

CONFERENCE FINDS CHINESE PROBLEMS HARDEST OF ALL

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Washington, Nov. 25.—The truth that when what is good is not thought good enough, it may be easily made worse, was nearly vindicated in the grand committee of the conference on Wednesday.

Not satisfied with the excellent outcome of Monday's plenary session, some members of the French delegation desired that the grand committee should cast into a formal resolution the virtual pledges given by Mr. Baifour and Mr. Hughes that, in the event of renewed German aggression, France would not be morally isolated.

FRANCE WOULD HAVE LOST

Protracted discussion fortunately showed the impossibility of drafting a satisfactory resolution. I say "fortunately" because France would have lost and not gained, had the remarkable unanimity of the Anglo-American response to M. Briand's statement of her case been reduced to the level of a resolution. The inevitable tendency in the future would have been to take the text as a maximum subject to interpretation of its precise meaning.

In this conference, a question of finding appropriate methods of dealing with the various issues according to their intrinsic character. If French fears of moral isolation are best treated by moral means, the more concrete problems of the Far East require more definite handling. Into the relations between France and her comrades in war sentiment enters largely. From the examination of the Chinese question sentiment needs to be largely excluded excepting always the strong sentiment of good will towards the hundreds of millions of Chinese people.

DANGER FROM SENTIMENTALISTS

One of the greatest dangers to the conference is that British and American sentimentalists may mislead public opinion into identifying the personalities of the most conspicuous representatives of China with the cause of China herself. The fact that some of these personalities have received a western education and have acquired a facility in the pronunciation of western languages, may blind the undiscerning to the truth of the axiom that the more an Oriental is westernized the less does he command confidence in the East.

One of the tasks of the conference is to seek a means of breaking through the vicious circle which has wrought so much evil to China and has brought things to their present chaotic pass. The capacity of some western and some Asiatic powers, acting upon the selfishness and venality of Chinese officialdom, has engendered a series of ills which, unless checked, may ruin China and much else.

Both rapacity and venality have grown by what they have fed on and they have sought constantly increasing opportunities for predatory satisfaction. The demand for foreign loans, to fill the pockets of Chinese officials has served to fasten yet more firmly upon China the grip of foreign financial and political speculators.

MARITIME QUESTIONS SAID
It is significant that the first ostensible attack upon this evil process should have taken the form of an attempt to destroy, or at least to undermine the one department of Chinese administration that has hitherto helped to keep predatory tendencies in check. The Chinese maritime customs have repeatedly saved China from bankruptcy by maintaining, under the supervision of honest foreigners, wholeheartedly devoted to China, at least one section of the Chinese civil service. At present the only prospect of escaping from the vicious circle of foreign rapacity and Chinese official venality seems to lie in the extension to a much wider area of Chinese public life of the principles that underlay the administration of the maritime customs in the time of Sir Robert Hart or of the Salt Duan in the time of Sir Richard Dane.

It was the principle of cooperation between honest foreigners and honest Chinese under Chinese sovereignty for the welfare of China and the discomfort of bandits, Chinese and foreign.

If it be objected that this would be an intolerable outrage upon the independence and sovereignty of the Chinese people, the answer is that the views and desires of the Chinese people tend towards the re-establishment of decent government, and that the representative title of those who talk loudly of Chinese independence and sovereignty is unproven, and possibly not susceptible of proof.

BRITISH LEAD REALISTS

Reports of yesterday's proceedings of the conference show that the issue was joined between what may be called the sentimentalists and the realists. The



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