

CHINESE TROOPS ARE MOBILIZING REORGANIZING AFTER RETREAT FROM WU CHANG

Yuan Shi Kai Will Not Accept Post Unless Reforms Are Guaranteed

Peking, Oct. 16.—Members of the National Assembly which was organized a year ago as the nucleus of a Chinese parliament and which is to begin its second session here on October 22, have taken a hand in the revolutionary situation. About half of 300 members of the assembly are in Peking. Sixty of them gathered privately yesterday and discussed the situation. They drew up resolutions to advance the interests of peace urging that the provincial assembly of Szechuan be permitted to assemble immediately and that the president and vice-president of that body be required from prison to take part in the session. The resolutions further call for the dismissal of Sheng Hsuan Hai, the imperial minister of posts and communications, and for the abolition of the National Assembly. They also urged the abolition of the anti-provincial policy which is regarded as largely responsible for the present uprising.

The president of the National Assembly will lead his official protest to the resolutions and will transmit them to the cabinet.

Official sources all declared today that they were receiving no news from the rebel zone, owing to the telegraph wire being interrupted out of H. Peh and Szechuan provinces. A published report to-day says the rebels at Hankow have captured a Chinese steamer.

Delayed advices from the south are that the imperial troops who retreated from Wu Chang and Hankow, are mobilizing at Chuanhsien, 100 miles north of Hankow, on the railroad. The government has decided to permit the rebel diplomats to leave Szechuan with their representatives in the provinces where the rigid censorship has been decreed. This has been caused by persistent reports that Japanese officials knew of the plans for revolt in the central provinces long in advance and even encouraged and aided in the movement. Minister Hsin gave official denial to these rumors to-day. He declared they were contradicted by circumstantial evidence and said that investigation showed that all persons connected with the Japanese legation had acted with entire propriety.

The foreign banks have been indirectly sounded regarding the possibility of arranging a government loan of \$25,000,000.

The price of rice has risen 20 per cent since the revolt began. It is believed that passenger traffic on the railway between Peking and Tien Tsin will be interrupted to-morrow.

Insurgents Well Organized.

London, Oct. 16.—A Shanghai dispatch to the London News Agency says Yuan Shi Kai, who was recalled by the government and appointed governor of Hu Peh and Hunan provinces, has declined to accept the appointment unless it is accompanied by formal guarantees of individual liberties and the enforcement of educational measures, such as are demanded by the leaders of the political revolution.

The insurgents disclaim the character of revolutionaries. They have called themselves the "Constitutional Army" contending that the constitution granted by the late Emperor has been violated under the existing regime.

The insurgents, says the dispatch, are well organized and the leaders have their forces thoroughly in hand. Although the absence of crime, lawlessness and lawlessness are merely repressed. The absence of crime in Hankow, is due to the rich residents having handed over their wealth to the insurgents, who have also commandeered all the specie in the banks, for which they have given receipts.

Another dispatch received here from Hankow purporting to bear the date of Sunday, 11 a. m., says: "Perfect order is still being maintained here and the foreign consulates are being respected by the rebels who occupy the city."

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THIS YEAR'S CROPS ALL GOOD QUALITY

COMPARATIVE ACREAGE IN GRAIN IN 1900 AND 1910

Estimated Increase in the Yield During the Decade—Conditions To-day

Ottawa, Oct. 16.—A bulletin of the census and statistics office issued to-day deals with field crops of the present year, compared with the figures for the year 1910. The census of field crops has been compiled for Quebec and British Columbia, and statistics of the principal crops are given in this bulletin, together with estimates of production computed from reports of a large staff of correspondents at the end of September.

The area figures for Saskatchewan are missing for two districts, and those of Nova Scotia for one district, but the totals of the Dominion will be ready for the November monthly bulletin, which is a comparison of areas for the years 1910 and 1911 will be made.

The comparative quality of crops at the end of September was fairly uniform for wheat, but considerably less so for barley, buckwheat, mixed grains and oats, which were lower this year by 8 to 12 per cent.

Fodder crops, including roots and clover, have been unchanged for the three years. The conditions of potatoes, which is 70.73 per cent. in the same area last year, but 13.69 less than two years ago. The comparative condition of fodder and root crops for the Dominion at the end of September ranges from 82 to 87 per cent. of alfalfa 73.55 per cent. to which will be added areas for 170,000 bushels of barley, 664,000 bushels of rye and 12,360,000 bushels of flax. These figures are exclusive of returns for two districts in Saskatchewan.

NEW DATE FOR BYE-ELECTIONS

Polling Set for November 3—M. Burrell Sworn in as Minister

Ottawa, Oct. 16.—At Saturday's meeting of the cabinet council it was decided to alter the previously announced date for the bye-elections rendered necessary by the formation of the new ministry. Nominations have been fixed for October 27, instead of October 25, with voting on November 3, instead of November 1. The change is necessary because polling cannot take place in Quebec on November 1. All Saints Day, it being a church holiday.

DETERMINED TO ANNEX TRIPOLI

ITALY MAY REDUCE CLAIMS TO END WAR

Reports That Powers Are Now Striving to Restore Peace

Paris, Oct. 16.—A dispatch to the Temps from Rome says it is learned from an authoritative source that friendly parleys between several powers and Italy on the subject of peace have been opened. The Italian government, however, while disposed to conclude peace with Turkey and also to accord certain concessions, remains inflexible with regard to the annexation of Tripoli.

In addition, the dispatch says, if the campaign of reprisals against the Italians by Turkey is carried further, the Italian fleet will be obliged to appear in the Aegean Sea.

Turkey's Attitude.

