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FIFTY-FOURTH YEAR.

TESTIMONY IN SMOOT CASE.

There Will Be Little Accomplished In It During the Next Three Weeks.

HEARING TO BEGIN MARCH 1.

In the Meantime the Protestants Will Send For Their Witnesses and Have Them in Washington.

SUB-COMMITTEE MAY COME HERE.

The Inquiry is to be Made a Most Exhaustive One—Committee Wants Documents For Senators' Use.

(Special to the "News.")

Washington, D. C., Feb. 6.—There will be little accomplished in the case of Senator Reed Smoot, for the next three weeks. The committee on elections today decided to begin the hearing of witnesses on Monday, March 1. Between this date and that the protestants will send for their witnesses, but the committee has decided to withhold the names of those to be summoned, at least for the present.

It is thought probable that after the conclusion of the hearings here a sub-committee may be sent to Utah to enquire into the relationship between the church and its apostles.

There is an evident disposition to make the present inquiry exhaustive in the extreme not only because of the protest against Senator Smoot, but also because it is deemed to be desirable to have the documents filed in the archives of the Senate, which will show at any time what effect a man's religion has upon his politics if he happens to be a "Mormon."

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

Washington, Feb. 6.—Complete investigation of the protests against Senator Reed Smoot retaining his seat in the United States senate will begin March 1 before the committee on privileges and elections. The committee agreed to this date at a meeting held today and Chairman Burrows was given unlimited power to summon witnesses if such a course shall be found to be necessary. A list of 20 witnesses was submitted by the protestants and most of these will be here soon after March 1. It was determined that the hearing of the case shall be public.

IGNORE LEITCH CHARGES.

The protestants who are now organizing to make the fight against Senator Smoot have declared that it is not their intention to enter into what are known as the Leitch charges. Former Representative R. W. Taylor has announced that it is the intention of his clients to try the case as respects the relations of the "Mormon" Church to the United States government and the intrusion of a great hierarchy into the political affairs of the nation.

CLASS OF WITNESSES.

The witnesses to be summoned are for the most part members of the "Mormon" Church. Among them are children alleged to be the offspring of polygamous marriages contracted since the manifesto of 1890. It is not determined whether such witnesses will be permitted by the committee to give testimony, as each question of the admissibility of testimony will be decided as it is reached in the hearings.

DANGEROUS FOODS.

Local Grocers Say That There Are Many Besides Catsups.

According to talks with a number of prominent local grocers, if a general movement was made on canned and bottled goods besides the catsups, there would be a pretty wide clearing of shelves in many a grocery store. Most of the fruit preserves are claimed to be put up in violation of pure food statutes in that glucose is used instead of sugar. A little glucose may not be harmful, but in quantities it is harmful, as it is irritating to the digestive tract, for it is made from starch and sulphuric acid. Spices and condiments are also adulterated, although the adulterants may not be harmful in themselves, as they are made of foreign grains to a large extent. The harm is in deceiving people and making them believe they are getting the whole article. Maple syrups are heavily adulterated with molasses, cottonseed oil is used in place of lard, pulverized sugar is adulterated with barites and talc, and preservatives are very widely used. As preservatives preserve the food from decay, it prevents to a degree its digestion, and requires a more protracted effort on the part of the stomach to handle it. Ground coffee is susceptible of heavy adulteration when it is bought ground and in packages. Grocers say the only way to get pure coffee is to buy the berries and have the dealer grind it or for the purchaser to do the grinding himself. As to catsups, it is claimed that the genuine article is not attractive to the sight, and that catsup is a more palatable article, and one more easily digested. "You may adulterate a catsup to death, and if people buy a catsup to eat, there will be, even when they know it is not wholesome, no harm coming to them, what are you going to do about it?"

SENATOR HANNA VERY WEAK TODAY

Dr. Rixey Continues to View the Outcome of the Case with Confidence.

TEMPERATURE, 101; PULSE, 82

Distinguished Patient Was Taken Ill Three Weeks Ago, Critical Point Should be Reached Tomorrow.

Washington, Feb. 6.—The following bulletin was issued by Senator Hanna's physicians this morning:

"Senator Hanna rested well, temperature 101; pulse, 82."

