

PEACE CONFERENCE IS POSTPONED.

Takahira Proposed It, He Having Received No New Instructions From Tokio.

MAY REACH A BASIS OF PEACE.

Japanese Minister Declares That the Case is Not Hopeless, but Almost Hopeless.

Portsmouth, N. H., Aug. 27.—The life of the peace conference today seems to hang by a thread, but the thread will not be broken tomorrow. At 10 o'clock tonight, after a conference lasting three hours of an hour, between Mr. Takahira and M. Witte in the latter's room in the hotel annex, the announcement of a postponement was made. M. Witte explained to the Associated Press that Mr. Takahira had told him that no new instructions had reached him from Tokio and, fearing none might be received before the meeting scheduled for tomorrow afternoon, he had suggested the propriety of postponing the meeting until Tuesday. To this M. Witte said he had readily assented.

Mr. Takahira made the following statement to the Associated Press: "I am anxious to see the conference opened by the friendly office of your president, after consultation we felt that we should be cautious about terminating the labors."

Mr. Witte, even if he would, is powerless to take a new step. His hands are tied. He now occupies the role of an imperial messenger who transmits his master's orders to Baron Komura, and Baron Komura turns them over to Takahira for the response. The conference room has seemed to be a place for negotiations. It is simply the place where the emissaries of the warring countries exchange their communications by the word of the emperor.

And upon the principle of indemnity or reimbursement of "terris de guerre" under any guise, Emperor Nicholas has given the definite answer to the word. M. Witte accepts it as final, and in writing yesterday informed the Japanese plenipotentiaries that Russia would have the same response to this subject. Russia would value half of Sakhalin and pay the cost of the maintenance of the Russian prisoners of war, but that was all. Emperor Nicholas had given the same response to the president through Ambassador Meyer. The Russians generally seem not displeased with the situation. They believe Japan has been diplomatically maneuvered into a corner from which, if she now persists in her attempt to exact tribute with the alternative of a continuance of the war, she cannot extricate herself before the public opinion of the world. Japan here and in Europe, they say, appeared for sympathy on the ground that Russia had consented to her to take up arms to protect her life. The future of war has gone in her favor, and Russia, recognizing that she had been beaten and preferring peace to the continuation of the war, had agreed to cede on every point involved in the quarrel. She was willing to allow Japan full swing in Korea, she was willing to get out of Manchuria her leg and baggage and commit herself to the recognition of China's integrity and the policy of the "open door."

But Japan, insisting upon tribute, because Russia refuses, prolongs the carriage. In that act they contend Japan would change the purposes and character of the war, which would be to deny money one of principle, but degenerate into a war for the exaction of money.

There is no doubt that the Japanese are worried over this aspect of the situation and they do not propose to be pinned in this position if it can be helped. With the terms existing in Japan demanding reimbursement for the expenses of the war, a money payment which would be obtained for the maintenance of Russian prisoners and the Chinese Eastern railroad could not be obtained.

Had it the redemption of Sakhalin by Russia could be placed upon purely a commercial basis, Russia might agree to it. Logic points in this direction for the ultimatum compromise, if there is to be one. Whether the president has reached his efforts, cannot be ascertained here. His former suggestion of a compromise failed. He made his suggestion simultaneously to both the czar and the emperor of Japan. He proposed the indemnity-Sakhalin compromise, but not in the form in which it was presented by Baron Komura at Witte's meeting. Instead of setting the price (1,200,000,000 yen, the official cost of the war) he suggested that an agreement could not be reached on the fixing of the price should be left to a board or commission. The Japanese insisted on inserting the sum, and this made it impossible, in view of the Russian declaration not to accept it. Emperor Nicholas refused to do so, in addition to the concession of half of Sakhalin.

According to a high Russian authority who has been in a position to see President Roosevelt's communication, it is clearly shown that the president considered that Japan's victories gave her the right to ask for an indemnity, in fact if not in name, and that the military occupation of Sakhalin gave her the right to the island. The president's friends, however, claim that when the full text of his proposition is before the world all criticism will cease. It is, therefore, again in doubt, which comes from one in full possession of the entire action taken by President Roosevelt.

