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Chinese affairs are a unit for the Republic as established and cannot be brought, individually or in factions, to oppose the onward march of the Chinese nation. Neither flattery, fear, intrigue nor gold has power to make the leaders of the new China, nor any one of them, turn back the hopes, wishes and aspirations of our people.

"As I have said in the beginning of this statement, I am not called upon to speak officially for the Government of China. President Yuan Shih-k'ai is the head of the nation, the strong, worthy leader of his people, and I am not authorized to speak for him, for his Cabinet or for the National Assembly; but I believe I am voicing the sentiment of a united and unanimous people when I warn trouble makers, at home or abroad, that the Chinese nation has joined the great family of republics to remain a member thereof at whatever cost or sacrifice.

"Let not one word which I have uttered be construed as being even remotely a hint that the China of the new order is opposed to foreigners or to legitimate outside interest in the country's welfare. The very opposite is the case; for we welcome the missionaries, the men of trade and the capitalists and scientists of the other nations.

"In proof of this it may be cited that Pres-