Senator Hanna is very weak today, but Dr. Rixey continues to view the outcome with confidence. The patient had a comfortable night. A rise of one degree from 24 hours ago was shown in his temperature this morning, but there was a decrease of 12-5 degrees from the temperature taken at 8 o'clock last night. It was said there was nothing unusual in these fluctuations. When the crucial point will be passed is problematical. Senator Hanna was first taken ill three weeks ago today and it has had the fever ever since then, the crucial point should be reached tomorrow. This, however, is only guess work. The senator's stomach is in better condition and he is taking nourishment much more satisfactorily than heretofore.

Dr. Rixey has arranged to make four visits a day, the hours besides the early morning visit being noon, 4 o'clock and 8 o'clock in the evening. These will enable the keeping of a regular chart of the patient's temperature, showing the condition at identical hours during the days while the fever is running its course.

No bulletins were issued during the day, but it was stated that there was no change in the senator's condition.

A Capillary Electrometer.

Chicago, Feb. 6.—The capillary electrometer, a new instrument, delicate enough to register the minute discharges of electricity in nerves and muscles, has been invented by research workers at the physiological laboratory at the University of Chicago. The invention will greatly aid the cure of lockjaw, they hope and of great use in nervous diseases.

A fine glass tube with a hole in no larger than a pin's point is placed on the back of the human hand is the mechanism of the instrument. The tube at one end contains mercury, which penetrates the small extremity of the tube. The tube rests in a cup of acid, and the two are joined by platinum wire.

All life action is chemical and electrical, the inventors believe, and by the action of the electrical discharge from a moving muscle on the mercury in the tube the amount of energy expended may be gauged.

Bessie Healey Arrested.

New York, Feb. 6.—Bessie Healey, 31 years old, is in the hands of the Paterson, N. J., police, by whom she is charged with causing the death of James Kohn, 23 years old, son of a wealthy saloon keeper. The young woman separated from her husband James Kohn on account of Kohn's having been killed on her husband's head. The husband had called on her just before Kohn was killed. All three spent some time drinking together. Soon after Healey left the woman rushed out of the house and told her neighbors she had stabbed Kohn with a bread knife because he had threatened to kill her. She went out unconcerned and a few minutes later was arrested by the police who found Kohn bleeding to death.

Col. G. W. Johnson Dead.

New York, Feb. 6.—Col. George W. Johnson, chaplain of Clarence Macomber Post, G. A. R., in Brooklyn, and who served in the civil war with the Fifth Minnesota volunteers, is dead. He was attacked while reading the burial service over another member of the post and died in a few minutes, surrounded by his comrades.

Robert Elin Dead.

New York, Feb. 6.—Robert Elin, who had an international reputation as a stone and wood carver, is dead, at his home in Yonkers from heart failure. He came from England in 1867 and was looked upon as the founder of the art of stone carving business in the United States. Many of the first homes in New York were ornamented by him.

NORMAN FRENCH ROMANCES.

J. P. Morgan Buys the Leads

Says Burchard Collection. New York, Feb. 6.—J. P. Morgan has purchased the Leads Says Burchard collection of Norman French romances for which several universities and colleges of America have been negotiating. The price paid has not been made public.

The library, which will be added to Mr. Morgan's private collection in his Madison avenue home, was gathered by a student of the chivalry of the fourteenth, fifteenth and sixteenth century and contains more rare illuminated manuscripts and block-printed books than any other collection in this country, with possibly one exception.

Close Call From Death.

Chicago, Feb. 6.—Death through three agencies has come close to Malcolm Lindell, all within a few minutes of each other. As mementoes of his adventure he has a broken leg, a broken arm, and several fractured ribs, which will necessitate a stay in the hospital. Lindell was crossing the Lake Shore railway bridge over the Calumet river, when a Pennsylvania train bore down upon him. He leaped directly in front of a passing Lake Shore train. He was hurled over the bridge rail and into the river.

The engineer of the Pennsylvania train saw the accident, stopped his train, and went to the rescue. A rope was lowered and Lindell wrapped it around his body and was drawn to safety.

Hana Plantation Suits.

