

IN THE DARK AGAIN

All Uncertain as to the Fate of the Legations

GREAT ANXIETY PREVAILS

European Capitals Full of Forebodings - Relief Strengthens That All Have Been Assassinated or Will Be Killed Before Relief Can Reach Them - Confidence in Assurances from Chinese Sources

London, June 29.—The War Office has received the following dispatch from Colonel Doward at Chefoo:

Chefoo, June 28, 11.35 a. m.—Seymour relieved. All British troops now at Tien Tsin. DOWARD.

The German consul at Chefoo also telegraphs that Vice Admiral Seymour is at Tien Tsin.

The deepest alarm over the fate of the legations to Peking, whom Admiral Seymour failed to rescue, is growing here and throughout Europe. The optimistic reports from Chefoo that the envoys were with Seymour prove to be untrue.

The anxiety in Washington because Minister Conger has not been heard from is duplicated here owing to the absence of news from Sir Claud MacDonald, the British minister. There was a hope that the German commander at Taku was right in saying the envoys were with Seymour, but it is dispelled.

It is reported that Admiral Seymour had expressed the belief before he set out to relieve Peking that, even if the legations there were captured, the ministers and their associates would not be massacred, but might be taken into the interior and held as hostages.

Their whereabouts is entirely a matter of conjecture, and the highest officials in the European capitals are full of forebodings as to their fate.

Notwithstanding the repeated Chinese assurances that the ministers are alive, it is believed here, and time strengthens the belief, that all have been assassinated, or, if any of them have escaped from the besieged capital, they will be killed before relief can come.

The impression is growing, even in conservative circles, that the early reports from China were correct, and that the ministers were annihilated in one of the many orgies of the Boxers at Peking.

A dispatch from Paris says that Foreign Minister Delcasse informed the cabinet today that the Chinese ambassadors to France had communicated a telegram received by him yesterday in which Li Hong Chang gives assurances that the foreign ministers to China are twelve miles from Tien Tsin.

The vicerey of Yunnan cables that M. Francois, the French consul at Lang Kow, whose life was supposed to be in danger for a while, has arrived safely at a point midway on the way to Tien Tsin.

It is reported here that Seymour has sent a message by legation employes, requesting unremitting British reinforcements unless Russia is to be allowed to dominate. Undoubtedly serious disagreements had sprung up between Admiral Seymour and the Russian general who acted as chief of staff, supported by the French commander.

Gratification is felt here over the news that a strong force is pushing on toward Peking.

The flight of the Americans and British is described as magnificent at the capture of Tien Tsin. After the relieving force pushed on to succor Admiral Seymour, Chinese regulars, under General Nish, sacked a dispatch from Shanghai, again attacked Tien Tsin fiercely and bombarded the foreign settlement with a terrible fire.

Colonel Doward, British, commanded the column that relieved Admiral Seymour. American officers participated in the achievement. The Admiral was found entrenched and surrounded by immense masses of Chinese, who were driven off by the relieving column after a brisk fight. The Chinese made a gallant resistance, never falling in courage for fifteen days of continuous fighting.

A dispatch from Shanghai says the China Merchants Company has transferred fifteen of its largest steamships to the British flag. It has also placed five vessels under the protection of the American flag and three under the flag of Germany.

A dispatch from Hong Kong says the vicerey has ordered the province to be in readiness for any emergency that may arise.

ONE FAINT HOPE - There May Be "Some One" in Peking Awaiting the Relief Force

London, June 29.—The fact that a large international force is on its way to Peking is taken in London and Tien Tsin consider "some one" at the capital stands in need of relief, so it is accepted as supporting the hope that the legations have been kept in safety there. But it is impossible to deduce a satisfactory conclusion from the absolutely antagonistic telegrams, the most contradictory of which appear to emanate from the same source, the vicerey of Nankin. The vicerey's strange report that the ministers were arranging peace terms remains unexplained.

The general tenor of the news is regarded as showing that the ferment may be cooling and that the Chinese government is possibly preparing to disavow the promoters of the outbreak. Hong Kong reports that the vicerey of Kwang-Si province has called out the militia for service in case of emergency. The householders are being compelled to pay for the cost of the mobilization.

According to a dispatch from Yokohama, divided opinions were expressed at yesterday's meeting of the Japanese cabinet. The ministers of war and marine and their supporters urged that Japan should undertake the suppression of the rebels in China, while another section contended that Japan ought to confine her efforts to the protection of foreigners.

