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REJECTED BY CHINA

Russia's Land-Grabbing Scheme Is Spoiled.

WAR IN THE ORIENT AVERTED

Other Reports Are That Only Certain

Features of Manchurian Agreement Are Objected To-The Indemnity Proposals.

LONDON, March 27.-The Shanghai corent of the Times, wiring yesterday,

"I am informed by the best authority that the Chinese court has instructed Li Hung Chang to inform the Ministers of the powers that China has refused to sign the Manchurian convention, and has also notified all Viceroys to the same effect. It is further asserted that the court seriously contemplates a removal of the cap-

ously contemplates a removal of the capital from Pekin."

The Reuter Telegram Company has received the following dispatch:

"Pekin, March 25, 7 P. M.—The report that China rejects the Manchurian convention is not true. She objects to many points which are under discussion. China strenuously objects to the prohibition of the importation of arms and ammenition into Manchuria, and to the provision forinto Manchuria, and to the provision for-bidding China to construct her own railways without Russia's consent. She also takes exception to relinquishing autonomy in Chin Chou. China does not desire to grant a concession which would be likely to prove an embargo to other pow-

The Morning Post, in the course of a arcastic editorial dealing with the mem-erandum of the United States Government on the Manchurian convention, says: "The only thing that can bring the powers to-gether in support of China against Rus-sia is the initiative of the British Govern-ment, of which, however, there is no

subject, says: "The United States Govern-ment objects, yet declines to fight. It is not a very dignified attitude, but it is at least clearly defined and intelligible. Ow-British Government apparently does not see its way to repeat the tour de force of Fashoda, and has made up its mind to swallow the snub as best it may."

America May Be Deprived of a Voice in the Settlement.

WASHINGTON, March 26. - While attention has been centered upon the crisis connected with the Manchurian agree-ment, an entirely new and important phase of the Chinese question has been presented by the action of the Ministers at Pekin in agreeing yesterday to submit to their various governments whether articles 8 and 2 of the Chinese protocol shall be carried out by the military au-thorities of all the powers interested in China, or only by those powers who are continuing to take part in the applica-tion of these articles. The action of the tion of these articles. The action of the Ministers has been communicated to several foreign embassies and legations here, and doubtless Mr. Rockhill has made or will make known the same facts. The ar-ticles in question are as follows: "Article 8. The destruction of the forts which might obstruct free contion between Pekin and the sea.

"Article 9. The right to maintain occu pation of certain points, to be determined by an understanding among the powers, in order to obtain open communication between the capital and the sea." .

These two questions appear to involve territorial affairs, and it may become of considerable moment whether the deter-mination of such affairs is to be left with the military authorities of all the powers or only with such powers as continue their military forces in China. In the latter case, the United States

In the latter case, the United States Government may be quietly but effectual-ly deprived of all voice in the settlement of so much of the Chinese question as re-lates to the determination of the strength of the military forces to be continued there in the future by the powers. It is also possible that an affirmative decision which would exclude the United States from participation in the discussion of this important point might be extended to put us out of China altogether.

NOT RECEIVED WITH FAVOR. Sir Robert Hart's Proposal Unsatis-

factory to Germans.

BERLIN, March M.-Sir Robert Hart's proposal to settle China's liability by internal taxes does not meet with favor here, either officially or in the press. Count von Bulow is still of the opinion that in increase in sea tolls would be the hest method, and Dr. Steubel's mission England's objections to such a course. The view said to be held in Washington that the United States should receive \$25,000,000 as indemnity and Germany \$50,000. 000 is ridiculed by the German press of every shade as unfair and not correspond-ing with the sacrifices made by Germany. A dispatch from Field Marshal von Waldersee, dated Pekin, March 25, says Major von Muclmann's detachment, which started a few days ago on a punitive expedi-tion from Pao Ting Fu, encountered rob-ber bands eastward of Tao Ma Kuan March 22 and 24, and dispersed them with

Ministers Investigating. PEKIN, March 26.-The foreign Minis ters will not meet again until the com-mittee is ready to report on China's resources. The committee is still hearing

rchants, bankers and others on the

The Australian contingent left here this morning for Taku, and will sail for home tomorow. A Japanese regiment is start-ing today for Japan.