San Francisco, Feb. 4.—Two suits on stockholders' liabilities today by the Hana Plantation company allege that the stock of that corporation, which owns one of the oldest sugar plantations in the Hawaiian islands, was stolen from \$100,000 to extent of \$100,000. The suits are filed by the general board of directors. In the name of the company, against directors who had charge of the company's affairs in



SENATOR HANNA OF OHIO, Whose Illness Is Evidently Becoming Quite Serious.

the past. The former directors are charged with having given away and distributed among themselves 150 shares of capital stock and of having incurred debts to the extent of \$235,381 in excess of the amount permitted by the laws of the state. The giving away of the shares of stock is alleged to be a violation of the state constitution.

For Longest Endurance Run.

New York, Feb. 6.—Plans are being made for the largest and long endurance run ever had in the country. In connection with the endurance run itself, it is also hoped to hold a series of club runs, all to have St. Louis for their goal.

If proper arrangements can be made the race track at St. Louis may be secured for a week or more at the close of the run and besides used as a grange, races and exhibition runs will be held.

Those who have been discussing the subject are inclined to believe that some time in June, probably from the middle of the end of the month, would be most acceptable time of the run. It is proposed that the grand event, the endurance run, shall start from this city, and from one week to ten days probably will be given to reach St. Louis.

British Exports.

London, Feb. 6.—The January statement of the board of trade shows decreases of £1,165,500 in imports and £4,100,500 in exports.

H. W. Oliver Critically Ill.

Pittsburg, Feb. 6.—Henry W. Oliver, the well known iron and steel master, is critically ill at his home in Allegheny. He is suffering from an affection of the kidneys.

GERMAN ARMY.

Present Peace Strength to be Maintained for a Year.

Berlin, Feb. 6.—The reichstag today passed the bill prolonging for one year the maintenance of the army at its present peace strength. It was generally predicted before the last election that the government would attempt to carry a bill this winter increasing the number of troops under arms, but the unsatisfactory financial status of the empire prevented it. It is now believed the government merely postponed the execution of the plan until the next session of the reichstag.

Atty. Glover on Trial.

Cripple Creek, Colo., Feb. 6.—Atty. John M. Glover, a former congressman from Missouri, was placed on trial in the district court today on the charge of having murdered Sergeant Louis Dittmore of the Colorado national guard. The case arises from the fight on Dec. 23 last, when Glover resisted arrest by the militia and was wounded. Glover is conducting his own defense.

The Dakota Launched.

Groton, Conn., Feb. 6.—The steamer Dakota, built for the Great Northern Steamship company, was successfully

COL. ED BUTLER IS NOT GUILTY.

Jury Says He Did Not Bribe Nineteen Members of House of Delegates.

SHOOK HANDS WITH EACH JUROR

Circuit Atty. Folk Dumbfounded, For He Thought the State Had a Good Case.

Fulton, Mo., Feb. 6.—The jury in the case of Col. Ed Butler, the millionaire St. Louis politician, on trial on a charge of bribing 19 members of the house of delegates of St. Louis today returned a verdict of not guilty.

When the verdict was read a dozen of Col. Butler's friends gave forth a wild shout and dashed out into the street to spread the news. Butler stepped quickly forward and shook hands with Foreman Rosser. Then he walked down the line of jurors, shaking hands with each. Within a few minutes Judge Graves polled the jury and discharged them. Friends surrounded Col. Butler and he held an informal levee, laughing and joking with those about him.

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"I thought the state had a good case," he said. "Beyond that I have nothing to say at this time."

About 15 ballots were taken, according to Foreman Rosser and at the start the jury stood 10 for acquittal and two for conviction.

"One of these voters to convict changed after the first ballot," said Mr. Rosser. "The other man held out stubbornly until 5:45 o'clock this morning, when he finally came into line."

The jurors did not want to convict the defendant on the testimony of hoodlums and perjurers, whose statements were flatly contradicted by men of good character. "Again we did not think the circumstances pointed to the defendant's guilt. On the evidence of the state, even though we thoroughly credited it, there was serious doubt as to Butler's guilt. Weighing the facts carefully, we think we did our full duty fairly and impartially."

For Florence Crittenden Homes.

Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 6.—Miss Kate Waller Barrett addressed the National Council of Women today in the interest of the Florence Crittenden homes for the rescue of young women, and read the following letter from President Roosevelt:

"My Dear Madam—I wish you all possible success with your work. I have long felt that there was a peculiar claim for philanthropic work on behalf of the very people who are striving to aid. In our social system they pay so heavy a penalty for wrong-doing and the road to reform and rehabilitation is made so difficult that I can conceive no more worthy work than those of the institutions under your command. With all good wishes, I am, sincerely, yours, 'THEODORE ROOSEVELT.'"

