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Gen. Edward Rydz-Smigly, Pilsudski Aid, Succeeds to Military Post Dictator Held UNIFIED STATE

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Warsaw, Poland, May 13.-Po-land awoke today to learn that its creator, Marshal Josef Pilsudski, died last night on the ninth anniversary of the first firing of his historical coup d'etat of 1926, through which he seized the rule of the republic not to relinquish it until the end of his life. He was 67 years old last Dec. 5.

Gen. Edward Rydz-Smigly, one of the closest confidants of the marshal, succeeds him in the allimportant office of Poland, that of general-inspector of the military forces.

As an inspector of the army Gen. Rydz-Smigly was a member of the Polish dictator's small advisory council on military affairs and is believed to have been Pilsudski's own choice for that high post. Rarely mentioned in public notices, he was considered, nevertheless, by well-informed persons as the man who would take over the marshal's mantle.

Second Office Filled.

At the same time a few hours after the revolutionary leader's death, President Ignaz Moscicki appointed Gen. Thaddeus Kaspryzyski as minister of war, a post secondary to that of the general army inspec-tor. Pilsudski held both offices. In his statement announcing the nation's loss, Moscicki called Pil- followed. He had received the last sudski the greatest man in all Po- sacraments of the Roman Catholic land's history and expressed the church. hope that "our mourning and pain

will deepen in us the understanding of our-the whole nation's-responsibility before his spirit and before future generations.

Kasprzycki's first official act was to inform the army of the marshal's be suspended for the release of an death and of his appointment as minister of war. He ordered the reading of the presidential message today to the army divisions and in- Pilsudski's death, which is pubstructed all officers to wear the lished in all the newspapers today mourning arm band.

Cabinet Hastily Meets.

The cabinet was assembled hastily appointment of the new military before midnight and announced that leaders. This information was re the state was to be in national peated through the night and until mourning, during which all enter- noon today. tainment will be suspended indefinitely. At midnight the president, through the cafes and restaurants, members of the cabinet and of the all of which were closed down imcivil service staff called at Belve- mediately. A ride through the dere palace to pay their respects. Pilsudski died at 8:45 p. m. in his of today found the city dark and Belvedere palace, which he stormed quiet. A small crowd, including and captured in May, 1926. At his several well-dressed women, was bedside were Mme. Pilsudski, their gathered in the chill outside of the two daughters, Wanda and Jadwiga, high iron fence at Belvedere palace. and a few of the marshal's closest Several persons were weeping. friends in the government, it is reported

His death was attributed to can- pithy paragraph by the official Pocer of the stomach and liver by lish news agency. What few edi-

If the marshal's wishes regarding his burial, made several years ago to Mme. Pilsudski and a few intimate friends, are observed there Japan Believed More Inwill be three funerals. He had requested that his brain be turned over to scientists. His heart he asked to have buried in Vilna, the city he held dearest, at the foot of his mother's grave there. The body he indicated should be placed with those of the Polish kings in the cathedral on Wawel hill in Cracow,

his march toward Poland's freedom. Pilsudski had been a sick man for several months, according to the official statement released today. His illness was kept secret until last Copyright, 1935, The Chicago Daily News, Inc Thursday night, when about the

for Warsaw, it was announced here state of his health." Bulletin Precedent in Poland.

Poland and in itself indicated the gravity of his illness, but the foreign office tried to minimize this fact by maintaining that he was suffering only from a bad chill.

strength was sapped by an internal hemorrhage. His heart could not bear that complication, and death

The news of his passing was announced over the radio nearly four clear that the influence of Japanese hours after it happened, although the broadcasting was interrupted at about 11 last night with the laconic statement that all programs would "important state announcement."

Brief Statement Published.

It contained a brief statement of Later the president's message was read and a bulletin issued on the

Meanwhile the news trickled business section in the early hours Warsaw's press today limits its

news of the marshal's passing to a

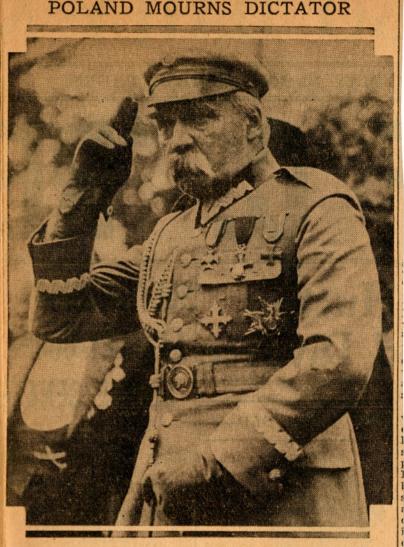
TRADE MAY AID CHINA TO ATTAIN

terested in Commerce than in Political Status.

Following a survey of the situation at Canton, Frank Smothers has written where in 1914 he started off on series of articles of which this is the first on the questions of Chinese nationalism and unification.

BY FRANK SMOTHERS. SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE

Canton, China, April 8 .- To visit time Pierre Laval, French foreign Canton is to realize that deep curminister, boarded the express train rents are flowing in the direction that Pilsudski could not see the of a new degree of southwestern Paris statesman because of the "bad unification with national authority There are currents flowing against that trend, too. No one can The official bulletin on the mar- predict with full certainty which shal's health was a precedent in forces, in the long run, will prove stronger. But for the present informed opinion is that—unless Japan follows an effective policy of blocking unification, of fostering factors Pilsudski's condition became which make for disunion-there is alarming on Saturday, when his large probability that China's great southwest henceforth will be drawn increasingly into the national orbit Japan, of course, denies that she wants disunion. Her statesmen publicly hold that a strong, united Chinese nation will be for the good of Nippon. But the evidence is



WARSAW, POLAND .- Marshal Josef Pilsudski, virtual dictator of Poland, whose death was mourned today in Poland and throughout the world. Pilsudski, Europe's first postwar dictator, died yesterday from cancer of the stomach. He was 67 years old. [The Associated Press.]