

HOPES ARE SLIGHT

Talk of Concessions Does Not Encourage British.

CZAR PLAYING MEDIATOR

Afraid War May Prevent Borrowing Sadly-Needed Money-Von Buelow's Organ Predicts Conference Will Succeed.

LONDON, Feb. 27.—The report from Berlin that Germany has expressed her willingness to make concessions on the Moroccan question... It must be remembered, said an official today, "that France made concessions before the conference met and has continued to do so since."

RUSSIA ACTS AS PEACEMAKER

Seeks to Reconcile France and Germany and Conciliate Britain.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 27.—Russia is using all her influence at Berlin to prevent a rupture between France and Germany... Her action has been taken at the instance of Paris, where the Rouvier government is apparently convinced that Germany proposes to persist in her attitude even to the point of provoking war.

CACERES FAVORS TREATY

Dominican President's Message on Republic's Independence Day.

SANTO DOMINGO, Feb. 27.—The Dominican people celebrated the independence of the republic. There was a reception at the palace of the diplomat and consular corps and the commander in chief of the army... President Caceres presented a message to Congress recommending a revision of the constitution and the import and export duties, the improvement of the ports and public roads, the enactment of laws benefiting agriculture, the free administration of justice and other improvements becoming a civilized nation.

BATTLE WITH CUBAN BANDITS

HAVANA, Feb. 27.—Secretary of the Interior Fyfe Ondaatje tonight received advice that a company of rural guards belonging to the band which early Friday morning attacked the quarters of the rural guards at Guanabacoa, near Tacipae, were captured at night.

DEPUTIES MAY HAVE TO FIGHT

French Government Considers Bill to Provide for Emergency.

PARIS, Feb. 27.—A discussion occurred during the debate on the war budget in the Chamber of Deputies today, relative to the devolution of legislative powers in time of war, which hitherto has not been clearly defined... The minister of war today replied to this question, which was proposed by Deputy Rosambo, stating that the government was considering the introduction of a measure to deal with a situation which might be occasioned by the liability for service of many Deputies and Senators, who also might be recruits.

VON BUELOW'S ORGAN HOPEFUL

Believes Conference Will Continue Unless Politics Interfere.

BERLIN, Feb. 27.—The Sued Deutsche Reichs Correspondent at Karlsruhe, which has the reputation of being the purveyor of Chancellor von Buelow's views on politics, maintains a much more hopeful attitude relative to the Algeiras conference than the latest utterances of the French press... The correspondent deprecates the assertion that the conference is about to disband because of a hopeless disagreement, and says its continuance is desirable in the present condition of things.

JORDAN HAS CONFESSED

Patrick's Witness Admits Perjury, and Will Be Sentenced Monday.

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—Joseph Jordan, one of the Texas witnesses who has given testimony in the hearing for a new trial for Albert T. Patrick, convicted murderer, has confessed that he committed perjury on the witness stand, in denying that he had served term of imprisonment at Huntsville, Tex. In his confession Jordan admitted that he did serve a term at Huntsville.

BEAR AND LION MAY EAT PERSIA

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 27.—A telegram from Toleraan indicates that considerable interest is manifested in Persia at the possibility of an Anglo-Russian understanding. The Persian papers warn the Government that it would result in the partition of Persia, and as a means of combating such an outcome they urge the immediate introduction of state reforms modeled on the British constitution.

FRANC GOT CONCESSIONS, TOO

ALGERIA, Spain, Feb. 27.—Sidi Mohammed el Mokri, the second Moroccan delegate, has caused considerable excitement by the disclosure that concessions for harbor improvements at Casa Blanca and Safi, two leading Atlantic ports of Morocco, were given to the Crenas (French) Company at the same time that the Germans secured a concession for harbor improvements at Tangier.

BLUFFS AT SUICIDE

Pushing War on Pretender. MALAGA, Spain, Feb. 27.—Dispatches from Melilla, Morocco, say that the Moroccan land and naval forces are simultaneously operating against the Moorish pretender and his French filibustering supporters.

