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CHINESE REBELS MASSING TROOPS FOR BIG BATTLE

Only a Question of Few Hours
Now Before Attack Begins
On City of Nanking.

REVOLUTION'S BLOODIEST BATTLE IS IMPENDING

Cablegram Received at Frisco States That the Troops of the Revolutionists, Which Propose a Chinese Republican Form of Government, Are Assembling Just Outside of Nanking in Great Numbers and That the Long Expected Battle Is Now Only a Matter of Hours—Commander-in-Chief of the Republican Army Will Lead the Attack in Person. Former Viceroy of Canton Clips Off His Queue and Flees to Europe—Other Developments in Chinese Situation.

(By the Associated Press.)
San Francisco, Nov. 21.—Revolutionary troops are assembling in great numbers outside of Nanking, according to a cable dispatch received today by Chinese Free Press, and the attack on the city is expected within a few hours. The troops are commanded by General Cao Shu Chung, former general under the Manchu government. The revolutionists are well supplied with arms and ammunition.

Hong Kong advises to the Chinese daily papers that the former Viceroy of Canton, Chong Ming Chi, has cut off his queue and gone to Europe.

The commander-in-chief of the republican army in Canton is sending one regiment north and will lead the other troops of his command in any attack on Peking.

Cheng Continues Defensive Preparations.

Nanking, Nov. 21.—General Cheng, commander of the Imperial forces within the city, continues his defense preparations, indicating his determination to stand a siege. The railway has not been interfered with. The brigades commanding in the city are unguarded. General Chang has organized the walls to impregnable.

In revenge for the desertion of General Huo, who went over to the revolutionaries, General Chang has beheaded Huo's relatives who remained inside the city.

Reports of Massacres of Foreigners Again Confirmed.

Peking, Nov. 21.—The killing of foreigners at San Fu, Hsien, in previous days has been further confirmed by two Chinese students who have arrived from that city. During the fighting in San Fu a man who was said to be a member of the British inland mission, located outside the city, and his wife were captured. Both were shot to death.

Bishop Ho and His "Cabinet." Bishop Embry E. Rose, who is to preside over the Conference, has arrived and was in conference today with the nine pending elders, who, with himself, constitute the cabinet. Rev. N. A. Levy, a member of the Conference, who is editor of the Christian Advocate, published in Nashville, Tennessee, is the general

PRELIMINARIES OF N. C. CONFERENCE

The Eighteenth Annual Meet-
ing of Conference Historical
Society Held Last Night

ANNUAL ADDRESS BY SENATOR Y. T. ORMOND

His Subject Was "Some Methodist History Along the Lower Neuse and Conterminous Rivers"—Rev. L. S. Massey, Historian, Submitted His Report—Election of Officers of Society for Ensuing Year—Rev. J. D. Bundy, President—Conference Begins Its Work Today, Bishop Ross Presiding.

(By Miss Mamie Bays.)
Kinston, Nov. 21.—This evening, in Queen Street Methodist Church, the eighteenth annual meeting of the Conference Historical Society of the North Carolina Conference was held. A large congregation was present, most of the preachers having arrived to attend the seventy-sixth annual session of the conference, which will open tomorrow morning.

Rev. W. W. Rose of Franklin, president of the society, presided over this meeting, after the opening hymn Rev. C. L. Read, of Murfreesboro, led the congregation in the opening prayer, and the conference quartette, consisting of Rev. J. M. Frazee, Rev. A. F. Parker, Rev. C. E. Van and Mr. R. M. Rumpus, rendered a selection.

Senator Ormond Delivers Address.

Mr. Ormond, of Winston, who delivered the annual address of the conference, was being "Some Methodist History Along the Lower Neuse and Conterminous Rivers."

He gave in this address information that had been carefully secured regarding the history of Methodism in the territory named above from the early part of the eighteenth century to the present time.

Rev. L. S. Massey, editor of the Raleigh Christian Advocate, historian of the society, submitted his report at the close of the annual address. The Conference quartette then rendered another selection, after which miscellaneous business of the society was transacted.

Election of Officers.

The final item of business before the society was the election of officers for the coming year. This election resulted as follows: President, Rev. J. D. Bundy; first vice-president, Rev. L. E. Thompson; second vice-president, Rev. G. B. Starling; third vice-president, Rev. A. S. Barnes; secretary, Rev. W. H. Brown; treasurer, Rev. T. A. Miles; historian, Rev. L. S. Massey.