Commissioner of Radium Exhibit

New York, Feb. 6.—Dr. George F. Kunz of this city, special agent of the United States geological survey, has been appointed commissioner of the radium exhibit at the St. Louis exposition and has been authorized to prepare and procure material therefor, comprising radio-active substances of all kinds and also exhibits to illustrate the action of radium compounds, ultra violet light and Roentgen rays upon mineral and chemical substances. This exhibit is to be made by the United States geological survey in the United States government building. There will be a second exhibit of radium and radio-active substances in the mines building.

War Munitions Seized.

Cape Haytien, Hayti, Feb. 6.—Munitions of war intended for Gen. Jimenez, the Dominican revolutionary leader, were seized at Puerto Plata on the north coast of the republic of Santo Domingo yesterday, after having been landed there by the steamer New York, Jan. 29.

Earthquake Causes Panic.

Buda Pest, Hungary, Feb. 6.—The people of Drazzo and Kenedi Yassarahely were panic-stricken by earthquake shocks this morning. Three violent shocks were followed by four slighter shocks, causing the people to spring from their beds and rush into the streets. No serious damage was done.

NO TABERNACLE SERVICE TOMORROW.

Tomorrow is fast day. As a result the regular afternoon service in the Tabernacle will be dispensed with, and in lieu thereof meetings will be held in the different wards. In the evening the Mutual Improvement associations will conduct the meetings.

Harriman In Control of the San Pedro.

That is the Sensational Announcement Sent Out From San Francisco—Fact Has Been Suspected Locally For Several Months Past But No Confirmation of the Story Could be Obtained.

San Francisco, Feb. 6.—Southern Pacific surveyors are now taking an active part in locating the final surveys for Senator W. A. Clark's Los Angeles and Salt Lake railroad, south from Caliente, Nev., to Daguerre, Cal. For this reason it is believed in railroad and financial circles that E. H. Harriman, either through the Southern Pacific company or the Union Pacific or his Oregon Short Line, has obtained control of the Clark road.

To the public this item of information comes as a surprise, if not a sensational announcement. But to well informed railroad men it has been expected. They have been certain for months that sooner or later, somehow, this fact must be disclosed. There have been very many reasons for believing that Harriman and his associates who are in control of the Oregon Short Line are likewise in control of the San Pedro, Los Angeles and Salt Lake. The fact is only now to the public, and to the subordinate of public and employees of the two com-

panies. Just what Harriman's interests are cannot be ascertained at this time, though from sources that cannot be doubted it is safe to conclude that they are not much more than sufficient to give control and that Senator Clark and friends still have and have had since the memorable New York conference, a very large interest, probably just within a fraction of what Mr. Harriman is supposed to have secured at that time.

On the receipt of the above telegram the Desert News sought to obtain a verification of it, but not one of the officers seen could speak authoritatively upon the subject. The one who might have been able to say something of interest was General Manager Burroughs, who is in Omaha. When General Manager E. E. Wells of Salt Lake headquarters was shown the dispatch he said: "Why, no, I have nothing to say. It is the same old story that has been going the rounds for the last six months. I suspect they will keep on talking about it until somebody does say the truth." And he would say no more.

What effect the publication of the story will have on right of way and other matters of vital importance can only be surmised at this time. But one thing appears to be certain after all—that is, that it is of greater consequence to the people of Utah and California than the mere ownership of the road—that is, that it will be built. From one who is in the closest possible touch with the principal in the transaction comes this statement, made to the "News" today: "THAT QUESTION NEED NOT DISTURB THE CITIZENS OF EITHER UTAH OR CALIFORNIA. FOR THE ROAD WILL BE BUILT ALL THE SAME. IN FACT, ITS OWNERSHIP BY HARRIMAN AND FRIENDS WILL BUT HASTEN ITS CONSTRUCTION JUST AS SOON AS CERTAIN LEGAL COMPLICATIONS HAVE BEEN SETTLED. DON'T FORGET THAT THE MOVE OF THE WESTERN PACIFIC, THE NEW ORLEANS, COAST ROAD, ALONE, MAKES THE STEP IMPERATIVE."

