SUN YAT-SEN CONFERS WITH WU TING-FANG

Revolutionary Leaders Meet at Shanghai and Discuss Prospects for Republic.

U. S. WARSHIPS ON THE SPOT

Opinion of Powers Gradually Becoming Reconciled to Native Sentiment Against Continuance of Monarchy.

Shanghai, Dec. 25.—Dr. Sun Yat-sen, one of the leading promoters of the revolution and a possible first president of the first republic, boarded a launch soon after his arrival here this morning and was escorted down the river by two warships. After landing he proceeded by automobile to the residence of Wu Ting-fang, the Foreign Secretary in the revolutionary provisional cabinet, to discuss the situation.

So far as is known no reply has yet been received from Yuan Shih-kai, the Imperial Premier, with regard to the establishment of a republic as insisted upon by the revolutionaries.

Dr. Sun Yat-sen is quartered in a large modern residence in the French concession. He said to-day that he preferred to make no statement until he had reviewed the entire situation. His conference with Wu Ting-fang and other leaders shows that he is evidently commanding the greatest respect and attention.

Dr. Sun said that the entire movement was united, and that there would be no serious differences. It is quite evident that the revolutionaries are preparing for the constructive work of government, and are not counting on Yuan Shih-kai. They are even disregarding Peking, which they confidently assert they can take at leisure.

It has been definitely decided that Nanking shall be the future capital. Even after the abdication of the Emperor and the reorganization of the new government the leaders assert positively that Peking will not be considered.

In the minds of the revolutionists the movement has been entirely successful. One of the highest authorities said to-day:

"Fourteen provinces have absolutely declared for a republic. We control twelve divisions of the army; two more are coming. We hold the entire navy. Two provinces remain imperial and two are neutral. There is no government in Peking. Premier Yuan is its only representative, except the infant Emperor.

"The sooner the powers recognize the real situation, instead of clinging to harmful and intangible sentiment, the sooner will order be secured in China. Hesitation to recognize the republican cause will certainly prolong the stagnation of trade and will be responsible for much bloodshed should fighting begin again."

London, Dec. 26.—A special dispatch from Shanghai says that the revolutionaries are incensed at the imperialists for the capture of Tai Yuan-fu, in Shan Si province, and have protested to Tang Shao-yi, the representative of Yuan Shihkai at the peace conference, against the continued breeches of the armistice. They have demanded an indemnity, the withdrawal of the troops and the punishment of the officers upon whom the responsibility rests.

The revolutionary leaders insist that unless Premier Yuan replies at once to the demands of the conference they will elect Dr. Sun Yat-sen President, along with the Cabinet which has already been formed.

Tang Shao-yi explained that the imperialists had occupied Tai Yuan-fu only after the revolutionists had deserted the town. He forwarded the demands, however, to Peking.

Washington, Dec. 25.—The arrival at Shanghai yesterday of four more warships of the United States Asiatic fleet made it apparent that the United States is keeping a close watch on the situation there.

With the arrival of the cruisers New Orleans, Cincinnati and Albany and the torpedo boat destroyer Dale, the total of American naval vessels in the waters around Shanghai is raised to eleven. The other vessels are the torpedo boat destroyers Decatur and Bainbridge, the colliers Abarenda and Nanshan, the armored cruiser Saratoga, the naval transport Rainbow and the tender Pompey.

Tokio, Dec. 25.—A conference of members of the Japanese Cabinet, at which many of the Elder Statesmen, including Prince Katsura, the ex-Premier, were invited to assist, was held here on Sunday. The strictest secrecy has been maintained regarding the subject of the discussions at the conference, but it is generally believed that the latest developments of the situation in China were taken into serious consideration. It is understood that the conference reached the conclusion that the adoption of a republican form of government by China was apparently inevitable.

Information from a reliable source has reached here that the revolutionaries in China continue to insist firmly on a republic and that the peace negotiations now proceeding at Shanghai will result in a rupture unless the imperial authorities in Peking yield to their demands in this respect.

Most of the powers are apparently reconciled to the inevitable tendency thus outlined. Neither Japan nor Great Britain has any intention whatever of intervening in any way in China, much less of imposing any form of government on that country.

The general feeling here is that the only alternative for the present situation is for the representatives of the imperial government in Peking to yield.

Amoy, Dec. 25.—The United States monitor Monterey, which has just completed a cruise to the treaty port of Swatow, on the estuary of the Han Kiang, in the province of Kwang Tung, returned here this morning.

Piratical depredations along the West River have brought about an entire suspension of river traffic above the city of Chang Chow.