Advices from St. Petersburg report abnormal activity in naval circles. The

BOOMS AND BOOMERS

Merry Contest for Vice President on at Kansas City

SULZER'S FRIENDS ACTIVE

They Take a Whole Floor in a Hotel for Headquarters - Towne Men Ready for Business - New York Delegates Will Make a Strong Plea for Conservative Action on the Financial Question

Kansas City, June 29.—The Democratic hosts are gathering here for the national convention and the party of enthusiasm among the advanced guard. Everybody here is confident that the party will achieve a victory in its impending campaign.

The program for the convention, which is to begin next Wednesday, has already been outlined. Colonel Bryan will be nominated for President on the great holiday, the platform containing planks strongly denouncing trusts, imperialism and other evils will be adopted Thursday and, it is said, the nomination of a candidate for vice-president will constitute the work for the third day. It is believed that all of the convention business will be completed in three days.

Mr. Bryan will, in all probability, come to Kansas City in a special car on the concluding day of the convention, and it is expected that he will address the delegates, for there is an overwhelming demand that the Nebraska shall appear in order that the Democrats from all parts of the country may celebrate his nomination and hold an enthusiastic mass meeting.

Representations continue to be received to the effect that the Empire State delegation, led by ex-Senator Hill and Augustus Van Wyck, will make a strong plea for conservative action on the financial question.

Mr. Van Wyck will arrive here tomorrow and ex-Senator Hill Sunday morning. Mr. Van Wyck is in St. Louis today. His friends here say that he will advocate an expansion policy in the convention.

The boom of Representative Sulzer for the vice-presidential nomination has made a strong impression here. The western Democrats recognize Mr. Sulzer as a loyal follower of Bryan in 1896. Two days ago the New York representative's supporters gave up a suite of rooms in the Coates House and have since taken an entire floor in another hotel. His headquarters there were opened yesterday.

Mr. Sulzer will reach Kansas City either tomorrow or Sunday morning to take personal charge of his vice-presidential canvass, which has thus far been in the hands of his friends in the city. Mr. Sulzer, it is said today, has secured the support of a number of delegates from the south and west and Sulzer clubs are being formed in Colorado and Kansas. Several of these organizations will arrive here to advance his boom Tuesday.

Ex-Senator Hill has secured the suite of rooms in the Coates House, which was given up by Mr. Sulzer's supporters.

The managers of the boom of Charles A. Towne, already nominated by the Populists as running mate with Mr. Bryan, have opened his headquarters at the Coates House. To take personal charge of his canvass. In all the gossip and speculation heard today, he is a decided favorite.

Government Department Notes - Washington, June 29.—Special.—The New Bears' bill has been allowed an extra letter carrier.

H. D. Buckman, of Alexander, has been appointed a railway mail clerk.

Pensions granted: Albert Rice, Beckner, 88; John M. Anderson, a Colorado, 82; James Dudley, New York, 81; Louisa Williams, Windsor, 88; Jane Williams, Fletcher, 88; and James Henry, Alice, 86.

Postmasters appointed: Samuel W. Park, at Fugio, Suway county, vice Joseph H. Forkner, dead; Harrison I. Shoemaker, at Harley, Wilkes county, vice Adolphus J. Taylor, removed; Low E. Fincher, at Pant, Haywood county, vice Rughly Noland, removed.

Royal Loved Dogs and Horses - Philadelphia, June 29.—Love for his dogs and horses prompted the late William C. Royall, a prominent resident of Germantown, to leave his fortune of \$50,000 to the Woman's Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

His will, which was admitted to probate yesterday, bequeaths for his own animals, left to the society's care, should his wife consent, the same kind of treatment they received from the testator.

An annuity of \$200 a month left to the widow goes to the society at her death.

The Fund for Mrs. Henry - New York, June 29.—The committee which was appointed some time ago for the purpose of raising a fund for the benefit of Mrs. Guy V. Henry, the widow of General Henry, met yesterday afternoon at the rooms of the Merchants Association when the treasurer made a report showing that \$18,572.44 had been collected, against which there were disbursements of \$404.50. Resolutions were adopted instructing the treasurer to write to Mrs. Henry, informing her of the condition of the fund and asking what she desired to have done with the money.

Got Rid of the Widow - Winston-Salem, N. C., June 29.—Special.—Mrs. A. A. Smith, a widow, who has efficiently filled the position of clerk in the revenue office here for nearly eight years was notified today that no allowance had been made for her salary after June 30th, and as no charge could be brought against her, this plan was devised to give her place, which pays one thousand dollars a year, to a Republican.

Fatalities at a Fire - Pittsburg, Pa., June 29.—Fireman David Williams was killed and 11 others more or less seriously injured, and nearly \$300,000 worth of property was destroyed in a fire that broke out in the machine shop of the Best Manufacturing Company on Twenty-Fifth street, shortly after 6 o'clock this morning.