SAN DOMINGO TO HAVE TROUBLE.

Full Reparation Must be Made For Assassination of Engineer Johnson.

AMERICANS MUST BE SAFE.

If Not the People of the Island Will Have to Take the Consequences.

Washington, Feb. 6.—"Send full particulars about assassination of Johnson," is the substance of a cablegram which Secy. Moody today dispatched to Commander Lewis C. Helmer, commanding the gunboat Yankee at Santo Domingo city. When the details of the assassination of Engineer Johnson of the Yankee have arrived the secretary will then be in a position to give specific instructions as to the course to be followed. Deliberation, it can be stated, will be observed in the handling of the situation. If the press dispatches are confirmed it can be stated that the naval commanders will be instructed to demand and to obtain the fullest reparation. Nor will they stop with this. Before the American warships leave Dominican waters the inhabitants will have been made to know that the Washington government's patience has been exhausted and that the menacing of American life and property must cease, or the people of the island stand the consequences.

What additional warships shall go to San Domingo will be decided when the official detailed report has arrived.

No Cypher Messages for Japan.

New York, Feb. 6.—The central office of the Western Union cable service announced today that private messages in secret language cannot be accepted for any place in Japan.

The Commercial Cable company is advised by the Japanese administration that secret language is prohibited in private messages to Japan.

Looking for Floods.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Feb. 6.—The steady thaw begun last night is hourly increasing the danger of a flood. The Susquehanna river here and for 20 miles above is frozen solid from bank to bank. No perceptible rise has yet been observed, but there is such a great depth of snow on the hills that when it begins to melt the creeks will be swollen and a large quantity of water will pour into the river.

British Ship Ashore.

Rangoon, India, Feb. 6.—The British ship Laomene, from Philadelphia, Oct. 12, for Rangoon, is ashore on the Alagunda reef and will probably become a wreck. There has been loss of life.

Becomes a Russian Senator.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 6.—Privy Councillor Zaegener has been relieved of the portfolio of ministry of public instruction at his own request, owing to ill health and has been appointed a senator.

Remarkable Bank Statements.

New York, Feb. 6.—For three consecutive weeks the bank statement has broken all previous records as regards aggregate of loans and deposits. The grand total of loans is now \$398,850,590, while deposits have grown to the unprecedented sum of \$1,027,158,500.

The Buffalo at Algiers.

Algiers, Feb. 6.—The United States auxiliary cruiser Buffalo and the flotilla of torpedo boat destroyers bound for the Philippine islands will sail for Naples tomorrow.

Treasury Balance.

Washington, Jan. 6.—The statement of the treasury was as follows: Available cash balance, \$225,791,925; Gold, 98,038,545.

The Dewey Case.

Norton, Kan., Feb. 6.—No session of the Dewey case was held this forenoon as the special panel of venire men was exhausted last evening. A special venire of 150 is being drawn. It will continue court until Monday.

RECKLESS DRIVING.

Two Gay Young Men Arrested in Huntsville—Kicked by a Horse.

(Special to the "News.") Huntsville, Utah, Feb. 6.—Last evening while returning from a reunion held in Huntsville, Hyrum Peterson and lady were run into by a vehicle occupied by two young men named Stone and Yearsley. Peterson being badly injured. The drivers were placed under arrest by City Marshal Engstrom and later taken to Ogden and placed in the custody of the sheriff. They will likely be tried for fast driving.

Last evening Eli Sprague, while endeavoring to catch one of his horses in the pasture, was kicked in the face, receiving very painful injuries.

Chris Mortenson, who for the past two years has been doing missionary work in Sweden and Norway, has returned home and this evening will be tendered a reception by the Huntsville band.

LOOKS GOOD TO SHEEP MEN

Yesterday's Storm Worth Thousands to the Flock Owners of Utah.

President Jesse M. Smith in company with the other sheepowners of the county and state was in a jubilant frame of mind today over the results that are sure to follow yesterday's snowstorm. There are many losses on the account and these will now be able to reach out for food in pastures they could not go to before the downfall. Although the prospects are much brighter than they have been for some time past,

WAR MAY COME AT ANY MOMENT.