WANTS HAYWOOD EXPELLED

Socialist Thinks He Should Be Ousted for "Direct Action" Speech.

Denver, Dec. 25.—W. H. Leonard, a Socialist leader of Denver, stated to-day that at a meeting Tuesday of a local branch of the Socialist party resolutions will be introduced calling for the expulsion of William D. Haywood, former secretary-treasurer of the Western Federation of Miners, who in a recent speech is reported to have advocated "direct action" in obtaining their rights for labor organizations.

Mr. Leonard stated that if the ward organization fails to act a city-wide meeting will be called for Wednesday night to act on a proposition to submit the matter of expulsion to a referendum of the party throughout the country.

KAISER'S SON COMING HERE.

London, Dec. 25.—"The Daily Mail" says it has been decided that Prince Adalbert, third son of the German Emperor, shall go abroad on the protected cruiser Bremen, on the German Atlantic station, in July. He will probably visit New-York, Boston and other American cities.

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HELPS "DOWN AND OUTERS"

Bowery Mission Feeds 12,000 Men, a Larger Crowd than Usual

It was an "eating Christmas" for every one of the twelve hundred guests who went to the Bowery Mission, No. 227 Bowery, last night. Every one of them got cups of steaming coffee, one ham sandwich, one turkey sandwich, four crullers, one-half of a pie, two apples and two hours of rest and comfort from the streets.

The Bowery Mission has done the same thing every year since it was founded, but the gathering last night was a little larger than ever before. Hours before the doors were opened, at 7 o'clock in the evening, the "down and outers," as they are known on the Bowery, began to assemble, and by 7 o'clock the line stretched for blocks.

As the men filed through the basement they were handed a tin cup of coffee and a box containing the food, and went into the streets to eat, allowing the rest to get in.

Eight hundred men were taken care of in this way, and four hundred who had membership cards of the Bowery Mission Brotherhood were admitted to the hall, to hear the stories of regeneration told by former "down and outers" who were put on their feet by their association with the Bowery Mission. There were songs, too, and prayers, and kindly little talks.

STEAL AUTO; WRECK IT

Husband's Gift to Wife Disappears—Two Men Arrested.

A large automobile, which Julian Van Gelder, of No. 811 Ritter Place, The Bronx, had just given to his wife as a Christmas present, was stolen late yesterday afternoon from in front of No. 1226 Boston Road and was found two hours later at 170th street and Boston Road, where it had been driven against a telegraph pole and wrecked.

Two men who were arrested later were identified by Mrs. Van Gelder as men she had seen loitering about the machine. They described themselves as Charles Wilson, of No. 3140 Decatur avenue, and Edward Hunter, of No. 1236 Union avenue. They were locked up in the Morrisania station, charged with grand larceny and malicious mischief.

Mr. Van Gelder and his wife were taking their first ride in the automobile, and stopped at the home of Mr. Van Gelder's mother, at the Boston Road adress., Mrs. Van Gelder, who was seated near a front window, saw two men saunter past the automobile several times. She and her husband were about to leave the house, when she looked out of the front window and discovered that the automobile had disappeared. They hailed a passing taxicab and hurried to the Morrisania station house. Detectives who went with them in the taxicab soon found the wrecked machine and towed it to a garage. Mr. Van Gelder estimated the damage at $1,000.

Wilson and Hunter declared that they had no knowledge of the theft.

CATAPULTED OUT OF AUTO

Machine and Surface Car Crash in Race for Crossing.

William Meyer, twenty-four years old, of No. 727 Madison street, Brooklyn, was hurled out of an automobile he was driving and landed twenty feet away early yesterday morning when his machine was struck by a streetcar near Sumner avenue and Madison street. All the windows in the car were broken by the collision, and the motorman, Dennis Murigarin, received several bruises as a result of being pinned between the motor box and the door of the car.

Meyer was driving a car belonging to his brother, Robert Meyer, of No. 178 Patchen avenue. He tried to cross the street ahead of the streetcar, but the motorman had speeded his car to cross ahead of him, and the car struck the machine broadside on. The automobile was wrecked.

RICHESON EATS JAIL FARE

Parishioners Fail to Send Christmas Meal to Minister.

Boston, Dec. 25.—The chimes of neighboring church bells, ringing out their gladsome messages of Yuletide, penetrated the walls of the Suffolk County jail to-day and were heard by the Rev. Clarence V. T. Richeson as he rested on the little cot in his cell, convalescing from self-inflicted wounds of last Wednesday. The clergyman, accused of the murder of Miss Avis Linnell, was not forgotten by friends. Flowers, some beginning to fade, decked the cell. A few presents and delicacies had been received. Richeson's Christmas repast, however, was of the prison order, it was said. Although it had been understed that some of the clergyman's former parishioners would provide the holiday meal, persons who called at the jail were informed that he had about the same food as did the other prisoners. Richeson has so far recovered that his liquid diet has been changed to one of solid food.

