

CHINA IS NOT READY

For Any Negotiations For Peace With the Powers, Says Our Government.

LI HUNG ANXIOUS

For a Settlement. But Some Things Will Have To Be Done Before He Gets It.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—The state department this morning gave out the text of this government's answer to the proposal for intercession made by China, as follows:

Chinese correspondence, August 20—22.

(No. 1) Handed to acting Secretary Adee by minister Wu, August 20. A cablegram dated August 19 from Li Hung Chang as follows: "It was the declaration of all ministers for foreign affairs of the great powers that the expedition of the allied troops was solely for the rescue of the ministers in Peking. Now that the allied troops have entered Peking and found all ministers safe, it seems proper that hostilities should cease and negotiations for peace be commenced. I therefore request the United States to appoint their minister, now in Peking, for this purpose, as he is necessarily acquainted with the relations between the Chinese and foreigners; and that they will inform me if the conference will take place in Peking. After the receipt of a definite reply I will at once proceed north. Please request the secretary of state to lay this matter before his excellency the president. I await reply."

(No. 2) Received at department of state August 21. A cablegram from Li Hung Chang dated August 21, as follows: "The Boxers and rebels in Peking having been dispersed, there will positively be no more fighting. Further military operations on the part of the powers are greatly to be deplored. Besides urging a cessation of hostilities, please confer with the secretary of state upon the subject of the withdrawal of all troops and the appointment of a plenipotentiary to negotiate for the settlement of all other questions, so as to preserve amicable relations. I wait an early reply."

(No. 3) Sent to Chinese minister August 23. Memorandum in response to the Chinese minister's communication of cablegrams from Li Hung Chang dated August 19 and 21, proposing an immediate cessation of hostilities and the appointment of an envoy to conduct negotiations, as follows: "While the conditions set forth in our memorandum delivered to the Chinese minister August 12, have not been fulfilled, and the powers have been compelled to rescue their ministers by force of arms, unaided by the Chinese government, still this government is ready to welcome any overtures for a truce, and invites the other powers to join, when security is established in the Chinese capital and the Chinese government shows its ability and willingness to make on its part any effective suspension of hostilities there and elsewhere in China. When this is done, and we hope it will be done promptly, we will be prepared to appoint representatives to join with the representatives of other similarly interested powers and of the authoritative and responsible government of the Chinese empire, to attain the ends declared in our circular to the powers of July 3."

LI HUNG GONE NORTH

LONDON, Aug. 23.—The Telegraph's St. Petersburg correspondent says that a telegram received there from Shanghai states that Li Hung Chang has started for Peking. He hopes to secure a favorable agreement between China and the allies for quelling the Boxers and the revolted government troops.

TUAN'S HEAD DEMANDED

SHANGHAI, Aug. 22 (Delayed).—The Chinese report that the allies in Peking demand the execution of Prince Tuan, the leader of the anti-foreign movement.

Tuan's object in imprisoning Yung Lu was to make him a cosponsor.

It is learned that the governor of Hunan province in southern China has issued placards announcing the extermination of the foreigners in north China, and urging the Hunanese to do likewise.

It is reported here that several ladies of the Peking legations have died from the effects of the hardships of the siege.

PLANS CHANGED

The President Cannot Attend G. A. R. Encampment.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—President McKinley has decided to abandon his Chicago trip for the time being on account of important business in Washington. The announcement was first made this afternoon, the president expressing his regret that he would not be able to attend the G. A. R. encampment at the time expected.

He has intimated that it may be possible for him to go a few days later than his original program set forth, but the hope held out in this regard is but a slim one.

He was to have left Washington Friday at 3 p. m.

It is whispered that a complication of international character has arisen that makes it imperative that the president remain at the capital. Whether this complication is over the disposal of the troops in Peking or connected in some way with the matter of indemnity is not made plain. It is said the United States has demanded \$200,000,000 as indemnity.

AERONAUT DEAD

As the Result of A Terrible Fall.

DELPHOS, Ohio, Aug. 28.—During the street fair yesterday there was a balloon ascension. Harry Davis, the aeronaut, when 800 feet above the earth cut loose his parachute, which failed to open.

He struck the telegraph wires, bounded in the air, and then fell to the street. No bones were broken and he escaped with only a few scratches on his face.

He was taken home, but the doctors found that he was crushed internally to a pulp. He died this morning. The tragedy was witnessed by 8,000 persons.