Rumors of Collisions.

BERLIN, March 26.-No official advices have been received here from Tien Tsin indicating that collisions had occurred there between the troops of the powers or any of them, apart from the railway incident now in process of adjustment. The papers piace no reliance on rumors of such difficulties, relying, as one paper puts it, upon the high discipline of the troops to prevent them from in dulging in such excesses.

Victims of Gates Mine Explosion. CONNELSVILLE, Pa., March M.-The Cottage State Hospital here was a corridor of horrors iast night and all day today. On nine cots lay nine victims of the explosion of gas in the Gates mine of the American Steel & Wire Company, has sanctionally the men in the explosion inhaled more or less of the flame when the gas was punishment

ignited, and today none could speak, their vocal chords being powerless from the sourching. This evening, James Wil-son, one of the English-speaking victims, died. He was frightfully burned about the head face, arms and shoulders, James Murphy is dying. There is no hope whatever for his surviving the night. Wilson Gilmore is also on the verge of death, as well as two Slavs, Michael Siloka and George Pekisce.

CHICAGO NEWSPAPER CHANGE Lawson Sells the Record to Kohlsnat, of the Times-Herald.

CHICAGO, March 26.-The Record to morrow will print over the signature of Victor F. Lawson the following an-

nouncement:

"To the Readers of the Record: The Chicago Record was established 20 years ago, in connection with the Chicago Daily News, which latter publication has recently completed its 25th year of issue. For the last 12 years I have conducted both the Record and the Daily News as sole editor, publisher and owner. During these years American journalism has so developed that the publication of a single ped that the publication of a single politan newspaper now imposes responsibilities as seem fairly and wisely to measure the activities of one man, as their successful discharge should certainly fully satisfy his every proper certainly fully satisfy his every proper ambition. A generous public has placed the seal of its approval on both newspapers. The Chicago Record has today the largest circulation of any newspaper published in the United States sold at its price. The Chicago Dally News has the largest paid circulation of any newspaper, morning or evening, published in the United States. In view of these conditions, it seems wise that I should now United States. In view of these conditions, it seems wise that I should now recognize those reasonable limitations of business activity to which the years entitle me, and content myself with the labors and responsibilities of one newspaper. Acting upon this conviction, I have soid the Chicago Record to Mr. Herman Kohlsaat, who will hereafter issue it in conjunction with the Chicago Times-Herald under the title of the Chicago Record-Herald. It is a distinct satisfaction to be able to commit the Record and the interests of its readers into such worthy hands. Mr. Kohlsaat and his excellent newspaper have long since achieved a National reputation, which gives to the readers of the Record ample assurance that the Chicago Record-Herald will fully maintain that standard of aid will fully maintain that standard of enterprising, non-partisan and independ-ent journalism to which they have been accustomed. It may be added that the numerous original features and charac-teristics which have given the Record its

peculiar individuality among American newspapers will be continued unchanged in the Record-Herald. "American journalism is impersonal, and I recognize that interest concerns itself with the newspaper rather than with any individual, and in view of the 20 years' relationship it seems fitting that I should make this personal statement to the readers of the Record and gratefully acknowledge my indebtedness for their generous confidence and support during these many years. I commend the Chi-cago Record-Herald under its new man-

cago Record-Herald under its new management to their equal favor.

"VICTOR F. LAWSON."

The Times-Herald on Thursday morning will become the Record-Herald.

Frank B. Noyes, publisher of the Washington Star and president of the Washington Star and will be its publisher, H. H. Kohisaat devoting his entire time to the editorial conduct of the Record-Herald. ord-Herald.

SCOLDED THE MAYOR.

Mrs. Nation Called on City Officials in Cincinnati.

CINCINNATI, O., March 26.-Mrs. Carrie Nation began the day by attending the early mass at the Roman Catholic Cathedral, though she is not a communi cant of that church. She announced that her programme here would be one of verbal persuasion and not of violence. She proposes to see the Mayor and Chief of Police, and to visit and inspect some of the worst resorts of the city. Over 4000 persons at the Grand Central Station to-day inspected the new Pan-american train of the Big Four. General Passenger Agent Lynch escorted Mrs. Nation and party through the train, and at that time party through the train, and at that time party through the train, and at that time the champagne happened to be flowing freely. Mrs. Nation expressed her indig-nation at the use of liquor and wine on mail as at her hotel and

Mrs. Nation called on Mayor Fleisch-mann at the City Hall this afternoon and colded him for operating a distillery here. On her arrival, the Mayor greeted her cordially, and asked her if he could do anything for her. She said: "Yes, I want you to give me some advice

as to how to close the hell holes in this city. You know they exist. What are you going to do? You will never die well as long as you are a man who manufac tures intoxicating drinks. You will have some serious questions to answer when you face God. I can do no more than warn you, and that I must do."
For 20 minutes the Mayor listened to

perhaps the strongest denunciation that a chief executive ever received in his office. When she had finished M Fielschmann remarked blandly:

"I am sorry we cannot agree. I an afraid you have struck a hard proposi tion-the Mayor of a wicked city and a whisky manufacturer. I am glad to have met you, however, and hope that you will do much good. From the Mayor's office she called on

Chief of Police Dietsch, and asked him to send her an escort for her slumming tour tonight. He assured her that she should tonight. He assured her that she should have an officer, and as she left she said: "Good-bye, and if I don't meet you in this world, I hope to see you in heaven." Escorted by two detectives and many reporters, Mrs. Nation made a tour of "rag-time" resorts and other places in this city until midnight. She made a half dozen or more addresses. There was procession of a dozen or more hacks and at some places they were followed by many people in the streets. Every ef-fort was made to save time and visit as many places as possible. Mrs. Nation would enter the places, shake hands with both the men and the women, and then mount the platform or a table and ad-dress the crowd. She commanded the closest attention, and met with no insults or disturbance, but at times she spoke harshly of the drinking that was going on before her, and of the obscene pictures on the walls. As soon as she concluded her address she was escorted to her carriage and driven rapidly to place. She will deliver an address at Lexington, Ky., tomorrow night, and visit the resorts of that city after her lecture. She will lecture here Thurs-

A Holiness Convention. CHICAGO, March 25.—A holiness convention has been called to meet in Chicago from May 3 to 13, with the idea of uniting all "holiness organizations throughout the world into an international

Guillotine Sanctioned in Sweden. STOCKHOLM, March 28.-The Riksdag ins sanctioned guillotining, instead of scheading with an ax, in cases of capital

Debenture Companies Cannot Do Business in That State.

ARE CLASSED AS LOTTERIES

Against the Interstate Investment Company, Entered Judgment of Ouster.

COLUMBUS, O., March M.-The Supreme

Pleger today appointed M. G. Heintz and F. R. Williams receivers of the concern. The assets on the outside will not exceed 1175,600, and the liabilities may reach 1300,-000, possibly more. If the company is lia-ble for only its 4 per cent reserve, the debts will be less than the assets. But if the company is liable for all the money that has been paid in, the debts will ac-cumulate rapidly. The concern has 1900

Later in the day the Superior Court granted injunctions against the National Investment Company, the United States Investment Company and the Germania Bond & Investment Company from doing business in Ohio. These debenture com-panies are operated under the same law as the Interstate Company, which was ousted at Columbus today by the Supreme Court. The announcement of the proceedlings in court here today created quite a sensation, as there are about 500 debent-ure-holders in Cincinnati, Notices were sent out early in the day for a mass meeting of the local debenture-holders this evening, at which about 300 indignant bondholders were present. Resolutions were adopted charging that a conspiracy of insurance companies was responsible for the prosecution of the debenture com-Court today dealt a death blow to the so. panies. A committee was appointed to

policy-holders, scattered all over the coun-

THE OREGONIAN'S SUGGESTION.