During the forenoon Dr. Lothrop visited the clergyman. Upon leaving the jail the physician reported that his patient was making a good recovery and before the end of this week would be practically well. Ex-Senator William A. Morse called on his client during the day and had a short conversation with him.

Counsel for Richeson still refused to comment on the case. There have been persistent rumors of a postponement of the trial owing to Richeson's physical and mental condition, but verification of these reports has been impossible.

MYSTERY IN MAN KILLING

Victim Stops Bullet and Falls to Sidewalk Without a Word.

Munzia Schiabo, twenty-one years old, of No. 46 Carroll street, Brooklyn, was shot and killed last night by an unknown person as he was on his way to spend the evening with some friends. He was walking along Carroll street, near Columbia, with a companion, Ulysses S. Lichiani, when some one fired a revolver from a doorway. Schiabo pressed his hands to his head and dropped to the street without a word. He was dead when Dr. Dwortsky, of the Long Island College Hospital, arrived.

The police have not been able to find any one who could shed any light on the shooting, though Lichiani is held as a material witness at the Hamilton avenue station. The neighborhood where the shooting occurred is largely inhabited by Italians, and several similar shooting has taken place there.

TWINS CELEBRATE AT 93

Four Generations Represented at Birthday Gathering in Babylon, L. I.

Samuel Muncy and his twin brother, William, celebrated their ninety-third birthday yesterday in their home at Babylon, Long Island. Four generations were present at the gathering, and scores of friends called at the house during the day to extend greetings.

The twins told their guests how they attained longevity. "Don't drink, don't smoke, don't overeat and don't worry. Work a little, play a little and try to make others happy" was their advice.

YOUTH STABBED IN HEAD.

Harry Clark, twenty-four years old, of No. 115 Warren street, is in the Newark City Hospital with several stab wounds in his head, and the police are looking for James O'Donnell, of No. 11 Hartford street, who, it is charged, did the stabbing.

EATS ALL DAY; ARRESTED

Daniel MacNeal, Broker, Dines Well and Fails to Pay.

JUST WAITING FOR FRIEND

After Seven Hours of Lolling About He Tells Story of Having Lost $20,000.

Dipping his fingers in a finger bowl, wiping them daintily on a napkin, then taking the last gold tipped cigarette from a box, a young man who had been dining in Mouquin's restaurant in Sixth avenue last night looked up at a policeman who had approached the table and said:

"Just a moment, officer—don't be testy—and I'll be with you."

Then he lighted the cigarette, threw the empty box on the table and rose to accompany Patrolman Dennis Donovan to the West 30th street police station. P. J. Chaffard, the manager, shrugged his shoulders, spread his hands like an eagle's pinions and sank into one of the bentwood chairs.

"Mon Dieu!" he gasped.

It was the first time since 10 o'clock yesterday morning that Daniel MacNeal, of No. 215 West 179th street, had left the restaurant. He had been there all day, eating, drinking, smoking and lolling about on the leather cushions that run all around the wall. He appeared early, dressed neatly in a blue suit, but without an overcoat.

"Never saw such a mild Christmas," he explained to Emil Duplaine, the waiter in the southeast corner.

He ordered and ate, and kept at it until at noon Emil became nervous. When MacNeal had finished he sat around and ordered cigarettes. An hour later Emil became more nervous. He called Pierre and Gaspard and Henri, and they talked it over in the best restaurant Languedoc, glancing over their black coated shoulders at MacNeal, who was still lounging about with an air of luxurious indolence.

It got on their nerves. They called Chaffard, and Emil said:

"Ten o'clock, 3 o'clock—five hours!" and went back into the pantry and put his head in his hands.

"I'm waiting for my friend Mr. Crowninshield, from Boston," said MacNeal to Chaffard. "He was to meet me here at 10 o'clock. I can't imagine what has become of him."

The hours passed, and, pressed by Chaffard, at 7 p. m. MacNeal finally explained that he couldn't really pay the bill. He had depended on Mr. Crowninshield to attend to that trifling matter. The check was for $2.65. Chaffard went to the telephone, and a moment later Donovan arrived from the station house and took MacNeal away with him.

When searched at the police station a pawn ticket representing a loan of $125 on a fur overcoat and a Lincoln Trust Company bankbook that showed a balance a year ago of $20,000 were found in MacNeal's pockets. He said he was a broker, and up to a year ago was secretary for James C. Atwater, of Springfield, Mass. Mr. Atwater died a year ago, and since then, he said, he had been in hard luck, having lost $20,000 in speculation.

KILL BOY, CHASED BY MOB

Car Conductor and Motorman, Pursued in Street, Escape.

John Fox and John Fendler, the motorman and conductor of a southbound First avenue car, were chased through 111th street about 7 o'clock last evening by an infuriated mob after Frank Dillano, nine years old, had been run down and killed by their car. The two men managed to board a car and escape.

The child was showing some of his little friends a toy drum he had received as a Christmas present and ran in front of the car. He was struck and crushed to death. When the crowd saw the body of the boy with his broken drum lying a few feet away a yell went up and men and women made a rush for the motorman and conductor.

Fox and Fendler, white with fear, leaped off the car and ran for their lives. Through 111th street they fled, followed by the increasing mob. As they ran the two men dodged from sidewalk to street to escape bottles and bricks that whizzed by their heads. Just as the leaders of the avenging force were about to overtake them the two reached Second avenue and boarded a southbound car.

The two men did not get off until they reached the car barns, at 96th street, where they told about their experience. Men were sent up from the car barns to take charge of the company's property, and by the time they reached the scene of the accident the crowds had been dispersed by the police. The child's body was taken to the East 104th street police station.

JEW FED TWELVE HOBOES

New Yorker Happy to Learn Family Had Not Been Massacred in Russia.

Detroit, Dec. 25.—A man with a strong foreign accent inquired several times yesterday at the telegraph office in a local hotel if a message had come for him. "J. S. Groening is my name," he told the operator.

As he sat in a chair in the hotel office a page called "Mr. Groening." The man jumped to his feet and seized a telegram from the boy's hand. An instant's glance acquainted him with its contents. He buried his face in his hands. "My children, my little ones, are safe," he murmured in German.

Suddenly straightening himself, he walked to the clerk and said: "I want to make as many people happy as possible to-day. I have just had a great happiness, and I want to share it. I am an Orthodox Jew, and Christmas means nothing to me, but it does to many, and I am glad my happiness came at this time. I shall walk out into the street, find a dozen men who look hungry and send them in here to be fed." Later he returned, and with him were a dozen men who looked as if they were temporarily out of luck. A private dining room was provided for the party, and the meal the dozen men got was the best the hotel could provide.

Groening explained that he had feared the Russians, being aggrieved at the attitude the United States would take toward Jewish passports, would be infuriated and massacre the Jews in Russia.

"I sent money to my wife and children to leave for the United States immediately," he said, "and this telegram told me they had crossed the German frontier and were safe." Groening's home is in New York.

BELLEVUE EMPLOYE DROWNS

Was Taking Infant's Body to Morgue When Epileptic Fit Seized Him.

Joseph Hyland, who had been employed in Bellevue Hospital for the last two years, had an epileptic fit yesterday and while in its throes rolled into the East River and drowned. He lived at No. 235 Avenue B and leaves a wife and six children.

Hyland was on his way to the hospital morgue with the body of a child and had just reached the middle of the bridge leading to his destination when the attack came. As he fell into the water Superintendent Fane heard the splash. A boat was immediately procured, but it was only after an hour's search that the body was found.

GRAFT ATTEMPT DENIED

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for successfully handling a situation such as had arisen.

When we then met later you asked Mr. Henneberry whether he would serve on the committee and help you out, to which he agreed. Mr. Henneberry said that the thing to do was to call the executive committee together, place the situation before them, wipe out the Townes, reorganize, and then see if the President could be gotten to attend; if so, that of course Mr. Carnegie and all the rest would be glad to do their part. Otherwise, Mr. Henneberry advised against attempting to hold the dinner, as the facts behind Mr. Taft's absence would leak out, and one by one the committee would back out and it would be a failure, but that, properly explained to the President, he would come because of his great interest in the treaties.

The next time I saw you, you asked me whether I would go to Washington with you and see the President. I said I would if you wished, but that Colonel John Temple Graves knew the President far better than I did, and with his persuasive eloquence could surely secure his appearance.

You made an appointment with Mr. Henneberry and me at the former's office on the 22d, which you did not keep. The next I heard from you was by 'phone, when you told me that Colonel Graves had seen Secretary Knox and secured the President's promise to attend; that Mr. Carnegie had done what he could to prevent it, but, as the President told him, he was coming anyhow, had pitched in and was helping for all he could; that the Townes were out of it, and that Mr. Short was working with you enthusiastically, as he followed his bread and butter, and even wanted headquarters removed to the Press Club.