STOVE EXPLODED

And Burned Two Women to Death

DENVER, Colo., Aug. 23.—Two women were burned to death here yesterday. Mrs. Frank A. Frisbie attempted to light a fire, when the gasoline stove exploded, setting fire to her clothing and burning her to death. Her mother Mrs. Darry, visiting from Connecticut, rushed to her daughter's assistance and her clothes caught fire. She too was burned to death.

The grocer had sent the Frisbies coal oil instead of gasoline. Mrs. Frisbie unknowingly filled the gasoline stove with the fluid and when it was lighted the explosion followed.

LOST ONE FOURTH

Omaha Has Only 100,000 Population.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—According to the returns made by the twelfth census, the population of Omaha, Nebraska, is 102,555.

In 1890 the population of Omaha was 140,452, a decrease of 37,897 or 26.98 per cent. In 1880 the population was 30,518, an increase of 108,934 or 360.23 per cent from 1880 to 1890.

WOMEN TO MARCH

In Labor Day Procession in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Aug. 23.—Five thousand wives, daughters and mothers of locked out building trades workmen will march in the Labor day parade if arrangements can be made in time.

It is proposed that transparencies be carried by the women, on which will be printed the wages paid by members of the building contractors' council before the union was organized and after.

PROHIBITIONISTS

Looking For Something in Kentucky

CHICAGO, Aug. 23.—Chairman Stewart of the prohibition national committee has returned from the prohibition convention at Louisville, Ky. Gubernatorial nominee ex-Congressman White will challenge Beckham and Yerkes to a joint debate.

Chairman Stewart says that his party expects to double the vote in Kentucky cast four years ago for Levering.

W. J. BRYAN NOTIFIED

Of His Nomination By the Populists At Topeka, Kansas, Today.

CROWD FAR SMALLER

Than It Was At Indianapolis, But Fusionists Say That Is Because He Is Stale.

TOPEKA, Kas., Aug. 23.—Bryan arrived here at 10:05, escorted from Atchison by the local reception committee. The workmen at the immense Santa Fe shops all turned out, lining the tracks from the suburbs to the depot. They cheered Bryan lustily as he stood on the rear platform waving his hand to the men.

Bryan was met at the depot by several enthusiastic brass bands. The day opened cloudy and a few drops of rain fell as the City troop headed the parade to the National hotel where Bryan received the state officials and notification committee.

Arrangements were made so that in case hard rain fell the notification exercises could be held on schedule time in the state house. The number of visitors is not so large as was expected, and it is not believed they will exceed 8,000 to 10,000.

The failure to realize expectations as to the crowd is explained by the fusionists, who said that Bryan has so often visited Kansas that the desire to see him is not now so great as formerly.

At all the small towns between Atchison and Topeka Bryan was tendered an ovation.

At 1 o'clock Bryan held a reception in the vacant rooms at 706 Kansas Avenue, at which time he met all the other committees and general callers.

The notification ceremonies took place in the state house grounds at 3 o'clock. Congressman Ridgely called the meeting to order. Vice Chairman Edmiston, of Lincoln, of the populist national committee presided. Mayor Drew delivered the welcome address, followed by Chief Justice Doster, who spoke 30 minutes.

Thomas M. Patterson of Denver then notified Bryan of his nomination for president by the populists. Bryan followed with a speech accepting the nomination.

The speakers' stand in the state house grounds was surrounded by a mass of sweltering humanity as early as 12:30. The clouds passed away, leaving beautiful weather over head except as to the great heat. In attendance the Topeka notification did not begin to compare with the Indianapolis gathering, on account of the difference in size of the two cities. About 15,000 people attended to hear Bryan.

He was not in good voice on account of the many speeches he has delivered this week, but his enthusiasm was equal to that displayed at Indianapolis.

A public reception will close the business of the day.

The city is profusely decorated with flags and bunting, and huge Bryan banners are stretched across the streets at many points.

SOCKALEXIS

Sent to Jail as a Vagrant.

HOLYOKE, Mass., Aug. 23.—Louis Sockalexis, the once great Indian ball player, was sent to the county jail for a month this morning as a vagrant. He has been sleeping in barns here lately.

MEXICAN SHOT.

And Two Arrests Made on Suspicion.

Sheriff Boone and Deputy Sheriff Ed. Bryant returned to this city shortly before noon today with two Mexicans whom they arrested near Montoya, about twelve miles from this city. They are suspected of being connected with the murder of Jose Alvarez, who was shot near Z. T. White's ranch on Tuesday evening.

Alvarez died early this morning.

The two Mexicans gave their names as Antonio Escobrias and Marcos Medina. Sheriff Boone says that Medina was turned over to a sheriff from New Mexico a short time ago on a requisition charging him with stealing cattle and that he is now out on bond.