American Pacific Exposition

The Lewis & Clark Centennial.

Acquisition of the Great Oregon Country

Expansion of the American Empire to the Pacific Ocean.

Highway of the World to the Orient.

Centenary of Oregon, Western Mother of States.

called debenture business in Ohio. In the quo warranto proceedings brought by the Attorney-General against the Interstate Attorney-General against the Interstate Investment Company, of Cincinnati, the court entered judgment of ouster. The decision is based upon the finding of the court that the methods employed by the debenture companies are those of a lottery; that they are fraudulent, contrary to public policy and unlawful. Five of the six judges concur in the judgment and the sixth, Judge Shauck, does not dissent. Assistant Attorney-General Todd who Assistant Attorney-General Todd, who said today that in his belief the nine debenture companies of Ohio will attempt do no further business. Applications for receivers for most of them have algate deposits in the State Treasury now amount to about \$530,900. According to their own reports, the aggregate liabil-ities to debenture holders amount to apholders amount to approximately \$2,000,000. The aggregate assets claimed by the corporations, other than the deposits with the State Treasurer, amount to about \$300,000. The sylla-

bus of the Supreme Court in the case is "Contracts of investment security, debentures or certificates which, by the device of a 'numeral apart' may be called in and redeemed at any period before they would regularly accumulate a credit in the reserve fund equal to the stipulated endowment value, and otherwise giving unequal advantage to the certifi-cate holders, contain the elements of chance and prize constituting a lottery and are unlawful. Contracts of invest-ment security, debentures or certificates. which cannot reasonably be expected to accumulate a sufficient reserve fund to equal the stipulated endowment values within the stated period without aid from lapses or appropriation from premiums on new business, are fraudulent, contrary to public policy and unlawful.

A comprehensive review of the court's reasons for reaching its conclusion that the business of the debenture companies is fraudulent is presented in the opinion prepared by Judge Davis. The court

"The question here is not whether the promoters of the defendant company have intentionally devised a scheme to mislead and defraud, but whether that is the effect of it. The promoters and the invest-ors may be self-deluded or satisfied to take the chance offered, but that does no alter the character of the scheme. If the company is misusing its corporate privileges in such a way as to be a public abuse, the writ must issue, regardless of the intent. An inspection of the different classes of 'accumulative endowment certificates,' issued by the defendant, dis-closes that in none of them does a certificate absolutely and certainly mature within any fixed and definite period, yet the certificates are also drawn so as to create the expectation and to make appear that they will mature in a period of 120 months. With all the light which we have received from counsel and other sources we have been unable to persuade ourselves that the credit to any of these classes of certificates in the reserve fund will equal the endowment value within the stipulated periods without the aid of rived from new business. Indeed, it is almost self-evident that with 75 or 80 per cent of the premiums received consum in expenses and monthly redemptions, the reserve credits could not equal the en-dowment value in several times the periods stipulated; in other words, 30 or 25 per cent of the premiums with the inter-est earnings alone and unaided by lapses or the appropriation of money from remiums received for new business will not sufficiently accumulate to equal the represented endowment value in the stipulated periods. A scheme which can suc ceed only by lapses is manifestly a scheme which will enrich some at the expense of others who embark in the same enterprise. The percentage of lapses varies with different companies and at different times with the same pany. Shall this fallacious element which has thus been in so large a measure elim-inated from legitimate business methods ouraged to reappear and to delude the inexperienced and the unwary? We cannot conceive it to be our duty to lend

Other Companies Enjoined. CINCINNATL March 36 .- Following the Supreme Court's decision against the Interstate Debenture Bond Company, Judge lution

such encouragement.

devise plans and secure means for a rehearing of the test case in court.

