

UNITED STATES IN SYMPATHY WITH CHINA

EUROPEAN COUNTRIES ALARMED AT RUSSIAN ADVANCES OF WAR AGAINST CHINA.

DECISION COMES TIMELY

With Plague and Pestilence Prevailing in China Russia Sees Her Opportunity to Force Treaty Giving her Free Trade with Mongolia and Other Districts—Uncle Sam Would Naturally Favor China.

London, Feb. 17.—All European chancelleries today sent warnings to Russia to proceed cautiously at her military demonstration against China. English papers particularly are apprehensive at Russian moves that may result in the outbreak of hostilities.

Takes Advantage of Plague.

Peking, Feb. 17.—Semi-official statements are made here today that the Russian threat is intended to take advantage of the plague and famine to force China to renew its treaty of 1861, granting Russia free trade in Mongolia and other concessions as well. For nearly a year negotiations on the treaty have been progressing slowly and China has shown an unwillingness to submit to Russia's demands. Here the determination to act is looked upon as the last desperate means to force the concession. It is intimated that China will resist, by every means, to avert war, trusting the other powers of the country will intervene.

Uncle Sam Sympathetic

Washington, Feb. 17.—The state department expects hourly to get an appeal from China for help against the menace of the Russian invasion. Sympathy here is with China and it is not improbable that the United States will intervene in China's behalf.

MILLIONS FOR CORONATION

COSTS OF EXECUTING ROYAL FUNCTION LARGE

Preparations for the Coronation Ceremony Progressing Satisfactorily

London, Feb. 17.—At the approaching coronation no less than \$1,000,000 will be spent on the day and night decorations of the streets of the metropolis by public bodies and business firms, not to mention private enterprises. Judging by the enthusiasm with which the decorations scheme have already been taken up the far from lovely city of London will be almost transformed.

While the details of the plans have not been definitely settled certain leading features of the general scheme of decorations have virtually been adopted. It is probable the city will be divided into sections with magnificent arches at the entrance to each division. The streets of the west end through which the coronation processions will pass, will be lined with rows of Venetian masts connected with floral garlands and topped by flags representing all portions of the empire.

Gratifying progress is reported in the preparation of the musical ritual of the coronation service. As already announced the musical programme will follow closely that of the coronation of King Edward VII, with a few notable additions. There will be a larger choir and also a larger band than at the coronation of the late king. The singers will number almost

five hundred and the instrumentalists probably one hundred. The nucleus of the choir will naturally be the Westminster Abbey singers, who will be reinforced by the choir of St. Paul's cathedral, the Chapel Royal and other sources in the provinces. The orchestra, in which the trumpeters will have a conspicuous part, will be made up of musicians from the King's Private Band, the orchestra of the Royal Choral Society and the Kneller Hall School of Military Music.

The chief features of the musical ritual will be the anthems specially composed for the occasion by Sir Frederick Bridge, Sir Walter Parratt, and Sir George Martin, the three greatest organists of England. Sir Frederick Bridge will be selected to compose the anthem which will signalize the entrance of the royal party into Westminster Abbey. This recalls an interesting and time-honored custom. Midway in the anthem a break will be made, so that the boys of Westminster school may exercise their ancient privilege of greeting their majesties by shouting "Vivat Regina Maria," "Vivat Rex Georgus."

MILITIA AWAITS I. W. W. MEN

MIGRATION FROM PORTLAND WORRIES POLICE

First Strife Comes at Ashland Where Men are Thrown off Train.

Sacramento, Feb. 17.—Companies A and B of Redding and Chico, California today to intercept 200 Industrial Workers of the World who are on freight trains enroute to Eureka to fight the anti-street speaking ordinance. The men left Portland yesterday.

Meet Trouble at Ashland

Ashland, Feb. 17.—The industrial army traveling to California, was thrown off the freight trains as Ashland this morning and have congregated down the track. Soon afterwards a huge fire of debris was kept going on the mainline and it stopped the next freight. The train was compelled to proceed with them on board.

The Southern Pacific will make another attempt to throw them off at Dunsmuir.

Lord and Lady Decies off for Egypt

New York, Feb. 17.—The finest suite on the Cunard liner Carmania, which is to sail from New York tomorrow for Mediterranean ports, has been reserved for Lord Decies and his bride, who was Miss Helen Vivien Gould. Lord and Lady Decies plan to spend the entire spring and early summer in the land of the Pharaohs. Leaving the steamer at Alexandria they will go to Cairo for a few weeks and then continue their journey into upper Egypt with Khartoum as their ultimate destination.

