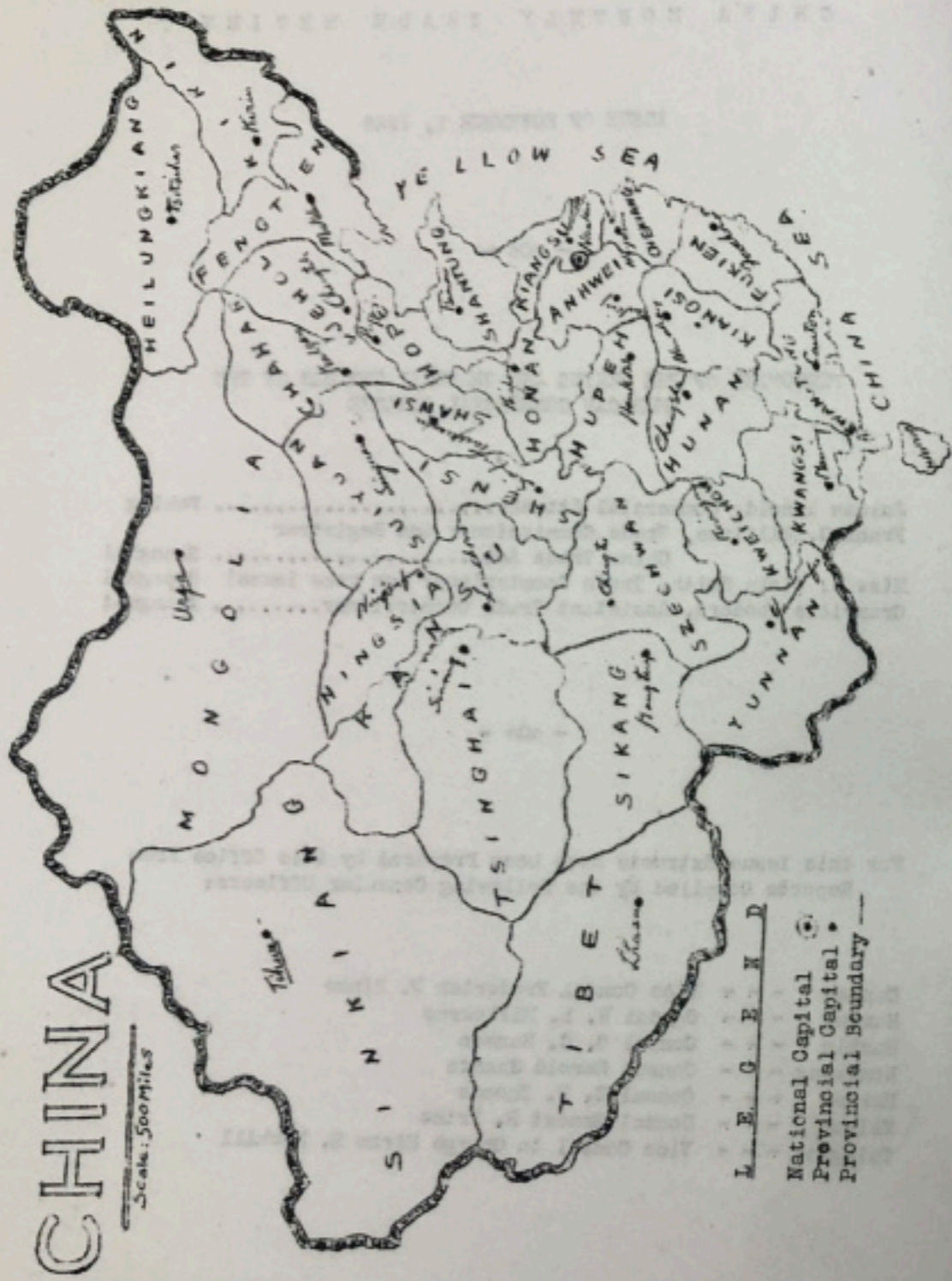
PERSONNEL OF THE PEKING AND SHANGHAI OFFICES OF THE  
AMERICAN COMMERCIAL ATTACHE

