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CHINA ON THE VERGE OF A REVOLUTION

(United Press Leased Wire.)
San Francisco, Jan. 7.—That China will be torn by a bitter feud between Prince Chun, regent for the baby emperor, Pu Yi, and Prince Chang, head of the army at the time of the late emperor's death, is the prediction today of the Sai Gai Yat Bo, a local Chinese daily, in a sensational story, hitherto unpublished, describing an armed assault made on Ching by Chun in the presence of the late dowager empress.

"A bitter feud has existed between the present regent and Prince Ching for many years," says the Sai Gai Yat Bo, "and it will only culminate in the defeat of one or the other. The dismissal of Yuan Shi Kai from his post of grand councillor and commander of the army, is a victory for the regent as Yuan is a close friend of Ching's."

"Ching is the father of Prince Tani Fu, now in this country with Special Ambassador Tang Shao Yi, and we would not be surprised if the vengeance of the regent should reach across the seas to recall in disgrace Tang, who was sent here by Yuan Shi Kai."

"Even the presence of the empress was unable to restrain the bitter feeling Chun. Not more than six

months ago he became angered at Prince Ching, drew his revolver and rushed at the general. Ching fled for his life through the palace and fell before the empress, begging protection."

"The empress reprimanded Chun, who withdrew, vowing to shoot Ching on sight. Since that time Chun and Ching have not met. The accession of Pu Yi has placed his uncle, Prince Chun, in power, and that power will be used relentlessly against Ching."

"The regent craftily obtained the dismissal of Yuan Shi Kai by promising the grand council the reappointment of 'progressives' dismissed by the empress."

"The regent has fulfilled the promise, in part by reappointing Sun Chun Huen viceroy of the province of Chi-Li. Sun is an ardent progressive and a modernist."

"Prince Ching is not idle, however. The withdrawal of Yuan and the attack on Ching is spreading discontent among the imperial troops, who revere Ching. Whether the revolt throughout the upper kingdom will culminate in the defeat of the regent, we do not know, but it will undoubtedly aid in the advancement of modern ideas in China."

ENGLAND AND RUSSIA TO DIVIDE PERSIA

Vienna, Jan. 7.—The opinion is growing here that England and Russia are really working together to outmaneuver the rest of Europe.

It was long believed in Austrian official circles that the czar was fooling King Edward by pretending to cooperate with him under the Anglo-Russian agreement to act jointly in maintaining order in the shah's country, while really trying to stir up trouble sufficient to warrant him in seizing all Persia and crowding the English out.

Recent developments are beginning to cause modifications of this judgment.

It seems, for one thing, incredible that Britain should persist in believing Russia honestly wants to keep Persia quiet while Colonel Liakhoff, an officer in the Czar's own service and pay, is maintained at the shah's court to create constant friction between the ruler and his people.

It was England's meek acquiescence, however, in the theft by the shah's commander in chief, Ain-El-Dowleh, of \$65,000 from the Imperial bank of Persia, in which Great Britain is heavily interested, that really opened Austria's eyes to the fact that some sort of a game is in progress in the country which the rest of Europe doesn't understand.

It was a long time before Vienna could comprehend this. Then a handful of representatives from Austrian secret agents cleared the whole situation up.

The money was seized supposedly by violence, while on its way from

Teheran to the bank's branch at Tabriz. Now it develops that Ain-El-Dowleh gave the bank's agents receipts for it and that it was duly debited to the Persian government on the bank's books.

Plainly enough, it is inferred here, the supposed robbery was really a loan about which it was desired that other governments should know nothing. Just why England should care to let the shah have the money is not quite clear. At all events, it did, and the way in which the transaction was handled is considered here much too peculiar to warrant belief that the motive is above criticism.

In Vienna officialdom it is deemed the most natural conclusion that Russia and England have agreed between themselves to take respectively the northern and southern halves of Persia and that the division will be effected at the first favorable opportunity.

The arrangement will give Russia possession of much valuable territory which it already virtually controls commercially, while England will secure an almost unbreakable grip upon the only opening to the Persian gulf, strategically so important to India's safety and of such incalculable value as a short cut to the Far East.

Germany, which wants the same short cut, will be the power most seriously injured by the transaction. From a territorial standpoint, Turkey—supposedly England's and Russia's protegee—will be the heaviest sufferer.