Whether the slight to my friends is Mr. Short's pleasure or your carelessness, I feel that fairness requires this plain narrative of the facts, in order that those to whom I unfortunately mentioned the matter may see the basis I had therefor.

"But enough said," the letter ends. "I'll stick to engineering from now on, and if ever another occasion arises to help save a great function I'll reply 'Never again' unless the applicant for my services be a man who makes his word of value and conforms to the courtesies of good usage in civilized society.

"I understood that the applications in hand insure the success of the dinner, which I trust will satisfactorily help one of the world's greatest measures. Concurrently with this goes my resignation to the Peace Society.

"Of course, this letter is written without the knowledge or consultation of Mr. Crosby or Mr. Henneberry."

Mr. Muschenheim, at the Astor, yesterday refused to make any comment on the reason why the place of holding the dinner had been changed from the Astor to the Waldorf, although it was understood that the reason was because he had refused to have anything further to do with the dinner. At the rooms of the executive committee of the dinner it was stated last night that Mr. Muschenheim never refused to serve the dinner. He wanted, it was said, a guarantee in regard to the number of plates that should be taken, which the committee was unable to make.

As a result of this business detail, it was said, the dinner was changed to the Waldorf, where conditions more to the taste of the committee could be obtained. In explaining the manner of payment for the dinner it was stated that the price a plate was to be to the diners $10. In order to meet necessary expenses a rebate from this price of $2 was obtained, and when it was found that this would not meet the needs Mr. Towne was sent to make arrangements for the additional $1.50 a plate rebate. These facts, it was said, were all made clear to those engaging plates for the dinner.

"The banquet arrangements are progressing smoothly and rapidly," an officer of the committee said last night. "Over $1,000 was taken in to-day and reservations of seats are being made with great enthusiasm. To-day over one thousand people expected have signed up, and we expect the capacity of the hotel, which is seventeen hundred, to be taxed.

"Every member, every committee, every speaker and the special guests have seats, which are paid for at the regular price of $10 each. Some of these are paid for by private subscription, and others pay individually. Senator Charles A. Towne, one of the speakers, has paid into the treasury $160 for sixteen guests. John Temple Graves pays for his dinner and those of his invited guests."

It was stated that Senator Towne was no relative of Edward Owings Towne, as asserted in Mr. Granger's letter. It was also said that the executive committee expected that when accounts came to be checked up there would be a deficit.

"But this contingency is already provided for," a member of the committee said. "J. Pierpont Morgan said when the subject of the dinner was first broached that he would stand behind it with thousands if necessary."

CAPTAIN SHOWS LOVING CUP

Proud of Tribute of Prinz Joachim's Passengers, Whom He Aided.

Captain Jones, of the Ward liner Segurancа, in from West Indian waters yesterday, was the proud exhibitor of a good sized loving cup presented to him by the passengers of the steamer Prinz Joachim, to whose aid he went when she stranded on a reef in the Bahamas last month. The inscription on the cup was the product of William Jennings Bryan's pen and the presentation was made by two of the shipwrecked passengers who had been commissioned to obtain the token of gratitude.

This is Captain Jones's second trip to this port since the rescue. He received the cup just as he was leaving port on the last trip, this being the first chance which his friends ashore have had to inspect it.

NATIVE AS BENGAL'S GOVERNOR.

London, Dec. 25.—A dispatch to "The Daily Mail" from Calcutta gives the rumor that Sir Krishna Gobinda Gupta, member of the India Council, will be appointed Governor of the new Province of Bengal. A native has never before held such an important post.

MORSE'S CONDITION UNCHANGED.

Atlanta, Dec. 25.—There was no material change in the condition of Charles W. Morse to-day. He has not been informed of the failure of his application for a pardon.

ODD FELLOWS HALL BURNS

Historic Building in Hoboken Destroyed—Loss, $50,000.

Odd Fellows Hall, Hoboken, was destroyed by fire yesterday morning. The flames threatened to sweep through the entire block, and three alarms were sounded. The firemen fought for three hours before they had subdued the blaze. The damage is estimated at $50,000.

The building had a frontage of fifty feet in Washington street, between 4th and 5th streets, and ran through the block to Bloomfield street. It was built by the Odd Fellows lodges in 1853 and was the only hall in the city suitable for social gatherings and entertainments for many years.

A Jewish literary society occupied the hall Sunday night. Richard Hagen, the lessee, made his customary tour of the building after the crowd had gone, and everything seemed all right. It is supposed the stub of a cigar or cigarette caused the mischief.

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