Bar to Honor Justice Hughes.

New York, Feb. 17.—Some of the brightest lights of the American bench and bar will gather about the banquet board at the Hotel Astor tomorrow night to do honor to Justice James H. Hughes of the Supreme court of the United States. The occasion will be the annual dinner of the Bar of New York, which this year decided to make Justice Hughes the guest of honor. Judge Alfon B. Parker will preside and among the distinguished speakers will be Governor Dix, Attorney General Wickersham and Hon. Joseph H. Choate.

Tri-State League in Session.

Harrisburg, Pa., Feb. 17.—With all the baseball clubs in the circuit represented the schedule meeting of the Tri-State League began here today. Now that the financial affairs of the Johnstown club have been satisfactorily straightened out the various club owners and managers of the league are looking forward to one of the most successful seasons in the history of the organization.

ANNEXATION IS VITROL HURLED PROPOSED BY HOUSE BILL AT PEARY BY SENATOR

INSTRUMENT MEETS SPEEDY DEATH WHEN TAFT LANDS ON THE COMMITTEE

EFFECT IS FELT ABROAD SPEECH STYLED OUTRAGE

Congressman Bennet Introduces Bill in House That Provides for Annexation of Canada but It is Speedily Killed in Committee—England Feels There is More Behind Movement Than Publicly Known.

Washington, Feb. 17.—The House today on foreign affairs, on President Taft's urgent requests voted down the Bennet resolution for Canada's annexation by a vote of nine to one.

Victoria, Feb. 17.—Liberals, at a public meeting last night, unanimously endorsed the reciprocity agreement.

England Seriously Disturbed.

London, Feb. 17.—Serious consideration is given today by the Evening Standard, conservative, of Congressman Bennet's proposal to unite Canada and America. It says: We need not suppose that Champ Clark or Bennet has unfriendly sentiments toward England or that they propose to accept his or their design by annexation by illegitimate means, but they are not going when the publicly expressed what thousands of Americans are saying privately: "The Liberal press regards Bennett's resolution lightly."

Big Carnival of Sports.

New York, Feb. 17.—Seldom has ever an athletic meet brought together such a large number of classy athletes as those who will compete tomorrow night at the annual indoor games of the New York Athletic club, in Madison Square Garden. Seventeen events will be decided and in each of them some of the greatest athletes of the country will compete. Among the star performers will be Johnny Kilpatrick, Yale's great all-round athlete; "Bill" Coe, the Boston shot-putter; Freddie Bellars, the New York Athletic Club's champion runner, and Mattland Dwight, the Princeton hurdler.

While everyone of the events will bring out the big fields of the best in their respective classes there is one event scheduled that already is attracting an extraordinary amount of attention. This is the big intercollegiate relay race in which the colors of Harvard, Cornell and Pennsylvania will be seen. It will be the first time that Harvard and Pennsylvania have competed in a major event since 1904. As the race virtually decides the indoor championship each of the universities is putting out its best quartet and if any line can be distinguished, a race rivaling the outdoor one at the Pennsylvania relay carnival seems sure to ensue.

Minnesota Y. M. C. A.

Albert Lea, Minn., Feb. 16.—Delegates representing the branches of the throughout Minnesota arrived here in large numbers today to take part in the annual convention of their state organization. Beginning with a welcome demonstration tonight the sessions will continue until Sunday, closing Sunday evening with a farewell meeting at which many noted speakers will be heard.

University Organ Dedicated.

San Jose, Cal., Feb. 17.—Clarence Eddy, the famous Chicago organist, came to San Jose today to assist at the dedication of the new pipe organ installed in the chapel of the University of the Pacific. The new organ is one of the largest and costliest instruments of its kind in the west.

put fake heroes upon pinnacles of fame.

In conclusion Macon said there was a "paid lobby" of the Peary Arctic Club and friends of the explorer at work "seeking to coax action out of congress."

Peary's Friends Retort.

Several friends of Peary retorted, among them Moore of Pennsylvania, who characterized the speech as "unjust, outrageous, offensive." Heroes like these have not the time to deal with every dog that barks at their heels.

COLORED TEA TABOOED

Big Shipments from Orient Come In—Furiously Prepared by Growers. Washington, Feb. 17.—Either tea growers of China and Japan must find another way to color tea or cease exporting tea to America. The tea board of the treasury department has decided colored tea is injurious. Japan last year sold us forty-six million pounds, half of which was colored.