Julean Arnold, Commercial Attache.....	Peking
Frank S. Williams, Trade Commissioner and Registrar China Trade Act.....	Shanghai
Miss A. Viola Smith, Trade Commissioner (on home leave)	Shanghai
Granville Woodard, Assistant Trade Commissioner.....	Shanghai

- oOo -

For this Issue Extracts have been Prepared by this Office from  
Reports Compiled by the Following Consular Officers:

Canton	- - -	Vice Consul Frederick W. Hinke
Hankow	- - -	Consul H. L. Milbourne
Harbin	- - -	Consul G. C. Hanson
Hongkong	- - -	Consul Harold Shantz
Mukden	- - -	Consul E. B. Thomas
Tsinan	- - -	Consul Ernest B. Price
Tsingtao	- - -	Vice Consul in Charge Hiram E. Newbill



MAP OF CHINA SHOWING CHANGES IN POLITICAL DIVISIONS MADE IN OCTOBER BY THE NEW NATIONAL GOVERNMENT OF CHINA

NEW POLITICAL MAP OF CHINA

The reunification plans formulated by the Kuomintang (Nationalist Party) contemplate locating the seat of the Central Government at Nanking, and provide for several changes in the internal political divisions of the country. The province of Chihli has been re-named Hopei (meaning north of the Yellow River) with the provincial capital at Peking which is also changed to its original name of Peiping used during the Ming Dynasty. The ten hsien districts of Chihli, lying north of the Great Wall, have been annexed by the Chahar Special Administrative District, which in turn gives up five hsien districts at its south-western corner to Suiyuan. The former special administrative district Kokonor has been made a province with Sining and the Sining prefecture of the Kansu Province annexed to it and is now known as the Province of Tsinghai. The district lying south of the Gobi Desert and north of the Province of Kansu, which was heretofore governed by the Ningsia Occupation Commissioner, has also been made into a new province with Ningsiafu as the capital. The former special administrative districts of Jehol, Suiyuan, Chahar and Sikang have all been made provinces with the cities of Chengteh, Kweisui, Kalgan and Kangting respectively the provincial capitals. The seat of the Kiangsu Provincial Government has also been moved from Nanking to Chinkiang as Nanking has become the new National Capital. The names of the provinces of China and their respective capital cities as they now stand are:

<u>Name of Province</u>	<u>Capital</u>	<u>Name of Province</u>	<u>Capital</u>
Anhui	Anking	Kwangsi	Nanning
Chahar	Kalgan	Kwangtung	Canton
Chekiang	Hangchow	Kweichow	Kweiyang
Fengtien	Mukden	Mongolia	Urga
Fukien	Foochow	Ningsia	Ningsiafu
Heilungkiang	Tsitsihar	Shansi	Tsinanfu
Honan	Kaifengfu	Shantung	Sianfu
Hopei	Peiping	Shensi	Kangting
Hunan	Changsha	Sikang	Tihwa
Hupeh	Wuchang	Sinkiang	Kweisui
Jehol	Chengteh	Suiyuan	Chengtu
Kansu	Lanchowfu	Szechwan	Lhasa
Kiangsi	Nanchang	Tibet	Sining
Kiangsu	Chinkiang	Tsinghai	Yunnanfu
Kirin	Kirin	Yunnan	

The Department of Commerce, Bureau of Foreign & Domestic Commerce, maintains offices in the Far East in the following cities:

**TOKYO:**

Halleck A. Butts, American Commercial Attache,  
Mitsubishi Bldg., 21, 1 Yuraka-cho, Kojimachi-ku,  
Tokyo, Japan.

**PEKING:**

Julean Arnold, American Commercial Attache,  
American Legation, Peking, China.

**SHANGHAI:**

Frank S. Williams, American Trade Commissioner,  
3 Canton Road, Shanghai, China.