STONE AND BEAT POLICE

Catholics in French Village Fight Battle for Church. LEPUY, France, Feb. 27.—Serious disturbances occurred today during the taking of the inventory of a village church near Saugues, Department of Haute Loire. An enormous crowd, armed with sticks and stones, surrounded the gendarmes, many of whom were beaten or pelted with heavy stones.

KILLED FOR VENGEANCE

Shoe Thrown at Empress Causes Scare—American and British Gunboats Going to Nanchang—Survivors Safe. NANCHANG, Feb. 27.—Telegraphing from Peking, the correspondent of the Tribune says: "The Sub-Prefect of Nanchang, who has had a bad reputation among foreigners since the Boxer troubles invited the missionaries to a banquet. After the banquet the Sub-Prefect withdrew and attempted to commit suicide. This act, in Chinese eyes, necessitated vengeance, and led to the massacre of missionaries."

"The feeling in Peking is apprehensive, owing to the fact that a Chinese shoe was thrown at the Dowager Empress while she was walking in the palace garden. The miscreant has not been discovered."

AROUSAL AGAINST FOREIGNERS

Whole Population Hostile, Encouraged by Viceroys of Canton. MANILA, Feb. 27.—A leading American firm in this city has received the following cable from Canton: "The boycott has greatly encouraged the anti-foreign feeling, and the native newspapers now have the power of that association behind them, causing a remarkable growth in the reform party and secret societies, while the anti-foreign, anti-dynastic Viceroys of Canton, by his autocratic ruling and his antagonistic attitude to the foreign consuls, encourages the masses of the people to extend across the frontier."

MANY MISSIONARIES ESCAPE

Good News Received by Methodists From Scene of Massacre. NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—Dr. H. K. Carroll, of the Methodist Missionary Society, has received from Bishop Bamford at Shanghai a cablegram as follows: "James, Charles and families, Lewis, Howe, Ogborn, Kahn, Newby, Hughes, all safe. Property unharmed. Trouble due French Catholic quarrel with magistracy."

FUGITIVES ARE ALL SAFE

Americans Arrive at Kiukiang—Gunboat Off to Nanchang. PEKING, Feb. 27.—American Consul-General Rodgers telegraphs from Shanghai that the 14 American missionaries who fled from Nanchang all reached Kiukiang in safety.

GUNBOATS ARE AT KIUKIANG

British Arrive First, American and French on Way There. SHANGHAI, Feb. 27.—The survivors of the massacre of missionaries at Nanchang have arrived at Kiukiang.

GUNBOATS GO TO KIUKIANG

American Vessels on Way to Scene of Massacre. WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—The Navy Department has received a cablegram from Shanghai announcing the departure from there, yesterday, of the gunboats El Cano and Quilon, for Kiukiang, which is near the scene of the reported trouble.

BATTLESHIP OHIO GOING TO CHINA

MANILA, Feb. 27.—The battleship Ohio, flagship of the American fleet on the Asiatic station, has sailed for Hong Kong, where she will dock and rush repairs so as to be prepared for possible exigencies.

STOP SMUGGLING OF ARMS

FINNISH GOVERNMENT TRIES TO PREVENT REDS FROM GETTING THEM. HELSINKI, Finland, Feb. 27.—In order to check the constant attempts to smuggle arms and ammunition into Finland for the use of the Finnish and Russian revolutionists, the Finnish administration has decided to charter two steamers, in addition to three revenue cutters now in commission, and to increase the number of posts and guards patrolling the coasts.

REJECTS TYRANNICAL LAWS

Czar Refuses to Extend Martial Law and Wholesale Shooting. ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 27.—The ukaz conveying the National Assembly for May 10, which was issued against the desires of the reactionary element at court, has been followed by further strong evidence that the Emperor has wrenched himself free from the old influences. Settling at night the opinion of the Cabinet and a large majority of the Council of the Emperor, his Majesty has rejected the proposed law providing for the extension of martial law to all parts of the empire, which was the cause of M. Timi-

BE EVER READY FOR WAR

PRESIDENT SENDS WORDS OF TOGO TO AMERICAN ARMY. HERO OF JAPANESE NAVY FURNISHES TEXT OF ADVICE TO MEN OF AMERICAN SHIPS AND SOLDIERS. WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—President Roosevelt has addressed to the Secretary of War, who has promulgated the same in a general order, a letter reciting the achievements of Japanese Admiral Togo during the late war between Japan and Russia and repeating for the benefit of American soldiers and sailors the address issued by the Admiral upon the conclusion of the war. The point of the President's letter is the necessity of keeping the personnel of the Army and Navy at the highest pitch in time of peace in order to be prepared for war.