A committee on publication of the annual address which had been delivered by the society was appointed to confer regarding this matter. This committee is composed of the following named members of the society: Rev. W. W. Rose, Rev. M. T. Plyler and Dr. Boyd of the faculty of Trinity College.

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GENERAL BERNARDO REYES SAYS ARREST ON CHARGE OF VIOLATING NEUTRALITY LAWS IS PERSECUTION



GEN. BERNARDO REYES

San Antonio, Texas, Nov. 21.—General Bernardo Reyes, arrested here after he had been indicted by a Federal grand jury in Laredo, declares that the charge against him is ridiculous. The complaint sworn to by L. Thompson, chief of the bureau of investigation of the Department of Justice, alleges that "Bernardo Reyes within the jurisdiction of the United States did on November 15, 1911, begin and set on foot and provide and prepare the means for a military expedition to be carried on from the United States against the republic of Mexico." A second count charges him with "personally endeavoring to invade a nation with which the United States is at peace." "I am sure the American administration in taking this measure have acted in compliance with their duty, and I have the fullest confidence in their honorable motives and their sense of justice," says the general. "This action will prove the truth of what I have frequently said—that I have been forced to abandon my country on account of the hostile attitude of the Maderistas. I am sure this is the result of the Maderista persecution of me."

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TOBACCO DECREE MUST BE REVIEWED

Independent Interests Attorney Tells Interstate Commerce Committee About It

DECLARER THAT HE WILL APPEAL TO CONGRESS

Lawyer Levy Appears Before Senate Committee at Washington and Gives His Views on Trust Question—Stated That An Appeal Has Been Made to President Taft for a Hearing and to Have Action Taken Looking to An Appeal to the United States Supreme Court, Etc.

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, Nov. 21.—Independent tobacco interests will appeal to Congress if necessary to have the Circuit Court's decree of dissolution of the Tobacco Trust reviewed by the Supreme Court. This was asserted today by Felix H. Levy, their attorney, who appeared before the Interstate Commerce Committee at Washington to give his views on the trust question.

Mr. Levy stated that an application had been made to President Taft for a hearing, and he has taken action, looking toward an appeal to the Supreme Court. Thus far no satisfactory answer has been received, he said. Attorney General Wickham informed Mr. Levy by wire, the latter stated, that he did not intend to appeal from the decree to the Supreme Court, and the independent tobacco people who were given an opportunity to intervene in the dissolving proceedings in New York, are leaving the court for a review of the case. Should they fail there, they will endeavor to have Congress direct the Attorney General to take action to have the decree brought before the Supreme Court.

Apparently to the Circuit Court this arrangement is satisfactory, and the President thus far has not indicated any opposition to it.

He declared that Element, composed chiefly of foreign importers, packed the Committee at Columbus, Georgia, and represented to Levy a \$6,000 position and that the same interests were supporting the scheme which was defeated in Atlanta yesterday—Other Features of Day's Proceedings.

(By the Associated Press.)

Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 21.—President Gompers and other leaders in the American Federation of Labor, may continue to associate with Andrew Carnegie, August Belmont and other members of the National Civic Federation. The labor convention, today defeated the specially requested motion to withdraw from the Civic Federation.

Marshall Businessmen Mine Gold.

John Marshall told the convention that it was a "packed" meeting of the United Mine Workers last night, but owing to the absence of miners, he was unable to secure a quorum.

He said that the miners had voted to do all they could to support his resolution with some thousands of miners.

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See What We Have Here!

Montgomery, Ala., Nov. 21.—A display of Negro fine carriages today made at the Empress Carriage Company, of Birmingham, was quite a sight.

This was the second day of the exhibition, and the crowd of 1,200 or so, will attend a third day.

At 5:30 p. m. there will be a motor

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\$50,000,000 FUND TO HANDLE COTTON

Announcement Made That Amount Will Be Sent At Once To Cotton Belt

NEGOTIATIONS WERE VERY SUCCESSFUL

Governor O'Neal of Alabama, Senator Bailey of Texas, Commissioner Watson of South Carolina, Editor Qualey of Texas, (For the Governor of Texas Conducted Negotiations on Part of South—What the Plan Proposes and Other Details of Importance—Full Text of Plan.)

(By the Associated Press.)