**MANILA:**

George C. Howard, American Trade Commissioner,  
510-512 Masonic Bldg., Manila, Philippine Islands.

**SINGAPORE:**

Donald Renshaw, American Trade Commissioner,  
Room 7-a Ocean Bldg., Singapore, Straits Settlements.

**BATAVIA:**

Thomas C. Barringer, American Trade Commissioner,  
Kali Besar, West, 3.

**WELLINGTON:**

Julian B. Foster, American Trade Commissioner,  
No. 100, Customhouse Quay, Wellington, New Zealand.

**SYDNEY:**

Earl C. Squire, American Trade Commissioner,  
Herald Bldg., 66 Pitt Street, Sydney, Australia.

**MELBOURNE:**

Elmer G. Pauly, American Trade Commissioner,  
Chancery House, Melbourne, Australia.

**CALCUTTA:**

C. B. Spofford, American Trade Commissioner,  
Room 29, Grosvenor House, 21 Old Court House Street,  
Calcutta, India.

**BOMBAY:**

E. G. Sabine, American Trade Commissioner,  
Rooms 5 and 6, Ruston Bldg., Churchgate Street,  
Bombay, India.

of th  
procl  
augur  
keepi  
for a  
the c  
membe  
to th  
the  
struc  
its  
trat  
bodi  
the  
in t  
ordi

than  
func  
new  
Sta  
for  
and  
Pre  
of  
dip  
as  
are  
Gov  
Gov  
mer  
re

ne  
ef  
po  
so  
Ea  
to  
Co  
M  
V  
M

\* \* \* \* \*

I N D E X

\* \* \* \* \*

I S S U E   O F   N O V E M B E R   1,   1928.

SUMMARY OF GENERAL CONDITIONS

China's New Organic Law - - - - -	Page 1
Personnel of the New Government - - - - -	" 1
General Political Outlook - - - - -	" 2
Foreign Relations - - - - -	" 3
Finances of National Government - - - - -	" 4
American Loan for Famine Relief - - - - -	" 5
Stabilization of the Feng-piao - - - - -	" 6
Conditions on China's Railways - - - - -	" 6
Railway Construction in Manchuria - - - - -	" 7
Imperative Need of River Conservancy in North China -	" 7
China's Internal Telephonic and Telegraphic Communica-	
tions - - - - -	" 8
General Trade Situation - - - - -	" 8
Trade Conditions---Hankow - - - - -	" 11
Trade Conditions - Changsha - - - - -	" 12
Trade Conditions - Chungking - - - - -	" 13
Trade Conditions - Hongkong - - - - -	" 14
Trade Conditions - Canton - - - - -	" 15
Trade Conditions - Mukden - - - - -	" 16
Trade Conditions - Tsinan - - - - -	" 16
The Organic Law of the National Government of the	
Republic of China - - - - -	" 18
The National Government - - - - -	" 19
The Executive Yuan - - - - -	" 21
The Legislative Yuan - - - - -	" 22
The Judicial Yuan - - - - -	" 23
The Examination Yuan - - - - -	" 23
The Control Yuan - - - - -	" 24
Definition of Terms - - - - -	" 25
Cabinet Officers Under Executive Yuan - - - - -	" 25
General Chiang Kai-shek Becomes President - - - - -	" 25
The New Model of Government - - - - -	" 26
Kuo Wa Hui I - - - - -	" 26
Kuo Fu Hui I - - - - -	" 26
Hsing Chen Hui I - - - - -	" 27
National Bureau of Registration, Nanking - - - - -	" 27
How The Reorganized National Government of China	
Operates - - - - -	" 28
Personnel of the Reorganized National Government of	
China - - - - -	" 29

I N D E X (Cont'd)

EXCHANGE, BANKING, CREDITS, FINANCE

National Government Loan of Thirty Millions is Offered	Page 30
The Public October 25 - - - - -	" 31
The Shanghai Exchange Market - - - - -	" 31

E X P O R T S

Declared Exports - Hankow- - - - -	" 32
Wood Oil - - - - -	" 33
Egg Products - - - - -	" 33
Antimony - - - - -	" 34
Hides and Skins- - - - -	" 34
Bristles - - - - -	" 34
Other Commodities- - - - -	" 34
Wool Market at Hailar- - - - -	" 35
Declared Exports - Hongkong- - - - -	" 36
Exports - Canton - - - - -	" 36
Remittances to China from Overseas Chinese - - - - -	" 38
Declared Exports - Shanghai- - - - -	" 39
Total Value of Declared Exports - Whole of China - - - - -	" 40
Declared Exports - Whole of China to the United States	" 41

I M P O R T S

Hankow Imports - - - - -	" 42
Imports - Hongkong - - - - -	" 43
Imports - Canton - - - - -	" 44
Tobacco Leaf Imports into Shanghai - - - - -	" 45
Cigarette Imports into Shanghai- - - - -	" 46
Imports of Automotive Vehicles & Accessories into Shanghai during 9 months ending Sept. 30, 1928- - -	" 47

CROPS AND AGRICULTURE

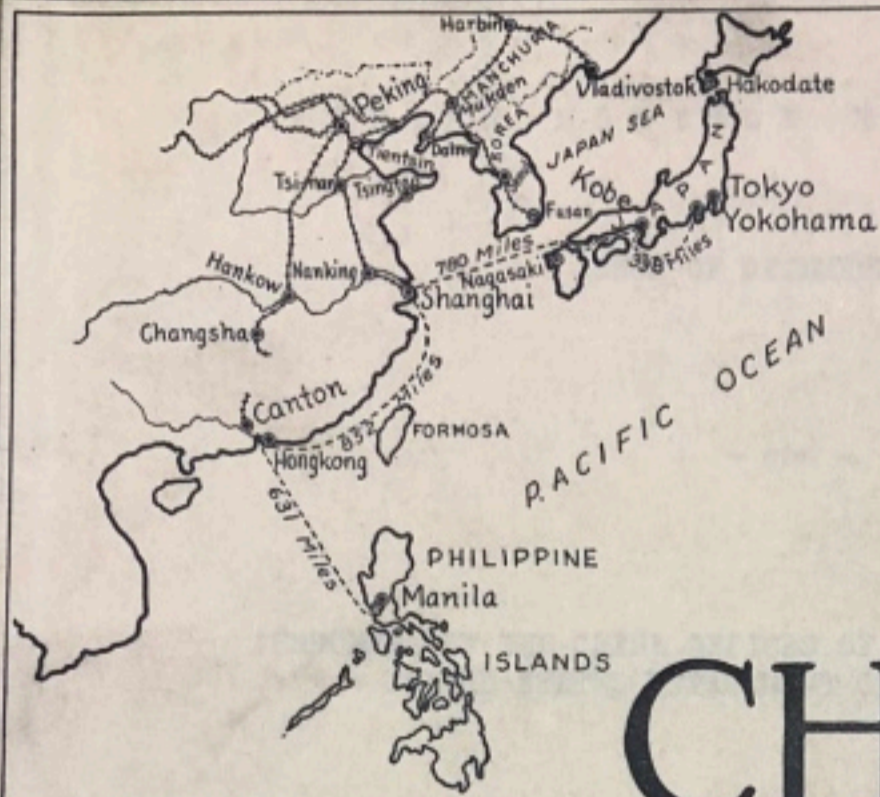
Peanut Forecast 1928-1929 Season, Tsingtao - - - - -	" 48
Crop Conditions - Hankow - - - - -	" 50
Silk Project for Kiangsu - - - - -	" 50

TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATION

Communication, Hankow- - - - -	" 52
Review of Shipping Conditions for October- - - - -	" 54

MISCELLANEOUS

Germany's Trade with China, in Finished Wares, Jan-June	" 55
Preliminary Figures of Japan's Trade with China during Sept. 1928 - - - - -	" 57
U. S. Trade Report for 1st eight months of 1928- - - - -	" 58



# CHINA

## MONTHLY

# TRADE REPORT

COMPILED BY THE  
AMERICAN COMMERCIAL  
ATTACHÉ

(PEKING ~ SHANGHAI)

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

From reports of representatives  
of the Departments of Commerce  
and State in China.