KEMPF WAS MISTAKEN

Foreign Ministers Were Not with Relief Expedition

CONGR PROBABLY DEAD

Opinion Expressed by a High Official of the State Department That He Has Been Murdered - United States and China Virtually in a State of War - Two More Regiments to Follow the Ninth Infantry

Washington, June 29.—The Navy Department this morning received the following cablegram from Admiral Kempff:

Chefoo, June 29.—Pekin relief expedition now in Tien Tsin with 200 sick and wounded. Ministers and Peking party not with them. No news from them.

The department also was advised this morning that Admiral Remy, on the Brooklyn, has arrived at Hong Kong en route to Taku. The Brooklyn will sail tomorrow for Taku via Nagasaki.

Washington, June 29.—Admiral Kempff today acknowledged the error he had made in reporting the presence of the foreign ministers with Admiral Seymour's column eight miles out from Tien Tsin. His cablegram this morning admits that there is no knowledge of their whereabouts and it is assumed that the error in the first report arose from the Admiral's acceptance of a rumor that was very generally current at the time the cablegram was sent.

The fact that the Admiral's message is dated Chefoo today warrants the supposition that telegraphic communication has been restored at that point and Taku, where the foreign fleet lies. There is, however, a possibility that the Admiral could get a dispatch across from Taku to Chefoo on the same date by pushing the Yorktown, which has been used as a dispatch boat.

Admiral Kempff's news has added to the depression in official quarters. Admiral Remy is pushing the Brooklyn with all dispatch toward Taku and cables that he will sail from Hong Kong northward tomorrow. His main care will be to arrive at Taku with full coal bunkers, thus making sure that the Brooklyn will be ready for any service required when she reaches that point. Hence his announced purpose to stop at Nagasaki, Japan. The stop there also will enable the Navy Department to change his orders by direct cable communication with the Admiral's headquarters during the Brooklyn's five days' en route to do so. This port is scarcely out of the route between Hong Kong and Taku, so they will be practically no loss of time involved in entering Nagasaki.

No news from any of the American State Departments in China was received over night.

Secretary of War, who has been severely taxed by the exhausting labors thrown upon him during the present heated spell, was indisposed today and remained at home, while Assistant Secretary Hill looked after the routine business of the State Department.

LYING CHINESE DIPLOMACY - Supreme Disgrace Manifested by a Prominent State Department Official

Washington, June 29.—Immediately after the receipt of the Kempff dispatch it was hurried over to the White House and was the one topic of discussion at the cabinet meeting. It was decided during the period of parley that had taken place, and a cable was sent to Admiral Remy, directing him to organize a strong force at once after landing and proceed with it to Peking to learn the truth of the American diplomatic representative.

Mr. Wu, the Chinese ambassador, did not appear at the State Department today and no word of the dispatch was leaked to him. It is believed that he is near the close of his official capacity in Washington, and it was openly stated today that no one would be surprised did he receive his passports before a week had passed.

The diplomatic relations between China and the United States are already so far strained as almost to have ceased to exist, as Secretary Hay will agree to nothing save the landing of American troops and a forcible entry into Peking. The Oregon is due at Taku today, having sailed from Hong Kong June 23. With a strong force of marines on board, together with naval landing guns, it is expected that Admiral Kempff will be enabled to begin immediate operations.

The dispatch from Admiral Kempff has caused much uneasiness among the representatives of foreign governments in this city. Both Lord Pauncefoot and M. Cambon called at the State Department, but were unable to see Secretary Hay. A high official of the State Department who has been controlling the diplomatic end of the Chinese situation, stated this morning that, in all probability, Mr. Conger had been murdered.

"It is distinctly assumed by the Chinese officials that they have a direct line of communication with Peking," said he, "and yet they have carefully refrained from saying a word as to the whereabouts of Mr. Conger, even when directly requested to do so."

"The vicerey has lied to us repeatedly," and the Tsung-Li-Yamen has played no false. This is Chinese diplomacy, and am assured and can assure you that peaceful methods have come to an end so far as the United States are concerned. There is no question that Minister Conger has been murdered, and these weeks of parley have dragged in efforts to conceal the crime. There will be no immediate declaration of war, but our troops will land with direct instructions to force a way to Peking and set down all who oppose their advance. This is really a declaration of war, and a state of war really exists. We may kill 1,000 men en route to Peking, and yet there is no pressing need for an official declaration of hostilities."