CHILDREN MURDERED

In a Riot In Akron, Ohio, Caused By Mob's Desire To Lynch a Negro.

HALF MILLION DOLLARS

Would Not Cover the Money Loss, and the Disorder Is Not Yet Quelled.

AKRON, Ohio, Aug. 23.—In a frenzied attempt to lynch a negro charged with attempted assault on a five year old white child, a mob of several thousand persons last night burned the city building, wrecked the city and county jails, and caused a bloody riot. Two persons were killed, and two more are dying as a result of injuries inflicted during the rioting.

Lewis Peck confessed yesterday to having committed a bandish assault on Christina Maas, the five year old daughter of Theodore Maas. The negro was bound over to the court of common pleas in the sum of \$6,000 bail.

An immense crowd gathered around the city jail at half past eight o'clock last night, and forced the doors. There was no resistance offered on the part of the officers.

Peck was removed to Cleveland for safety early in the evening. The mob was informed of this, but would not believe the officials.

The county jail was then visited by the thoroughly aroused mob, and admittance demanded. Deputy Sheriff Stone informed the crowd that Peck was not there. A committee was appointed to search the jail.

Mayor Young then addressed the mob. The mayor said that Peck had been removed from the city. He was not believed, and the enraged mob demanded the surrender of the negro.

A third attack was then made on the city jail, shortly after ten o'clock. Shots were fired at the building, and at the officers at the windows. The officers fired over the heads of the crowd. Several officers were wounded, and the firing became general.

The crowd then made a rush to the city building and fell upon it, from all sides. Windows were smashed and the building fired. Mayor Young was inside during the attack on the city building.

The crowd began to leave the scene of the trouble about 11 o'clock, and it was thought that the rioting was over. At half past twelve the disorder broke out stronger than before, and the mob increased in size. A hardware store was entered by the crowd and looted of its stock of guns and ammunition. The rioting increased in the neighborhood of the city building.

Columbia hall was fired, and burned to the ground, while the fire department was powerless to prevent the spread of the flames. A block in the business portion of the city was fired. The fire department was ordered out. One fireman was shot and the toughs and rioters cut the hose and interfered with the work of the department.

Electric light wires and trolley wires in the center of the city were cut and business and traffic were suspended.

Officers who had been hiding in the city building for several hours finally escaped through rear windows and were obliged to run for their lives.

All of the prisoners from the city prison were released by the mob. Early this morning dynamite was used on the city building, smashing all the glass and almost demolishing the structure.

Hundreds of shots were exchanged, and the number wounded will amount to more than fifty. Those killed are two children, Glen Wade, aged ten years, and a four months old baby killed in his baby carriage. Two men will die as the result of gunshot wounds.

The loss of property will amount to over \$100,000.

The city building was burned to the ground, and the Columbia hall is a smouldering mass of ruins. Several frame buildings in the neighborhood are in the ashes. The rioting continued until daylight, and the city is still in disorder.

At a meeting of the city officials this morning it was decided to order all saloons closed until the riot is over.

Chief of Police Harrison is said to be so unbalanced by the shock of the night's experience that Policeman Andel has been appointed chief temporarily.

The Fourth regiment from Columbus and the two companies from Canton have arrived to prevent further trouble. It is feared the mob may attack the county jail and court house.

The city, and other losers by fire will be unable to collect insurance, it is claimed, because the buildings were destroyed during the riot.

By 9 o'clock this morning the streets were thronged with people, men, women, and children, but very few of last night's mob were in the crowd. Company C of Canton is stationed about the ruins of the city building, and ropes are stretched to keep the crowds back.

City officials who know the value of the records and documents lost in the fire estimate that \$500,000 will not replace the papers destroyed.

Temporary city offices will probably be opened in the old post office building on Mill street.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Aug. 23.—Lewis Peck confessed this morning in the county jail that he had attempted a criminal assault on Christina Maas. "I was drunk," said he, in the presence of Deputy Sheriff Barry.

WOMAN OPERATORS

Will No Longer Be Employed On the Pennsylvania.

CHICAGO, Aug. 23.—Woman telegraph operators will no longer be employed in the offices of the Pennsylvania railway system. The reason for the reform, as given by officers of the road, is that women are too nice for some of the positions on the system, yet it is admitted that they are quite capable of performing the duties of operators.

They are said to be not so available for all classes of work as men however.

