

WASHINGTON NEWS

A special dispatch to the Denver News says: "It isn't possible for the United States to keep aloof from the German-French controversy over Morocco. It was in 1903 that France and Germany came very nearly to blows over Morocco, which was prevented only by the active intervention of Great Britain. It brought about a meeting of the great powers at Algeciras and the United States participated in the treaty then framed and since called the Algeciras treaty.

"That was the first instance of the United States becoming a party in any way to a treaty that involved only European questions.

"President Roosevelt was severely criticised in congress at the time for permitting this country to mix up in any way in European conflicts.

"It looks as though the treaty of Algeciras will be torn to atoms within the next thirty days. Diplomats count on the United States being made a factor in efforts to prevent a European rupture, and should there be a war it can hardly be kept from some sort of participation in it.

"France counts on England backing her up in such an assertion of her rights as the aggressions of Germany may seem to demand. England is decidedly averse to Germany getting a foothold on the soil of Morocco, and she will no doubt stand up for France until the pinch of war is felt. Then she may be expected to back down.

"The United States will give England her moral support. The president seems to be quite pro-English, to which the arbitration treaty now ready for the final steps bears witness.

"England will move cautiously, although France has already sought her advice and backing. England will consult with Washington before a word is spoken.

"An attache of the British embassy said: 'Great Britain and the United States constitute the greatest international moral force that has ever influenced the world's action—and hereafter will in my judgment be found pulling together on every important international question.'

An Associated Press dispatch says: A Philadelphia woman who several months ago washed and ironed a dirty dollar bill so neatly that many experts pronounced it a counterfeit, was indirectly responsible for experiments which have convinced treasury officials that the government can wash paper money, instead of always issuing new bills for the old. Quite a saving thus would be effected. As one of the results of this woman's ingenuity contracts have been let for one laundering machine, and the government will construct another in its own shops. The problem of laundering money long ago was almost given up as hopeless.

Representative Norris republican insurgent for Nebraska has written a letter to the Nebraska progressive league charging that Charles D. Hillis, secretary to the president, is the acting head of a political news bureau which suppresses the truth and issues ungrounded reports as to sentiment concerning presidential candidates.

Senator Burton of Ohio spoke in the senate in behalf of Canadian reciprocity.

Admiral Togo, the Japanese naval hero, will visit this country in a pronounced impetus. Secretary of

August and will become the guest of the nation.

Pope Pius X has written a letter to the apostolic delegate to Washington, applauding the lead taken by the United States in the matter of peace.

The house has sent to conference a resolution providing for the direct election of senators.

The speaker named Representatives Rucker of Missouri, Conroy of New York and Olmstead of Pennsylvania as house conferees.

The senate conferees are Clark of Wyoming, Nelson of Minnesota and Bacon of Georgia. They will meet soon.

An Associated Press dispatch says: Lavish display by American diplomats in foreign courts was decried as abasing the dignity of this republic; "dollar diplomacy" was denounced as a dangerous thing, and American heiresses who have made international alliances were assailed in a speech in the house by Representative Henry, of Texas.

The speech was on a motion to take from committee a resolution calling on the secretary of state for information relative to the purchase of embassy sites abroad.

"We may congratulate ourselves," said Mr. Henry, "that when very recently two proud and over opulent ambassadors entered into the ancient capital of England amid a veritable riot of vulgar display and extravagance of wealth, rushing headlong to the feet of royalty no serious casualties actually occurred.

"The most serious and corrupting aspect of the times is the tendency of our great millionaires, still professing admiration for our republican institutions to shine in splendor as great noblemen in foreign courts. In their endeavor to pave the way for such royal status, the world has been profoundly amused at the expense of this nation by the so-called system of international marriages, oftentimes secured by purchase in return for high sounding titles accidentally held by thin blooded noblemen.

"The time has come when this humiliating spectacle should be brought to a close by a decree coming from the hearts and minds of the true American citizen."

General William H. Bixby, chief of engineers, U. S. A., declares that the battleship Maine was wrecked in Havana harbor by an explosion on the inside.

A Washington dispatch carried by the Associated Press says: A remarkable defense of Christian Science and a personal history of his family's experiences in that faith, including the story of his own transition from scoffer to devout believer, was made in the senate by Senator Works of California. He denounced the movement for a national department of health as an attempt by the American medical association to control medical activities. Mr. Works said Christian Science has rescued him from death and had saved his wife from suffering.

An Associated Press dispatch says: The principle of arbitration of international disputes, insofar as its application to the United States and Great Britain is concerned, received

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