The War and Navy departments' officials held a conference on the Kempff dispatch this morning and it is an-

RALEIGH BOYS LOSE

The Wilmingtonians Go on to Their Game

SIX INNINGS PLAYED

Both Teams Put Up a Good Article of Ball and a Large Crowd Admired the Performance - Durham Takes the Third Game of the Series with Charlotte in a Contest That Was Characterized by Excellent Team Work

Wilmington, N. C., June 29.—Special.—Only six innings were played by Raleigh and Wilmington today, the game being called on account of darkness caused by an approaching storm. The score was 3 to 2 in favor of Wilmington. The playing by both teams was superb and was watched with intense enthusiasm by nearly 600 people. Quick's work, both in the box and at the bat, was probably the most notable feature of Raleigh's game. The entire team did good work. Quick struck out seven men and Summersgill, two. Raleigh got five bases on balls off Summersgill. Time of game was one hour and fifteen minutes.

The score: R. H. E. Raleigh 2 0 0 0 0 - 3 2 3 4 Batteries: Quick and Manners; Summersgill and Gwaltney. Umpire Taylor.

Durham vs. Charlotte 7 - Charlotte, N. C., June 29.—Special.—In a close and fast game Durham defeated Charlotte this afternoon by a score of 8 to 7, thus winning 2 out of 3 of the series. The features of the game were a home run by Legrand and catches of Carr and Brockwell in the outfield. Durham came first to the bat, scoring five runs in the first inning and three in the fourth. Charlotte led off with four runs in the first inning, scoring two in the second and one in the fourth. After the fourth inning neither side was able to cross the home plate and the game from the fifth to the ninth inning was characterized by snappy and quick work.

The score: R. H. E. Durham 5 0 0 0 0 0 0 - 8 10 6 Charlotte 4 2 0 1 0 0 0 - 7 8 3 Batteries: Legrand and Graves; Latimer and McMakin and Oldham. The attendance was very fine. The Durham team leaves tonight for home.

Standing of the State League Clubs - Raleigh Wom. Post. P. G. Durham 3 2 600 Wilmington 1 1 500 Statesville 1 1 500 Charlotte 1 2 333 Tarboro 1 2 333

Raleigh will play Wilmington today. This is the only State League game scheduled for the day.

THE NATIONAL LEAGUE - Philadelphia Beats Pittsburg - Chicago and Brooklyn Play a Phenomenal Game - Boston Loses at the Last Moment

Pittsburg, June 29.—Philadelphia outplayed Pittsburg today in a game that was interrupted twice by rain. Piatt did not outpitch Waddell, although the score indicates that he did, but his fine record was made possibly by sensational fielding. Thomas robbed Beaumont of a home run that would have meant two runs, by catching a hard drive with his left hand while running toward the fence. Cross made a great catch and double play when the bases were full.

The score: R. H. E. Pittsburg 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 - 2 3 5 Philadelphia 1 0 0 0 0 1 0 - 1 7 1 Batteries: Waddell and Shriver; Piatt and McFarland. Umpire, Emslie.

Chicago 1, Brooklyn 0 - Chicago, June 29.—Chicago made one run this afternoon and shut out the champion Brooklyn team. Kitzor pitched great ball for the visitors, but lost the game when he gave Childs a pass to first in the sixth. It was the only base on balls he allowed, but it was fatal, as Childs stole second and scored on Ryan's two-bagger after two were out. It was announced tonight that Pitcher Killen had been released unconditionally.

The score: R. H. E. Chicago 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 - 1 4 2 Brooklyn 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 - 0 4 1 Batteries: Griffith and Dexter; Kitzor and Farrell. Umpire, Hurst.

St. Louis 4, New York 3 - St. Louis, June 29.—The Cardinals defeated the Giants today 4 to 3. Doyle covered first base in an indifferent manner for six innings, when Grady was switched to the initial bag, Mercer going to short. Powell twirled a good game, as did Carrick, but eight hits being scored off each. Errors by Grady gave the Cardinals two of the four runs scored. Mercer also gave the Cardinals a run.

The score: R. H. E. St. Louis 1 0 0 0 1 2 0 - 4 8 2 New York 0 0 0 2 0 0 1 - 2 3 4 Batteries: Powell and Robinson; Carrick and Warner. Umpire—Smartwood.

Cincinnati 3, Boston 2 - Cincinnati, June 29.—For eight innings the Cincinnati were shut out today, while the Boston secured two runs. In the ninth the Reds rallied and won the game on three singles and two bases on balls—Crawford's single drove in the tying run, and McBride's single won the game. In the seventh Barrett killed at apparent home run for Collins when the bases were full, saving the game.

The score: R. H. E. Cincinnati 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 - 3 6 2 Boston 0 1 1 0 0 0 0 0 - 2 7 1 Batteries—Breitenstein and Peltz; Nichols and Sullivan. Umpire—Terry.

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