ENGLISHMAN WANTS DAMAGES Claims He Was Imprisoned at Mainte

VANCOUVER, B. C., March 26.-Charles Spencer, an Englishman, has come to Vancouver to press an alleged claim for damages against the United States Government. Spencer's story is that he was imprisoned for five months in a dungeon at Mainte without civil or military trial and without a charge being made against him. He says he went from Honolulu with the First Tennessee Regiment on the City of Puebla in November, 1898. At Manila he engaged in civil employment for a time, and eventually became attached to the Hospital Corps of the First Colo rado, with which regiment he says he went to Calocan. While temporarily sep. arated from his corps, he says, he was arrested and thrown into an unhealthy Spanish dungeon. After five months' con inement he was liberated, and placed his case in the hands of Maniia attorneys He was then offered free transportation he says, to San Francisco, where he again took legal advice, but nothing com-his attempts to secure a settlement claim, he was advised to go to a British port and press his claim through his own government. He has retained ex-Premier Joseph Martin as his attorney.

But One Supply Depot.

WASHINGTON March 26.-Relative to the claims of several cities on the Pacific Coast for the privilege of being the point of shipment of troops and supplies to Philippines, Secretary Root said that it was necessary to maintain a large terminal plant for Government transports. and it was not possible to maintain more than one on the Pacific Coast. General Bird, of the Quartermaster's Department, after a thorough investigation, had found that troops could be sent from San Francisco more advantageously than by the northern route from the cities of North Pacific. The Secretary said that other ports would be utilized for shipment of supplies whenever it was found advantageous to the Government to do so.

En Route to Manila. CHICAGO, March M.-The Second Battailon of the Fifth Infantry, nine officers and 600 men, left Fort Sheridan today for San Francisco to sail April 1 for the Phil-

ATLANTA, Ga., March 26.-Companies K and L, of the Eleventh Infantry, 227 men, left Fort McPherson today for San Fran-cisco to sall for the Philippines April 5.

WASHINGTON, March 28.-Companies and M. Eleventh Infantry, and regimental band, left here today for San Francisco, en route to the Philippines.

COMING TO PORTLAND. Grand Exalted Ruler of the Elks on

SALT LAKE, March 24-Judge Jeron B. Fischer, of Jamestown, N. Y., the grand exalted ruler of the Order of Elks, accompanied by his wife, arrived in this city today. He is en route to Honolulu, where he will establish the first lodge in the Hawalian Islands. From Salt Lake Judge Fischer will proceed to Portland

His Way to Honolulu.

and Seattle, and then go to San Fran-cisco. From the latter point he will sail for Honolulu, accompanied by 100 members of the San Francisco lodges. The party will return in time to allow Judge Fischer to attend the meeting of the grand lodge at Milwaukee in July, Ecuador Expects a Revolution,

KINGSTON, Jamaica, March 26.-In consequence of the pressure brought to bear by the British Consul, the President of Ecuador has ordered the with-drawal of the armed soldlers guarding the camps of the Jamaican laborers em-ployed in the construction of the railroad from Guayquil to Quito, under the aus-pices of Mr. McDonald, the American

The government of Ecuador is making great preparations for an expected revo-

Land Commissioner Not Likely to Succeed Himself.

WASHINGTON PAPER'S VIEW

It Bases Opinion on Action of Western Men in Urging Oregon Man's Retention-Merriam Suggested for the Place.

WASHINGTON, March M-The Evening Times says the manner in which Western men are urging the retention of ssioner Hermann indicates that there is a probability of a change. It speaks of the friction between Secretary Hitchcock and the Commissioner as one of the causes for the proposed change The suggestion is also made that Director Merriam, of the census, will succeed Hermann, but this is not likely. If a change should occur, it is believed. Western man will be selected.

Would Mean Disaster for Cuba. Representative Warner, of Illinois, has just returned from Cuba, but he does not share the ideas of others who have roseate views of the future of the island. He says the island will be in a state of rev-olution within 30 days after the United States troops leave, and that every capi-tailst and banker doing business in the island will leave when United States authority is withdrawn. He predicts that the Cubans will agree to anything to get the reins in their own hands, and then will ensue a regime of lawlessness, riot and corruption.