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\$1.75 Satine Petticoats for \$1.19. Women's black mercerized satine Petticoats, made with deep flounce with two rows of cording between two 1-inch tucks and 4-inch ruffle with two rows of cording; our \$1.75 value at \$1.19.

SPECIALS FOR MEN TODAY. Sixth-Street Annex—First Floor. Men's \$1.50 Underwear \$1.13—A line of men's extra fine double thread Worsted Underwear, medium Spring weight, silver gray; best \$1.50 value, special the garment \$1.13.

SPECIAL RIBBON VALUES. 40c Ribbons for 25c—Satin Taffeta Ribbons, five inches wide, in black, white and all colors; suitable for sashes, girdles, hair ribbons, etc.; our 40c value, special at the yard 25c.

MIDWEEK HOSIERY SALE. BARGAINS FOR WOMEN, BOYS, INFANTS. Women's 50c Cotton Hose 35c—Women's Black Cotton Hose, fine quality, medium weight, finished foot, double sole; our 50c value, special sale price, the pair 35c.

Interesting Underwear Specials. In Women's Knitwear Shops—First Floor. Women's \$2.50 Underwear \$1.50—Women's "Deimel" linen mesh Vests and Pants; vests with long sleeves and pants ankle length; our \$2.50 value, special sale price, the garment \$1.50.

LAST DAY OF SPECIAL SILK PRICES. New 19-inch all Silk Taffetas, in a fine color assortment, white, ivory and cream shades included; unequalled val. at 85c yard, spec. 69c.

Olds, Newman-King. WINDING UP THE MONTH TODAY WITH A FUSILADE OF STIRRING SPECIALS IN EVERY DEPT. Sale of Men's Shoes Worth \$5 and \$6 at \$3.95. Never Again Will Good Shoes Sell So Low.

SPECIAL IN BUNGALOW SILKS. Wash Goods Aisle—First Floor. 50c Values 25c Yard—About 2000 yards Bungalow Silk Novelties in fancy Jacquard effects; all the latest shades; regular value 50c, special, yd. 26c.

POPULAR LUNCH ROOM. Second Floor. Aspic of Portland Y. W. C. A.—Domestic Science Branch. SPECIAL MENU TODAY. Chicken Broth, Sweetbreads and Mushrooms, Potato Croquettes, Hot Biscuit, Peach Marmalade, Stuffed Tomato Salad, Washington Pie, Lettuce Sandwiches, Chocolate, Milk.

Children's Apparel at Sale Prices. Second Floor. Children's 50c Cambric Petticoats for 32c—Children's fine cambric Petticoats, with waists; made with lawn circular flounce with four clusters of two fine tucks each; our 50c value, special sale price, each 32c.

FOR ART LOVERS. CUSHION TOPS AND CENTERPIECES REDUCED. Art Shops—Second Floor, Annex. Cushion Tops for 29c—Our entire stock of stamped and tinted Cushion Tops, with plain backs. Some with enough material for working same; special at 29c.

Ladies' Neckdress Specials. First Floor. 35c and 50c Collar and Cuff Sets 18c—Collar and Cuff Sets, white embroidered in red, blue and some in Persian designs; our 35c and 50c values, special the set 18c.

ETHEL FREDERICK MARRIED. GORGEOUS SCENE AT WEDDING AT GERMAN COURT. Young Prince Takes Grand Duchess Sophie of Oldenburg as Wife. Torch Dance Follows.

AGENTS WILL PROTEST. Object to Proposed New Insurance Commission Law. NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—The Life Underwriters' Association of New York today decided to send representatives to the Legislature at Albany to protest against the recommendations of the special committee as to the compensation to be paid to agents.

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