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ENGLAND AND AMERICA ARE UNITED AGAINST THE CONTINENTAL POWERS

War Between Germany and China Seems Certain and Von Waldsee Is Expected to Seize Everything Available.

U. S. TROOPS RECALLED EXCEPTING LEGATION GUARD

Force of 1400 Men Will Protect American Legation—Von Waldsee Will Not Have Chance to Direct American Troops—General Uprising in Southern and Central China Threatened—Rumor That Empress Wants Her Army to Recapture Peking—Canton Is Threatened by Boxers—Bishop Tortured.

LONDON, Sept. 25.—Only through the Associated Press advices from New York, published in this morning's paper, does the British public learn that the United States and Great Britain are once again ranged together in opposition to the continental powers.

Apparently such a grouping was entirely unexpected in England and London, and until the official statement is made comment will be withheld.

The Daily Chronicle, however, devotes a brief editorial paragraph to the announcement, expressing hope that it is erroneous and declaring that the only way in which England can reap the fruits of her exertions in China is by standing shoulder to shoulder with Germany and Japan as the only effective counterpoise to Russo-French machinations and the weak-kneed policy of America.

Meanwhile the news from China indicates that events are rapidly drifting in the direction of a war between China and Germany. There is the best reason for believing," says the Shanghai correspondent of the Morning Post, "that Count Von Waldsee is arriving at Taku will present an ultimatum demanding the surrender of five leaders of the anti-foreign uprisings. After a few hours' grace he will formally declare war and, taking advantage of Germany's position as belligerent, he will proceed to seize everything available with the German forces and fleet."

It is expected that Germany will take the Wu Sung forts and Kianan arsenal, thus dominating Shanghai. It is also believed that she will attack the Kiang Wu forts, on the Yangtze from the land side and endeavor to seize the Chinese fleet, including the valuable new cruisers.

Falling in this she will at least occupy all the provinces of Kiang So north of Yangtsu.

The French will support Germany. This is not a rumor but reliable information and will probably be confirmed at the German office. Prompt action is necessary to prevent a coup which will constitute a serious menace to British interests.

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That time has now come and today's action marks the beginning of the disappearance of the American army from China, for, although some military forces are to remain, it will not be of the character of an army, but, under the conditions laid down in the order to General Chaffee and especially under its official designation as "legation guard," will be rather of the nature of a civil guard.

This small force will not be included in any military operations which may be conducted by the allied armies, and so will not fall subject to the direction of Field Marshal Count Von Waldsee, commander-in-chief.

Much thought has been given to the proper number of troops to be allotted for the purpose, and it is believed that the 1,400 men selected will be sufficient to protect the American legation against any force that could be brought about. It is noteworthy, too, that the most complete arrangements have been ordered for the maintenance of the men, while care has been taken that there shall not be a shortage of ammunition, as there was in the British legation during the siege.

About a week will be required to bring the 3,000 soldiers away from Peking.

The instruction to Minister Conger relative to establishing relations with the Chinese envoys is still withheld, presumably to allow the president to administer some finishing touches. This instruction is regarded as of much importance and will make part of the case of the government and be laid before congress at the next session.

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CHICAGO, Sept. 25.—Wheat, October, opening, 77 1/2; 77 1/2; closing, 76 1/2.
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