DE HIRSCH ASSOCIATION.

Chinese Minister Wu Was One of the Speakers.

NEW YORK, March 26 .- A public meeting under the aucpices of the Baron and Baronese de Hirsch Association was held tonight in Calvary Baptist Church, this city. The attendance was large, not-withstanding the bad weather. Ex-Postmaster-General Thomas L. James presided. The object of the association is to erect a monument to the Hirschs and eliminate racial prejudice and religious ntolerance. Many Hebrews as well as Chinese were present. The pastor of the church, Rev. Dr. R. G. McArthur, appeared on the platform, accompanied by Wu Ting Fang, the Chinese Minister, and other speakers. After the singing and the reading of a Scripture lesson by Dr. McArthur and prayer by Rabbi Silvermann, Mr. James made an address. letter of regret was read from President McKinley and one from Vice-President Roosevelt both of whom heartily indorwed the object of the meeting. Mr. Roosevelt made a strong plea for religious toleration.

Wu Ting Fang spoke. He said it was needless for him to say that he was heartly in sympathy with a movement to eradicate racial prejudices. Rev. Dr. He-ber Newton spoke on "The Golden Rule as the Basis of Businees." Rev. Joseph llvermann spoke on as a Basis of Universal Brotherhood." Edwin Markham read a poem inscribed to the Baron and Baroness de Hirsch, and Rev. Dr. Samuel Schulman spoke on "The Golden Rule in Its Relation to Children." Rev. Charles T. Walker, a colored minister, spoke on "The Golden Rule as an Industrial Motto." Other speakers of the evening were Rev. R. G. McArthur and

Freight Train Jumped the Track. ST. PAUL, Minn., March 26-A double, header freight train on the Wisconsin Central jumped the track at the Mississippi-street bridge today, and five men were injured. Both engines and many of the cars were totally wrecked and the

SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT NEWS, China.

Thina has rejected in whole Manchurian treaty. Page 1. America may be deprived of a voice in the settlement. Page 1. rmans object to Hart's indemnity proposal, Foreign.

plot to blow up the Czar's palace has been discovered. Page 2. Consul-General Gunners will demand a settlement and apology from Morocco. Page 3. All negotiations are off between the Boers and

British. Page 3. Domestic. Debenture companies are prohibited from doing business in Ohio. Page 1. Lawson sells the Chicago Record to Kohleatt, of the Times-Herald. Page 1.

The list of dead in the Birmingham tornade numbers 17. Page 2. Another Republican caucus was held in Ne-braska without result. Page 2. The matter of a strike in the anthracite region

Pacific Coast. The Hood River assassin, James Green, gave himself up to officers and made a

Question has been raised if the location of a Y. M. C. A. building on the Oregon University grounds would not be unconstitutional. Page 4. Fire in the business section of Yaquina did \$30,000 damage. Page 4.

Wesley Dollarhide, of Ashland, Or., was shot and killed by a Deputy Sheriff. Page 4. Marine. Ninety-ninth grain ship from Portland this season. Page 5.

pot ship Algburth chartered. Page 5. ndrapura and Indravelli en route for Portland. Page 5.

Reamer Mascot blamed for recent collision with Hercules. Page 5. Alaska cannerymen purchase steamer Electric, Many new French ships are being launched.

Portland and Vicinity. bregon Democracy will be completely reorgan-ized for the campaign of 1992. Page 19. Board of Public Works discusses street clean-ing by contract. Page 12.

Poker games running in Portland, but other gambling closed. Page 12. lood prospect for a record fruit crop in Ore gon this year. Page 8. reliminary lines have been run for railroad from Vancouver to Portland. Page 16.

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ber land values. Page S. Oliver W. Stewart, National Prohibition chair-man, speaks at A. O. U. W. Hall. Page 8.

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