ISSUE OF DEC. 1st 1928

*Republication of material in this report is not permissible*

C H I N A M O N T H L Y T R A D E R E P O R T

ISSUE OF DECEMBER 1, 1926.

- o0o -

PERSONNEL OF THE CHINA OFFICES OF THE FOREIGN COMMERCE SERVICE,  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE:

Peking - Julean Arnold, Commercial Attache  
" - A. Bland Calder, Asst. Commercial Attache  
Shanghai - Frank S. Williams, Trade Commissioner &  
Registrar, China Trade Act  
" - Miss A. Viola Smith, Trade Commissioner  
(on home leave)  
" - Granville Woodard, Asst. Trade Commissioner  
" - Harold D. Robison, Asst. Trade Commissioner  
Mukden - John J. Ehrhardt, Trade Commissioner  
" - Wilbur K. Hoyt, Asst. Trade Commissioner

- o0o -

For this Issue Extracts have been prepared by this Office  
from Reports compiled by the following Consular Officers:

Canton - - - Vice Consul Frederick W. Hinke  
Dairen - - - Consul Wm. R. Langdon  
Hankow - - - Consul H. L. Milbourne  
Hongkong - - - Consul Harold Shantz  
Mukden - - - Consul E. B. Thomas  
Tientsin - - - Vice Consul Angus I. Ward



The Department of Commerce, Bureau of Foreign & Domestic Commerce, maintains offices in the Far East in the following cities:

**TOKYO:**

Halleck A. Butts, American Commercial Attache,  
Mitsubishi Bldg., 21, 1 Yuraka-cho, Kojimachi-ku,  
Tokyo, Japan.

**PEKING:**

Julean Arnold, American Commercial Attache,  
American Legation, Peking, China.

**SHANGHAI:**

Frank S. Williams, American Trade Commissioner,  
3 Canton Road, Shanghai, China.

**MUKDEN:**

John J. Ehrhardt, American Trade Commissioner,  
Szu Ching Lu, East,  
Mukden, China.

**MANILA:**

George C. Howard, American Trade Commissioner,  
510-512 Masonic Bldg., Manila, Philippine Islands.

**SINGAPORE:**

Donald Renshaw, American Trade Commissioner,  
Room 7-a Ocean Bldg., Singapore, Straits Settlements.

**BATAVIA:**

Don C. Bliss, American Trade Commissioner,  
Kali Besar, West, 3, Batavia, Java.

**WELLINGTON:**

Julian B. Foster, American Trade Commissioner,  
No. 100, Customhouse Quay, Wellington, New Zealand.

**SYDNEY:**

Earl C. Squire, American Trade Commissioner,  
Herald Bldg., 66 Pitt Street, Sydney, Australia.

**MELBOURNE:**

Elmer G. Pauly, American Trade Commissioner,  
Chancery House, Melbourne, Australia.

**CALCUTTA:**

C. B. Spofford, American Trade Commissioner,  
Room 29, Grosvenor House, 21 Old Court House Street,  
Calcutta, India.

**BOMBAY:**

E. G. Sabine, American Trade Commissioner,  
Rooms 5 and 6, Ruston Bldg., Churchgate Street,  
Bombay, India.

\* \* \* \* \*  
 \* \* \* \* \*  
 \* \* \* \* \*  
 \* \* \* \* \*  
 \* \* \* \* \*  
 \* \* \* \* \*  
 \* \* \* \* \*