Constantinople, Oct. 16.—The Porte is without news concerning the port parleys of the powers on the question of mediation. The cabinet will make a statement of its policy at a secret meeting of the chamber of deputies to-morrow. It will declare that the government will undertake no measures of a nature calculated to disturb the peace in the Balkans. At the same time, the government will pursue a firm and just policy in defence of Turkish rights in Tripoli and oppose any solution contrary to the interests of national dignity.

BEATRICE ASHORE ON NOBLE ISLAND

PASSENGERS TAKEN OFF BY THE VENTURE

Vessel Will Be Floated Off Rocks as Soon as Cargo is Lightened

With several large holes in her hull and her forward hold filled with water, the C. P. R. steamer Beatrice, Capt. Robertson, lies on the barren shores of Noble Island as a result of having struck at 10 o'clock Saturday night, on her way south to Victoria from Prince Rupert and other northern ports. According to wireless reports received here this morning an attempt made to float the stranded vessel with her own power was futile, and no further attempts will be made until the B. C. Salvage steamer Salvor reaches the scene.

The messages containing the information of the grounding of the Beatrice did not state whether it was foggy at the time of the accident or not. It is, however, believed that it was misty, as when the G. T. P. steamer Prince Rupert passed the islands on Saturday morning there was a heavy mist hanging over the waters in that vicinity. The government will undertake no measures aboard when the accident happened no one was injured. Over half those on the ship were Chinese and it took the officers some time to restore order amongst them.

FIVE MEN FOUND DEAD IN ROOMS

FATALITY IN HOTEL IN WEST TORONTO

Victims Suffocated by Illuminating Gas—Jet Left Half Open

Toronto, Oct. 16.—Five men were found dead yesterday morning in their rooms at the Occidental hotel, 1620 Dundas street, West Toronto, all suffocated by illuminating gas. Four of the victims were in one room and the fifth was in an adjacent chamber.

In the room where the four were found, a half-opened gas jet and a partly turned connection to a gas heater were discovered and the gas that escaped in this room was the cause of death of the five.

ONTARIO ELECTIONS.

Date Will Probably Be Announced in a Few Days.

Toronto, Oct. 16.—James Whitney stated this morning that the date of the coming provincial elections would be as late as possible so that the new lists in the unorganized districts could be used. The writs cannot be issued till the lists are ready. The Prime Minister has in preparation a letter to the people of Ontario which, he says, will issue in a few days. This probably means that the date of the elections will be announced at the same time.

MAY END MINERS' STRIKE.

Lethbridge, Oct. 16.—The conference of the miners' executive and executive of the operators will meet again at Fernie to-day or to-morrow, having adjourned here on Saturday afternoon. While neither side will give anything as late as possible so that the new lists in the unorganized districts could be used. The writs cannot be issued till the lists are ready. The Prime Minister has in preparation a letter to the people of Ontario which, he says, will issue in a few days. This probably means that the date of the elections will be announced at the same time.

JUSTICE CHAMPAGNE DEAD.

Ottawa, Oct. 16.—The death occurred here to-day of a brief illness of Justice L. N. Champagne, of the Superior Court, Hull. Deceased, who was born in 1840, leaves a widow and family. The widow is a sister of the late Senator Chevrier of St. Boniface.

FIRE DESTROYS FACTORY.

St. Catharines, Oct. 16.—Fire wiped out the clothing factory of Messrs. Bissonette, Case & Co., involving a seventy thousand dollar loss.

EARTHQUAKE KILLS MANY IN SICILY

Number of Houses Demolished—Troops Search for Bodies of Victims

Catania, Oct. 16.—An earthquake of brief duration was registered in Sicily yesterday. The strongest shocks were felt at Giarre, at the east base of Mount Etna, Maccchia, Guardia, Roudinella and Santa Venerina.

STRIVES TO ELEVATE STANDARD OF LIVING

Annual Dry Farming Congress at Colorado Springs—Canadian Delegates Attend

Colorado Springs, Colo., Oct. 16.—With delegates from Russia, Hungary, Mexico, four provinces of Canada, states, the sixth annual dry farming congress opened the first of the sessions of the week to-day. There are more than 500 delegates in all.

EMBEZZLER SURRENDERS.

Minneapolis, Minn., Oct. 16.—M. E. Dower, of Spokane, Wash., walked into the police station here and declared himself to be an embezzler. "I was cashier and bookkeeper for the Spokane Flour Mills Company," Dower said. "I left Spokane short in my accounts between \$3,000 and \$4,000. I am sick and tired—and I wish to see my wife."

ON WAY TO COAST.

Winnipeg, Oct. 16.—Around the C. P. R. Saturday evening over a thousand immigrants passed through the depot gates, en route to the coast as passengers of the Empress of Ireland, Royal George and Lake Manitoba. The Empress of Ireland brought over a large number of domestic animals, the chaprango of Mrs. Joyce, all of whom are booked through to Vancouver.

H. S. CLEMENT'S MAJORITY.

Prince Rupert, Oct. 16.—By official count just concluded by Mr. Dawson, the returning officer, H. S. Clement's majority is placed at 188. The vote stands: Clements 1,810; Ross 1,622.

NEW ONTARIO PIONEER DEAD.

Toronto, Oct. 16.—W. H. Plummer, ex-mayor of Sault Ste. Marie, and a pioneer of New Ontario, is dead here. A. E. Plummer, of the Dominion Trust Company, Vancouver, is a brother. Interment will take place at Sault Ste. Marie.

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It was decided that a ball hit over the temporary fence in the field would go for two bases.

Fine Weather Favors Players.

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