The Japanese Minister is Preparing to Leave St. Petersburg.

RUSSIA'S REPLY DELIVERED.

She is Now Standing on the Tip-toe of Expectancy and Apprehension.

SITUATION WAS NEVER SO GRAVE.

In London Regarded as Probable That An Outbreak in the Balkans May Follow Conflict in Orient.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 6.—The Japanese minister, M. Kurino, is preparing to leave St. Petersburg.

The Russian reply has been handed to the Japanese government by Baron de Rosen, the Russian minister at Tokio.

Russia is standing on the tip-toe of expectancy and apprehension. Her response having now reached the Japanese government at Tokio, word therefrom is awaited with extreme anxiety. The feeling that Japan will stand firmly on her former demands against whatever concessions Russia can offer consistent with the maintenance of her pride is becoming a conviction here. An official of the foreign office said:

"The world understands our position pretty well. There is no reason why the situation should be considered changed. Russia has done her utmost, but the other side must yield if a common ground is to be found. The Japanese people and press have been kept excited by false reports, invented, we believe, to create distrust of our purposes and pacific intentions. How far the Japanese authorities can withstand the popular tide is a question."

In sharp contrast with this calm and even hopeful view voiced by the Russian official, is the gloom that prevails at the Japanese legation and British embassy where no efforts are made to disguise their feelings of uneasiness.

RUSSIA'S REPLY FORWARDED.

Port Arthur, Feb. 6.—Viceroy Alexieff forwarded the Russian reply to Baron de Rosen, the Russian minister at Tokio, by telegraph, and the latter acknowledged its receipt.

From the Russian viewpoint the note is regarded as pacific.

REPORTED NAVAL BATTLE.

London, Feb. 6.—(2:51 p. m.)—The scare in city circles here was shown today by a wild report current on the stock exchange that a severe naval engagement has taken place in which three Russian and two Japanese ships were sunk.

There are indications that information received at the Japanese legation here from Tokio shows that Russia's reply, in the estimation of the legation, decidedly does not meet Japan's wishes. The general tension in diplomatic quarters here today is unquestionably increased.

WAR SEEMS VERY NEAR.

London, Feb. 6.—The prospect for a great war breaking out in the far east, which is acknowledged even in hitherto pacific quarters, has been brought appreciably nearer by the development of the last day or two. That a Russo-Japanese conflict will be followed by a Balkan outbreak, which in time may develop into a widespread European conflagration is also considered probable and increases the depression prevailing all political circles in England and on the continent. The news from St. Petersburg of the preparations of M. Kurino, the Japanese minister, for departure, is not yet known in London, but official circles, the press and the public have already practically decided that nothing can avert war, and probably the termination of the long delay and suspense, when the first gun is fired, will occasion a sense of relief, and possibly business improvement. Already Tokio dispatches announce that relief is felt there at the fact that all doubts regarding the outcome of the negotiations have practically been set at rest.

Prices on the stock exchange fell again this morning, consols opening 1/4 lower, Japanese securities 1 1/2, lower and Russians 1 point lower. Later consols improved 1/4.

There is reason to believe that the substance of the last Russian reply has already been communicated to the Japanese legation here and thence to the foreign office. One long and several short cable messages from Tokio have recently been received by Baron Hayashi, the Japanese minister.

There was unusual activity at the legation this morning and long messages were sent to various points.

MAY SEVER RELATIONS.

Washington, Feb. 6.—Minister Grikom, at Tokio, cables the state department under date of yesterday that in diplomatic circles the feeling is that relations between Tokio and St. Petersburg may be broken off at any time. He adds that the feeling obtains in Japan that more than a reasonable period has elapsed since the sending of Japanese note, and that the Japanese are impatient for an answer.

FROM A RUSSIAN SOURCE.

London, Feb. 6.—A dispatch to Reuters' Telegram company from St. Petersburg says:

An authoritative statement from a Russian source regarding the contents of the Russian reply is as follows:

"If the Japanese government is animated by the same pacific sentiments as the Russian government, there is reason to hope that it will give Russia a most favorable reception as to the Russian demand for reparation. But if the Japanese are inclined to stand firmly on their former demands against whatever concessions Russia can offer consistent with the maintenance of her pride is becoming a conviction here. An official of the foreign office said: