

CHINA FACING SERIOUS CRISIS

Revolution with Purpose of Overturning Imperial Government and Declaring Republic is Spreading Rapidly

HANKOW, Oct. 12.—The revolution that has been hanging over China for months, and of which the rising in the province of Szechuen was only a small part, has begun in earnest. It is a concerted movement to take the empire and declare a republic.

If plans do not miscarry, the noted socialist revolutionist, Dr. Sun Yat Sen, leader of the anti-Manchu party, is to be elected president. He was the delegate of the revolutionary party to the United States in 1910, and is believed during that tour to have made arrangements for financing the movement.

Dr. Sun, a brother of Dr. Sun Yat Sen who is now in Hankow, has been elected president of the provincial assembly, and Yang Hun Lung, the retiring premier, has been elected governor of Hu Pei.

The whole assembly has decided from the imperial government. The rebels are well organized and financially strong. They have confiscated the local treasury and banks, and are issuing their own paper money, redeeming the government notes with this, as foreign banks are refusing government notes.

The revolutionaries have captured Wu Chang, the native section of Hankow, and Han Yang, all adjoining cities in Hu Pei province.

Chang Sha, capital of Hu Nan, is reported to have risen in revolt, and Nanjing, capital of the province of Kiang Su, is on the verge of a rising, several public buildings having been destroyed.

Thousands of soldiers have joined the mutiny in Hu Pei. Many Manchus have been killed, and the terrified people are fleeing from the cities to the country, carrying their belongings. The prisons have been opened, and criminals have been liberated.

There has been fighting in the streets and the most stringent orders have been issued that lives of foreigners and their property shall be respected. An American expedition dispatched from Hankow to Wu Chang to aid the missionaries there, returned here with all the missionaries with the exception of Miss R. A. Kemp of the Episcopal society, members of the Roman Catholic mission, including the sisters, and the London mission, who have decided not to depart.

There was a brief exchange of shots between the Wu Chang forts and a local Chinese cruiser. The cruiser, after British and French officials protested that it endangered the foreign possessions.

Impressed with Danger
PEKIN, Oct. 12.—The Chinese government has awakened to the danger of the revolution in Hu Pei province. General Yin Fuchang, the minister of war, departed hurriedly today for Pao Ting Fu, 100 miles south of Peking, where the 16th division of the army is making hasty preparations to depart tomorrow for Hankow.

An imperial edict today ordered the immediate despatch of two divisions to the disaffected provinces, about 20,000 being Manchus. It is against the Manchus that the revolutionists have risen. Orders have been issued for the assembling of a fleet of warships in the Yangtze Kiang river to unite with the land forces against the rebels.

According to official reports, at least 10,000 troops have mutilated in the province of Hu Pei alone. It is reported that they captured 30 modern guns at Wu Chang. There is an unconfirmed report that the revolutionaries occupied Chang Sha on October 10.

Extra precautions have been taken in Peking to prevent a rising, and large bodies of troops are guarding the palace.

Inaugurates to Grow Stronger
A dispatch from Cheng Tu says that the insurgents in Sze Chuen province hold all the country west of the Min river between Kia Liang, which is 85 miles south of Cheng Tu and Kwan Hsien, 15 miles north and 35 miles west of Cheng Tu.

Five hundred troops have joined the rebels and the fighting continues daily.

An imperial edict, issued today, orders the minister of war, General Yin Fuchang, to proceed to Hankow with two divisions of Peking troops, about twenty thousand of whom will be Manchus. The commander of the Chinese navy, Admiral Sa Chin Ping, is commanded to assemble a fleet of warships in the Yangtze Kiang river and join the land forces in the attack on the rebels now in possession of Wu Chang, Hankow and Hang Yang.

The edict cautions the viceroy at Wu Chang, who had before the rebels, but at the same time orders him to return to his post and retrieve his reputation. He is threatened with severe punishment if he fails to capture Wu Chang. It is expected that the revolutionists will dynamite the bridges of the Peking and Hankow to prevent the arrival of troops. Extraordinary precautions are being enforced here. Chinese passengers are forbidden to travel on the Peking and Hankow railway beyond Chumation Human province.

A dispatch to the British legation from Chung King says that the rebels of Sze Chuen hold the Min river and the country west and confirms earlier reports of daily fighting in the vicinity.

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