

TENSION IS BROKEN

MORE PACIFIC TURN IN FRANCO-GERMAN SITUATION.

Accepts Invitation to Send Delegates to International Conference for Consideration of Moroccan Affairs—Amicable Adjustment Near at Hand.

Paris, June 20.—An international conference for the consideration of the affairs of Morocco is now practically assured as the result of the conversation between Premier Rouvier and Prince Radolin, the German ambassador, and attention is now directed to defining the scope of the conference. Details are being rapidly arranged and the officials expect to be able to announce the plans for the conference in the course of four or five days. This result, after the severe strain which tested the diplomatic resources of both governments, has the effect of relieving the tension, the officials of the foreign office and the diplomats of the German embassy agreeing that an amicable adjustment is near at hand.

Although the acceptance of the conference gives a certain measure of success to German diplomacy, yet M. Rouvier emerges from the controversy with the advantage of having brought Germany to exactly define the scope of the conference and so to rid it of the objection to being a menace to French interests.

With both governments favorable to the sovereignty of Morocco and to her political status quo it remains for the conference to adjust the equality of commercial rights, as Germany desires this assurance from an international conference instead of through the operations of the Anglo-French agreement. Therefore the conference is not likely to consider changes in the political status of Morocco, but rather international reforms and commercial privileges.

A dispatch from Metz says that the Sixteenth German army corps is showing less activity than the Twentieth and Sixth French army corps, as the Sixteenth German army corps has been continually on a war footing and is prepared for immediate mobilization. The dispatch says that the inspection of troops has been active on both sides. However, this activity has been less marked recently as all eyes have been turned toward Paris in the expectation of a favorable result of the diplomatic negotiations.

STORTHING REPLIES TO OSCAR.

Adheres to Its Action in Dissolving the Union.

Christiania, Norway, June 20.—The storthing replied to the long letter which King Oscar sent on June 13 to M. Berner, its president, in the form of an address to the king and the Swedish people. The reply, while expressing the utmost good will, adheres to the action taken by the storthing in dissolving the union.

A great meeting of representatives of Swedish residents of Norway was held here. It adopted an impressive address to King Oscar, requesting him to use every influence to secure a peaceful settlement, with the view of maintaining the friendly relations of all Scandinavian peoples. The address points out that Swedes residing in Norway enjoy the best treatment at the hands of the Norwegian people, and says that the vast interstate interests involved demand an amicable adjustment of the differences between the two countries.

It is believed here that an extraordinary session of the riksdag, to be held tomorrow, will take action looking to prevention of a further rupture.

American Boycott Growing.

Tien Tsin, June 20.—Two important meetings were held in the native city in connection with the anti-American propaganda. The meetings were attended by 600 students, representing twenty-six colleges. Ten resolutions were passed, of which the most important were the following: To boycott American goods; to circulate anti-American literature and to record results. Other bodies representing 200 members from the commercial guilds of seventeen provinces have signed an agreement under a mutual bond to forfeit 50,000 taels if any member is reported purchasing American goods.

Court Refuses Briggs' Appeal.

Springfield, Ill., June 20.—In the case of "Jocko" Briggs, sentenced to hang in Chicago next Friday for the murder of Hans P. Peterson, the supreme court denied the petition for a writ to compel Judge Barnes to allow a bill of exceptions in order that the case might be taken to the supreme court. Governor Deneen will probably be asked to commute Briggs' sentence to life imprisonment.

Cossacks and Socialists Clash.

Warsaw, Russian Poland, June 20.—Two persons were killed and thirty-six were wounded in a conflict between troops and socialists at Lodz. A procession of 2,000 socialists, carrying red flags, was stopped by Cossacks. The socialists thereupon fired and the Cossacks replied and then

charged with drawn swords into the thick of the procession.

Swedish Papers Advocate War.

London, June 20.—The correspondent of the Standard at Stockholm says that the Swedish conservative papers now openly advocate war. They urge mobilization of the troops and demand the cession of northern Norway as compensation to the Swedish people for the dissolution of the union.

STATEMENT NOT YET READY.

President and Attorney General Hold Conference on Santa Fe Affair.

Washington, June 20.—A conference was held at the white house between the president and Attorney General Moody with respect to the policy to be pursued in the Santa Fe rebate case, with which Secretary Morton is connected. At the conclusion of the conference, which lasted more than an hour, Mr. Moody said he was not in a position yet to discuss the matter.

