

JAPAN PRESENTS ITS ULTIMATUM

Note Modifies Certain Demands Made on China, but Insists Upon a Prompt Acceptance.

CELESTIALS EXPECTED TO YIELD

BULLETIN.
WASHINGTON, May 7.—The United States within the last twenty-four hours, through its ambassadors abroad, has consulted Great Britain, France and Russia, as the allies of Japan, to learn their attitude toward the present status of the Japanese-Chinese negotiations.

PEKING, May 7.—Eki Hiroki, the Japanese minister to China, went to the Chinese foreign office between 3 and 4 o'clock this afternoon and presented the Japanese ultimatum, which insists that China accede to the demands presented by the Tokio government.

Previous to this action on the part of the minister, the secretary of the legation visited the foreign office and informed Vice Minister Taao Yulin that the ultimatum of the Japanese government contained certain modifications of the twenty-four demands presented by Tokio.

China Probably Will Yield.
There is good reason to believe that China is prepared to concede everything demanded by Japan, realizing that the situation is hopeless.

This possible outcome to the present tense situation is not generally comprehended in Peking; consequently a number of foreign residents, as well as Chinese themselves, are today packing their personal belongings and otherwise preparing for eventualities.

Japan's policy, says the Peking Gazette, is to extort the entire body of her demands while avoiding the odium of Europe and America for exactions from China through an ultimatum.

It was ascertained here early today that the Japanese government yesterday presented to the Chinese minister at Tokio a note warning him that China must accept the demands of Japan, as otherwise there would be presented as an ultimatum, the expiration of which would be fixed for 8 p. m. of Sunday, May 9.

Japanese Navy is Ready.
TOKIO, May 7.—The press generally deprecates the necessity of further concessions to China. Some newspapers express the fear that the impression will go abroad that the elder statesmen are still the power behind the throne.

More than forty warships, including the battleship Hizen, and the battle cruiser Kongo, are preparing at Sasebo for possible operations against China. A second squadron under Admiral Nawa

has arrived and is hastily embarking supplies.

Rear Admiral Kamunaria's fleet, including the battleships Sagami and Suwo, has been ordered to the Gulf of Peccil to be in readiness to take aboard Minister Hiroki in case of necessity.

The police are protecting Prof. Ariga, Japanese adviser to President Yuan Shi Kai, who speakers have denounced as a Chinese spy and are arranging ample protection for Chinese residents of Japan.

Baron Kato, Japanese foreign minister, is understood to have informed the ambassadors of other powers that the ultimatum to China, which expires at 8 p. m. Sunday, was accompanied by additional modifications of Japan's demands, notably the questions relating to munitions and advisers, which interested the United States.

It is the general opinion in diplomatic circles that China will submit. Meanwhile Japan is making extensive preparations for a possible rupture. Warships and transports are held in readiness for instant action. Japanese, who have large business interests in China, fearing a forced exodus of Japanese employees, are sending foreigners to China to look after their affairs.

The impression prevails that the influence of the elder statesmen resulted in further concessions being made to China in the belief that the lasting interests of the empire could best be served by convincing the powers that Japan is guided by a spirit of justice and a desire for the preservation of peace in the orient.

BULLETIN.
WASHINGTON, May 7.—Information from a high official source late today is that the far eastern crisis has been averted and that a favorable settlement between Japan and China is in prospect.

Secretary Bryan announced today that the United States had received the substance of the Japanese ultimatum to China and that it contained important modifications by Japan. He declined to say whether the modifications were satisfactory to the American government.

Princeton Clubs Meet in Kansas City
KANSAS CITY, May 7.—Delegates and members to the sixteenth annual meeting of the Western Association of Princeton Clubs began arriving here today and will spend tonight and tomorrow reviewing college days and enjoying the entertainment arranged for them. Alumni from all points west of Pittsburgh are in attendance.

Tomorrow night the meeting will conclude with the annual dinner, at which John Grier Ribben, president of Princeton university and George R. Wallace of Pittsburgh will speak.

Hellman Shows Up Well.
Harry Hellman, first sacker, and "Bucky" Jones, the third baseman of the Sox, are two youngsters who are said to be doing fine work for Harry Wolverton.

SUBMARINES BUSY OFF IRISH COAST

British Steamships Candidate and Centurion Sent to Bottom by Torpedoes at Same Hour.

CREWS ESCAPE IN SMALL BOATS

LONDON, May 7.—The British steamer Candidate was torpedoed by a German submarine yesterday off Waterford, Ireland. The members of its crew were saved. The Candidate was outward bound when it encountered the submarine eighteen miles from Waterford. Members of the crew say the vessel was torpedoed without warning.

Four boats were launched from the Candidate. Of these one was swamped, but the occupants clambered into the other boats. All of the crew, numbering forty-four, landed at Milfordhaven.

The British steamer Candidate was 2,825 tons net register. Built in Glasgow in 1906, it was 335 feet long. It was owned in Liverpool, where it arrived April 8 from New Orleans.

The British steamer Centurion was torpedoed by a German submarine off the Irish coast yesterday. Its crew was saved. The Centurion was attacked about the same time that the British steamer Candidate, owned by the same company, was torpedoed off Waterford, Ireland. The Centurion was bound for South Africa and the Candidate for Jamaica.

ALL GAMBLING DEVICES ORDERED FROM CRAWFORD

CRAWFORD, Neb., May 7.—(Special.)—The city council met in regular session last evening for the first time since the newly-elected officials took charge, with Mayor Arak L. Hungerford presiding. In his inaugural address the mayor outlined his program for his term for a "bigger and better Crawford."

He proposes to have all streets in the downtown district thoroughly rolled and oiled, and running water along the curbing, all yards and streets and alleys kept clean of refuse, public drinking fountains to be installed at different points along the most public corners, playgrounds will be fixed up for the children, the city park will be put in charge of a competent caretaker and made self-sustaining, permanent buildings to be erected in the park and fair grounds, etc.

One of the first official acts of the new mayor was to abolish all card tables, slot machines and dice boxes in all places in the city. No form of gambling will be allowed whatever.

The city has also established a rock pile, and anyone not wishing to work had better give Crawford a wide berth.

French Official Report.
PARIS, May 7.—The French War office this afternoon gave out the following statement on the progress of hostilities: "The Germans delivered an attack yesterday at the close of day at Bagatelle, in the Argonne. It resulted in a complete failure."

"On the remainder of the front, particularly to the north of Ypres and in the region of Yauquois, there have been violent artillery engagements."

OLNEY BECOMES MEMBER OF PEACE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, May 7.—Richard Olney, secretary of state during President Cleveland's last administration, has accepted President Wilson's invitation to become American member of the commission provided for in the recent peace commission treaty with France. Charles R. Crane of Chicago has accepted a similar place under the treaty with Russia.

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