

RUSSIA MAKES REPLY

Declares Manchurian Proposals in No Wise Aimed at Other Powers.

ALL NATIONS TO BE TREATED ALIKE

Commercial Privileges in Interior Are to Be Common Property.

BIG TRADE IS RAILWAY'S CHIEF AIM

Goods of All Countries Will Be Carried on Same Basis.

REPORTED DEMANDS ANSWERED IN DETAIL

Some Points Are Denied Outright and Others Explained as Innocuous Proposals Designed to Insure Safety in State Quo.

ST. PETERSBURG, April 27.—The Russian foreign office has explained or denied the eight demands made on China regarding Manchuria.

Regarding the whole negotiations, which have been dragging on since January the foreign office says:

There is nothing directed in any manner against the interests of the other powers or their commerce; others enjoy the same rights as ourselves in the interior as well as in the ports.

Of the towns not opened to trade the railway will carry Russian goods as well as those of other countries, but we do not intend to sell them in unopened towns of the interior.

It is in the railway's interests to demand the widest possible development of trade, and it is not possible to make decisions which were not foreseen when the evacuation was decided.

Foreign Office Detailed Answer.

Commenting on each point separately the foreign office says:

(1) Reported Demand—No more Manchurian ports of call to be opened.

Answer—Absolutely false. Not our affair.

(2) Reported Demand—No more foreign consuls are to be admitted into Manchuria.

Answer—Depends upon China. Not mentioned in our proposals.

(3) Reported Demand—No foreigners, except Russians, are to be employed in the public service of Manchuria.

Answer—False.

(4) Reported Demand—The present status of the administration of Manchuria is to remain unchanged.

Answer—Unimportant.

(5) Reported Demand—The customs receipts at the ports of Newchwang are to be given to the Russian Chinese bank.

Answer—Spot. The present arrangement is to be maintained.

(6) Reported Demand—A sanitary commission is organized under Russian control.

Answer—Extremely important, since an English vessel in 1902 introduced the plague.

(7) Reported Demand—Russia is entitled to attach the telegraph wires and poles of all Chinese lines in Manchuria.

Answer—False.

(8) Reported Demand—No territory in Manchuria is to be ceded to any other power.

Answer—The integrity of China is already secured by the Russian program. No need to discuss that now.

Assure Finances Washington.

WASHINGTON, April 27.—Considerable interest was shown here tonight in the Russian answer regarding the eight demands made on China. It was regarded as of great importance and it bore out by subsequent information will meet in a general degree the desires of the American government.

No official confirmation has yet come from Mr. McMillan, who, last week, was directed to make inquiries of the Russian foreign office regarding the attitude of that government in Manchuria.

Secretary Hay was extremely busy today receiving diplomatic representatives of the various powers interested in the Manchurian question.

Secretary Hay disappointed his callers so far as information was concerned as he had, as yet, no responses from either Peking or St. Petersburg. The situation is in statu quo, therefore, as Chinese diplomacy moves in a leisurely fashion, it is not believed that any coup will occur in this case, which will take the United States government by surprise.

Irish Societies Protest at Hay.

NEW YORK, April 27.—The United Irish societies of New York have sent to President Roosevelt a resolution protesting against the action of Secretary Hay, in instructing the United States minister in Peking to urge the rejection of Russian Manchurian demands. The resolution declares such action is fraught with peril to the United States and is taken at the instance of England to promote interests which are not American. President Roosevelt was asked to note that the committee of the State department, "since John Hay assumed control of it has been and still is dictated by a sole purpose to serve British at the expense of American interests."

China Refuses Demands.

LONDON, April 27.—It is officially announced here that the Chinese government has sent to the Russian government at St. Petersburg a formal refusal to grant the latter's demands in regard to the evacuation of Manchuria.

PEKING, April 27.—Minister Conger has sent a note to Prince Ching, the grand secretary, protesting against two features of Russia's proposed Manchurian agreement, which are considered particularly antagonistic to American interests.

