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CONSUL AT HARBIN

Refuses to Recognize Russian Administration.

IS AWAITING INFORMATION

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WASHINGTON, April, 2.—Profound interest is manifested in diplomatic circles over the situation which has grown out of the refusal of Fred D. Fisher, the American consul at Harbin, who since taking office in January 1907, has refused to recognize the Russian administration in Manchuria. Especially among the representatives of the European countries having commercial connections in Manchuria was the matter a question of paramount importance and it is understood they have supplied their chancelleries with a complete statement of the case as it appears in the American press.

Secretary Root is awaiting certain information from China bearing on various aspects of the concessions given by that country for railroad having a bearing on the treaty of 1866, which figures in the present case, before making a reply to the representations of the Russian government. When that data arrives it will be given prompt consideration and the attitude of this government regarding its position respecting foreign rights in Manchuria will again be stated.

ALDRICH BILL

Bank Presidents Will Make an Effort to Have it Killed in The House.

CHICAGO, April 2.—A combined attack upon the Aldrich Currency Bill by some of the most powerful financial interests in the country will be the outcome of an important conference of national bank presidents held in Chicago yesterday.

Many St. Louis bankers will be

called upon to give their aid in combatting the measure, and with unified action on the part of the financiers of three cities, it is expected that a formidable showing against the bill will be made when the house committee on banking and currency begins its hearing on the proposed law next Monday.

GASTROENTERITIS

Cause of Fatal Illness to be Investigated.

CHICAGO, April 2.—A coroner's investigation of the death of Wm. the boy's fatal illness so clouded with doubt that the physicians in charge of the case will make an inquiry into the purity of the ingredients used in an old fashioned remedy administered by his mother.

A treacle, a mixture of molasses and sulphur, is one of the two suspected sources of poisoning. The other is that artificially colored candy provided the deadly element.

The jury found death had been caused by gastroenteritis resulting from ptomaine poisoning.

A second child of the family, Charles Myers, seven years old, was attacked by the same illness about the same time as his brother, who was 13 years old, but a more hardy constitution is expected to pull him through.

FIDDLER HIS WAY OVER.

NEW YORK, April 2.—Henry Berchman, a 17 year old boy fiddled his way across the Atlantic on the North German Lloyd liner Kaiser Wilhelm Der Grosse. The boy was sent abroad to study the violin three years ago. His father sent him a remittance to come home on the Kaiser, but the money went astray, and the boy, knowing that his parents would expect him home on the Kaiser, boarded the vessel at Bremen.

After the ship was well away from Port, the lad, carrying his violin, made his presence known on board. He explained to the officers that his father would pay his fare on his arrival, but that if that was not satisfactory he would like to work his way over by fiddling. Permission was given him to play away, and so as a sort of official fiddler he came across gratis.

FURNACE STARTED.

HELENA, Mont., April 2.—The American Refining and Smelting plant at East Helena, which a few months ago suspended nearly all operations because of depression in metal markets, yesterday reinstated sixty former employes and started another furnace.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Of the Senate Largely Consumed by Discussion.

WAR CLAIMS ARE UNPAID

A Bill to Reorganize the Public School System of the District of Columbia by Placing it Under the Control of a Director.

WASHINGTON, April 2.—An executive session of the Senate today was largely consumed by the discussion, without the passage of a bill to reorganize the public school system of the District of Columbia by placing it under the control of a director appointed by the national commissioner of education superseding the board of education composed of citizens of the District of Columbia.

A bill relating to the settlement of the claims of the states on account of the disposition of public lands was again taken up and the Bacon amendment for settling the accounts of owners of cotton seized by the government during the civil war amounting to \$5,000,000 was considered but without results on either bill or amendment.

APPROPRIATION FOR FORTS.

WASHINGTON, April 2.—An appropriation to carry into effect contemplated fortifications for Puget Sound as planned by the Endicott and Taft boards, has been agreed upon tentatively yesterday by the subcommittee of the senate committee on appropriations which is considering the general fortification bill. When completed this work will represent an outlay of between nine and ten million dollars, of which more than four million dollars already has been appropriated.

NEVADA BANKING SCORED.

Officials and State Examiners Condemned by Grand Jury

GOLDFIELD, Nev., April 2.—The Esmeralda County grand jury, having investigated the affairs of the State Bank & Trust Co., yesterday found two indictments against the president, T. B. Rickey, charging embezzlement. The report scores the State bank examiners and implies that their failure to act was owing to Rickey having made the State a preferred creditor and having made the State's account secure with marketable bonds and stock which were converted into cash.

The grand jury finds "that the rehabilitation committee, so called, is composed of attorneys and relatives of the board of directors of the wrecked institution, and that their expenses and salaries are being paid out of the remnant of the depositors' money."

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