If the civilized world could know at this time the precise nature of the proposition made to Russia and Japan by President Roosevelt, it would seem that the force of public opinion of the present would be the world would indignantly rebuke the plenipotentiaries and their governments to pursue a more reasonable course, and consider seriously the results before proceeding with the present conference without any agreement. Indeed, they might some day, in the face of the world's opinion, refuse to accept, in principle at least, the suggestions offered by the president.

Asst. Secy. Palace, after the announcement of the decision to adjourn until Tuesday saw both M. Witte and Mr. Takahira, and then sent a long letter message to the president. Although the public tonight was led to believe that the meeting was definitely adjourned until Tuesday, the Associated Press learned late tonight that

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according to the joint understanding between M. Witte and Mr. Takahira, it was agreed that there would be no meeting until Japan's response to what may be regarded as Russia's ultimatum arrived. The meeting, therefore, may not be held until Wednesday or Thursday. Tokio now must decide, and judging from the tone of the Japanese press, government officials must have great deal of opposition at home if it yields further. M. Platon acted as interpreter for M. Witte and Mr. Takahira at their interview tonight. After the interview M. Witte called M. De Martens and M. Pokotiloff in conference. The review between M. Witte and Mr. Takahira was the sensation of the day. Everybody had been at high tension. On all sides the report had been spread that tomorrow would witness the final break-up and that tomorrow night the hotel would be deserted. The Russian attaches who know M. Witte's habits of making their own arrangements, came early, and were discussing the dates of the steamer sailing, etc. Then suddenly at 5 o'clock the rumor got abroad that M. Witte and Mr. Takahira were in private conversation. Fifty correspondents beleaguered the door of M. Witte's room. When it was over M. Witte emerged and pretended to be greatly astonished at the crowd of journalists. He appeared to be in very good humor and greeted them with a smile. He was asked if these present did not comprehend, and then briefly made the announcement quoted above.

CASE OF CATALEPSY.

Boy in Trance-like Sleep for Over Four Months.

New York, Aug. 27.—Medical scientists throughout the country have had their attention directed to a remarkable case of catalepsy in Yonkers, where Charles Campbell, eight years old, has been in an unbroken trancelike sleep for more than four months, and it is probable a consultation of specialists in nervous diseases from this city will be called to investigate the case. On April 6 last, while whirling round a lamp post he became dizzy, fell to the ground and struck on the back of his head. Three days later he complained of pains in the head and within a few minutes lapsed into a state of unconsciousness from which he has not awakened.

Liquids have been poured into his mouth in small quantities, sustaining life.

Cattle Train Wrecked.

Butte, Mont., Aug. 27.—A special to the Miner from Sheridan, Wyo., says: "An extra stock train bound east was wrecked at Essex last night and six cars of cattle teleported. Fireman Fred Johnson was pinned under his engine for two hours with a bolt through his leg. Engineer Harrington and his fireman were also badly hurt."

DESTROYED RUSSIAN GUARD STATION.

Tokio, Aug. 27, 2:30 p. m.—Rear Admiral Kataoka has reported to the navy department that a division sent by him to the mouth of the river Amur, bombarded and destroyed two Russian guard stations, Zhabrei and Lazareba, which was situated south of the embouchure of the Amur, and which had been recently reinforced.

Man Suicides in Church.

Minneapolis, Aug. 27.—But a few minutes after the close of Rev. W. B. Riley's address at the First Baptist church a man, who is thought to be W. H. Brown of Sublette, lit off in a pew and fired a bullet through his heart, dying instantly. On search of his clothes a draft for \$700 was found on his person, made out in the name of W. H. Brown, of Sublette. Some small change was found in another pocket.

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Such Was Fate of Fireman Eversole, Who Was Killed in a Collision on the Pennsylvania.

ENGINEER'S LEGS CUT OFF.

Wrecked Train Was an Excursion—Running at High Rate of Speed. It Crashed Into a Freight.