The note objects to China's promising not to open more towns to foreign trade, because negotiations are progressing in connection with the American commercial treaty for the opening of Mukden and Taku Shan, and it objects to promising that the foreign employee in China shall only be Russians. The United States demands, however, are not to be insisted on its treaty rights if infractions occur.

France Finds Excuses.

PARIS, April 27.—The view prevails here that the power having political antagonisms toward Russia are responsible for the present agitation. It is stated that Russia's demands do not mean a termination of the open door policy, but only a continuation under Russian administration of similar restrictions now imposed by China.

In government quarters unmistakable sympathy with the Russian attitude is shown. It is claimed that Russian interests in Manchuria and its proximity to Siberia entitle Russia to take supervisory steps.

Ready to Conciliate America.

LONDON, April 28.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says Russia is ready to make a special arrangement with the United States in regard to opening Manchuria to American products.

The Russian government has resolved to persevere to the end, the correspondent continues, and will only recede before actual hostilities. Russia does not pretend

JUDGE GRANTS INJUNCTION

Eight Railroads Are Forbidden to Discriminate Against Small Shippers.

KAISER CITY, April 27.—Judge John F. Phillips, in the United States circuit court here today, granted a temporary injunction restraining eight named railroads from discriminating against small shippers.

The case presented the same question involved in similar cases passed upon by Judge Grosscup at Chicago on Friday last. As the demurrers in these cases were heard by Judge Grosscup and Judge Phillips, sitting together, the brief opinion given by Judge Grosscup last Friday was the result of their conference and agreement.

The decision delivered by Judge Phillips today, which was oral, maintained that the discriminations and rebates made and allowed by the railroad companies were violative of the interstate commerce act and that they tended to create a monopoly in the shipment of grain and products in favor of the individual shipper, to the practical exclusion of all other dealers and shipper, and that the question presented was whether or not a bill in equity, in the nature of an injunction, should be granted to enjoin such violations.

The inclination of the mind of the court was that the acts were not only violative of the interstate commerce statute, but also the anti-trust statute; and that the government, in the capacity of a parent, representing all the people concerned in the shipment of such products, and for the public welfare, was entitled to appeal to its own courts to enjoin such violations of the law; that the bill known as the Elkins bill, under the decision of the supreme court of the United States in Missouri Pacific Railway company against United States, recently rendered, expressly confers jurisdiction upon the federal courts in equity both as to pending and future cases; that there can be no question of the right of the court to grant a temporary injunction in the cases pending, which will be done as on motions now entered, with leave to the defendants, if they desire, to take issue by answer as to the truth of the allegations of the bill.

SEEKS TAXES FOR ROADS

Government Official Suggests Co-operation Between National, State and Local Districts.

ST. LOUIS, April 27.—The national and international convention of the Good Roads association was called to order this morning in St. Louis by Chairman L. D. Kingsland.

The early morning trains brought in hordes of delegates, while many others had arrived during Sunday. Among the earlier arrivals was General Nelson A. Miles, United States army, president of the National Highway commission, accompanied by his wife. He will deliver an address tomorrow. At least 1,000 delegates attended the opening session and the number was later swelled by incoming trains.

The convention will continue for three days, holding forenoon and afternoon sessions. President Roosevelt will make the closing address late on Wednesday afternoon.

Addresses by W. H. Moore, the mayor, and Governor Derby occupied the morning of the afternoon. Martin Dodge, director of the Office of Public Road, Institute in the Agricultural department, spoke on "What the Government is Doing for Highway Improvement."

While he found the attitude of the governments and other officials in the various states favorable to the good roads movement, they seemed reluctant to assume the burden or take the responsibility of making a levy to meet the cost of building better highways. He favored co-operation between the national, state and local governments, each bearing part of the expense. He believed there should be a revision of the laws that would permit taxation to raise a fund to build good roads, this to be augmented by the government.

United States Senator Latimer of South Carolina and Hon. W. Campbell, minister to the Republic of Canada, were among the other speakers.

CELEBRATE GRANT'S BIRTHDAY

Historic City of Galena is Decorated in Honor of Great Hero.