CHIHUAHUA ON DEFENSE

REBELS AND AMERICANS ARE PREPARING ATTACK

One Thousand Americans are Joining Forces with Rebel Leader.

El Paso, Feb. 17.—A courier arriving today says General Madero the rebel, has taken the field personally and is commanding six hundred men at Guadalupe, and is preparing to march into Chihuahua. It is reported that forty-two Americans accompanying Blanco and Arzob, have joined with the rebel forces and are ready to fight for Chihuahua, 1,000 strong.

Navarro at Juarez is reported to have sent 100 men to Guadalupe to retake the city.

Pope Greatly Improved.

Rome, Feb. 17.—The pope is greatly improved and he was allowed to leave his bed for a short time today.

Alabama Has "Temperance Day"

Montgomery, Ala., Feb. 17.—"Temperance Day" having for its object the spread of the temperance doctrine was observed with special exercises in all the public schools of Alabama today in the same manner that Arbor day is celebrated in the most of the states. The annual observance was established by act of the legislature in 1909.

Illinois, Jurists Honored

Springfield, Ill., Feb. 16.—With interesting exercises and in the presence of a great gathering of the bench and bar, portraits of all the former justices of the Supreme Court of Illinois were unveiled this afternoon in the Supreme Court room at the state house. The exercises formed a feature of the annual meeting of the Illinois State Bar Association now in session here.

Making Many Improvements.

The firm of Henry & Carr is making many improvements on the interior of their building including repainting from the front doors to the basement. This is in preparation for the large furniture shipments soon to arrive.

More Fire Protection.

P. A. Foley, proprietor of the Foley hotel has added more fire protection for that popular house by putting up a double nozzle stand pipe on Adams with standard couplings. He has also had put in on the main floor two more water connections of most improved pattern with quick hose connections.

Literary Program Today.

Sophomore and Junior classes, as a literary body, today conducted a very pleasant program at the high school. The program was interesting and entertaining throughout.

SACK STORY AT SALEM WILL BE LOOKED INTO

SENATE INVESTIGATION ASKED FOR BY GROVER FRASER HEAD OF COMMITTEE

MUCH MONEY IS SPENT

Portland Money Said to be Used for Bribing Senators in Fight Against Anti-Corruption Measures—Testimony Asked for—House Appropriates Money—O. A. C. Gets a Big Slice for Annual Maintenance.

Salem, Feb. 17.—Grover Fraser, head of the labor legislative committee today requested the senate to investigate the charge that money had been used by corporations to influence legislation. In a letter to President Bennington of the senate, Fraser requests that witnesses be called to testify concerning the rumor that \$17,000 had been taken from Portland to bribe senators and members of the house to fight against legislation tending to work hardships on the corporations.

House Appropriates Money

The house today made appropriations. The insane asylum got \$500 and the Agricultural college at Corvallis got \$570,000. Other state institutions got large sums bringing the total up to a million and a half in all for the day.

NEW PROVISIONS EFFECTIVE

Long and Short Haul go into Effect by Orders of Commission.

Washington, Feb. 17.—The long and short haul clause, making it illegal for a common carrier to charge more for a short haul than a long haul over the same line and in the same direction, went into effect today. This is provided for by the interstate commerce commission.

BURNS DISGUISED AS BROKER

EVIDENCE AGAINST SEATTLE SYNDICATE IS HEAVY

Grand Jury Being Drawn Today to Probe Alleged Confessions.

Seattle, Feb. 17.—The grand jury which will investigate the vice syndicate in Seattle is being selected today. The identity of the men summoned for duty is kept secret to prevent tampering. Evidence is plenty, including eighty alleged confessions, gathered by Detective Burns.

It is reported today that much of the evidence gathered against the so-called vice ring was secured by Burns operatives who masqueraded as wealthy brokers and who did nothing but have a good time.

Interurbans to Fight Steam Roads

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 17.—With a view to presenting a united front to the steam roads, representatives of the principal Illinois traction companies met in Chicago today to complete the organization of the Illinois Electric Railway Association. The new organization will endeavor to connect all interurban lines in Illinois eventually, to fix uniform rates, to bring about the adoption of interchangeable mileage books for all interurban lines, to make a concerted combination for freight traffic and government contracts, and to improve the interurban service throughout the middle west by the adoption of standards.