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MINISTER KILLED BY INSANE FIEND

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Port Huron, Mich., Jan. 7.—Mrs. John J. Carmichael, wife of the Methodist minister thought to have been murdered, was taken into custody this afternoon, and will be the theory that the butchered remains found in the church stoves at Fulton, may be those of Gibson Browning, of Adair, with whom the missing minister had mysterious relations.

It is reported that the Rev. Carmichael and Browning were intimate, and frequently took long drives together. On Monday Browning told his sister that he had received a letter containing \$2, with instructions for him to go to Port Huron. Just before starting Browning had a long talk with the Rev. Carmichael on the depot platform, while Browning was waiting for the train.

Port Huron Mich., Jan. 7.—Sheriff Wagonell announced this afternoon that he has evidence against Gibbon Browning, a carpenter, of Adair, who is being sought as a suspect in connection with the murder of the Rev. John J. Carmichael, who was killed and chopped to pieces yesterday in his church near Columbus.

Positive identification of the body has not been made. The remains will be brought here and examined by the sheriff, the county physician and the county prosecutor.

Deputy Sheriff Fenton, of Lenox, visited the church today and reported that it resembles a slaughter house. He said that the floor was bloody, and that pieces of flesh were scattered about the church.

Port Huron, Mich., Jan. 7.—Four different posses of sheriffs and citizens are scouring the woods about Pine River today, seeking a mysterious stranger, who is suspected of having murdered the Rev. John J. Carmichael, a Methodist minister, whose dismembered body was found in the stove in his church, near Columbus, in the southwestern part of St. Clair county yesterday.

The search is being made systematically by the officers, and their work is being augmented by a half dozen parties of citizens, who are

seeking the fiend who slew the preacher, and then chopped his body to pieces.

A careful investigation of the church today leads to the belief today that the minister was stabbed to death, after a terrific struggle, and then the murder, half insane with the knowledge of his crime, chopped the body to pieces with a hatchet and put it in the stoves in an absurd attempt to hide the crime.

The victim's blood was splattered over the pews and the pulpit, and the whole church showed such signs of disorder that it would have been instantly apparent to anyone that a violent struggle had taken place.

Many are inclined to believe that the murder must have been the work of a fiend, who chopped the body to pieces while insane, as the effort to hide the crime was so inadequate that it seems hard to believe that it was an effort at all.

The whole countryside is aroused to a high pitch of excitement as the Rev. Carmichael was known to almost every man, woman and child throughout his circuit, and he was greatly admired and respected.

The deepest mystery surrounds the motive for the crime, as so far no one has suggested a possible clew leading to the existence of any enemy who might have sought the preacher's life.

The appearance of a sailor in the neighborhood yesterday caused some comment. He was described as a man of fiendish appearance and capable of criminal acts.

The fact that the minister's horse and buggy were found at Pine River leads to the belief that the murderer made his way there and then started on a new means of escape. The last seen of the minister alive was yesterday morning, when he left home telling his wife he was going to Columbus to arrange for a revival and would return in the evening.

The body was found by Myron Brown a parishioner who was forced to go into the church to escape the cold, while waiting for a friend. The exact time of the murder is not known. A dirk and a new hatchet, with the handle partly burned off, were found in one of the stoves.

LABOR LEADERS MAY GO TO JAIL

(United Press Leased Wire.)
San Francisco, Jan. 6.—It is considered probable today that President John W. Sweeney and Secretary J. Gallagher, of the San Francisco labor council will refuse to testify when they appear before Superior Judge Seawell Friday in answer to a summons to show cause why an order should not be issued restraining them from boycotting the Fousck Baking Company of this city. In that event the injunction is practically certain to be issued and prob-

ly will result in the arrest of the labor officials.

"It is necessary for us to go to jail for disobeying the court's order, we will do so, but the boycott which we have levied on the Fousck Baking Company will not be removed," said Gallagher today. "We are in the same boat with Gompers, Mitchell and Morrison. We shall stand on our rights and will reserve for all time the right to ask people not to patronize firms unfair to labor. We are fighting for a principle, the same as are all other labor leaders throughout this country and if we must go to jail for reserving the right of free speech and free press so let it be."