

GENERALS WILL SIGN ARMISTICE

Next Step Towards Peace Will Be Taken on Field of Hostilities.

NAMING THE PEACE ENVOYS

Nelidoff Will Head Russians, Ito or Yamagata Head Japanese—English and French Will Be Languages Used.

WASHINGTON, June 16.—Alone on the plains of Manchuria, midway between the two great armies, the Russian and Japanese commanders will meet to sign the armistice which will pave the way for the Washington conference, if the present tentative programme is followed.

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RAPID PROGRESS FOR PEACE

Russian Foreign Office Announcement—Witte Talks Pessimism. ST. PETERSBURG, June 17.—(1:45 A. M.)—Although in the absence of official advice, the Russian government is not yet able to announce the definite conclusion of arrangements for the meeting of the Russian and Japanese plenipotentiaries.

Count Casati's report of the selection of Washington from the cities favored by Russia has not yet arrived, but it is thought the Ambassador is waiting for the fixing of the date of meeting, which again will depend on the traveling arrangements of Marquis Ito, President of the Japanese Privy Council, and M. Nelidoff, Russian Ambassador at Paris.

Official Version of Progress. "According to advices from Washington, immediately after the receipt of the Russian note responding to the proposition of President Roosevelt, negotiations as to the place and the time of meeting commenced. These negotiations are proceeding speedily, but are not yet actually finished."

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changed and the first and third reasons would hold for me."

As the Associated Press stated, while M. Witte's name was not mentioned in the interview, the veil of his identity could be easily pierced. Still, Japanese inferior. In the conversation yesterday M. Witte confirmed the statement that it was impossible for him to participate in the peace negotiations, supplementing it on other grounds with the unique reason that he had been educated to consider the Japanese an inferior race and would therefore be unable to discuss with them peace during a war wherein Russia was not a victor.

DIPLOMATS' HOLIDAY SPOILED. They Must Stay in Washington to Watch Conference. WASHINGTON, June 16.—The announcement of the selection of Washington as the scene of the peace-making has caused practically the entire diplomatic corps to suspend, indefinitely, its programme for the summer.

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KAISER'S ADVICE TO THE CZAR

Make Peace Unless Officers Can Guarantee Victory. BERLIN, June 16.—A writer in Die Grenzboten who is in a position to use official sources of information, reports that the Kaiser has written to the Emperor of Germany to the effect that the Emperor of Russia is counseling peace.

JAPAN'S NOTE OF ACCEPTANCE

Specifies That No Other Powers Must "But In." WASHINGTON, June 16.—The following is the text of the Japanese reply to President Roosevelt's identical note to Japan and Russia on the subject of negotiations for peace.

Japan Content With Washington.

TOKIO, June 16.—(1 P. M.)—Barring the distance and consequent delay, the Japanese are entirely satisfied with the selection of Washington as the place for the peace conference. It was hoped that the question of peace, or a continuation of hostilities, but the acceptance of Washington is general and cordial.

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