New York, Nov. 21.—New York bankers who have been conferring here for the last two days with representatives of the Governor's Conference and the Southern Cotton Congress announced this afternoon that they had raised a fund of \$50,000,000 to be placed immediately in the cotton belt states for the purpose of handling the cotton crop of 1911, and enabling growers to participate in any rise in the market.

The negotiations were conducted,

on behalf of the South, by Governor

Emmett O'Neal of Alabama; Senator

Bailey of Texas, who has been

advised by his colleagues as to legal

aspects of the plan; E. J. Watson,

President of the Permanent Southern

Cotton Congress; and Commissioner

of Agriculture of South Carolina,

and Clarence Qualey of Fort Worth, Texas, representing the Governor of his State. The bankers who will furnish

the fund, according to the statement

are headed by Col. Robt. M. Thompson,

of the brokerage firm of S. H. P.

Pell & Co., of this city. The financial

support of several of the strongest

banks in New York has been given.

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SPLIT ON FEDERAL APPROPRIATIONS

NATIONAL BANKERS ASSOCIATION MEETS

National Good Roads Congress Almost Severed In Twain By Hot Controversy

ARBITRARY RULING BY PRESIDENT L. W. PAGE

Although the Presiding Officer Ruled That No Motions for Federal Aid Would Be Entertained Several Resolutions Favoring Congressional Appropriations to Aid in Road Building Got to the Committee on Resolutions and One Was Finally Adopted.

(By the Associated Press.)

Richmond, Va., Nov. 21.—The Good Roads Congress was nearly split today by the fight over the question of Federal appropriations for highway improvement. The controversy which began yesterday, developed into an acute row.

While engineers and road contractors were engaged in an innocuous technical discussion in the convention hall a lively fight went on in the committee rooms.

What looked like a majority of the delegates declared their intention of putting the convention on record in favor of Federal appropriations at the rate of \$60,000,000. Some, however, supported Senator Bankhead, of Alabama, to introduce a bill carrying a billion dollars at once. This he refused today, but declared himself in favor of a reasonable plan for Federal help.

President Page's Arbitrarily Ruling.

President L. W. Page, who is also Director of Good Roads in the Department of Agriculture, ruled that no motions for Federal appropriations would be received from the floor of the convention.

This resulted in several heated discussions and bitter charges. A batch of Federal aid resolutions, however, through the means of parliamentary practice, much to the surprise of the anti-Federal aid men. Acting Secretary Chas. P. Light declared that the American Highway Improvement Association would finally decline to be bound by any action the convention might take asking Federal help.

Senator Bankhead's Argument.

Senator Bankhead, supporting the contention that the Federal Government had the right to appropriate funds for roads in the Philippines and Porto Rico, expressed the opinion that if money could not be appropriated under the welfare clause of the Constitution, it could be voted under the clause which provides for the establishment of post roads.

Those delegates who favor Federal aid started a movement to organize that sentiment and were charged with trying to stampede the convention.

Some of the leaders proposed calling Washington in session to amend the law.

Washington in session Congress to pass road legislation.

As the fight grew hot tinges of local politics crept in, motives were impugned, one portion of the delegates accused the other of trying to create

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TO SEND WARSHIPS TO SANTO DOMINGO

President Taft's Cabinet De- cides It Should Be Done to Protect Lives of Foreigners

CRUISERS WASHINGTON AND NORTH CAROLINA

Those Two Big Armored Cruisers Were at Once Ordered to Hampton Roads

—American Minister to Santo Domingo Directed to Take Passage on the Washington and Will Sail Today—Garrison Alarming Since Assassination of President and Action Taken to Relieve Apprehensions.

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, Nov. 21.—The cabinet decided that the situation in Santo Domingo was such, as a result of the assassination of President Camacho, as to make it expedient for the United States to have a naval force there sufficient to meet any demands for the protection of foreign lives and property and to insure the maintenance of order and the observance of law.

As soon as the decision of the cabinet was reached, the commander-in-chief of the Atlantic fleet was directed to dispatch the two big armored cruisers Washington and North Carolina to Hampton Roads.

Both the vessels will be ready to meet any emergency which may arise in Santo Domingo.

There is nothing on the surface im-

mediate danger of serious trouble in Santo Domingo, but the decision to send the naval force there is based on the fact that the president has been assassinated.

Admiral Wainwright, chief of operations, has before him an answer from the fleet commander stating that the two big ships were on their way to the Roads where they arrived within a few hours.

Admiral Wainwright wired:

"I am sending the Washington and

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