ELECTRIC RAILWAY

Will Probably Be Built This Fall

There is another chapter in the street railroad story. The El Paso and Juarez Traction company, which is the consolidated old companies, has received from Mexico the necessary concession to enable the roads in Juarez to be operated in connection with those on this side of the river. The Traction people have all along said, as HERALD readers are aware, that the obtaining of this concession has been all that delayed them in the work of putting in an electric line. It is to be expected now that something will be done toward the conversion of the old mule lines within a short time.

The Chicago people are still figuring on the franchise which was granted to the committee of citizens. They say that the building of a line by the Traction company will not interfere in the least with their plans, but that they will go ahead independently. They say that the two roads will not run over any of the same streets in any event, and that the two projects do not conflict in any way.

As near as can be learned, the Traction company will build a line extending over Santa Fe street from the bridge, to St. Louis street, then to Stanton, south to San Antonio, west to El Paso, and south by way of El Paso and Stanton streets to the lower bridge. It is intended to build later an electric line over the Magoffin and San Antonio lines, and also on Stanton street from San Antonio to the bridge, but it is not thought this will be done at once.

The plans of the Chicago syndicate are even more obscure. It is known that they will use Texas street for their principal city line, and that they will open up some of the outlying subdivisions. It is likely that Franklin Heights will get a line, and also that there will be a line to the smelter, by way of Santa Fe street and up over the hills.

The prospects are certainly brighter for an electric system of railways in El Paso within the next year than they have ever been before.

HE GOT HIS MAN

After a Two Days Chase in Arizona.

Sheriff Baker of Osage county came in last night from Arizona with a man named F. Roberts who is charged with burglary at Alamogordo. Sheriff Baker stated that he captured his man after a two days chase in Arizona. He was accompanied by Capt. Wilkinson who is an ex Texas ranger.

NO REASON WHATEVER

For Maintaining the Outrageous Quarantine Against San Francisco.

TELEGRAMS RECEIVED

From the Governor Of California and President Dohrmann Dispose Of the Matter.

The following telegrams were received today by Secretary Russell of the chamber of commerce in answer to queries sent to the writers last night:

FROM GOVERNOR GAGE.
DOWNEY, Cal., Aug. 23.
Ernest E. Russell, Secretary,
Chamber of Commerce,
El Paso, Texas.

Yours of date yesterday directed to Sacramento reached me just now and I am pleased to report that there is not the slightest cause for the quarantine by Texas against San Francisco or against any other portion of California. The quarantine referred to is wholly unwarranted.

(Signed) HENRY GAGE
FROM PRESIDENT DOHRMANN.
SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 22.
Ernest E. Russell, Secretary,
Chamber of Commerce,
El Paso, Texas.

It is doubtful if there ever were cases of plague here to justify Texas quarantine, and there certainly is no cause to maintain it at present time.

(Signed) F. W. DOHRMANN,
President Merchants' association.

A FAST TEAM

Is El Paso's Aggregation This Year

Speaking of base ball in this city a well known young man who was a star for several years on our best teams said: "In 1893 we had the best team in the southwest right here in El Paso, and again in 1896, but they were really all professional players. For an amateur team I want to see the team that can get the best of the El Paso Colts as they play now."

That is what hundreds of people say who saw the games of last Saturday and Sunday, and if the other people who like to see good, fast, clean base ball will only attend the games that are to come they will likewise say the same thing. We have a good team and they play together well; there may be better teams in this country but they have as yet to show themselves to the Colts.

Base ball is on the boom in El Paso and that is no mistake. It is a manly sport and so long as the boys play the clean fast game that they put up last week they are bound to have the support and encouragement of the best people of the city.

National League.

YESTERDAY'S GAMES.
Boston, 8; Brooklyn, 16.
Philadelphia, 2; New York, 8.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

Clubs	Won	Lost	Per cent
Brooklyn	68	35	.623
Pittsburg	64	44	.591
Chicago	49	47	.510
Philadelphia	48	47	.505
Boston	47	49	.489
Cincinnati	46	51	.474
St. Louis	43	51	.457
New York	38	55	.408

Death of William Jones

Wm. M. Jones, aged 73 years, died at 413 Mesa Avenue this morning at 3:15 o'clock of cancer of the stomach.

Deceased was well known in this city where he has resided for several years. He was a cabinet maker by trade and had been connected with Hoyt and Bass in that capacity for several years. He leaves a wife and three children to mourn his loss.

The children are Orville, who is one of the foremen for Buchanan and Powers; Miss Alma, a student at the State university; and a married daughter in Chicago.

The funeral will be held tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock from the Baptist church, Rev. H. W. Moore officiating in the absence of the regular pastor; the remains will be interred at Concordia.