I S S U E   O F   D E C E M B E R   1,   1928

**SUMMARY OF GENERAL CONDITIONS**

General Political Situation & Outlook - - - - -	Page	1
General Business Situation & Outlook- - - - -	"	1
Sino-Foreign Relations- - - - -	"	2
Central Bank of China - - - - -	"	2
Reorganization Banks of China & Communications- - - - -	"	2
Central Mint at Shanghai- - - - -	"	2
North China Railways- - - - -	"	3
Railway Projects- - - - -	"	3
Tientsin River Conditions - - - - -	"	3
Motor Roads Construction in China - - - - -	"	3
China Aeroplane Flight- - - - -	"	4
Chinese-American Wireless Agreement - - - - -	"	4
Automatic Telephone System for Nanking- - - - -	"	4
Soya Bean Crop- - - - -	"	4
Exhibition of Chinese Native Products - - - - -	"	4a
Shanghai's New Building Projects- - - - -	"	4a
United States Department of Commerce in China - - - - -	"	4a
Promising Outlook for the American Mercantile Marine- - - - -	"	4a
Business Conditions Shanghai- - - - -	"	4a
Trade Conditions, Hankow- - - - -	"	5
Trade Conditions, Changsha- - - - -	"	6
Trade Conditions, Chungking - - - - -	"	7
Trade Conditions, Hongkong- - - - -	"	8
Trade Conditions, Canton- - - - -	"	8a
Trade Conditions, Mukden- - - - -	"	8c

**EXCHANGE, BANKING, CREDITS, FINANCE**

Bank of Communications- - - - -	"	9
Principal Taels Current in China- - - - -	"	9
Imports of Bar Silver Into Shanghai, 1928 - - - - -	"	10a
Statement on Note issue of the Central Bank of China- - - - -	"	10b

**EXPORTS**

Exports, Hankow - - - - -	"	11
Declared Exports, Hongkong- - - - -	"	14
Declared Exports, Shanghai- - - - -	"	15

**IMPORTS**

Importation of Wheat Flour into Tientsin during October, 1928- - - - -	"	16
---	---	----

I N D E X (Cont'd)

IMPORTS (Cont'd)

Arrivals of Wheat Flour at Tientsin - - - - -	Page	17
Wheat flour Cleared through the Customs - - - - -	"	17
Production of Wheat Flour at Tientsin - - - - -	"	18

CROPS AND AGRICULTURE

Manchurian Soya Bean Crop 1928 - - - - -	"	20
Weather Conditions during Growing Season - - - - -	"	20
Harvesting Conditions - - - - -	"	20
Bean Crop Estimates - - - - -	"	21
Quality and Conditions of New Beans - - - - -	"	22
Carry over from Last Year - - - - -	"	22
Surplus for Export and Milling - - - - -	"	22
Bean, Oil, and Cake Market Conditions - - - - -	"	22
Agricultural Production of Manchuria, 1928 - - - - -	"	24

TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATION

Radio Development in Hongkong - - - - -	"	27
---	---	----

BUILDING CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE

Kwanchingtze Coal Pier, Dairen - - - - -	"	28
Growing Trade Necessitates New Coaling Pier - - - - -	"	28
Details of New Pier - - - - -	"	28
Advantages of New Pier - - - - -	"	28
Opportunities for American Machinery & Equipment - - - - -	"	28
Real Estate in Shanghai - - - - -	"	29

\* \* \* \* \*

## SUMMARY OF GENERAL CONDITIONS (Cont'd)

Hangchow, a distance of about 150 miles. Of particular interest to Americans was the erection and unveiling of a monument in November in the village of Yangtsung, on the Peking-Tientsin highway, commemorating the joint labors of the American Marine forces in North China and the Chinese Military forces in reconstructing a considerable section of this highway. In connection with this celebration, General Smedley Butler, Commanding the American Marines, was presented with an honorific "Ten Thousand Men Umbrella" by the villagers in Peihang, in appreciation of the cooperation and assistance of the American Marines in building a new bridge over the highway at this village. There is a considerable amount of motor road construction in progress in Chekiang Province. It is estimated that about 200 motor buses operate out of Hangchow on the motor roads in the Province of which this city is the capital.