The president has agreed with the attorney general as to the publication of the details of the correspondence and it is expected he will supplement in an official announcement the statement made in the letters which have passed between Messrs. Harmon and Judson and the department of justice.

Writ for Condemned Woman.

Windsor, Vt., June 20.—It is reported here that a writ of habeas corpus in behalf of Mrs. Mary M. Rogers, whose execution for the murder of her husband is fixed for Friday next, has been granted at Brattleboro by Judge Wheeler of the United States district court. According to the report the prison officials will be required to produce the woman in court in this town at 2 o'clock tomorrow, only forty-eight hours before the time set for her execution. It is said that the state will be required to show that Mrs. Rogers is not illegally restrained of her liberty.

Lake Steamer Sunk in Collision.

Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., June 19.—During a thick fog, which has prevailed on the upper lakes for the past week, the steel freight steamers Etruria and Amasa Stone collided ten miles off Presque Isle light, in Lake Huron. The Etruria was damaged so badly that she sank within a few minutes, her crew narrowly escaping with their lives. The lost steamer was one of the largest type of lake carriers. She was owned by the Hawgwoods of Cleveland and was valued at \$240,000.

Senator Mitchell in Court.

Portland, Ore., June 20.—For the purpose of insuring the government against any technical objections to the plea of United States Senator John H. Mitchell of not guilty as entered by his attorneys last week, District Attorney Heney had Senator Mitchell appear in court in person to make the plea. The senator pleaded not guilty to the charges preferred against him in connection with the land fraud cases in this state.

Tornado in Wisconsin.

Blue Mounds, Wis., June 20.—A young German farmer was killed on the farm of Charles Collins while milking, much damage was done to buildings and scores of head of stock were destroyed by a tornado that passed through Dane and Iowa counties and over the townships of Barneveld and Blue Mounds. Telephone and telegraph wires are down and the full account of the damage can only be estimated.

Pest of Caterpillars in Texas.

Houston, Tex., June 19.—Throughout the eastern and southeastern sections of Texas there is a pest of caterpillars, and indications are that they are doing great damage to fruit trees, corn and truck gardens. State entomologist Conrad says that while the pests are usually controlled by natural enemies, all specimens examined by him this year are free from the usual parasites.

Lightning's Fatal Stroke.

Kalamazoo, Mich., June 20.—Lightning struck a wagon in which employees of a circus were sleeping at Augusta, killing Advance Agent W. J. Currier of Flint, Mich., and injuring five other men. All of the injured were badly shocked, but will recover. Three of them, John C. Elgrist, S. M. Kenzie and Roy Weatherby, are paralyzed.

Farley on Divorce Evil.

New York, June 20.—Archbishop Farley declared at Carnegie hall, at the commencement exercises of the College of St. Francis Xavier, that the evils of divorce were fast undermining the walls of our society and that the whole structure would shortly collapse should no hand be raised to ward off the advance of this tendency.

Fredonia Bank Fails.

Washington, June 20.—The Fredonia National bank, Fredonia, N. Y., was closed by order of the comptroller of the currency on information received from the examiner that it is insolvent. J. W. Schofield has been appointed receiver.

NEWS OF NEBRASKA.

Sheepman Killed by Lightning.

Kimball, Neb., June 17.—Thomas Dinsdale, a prominent sheep owner living in the southern part of this county, was instantly killed by lightning on his ranch.

Mrs. Nelson Held.

Beatrice, Neb., June 16.—Mrs. Mary Nelson, charged with throwing concentrated lye upon Mrs. Martin Osowski, a neighbor, with intent to do great bodily injury, was given her preliminary hearing in the county court. At the conclusion of the hearing Judge Bourne bound her over to the district court and fixed her bond at \$500, which she gave.

Man and Team Killed by Train.

Columbus, Neb., June 20.—Claud Sutton, was instantly killed at Silver Creek, fifteen miles west. Sutton was crossing the Union Pacific tracks and was struck by the Fast Mail. Both he and the team were killed outright. Sutton was thrown high in the air and fell about sixty feet from where he was struck. One of the horses was thrown over 100 feet.

Barker Hanging Delayed.

Lincoln, June 16.—Frank Barker will not be hanged today. The supreme court reversed the decision of Judge Holmes, who held that he had no jurisdiction to order a hearing as to Barker's sanity, and ordered the district court to grant the hearing.