Logansport, Ind., Aug. 28.—One man was killed, another fatally injured, and a number of passengers seriously injured in a collision which occurred on the Pennsylvania railroad in the south yards about three miles from this city early this morning. Fireman Walter Eversole, of Richmond, is dead, pinned beneath his engine. Engineer Grady was thrown beneath his engine, and both legs were severed and he cannot live. The injured: James Henderson, Logansport, back and head cut and bruised; County Treasurer Oscar McGraw, Logansport, back injured; T. C. Metrevey, Hamilton, O., cut and bruised; George Brown, Logansport, bruises and probably injured internally. The wrecked train was an excursion which left here Sunday morning at 7 o'clock for Cincinnati, and was due on its return trip here at 1 o'clock this morning. As it entered the south yards at a high rate of speed freight train No. 77, southbound, was just leaving the main track, and the excursion train crashed into it. There were 100 passengers on the excursion train, four of which left the track. The passenger engine was reversed and overhauled. The baggage car and smoker were splintered. The third and fourth coaches were knocked from the tracks, but did not overturn. The other coaches did not leave the track. A special train quickly arrived by a second, both carrying physicians and officials of the road, was hurried to the scene of the wreck, and the injured were quickly brought to this city. There were about 40 passengers on the train, and all suffered to some extent. The local Pennsylvania officials are unable to account for the freight train being on the main track. At the place where the wreck occurred there are seven tracks, and all but one is blocked by the wreckage.

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NEGRO TAKEN FROM JAIL BY MASKED MEN AND LYNCHED.

Newbern, N. C., Aug. 27.—John Moore, a negro, 29 years old, was taken from Crown county jail in this city early today and lynched by a mob of 100 masked men, armed with rifles and revolvers. With his hands tied behind him, the negro was led about a third of a mile from the jail to the draw of Newey river bridge, hanged to one of its braces and his body riddled with bullets. The mob attacked the jail between 1 and 2 o'clock this morning. Efforts to get the jail were effected by forcing the jailer to surrender the keys. As soon as the attack was discovered the naval reserves were called out to attempt to prevent the lynching. Crowds rushed to the bridge. Sheriff J. W. Biddle was quickly on the scene, pleading that Moore be left to the law, but his efforts were unavailing, and the mob carried out its plans. Moore entered the country store of George Eubanks at Clark's, seven miles from Newbern, last Friday when the proprietor's wife was alone in the store. The negro attempted robbery, and struck Mrs. Eubanks on the head with a meat axe, fracturing bones and inflicting serious injuries. Mrs. Eubanks screamed and people came to her rescue. The negro fled, but was captured in a swampy place a distance of a few miles, and was placed in jail.

ISLAND OF SAKHALIN.

Japanese Press Indignant at Proposal to Divide It

Tokio, Aug. 27.—The proposal that Sakhalin be divided between Russia and Japan is making strong popular opposition here, and it is freely predicted that acceptance of it will result in demonstrations against the government. The Nishi Nishi declares: "Peace under such circumstances would be imperfect. Peace must be concluded. Since the island was recovered at the point of the sword there is no room to entertain the proposal for a partial surrender of it. It should our government try to conclude peace in the presence of so many obstacles to effecting a lasting peace, the result would only be a temporary cessation of hostilities, for which we would hold our authorities responsible and unhesitatingly blame them. Japan shall adhere to her demands with reference to the payment of indemnity and the cessation of territory." The Hochi Shimbun expresses surprise that the proposal to divide Sakhalin was made, and says the proposal verges on the absurd. The Mai Nishi says: "If the reported proposal to divide Sakhalin is true, it is a most grave and serious danger to our country. It will be impossible to entertain it, as it would only serve to sow the seeds of further dangers and complications. Let us stop the peace negotiations if the proposal are seriously made."

WHERE IS E. S. LITTLE?

S. F. Police Fear He May Have Met With Foul Play.

San Francisco, Aug. 28.—An effort is being made to discover the whereabouts of E. S. Little, Chicago, who mysteriously disappeared from his hotel here several days ago. Little is the traveling representative of a military firm of Chicago and arrived here about 15 days ago. The day after his samples were placed on display Little dropped out of sight, and all trace of him has been lost. The police fear he has met with an accident or foul play.

ANTI-AMERICAN BOYCOTT.

Special Envoy Tong Says It Won't End Until Chinese Are Admitted

Portland, Or., Aug. 27.—"The boycott upon American goods in China will never end until the Chinese people are admitted freely into the United States, or until the same discriminations are made against the inferior classes of other nations as those which we make against the coolies of China." Thus the Chinese boycott situation was summed up by F. E. Tong, who is a resident in Portland, on his way to Washington, D. C., by a special envoy from the emperor of China. Continuing Mr. Tong said: "The American people have no true idea of the extent of the present boycott. It is confined to no one class—men, women and children are united in it."

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