11. China Aeroplane Flight:— The first trans-continental China flight was completed during November by General Chang Wai-jung, described as the Lindbergh of China, with an American Ryan monoplane named the Spirit of Canton, equipped with a Wright Whirlwind engine of 220 H.P. This flight will lend an impetus to commercial airplane traffic in China.

12. Chinese-American Wireless Agreement:— During November, the Nanking Government signed a contract with the Radio Corporation of America for the purchase of G\$170,000 worth of equipment covering a 20 kilo-watt short wave station, to be erected at Shanghai. A traffic agreement was also signed with the Radio Corporation of America which provides that Chinese and American stations shall charge rates not in excess of those of other agencies, with special rates for government, press and deferred messages. Each party to the traffic agreement is to receive 50% of the traffic tolls from the control stations in China and America.

13. Automatic Telephone System for Nanking:— A contract has been signed by the National Government Bureau of Communications with the Automatic Electric Company of Chicago, to provide a complete Strowger Automatic Telephone System for Nanking. It appears G\$1,800,000 will be expended in the installation of this new system, which will have a capacity of 9,000 subscribers. Construction work on this new line will begin in March 1929.

14. Soya Bean Crop:— The South Manchuria bean crop is estimated to be equivalent to the good crop of last year, while in North Manchuria, where the bulk of beans are produced, it is estimated there has been a ten per cent advance over last year's crop, which was probably the largest crop on record. The total bean crop for this season for the three Eastern Provinces is estimated at about five and a half million short tons.

## SUMMARY OF GENERAL CONDITIONS (Cont'd)

15. Exhibition of Chinese Native Products:— During November there was held in Shanghai, under the auspices of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, a National Exhibit of Chinese manufactured products. Products from fifteen different provinces in the country were on display from 9 A.M. to 10 P.M. daily. An average of about 20,000 persons visited the exhibits each day, the admission being about five cents. There was about 20,000 feet of floor space used for exhibition purposes. The bulk of the exhibits consisted of modern type manufactured goods, especially cotton and silk textiles, canned and preserved foods, toilet articles, etc. One of the objects of the exhibit is to popularize native made goods among the Chinese masses and thereby encourage manufacturing industries in China.

16. Shanghai's New Building Projects:— The main business streets of Shanghai are vying with those of New York in gorgeous lighting effects. This is in keeping with the growth of Shanghai otherwise. A recently completed twelve-story office building and hotel is of the most modern type architecture. Shanghai now has three huge modern Chinese department stores. A fourth is soon to be erected by a company capitalized at Yuan or silver dollars three million. The greatest activity in a building way in Shanghai at present is in modern apartment houses, a number of which are six and seven story structures, modernly equipped throughout.

17. United States Department of Commerce in China:— On December first the United States Department of Commerce opens at Mukden an additional office in China staffed with a Trade Commissioner and an Assistant Trade Commissioner and expressly designated to cover trade developments in the Three Eastern Provinces. The Department of Commerce now maintains three offices in China, one at Peking with a Commercial Attache and an Assistant Commercial Attache, one at Shanghai with a Trade Commissioner and two Assistant Trade Commissioners, and the Mukden office as above mentioned.

18. Promising Outlook for the American Mercantile Marine:— Of particular interest to Sino-American trade was the passage during the last United States Congress, of a bill providing for mail subsidies for American shipping lines, maintaining certain prescribed services on certain stipulated routes. As a result of this encouragement to American shipping, considerable improvement will be developed in the passenger and cargo services under American auspices as operating between China and United States.

Business Conditions Shanghai:— From the standpoint of both imports and exports, business in Shanghai during the month of November was reported for the most part as being exceptionally quiet. The advent of the Presidential election in the United States and the local celebrations