Governor Mickey granted the prisoner a reprieve for two years, pending the determination of the sanity question.

Fatal Accident at Millard.

Millard, Neb., June 16.—Lars Johnson, an old resident of this place, was instantly killed by the cars here. Mr. Johnson was crossing the tracks when train No. 4 on the Union Pacific was pulling out of the station. He was struck by the engine and fell on the tracks, the cars passing over him, breaking his shoulder blade, collarbone and mangling his face in a horrible manner.

Three Years for Kirkman.

Washington, June 17.—The president has approved the findings in two trials of Captain George W. Kirkman of the Twenty-fifth infantry, sentencing him to dismissal from the army and confinement in the penitentiary at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., for three years. Kirkman was connected with the sensational case resulting in the suicide of the wife of Lieutenant Chandler at Omaha.

Allege Elevator Trust.

Blair, Neb., June 17.—Suit was commenced in the district court by the Worrall Grain company of Omaha against the Omaha Elevator company, et al, claiming the amount of \$128,600 damages. The Worrall company claims that the Omaha Elevator company and other firms and individuals named in the petition have formed a trust and thereby damaged them in the grain business to the amount of the above sum.

Kidnaps His Two Little Girls.

Omaha, June 16.—Following the unsuccessful attempts of Dr. Frank E. Coulter to obtain a divorce from his wife, Mrs. Alice W. Coulter, comes now the disappearance of the two little girls, Marion, aged ten, and Ruberta, aged seven, the children of the couple. They were taken Wednesday by their father from the Lake school, where they were pupils, and have not since been heard from. The mother, in whose custody they were placed by order of the court, is overcome with grief.

Flag Law Case in Supreme Court.

Lincoln, June 20.—Attorney General Brown filed in the supreme court a brief in support of the law to prevent the desecration of the American flag. A brewery firm has attacked the constitutionality of the law, and the attorney general makes extended argument in its support. One of his contentions is that its desecration tends to stimulate disorder and even riot, inasmuch as Grand Army men will not tolerate the use of the flag or emblem for the purpose of advertising intoxicants or other wares.

Bloodhounds Track Girl's Assailant.

Beatrice, Neb., June 19.—After an exciting chase last night by a posse, headed by a pair of bloodhounds, Lawrence McConnell, who is charged with attempting to criminally assault the six-year-old daughter of Conrad Barnard, a farmer living near Filley, was captured near his home in this city and lodged in jail. The girl's condition is not serious. The feeling in Filley and vicinity is bitter against the young man. Many residents of that section were in town and mob

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Max Ploehn Is Captured.

Plattsmouth, Neb., June 16.—Max Ploehn, who murdered his cousin, Alma Goos, and shot her sister, has been captured and is now in jail to answer a charge of murder. Peter Mumm, a cousin of the murderer and of the murdered girl, heard a noise in his house during the night and in the morning found that some food had been stolen. In making an investigation he found Ploehn concealed in a barn on the farm a short distance from the scene of the crime. Although armed with a rifle, Ploehn made no resistance and submitted to arrest, being brought to Plattsmouth by his captor. Sheriff McBride took Ploehn to Omaha for safety. Ploehn will be kept in the Douglas county jail until the feeling at Plattsmouth has quieted down.

MAY END CHICAGO STRIKE.

Teamsters Make Final Effort to Bring About Settlement.

Chicago, June 20.—Another effort is to be made by the teamsters to bring about a settlement of their strike. At a meeting of the teamsters' joint council, called to consider the best method of bringing about the termination of the trouble, it was decided to appoint a committee which is to confer with the executive committee of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters and decide upon terms to be offered to the employers.

The meeting between these two committees will be held tomorrow. President Shea of the teamsters' union declared that he would not interfere in any manner with the work of either of the committees and if they bring about a settlement of the strike it will be binding upon the teamsters. The situation is rapidly improving from the standpoint of the employers and they have reached almost normal conditions in making deliveries.

Policeman Ault Convicted.

Norfolk, Neb., June 20.—A Daily News special says that Policeman Ault, who killed "Kid" English at Bone-steel, S. D., last summer, has been convicted of manslaughter and was taken to Sioux Falls to serve two years at hard labor. The trial was held at Fairfax.

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