GALENA, Ill., April 27.—The eleventh successive celebration of Grant's birthday in Galena proved to be one of the most successful. The historic city was decorated in honor of the great hero and the beautiful weather brought many visitors.

The noon train on the Illinois Central from Chicago brought the special guests of the day from that city who joined in commemoration. The chief feature of the program was an address at Turner hall by W. F. Conroy of Omaha, whose delineation of the character and achievements of General Grant were enthusiastically received. From the same platform on previous anniversaries President McKinley, President Roosevelt and Charles Emory Smith had spoken.

The speakers, after the conclusion of the exercises, viewed Grant's great painting hung in the public library and the statue of Grant given to the city by H. H. Kohlsaat of Chicago, and dedicated by Chauncey M. Depue.

The military band and company M, Illinois National Guard, acted as escort for the speaker to the hall. Rev. John Van Devere, late of Cole college, Cedar Rapids, Ia., acted as chaplain.

IN FAVOR OF A REVISION

Two-Thirds of Presbyteries Vote for Change in Confession of Faith.

PHILADELPHIA, April 27.—Rev. Dr. W. H. Roberts, stated clerk of the Presbyterian general assembly, announced today that two-thirds of the Presbyterians had voted in favor of revising the confession of faith and of the declaratory statement elucidating chapters three and ten of the constitution.

The subject will be finally disposed of by the general assembly, which meets in Los Angeles next month. It is expected that the overtures from the Presbyteries will be enacted by the general assembly.

Other Losses His Job.

IRON, O., April 27.—Chairman Owen and Secretary Bishop of the State Board of Arbitration came here yesterday and settled the cement strike after a conference. The other, on whose account the strike was declared, was discharged.

ROME FETES EDWARD VII

Four Hundred Thousand Persons Greet King on Streets.

DECORATIONS ARE ON LAVISH SCALE

Scheme Designed to Show Italy as a Birthplace of Music and Poetry is Carried Out Under Official Direction.

ROME, April 27.—King Edward arrived here from Naples this afternoon, and was received by King Victor Emmanuel in person, who escorted the visiting sovereign through densely packed streets amid a great popular ovation.

King Edward, who was standing on the platform of his railroad car, when the train reached the station, descended alone almost before the train stopped. King Victor Emmanuel stepped forward and the monarchs embraced and kissed each other several times, the Italian king saying to the English, "I welcome you with all my heart to Rome."

A reception followed at the Thaw residence. Lord and Lady Yarmouth will leave this evening for a brief honeymoon trip before sailing for England.

Early in the day the earl and his family solicitor visited the court house and obtained the license, his lordship filling out the blanks himself and so evading the usual questions.

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CONDITION OF THE WEATHER

Forecast for Nebraska—Rain and Much Colder Tuesday; Wednesday Fair.

Temperature at Omaha Yesterday:

Table with 4 columns: Hour, High, Low, and Degree.

EARL MARRIES ALICE THAW

Brilliant Assembling Sees Knot Tied Which Makes Another American Countess.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., April 27.—The wedding of Miss Alice Thaw of this city, to the earl of Yarmouth took place in Calvary Episcopal church at 4:30 this afternoon before a brilliant assemblage.

Henry Kendall Thaw gave the bride away and the officiating clergyman were the Rev. W. L. McEwan and the Rev. Dr. H. McVane.

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OMAHA--WELCOWE PRESIDENT--NEBRASKA

Hundred Thousand Cheering People Greet Chief Executive in Omaha.

PRESIDENT STANDS IN HIS CARRIAGE

Smiles Pleasantly and Waves His Hat to Applauding Multitude.

DINES WITH REPRESENTATIVE CITIZENS

No Toasts Except One to the President of the United States.

GREAT SPEECH AT THE BIG COLISEUM

President Gives Utterance to Patriotic Phrases Before an Appreciative and Democratic Audience of 12,000 People.

Under a canopy of threatening clouds and in the face of a vigorous wind 120,000 people lined the streets of Omaha yesterday afternoon to greet President Roosevelt.

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