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HOW IT STARTED?
The Chronicle's invariable correspondent at Tokio has scooped the world! Mr. X Ray, a member of this newspaper's staff, who has spent many months in Japan, for the first time since the trouble started has been able to slip his dispatches past Japanese censors. The following is the inside story of the beginning of the far eastern crisis, written by a first hand observer:

The scene is the Japanese war office or any other prominent meeting place in Tokio. A solemn gathering is seated around a huge table, quaffing scooners of sake and conversing loudly. It is plain that affairs of great importance have brought them together—the crowd, not the sake. Included are admirals, generals, diplomats, captains of industry and Japanese house-boys.

"Gentlemen," said Baron Heavi Shuguro, "we are facing a crisis. The fate of Japan is in the balance. No longer are the despised Chinese buying the products of our factories. Already this year have I lost 2 million yen. I tell you, we must crush them into the earth and make them buy!"

A chorus of assent swelled from the assemblage.

"The people! The people!" cried Baron Hari Karl. "We have too many people for our small islands. Even Margaret Sanger could do us no good. We must have more land for our people. The bones of our ancestors are crying for room."

Baron Karl in turn was applauded. A hush fell over the gathering as General Ichy Ichi slowly rose to his feet. The general is the big potato in Japan. He tells diplomats where to head in, and they head.

"It is very simple," the general declared. "We shall first seize Manchuria. There our surplus population may go and grow up with the country. Any Chinese who stand in the way we shall kill. The others we shall hire to run the country for Japan."

"As for China itself—"

"The general's lip curled contemptuously—"we shall send a few thousand men to Shanghai to wipe out the Chinese army and end the boycott. The Chinese must buy from Japan. If they don't we shall kill them."

Wild applause followed the general's remarks. It was plain that most of those present were eager for blood—the blood of somebody else, preferably a Chinaman, wearing spectacles.

However, a thin, scrawling, appearing son of Nippon, scholarly spectacles, now arose. He appeared to be laboring under a great strain. He was Plenti Shaki, a mere executive in the civil government of Japan.

"Gentlemen," he expostulated, "have you thought what such a course would mean? Do you realize that world opinion would be against us; that we might become involved in a war with the United States or Great Britain; that we are not financially able to withstand a long war, and that resistance in China may be more sanguine than we expect?"

Scuffling laughter greeted his remarks.

"Ho Ho," roared General Ichy Ichi. "Listen to him telling the army what it should and should not do. That's the best laugh I've had since we arrested those American fliers, Pangborn and Herndon, and accused them of photographing our military defenses."

"Yes," agreed Baron Karl, "everybody knows that other great powers of the world are too deeply involved with their own troubles to care what we do in the orient. Besides, we could lick 'em all, if we should find it necessary."

This sentiment appearing almost unanimous the meeting adjourned, with a final toast in sake to the land of the rising sun and its valorous sons.

And that's how it all started.—The Dailies Chronicle.

"I could have bought it for half that two years ago" will be said of many a stock or property two years from now. — Weston Leader.

Secretaries To Meet At Eugene On March 21-23

Problems of taxation, land settlement and community development will be discussed at the 12th Annual chamber of commerce secretaries short course which will be attended by Harold Boone, secretary of the Oregon county chamber of commerce, in Eugene on March 21, 22, 23. Mr. Boone, accompanied by Earl Reynolds, of Klamath Falls, and C. T. Baker, of Medford, will lead the discussion of taxation problems, according to announcement made by David E. Paville, dean of the school of business administration, under whose direction the event will be held.

Chamber of commerce secretaries from all over the state have already sent in registrations, while a number of men well known in Oregon have accepted invitations to speak. Speakers will include Robert M. Mount, manager of the Portland Better Business bureau; W. D. B. Dodson, manager of the Portland chamber of commerce; Dr. Arnold Bennett Hall, president of the university; and James H. Gilbert and Dr. P. A. Parsons of the university faculty; and T. P. Cramer, secretary of the Oregon Bankers' association.

Interesting subjects are slated for discussion. Dr. Gilbert, one of the leading economists of the Pacific coast, will talk on "National Affairs and the Farmer." Dr. Hall will speak on "The Part the Chamber of Commerce Can Play in Community Development Work." Mr. Mount will speak on "Oregon Racketeers." E. G. Harlan, secretary of the Eugene chamber of commerce, will address the group on "Land Settlement and Activities of the Los Angeles Office." T. P. Cramer will discuss "Your Banker and Your Community," and Leonard Read, northwest manager of the United States chamber of commerce, will lead a discussion of "Problems of Your Secretary."

Discussions of industrial development, distribution of Oregon products, tourist promotion, conventions, budgeting will be held, and Mr. Dodson will address the group on "Columbia River Project Program."

NO ONE TO PUSH VENZKE IN MILE

Pottstown, Pa. Flash Rumps Home in 4:15 — Other Records Broken

By Gayle Talbot (Associated Press Sports Writer)

NEW YORK, Feb. 23 (AP) — Gene Venzke, the Pottstown, Pa. flash, made only one miscalculation when he set out this winter to shatter all known records for the mile run but it has turned out to be a grievous one.

He failed to take into account the feelings of his opposition. He's run them all to cover and as a result he finds himself doing practically a solo when he steps out on the boards. As further result, the world never will know what the 24-year-old high schooler might have done to the mile mark this winter had there been somebody to give him a race.

Only two runners went to the mark with him last night in the National A. U. championships at Madison Square Garden. Neither was capable of extending Gene so one of the largest crowds ever to witness an indoor meet here had to be content with watching him do a mere 4:15 mile. They had hoped to see him surpass his record of seven minutes, 10 seconds, set in the New York A. C. games on the same track last week.

Lermund Withdraws

Leo Lermund, distance star of the New York A. C., who pushed Venzke to last two runners went to the mark on the one and seven-eighths mile relay for his club, Carl Coan, University of Pennsylvania's crack miler, did likewise. Ray Conger of the Illinois A. C., Frank Crowley of Manhattan college, Orval Martin of the Los Angeles A. C. and other entries in what was to have been the greatest field of the season simply did not show up at the starting line.

Venzke, left with the task of shaking off only Bill McKinnif of Pennsylvania and Arthur Pendleton of Greenwich, Conn., was able to set his own pace and made no effort to eclipse his record. Later, when Lermund and Coan appeared in the relay, they received a rousing chorus of razzberries from the audience.

Other Events Keen

But if the crowd was disappointed at the failure of the latest "mile of the center" to materialize, its feelings should have been partially appeased by record-smashing that took place in the other events. Three world records were broken, another equaled twice and two meet marks sent into the discard in a series of brilliant performances.

Joe McCluskey, Fordham's youthful "iron man" cracked all previous records for the two-mile steeplechase under New York conditions, equalling 46 2/5 seconds. The former world mark of 9:55 2/5 was set by Eino Purje of Finland in 1929.

Mike Peters of the Brooklyn Central Y. M. C. A., distanced a crack field in the mile walk as he set a new world record of 6 minutes, 27 1/5 seconds.

BAKER CAGERS TO PLAY HERE THIS EVENING

What may be one of the final independent basketball games to be played in La Grande this winter is scheduled for tonight at 8 o'clock sharp at the L. D. S. Recreational hall. The game will begin on time — with Roy Farnam's Owls and the Baker Antlers as opponents — so that those who wish to attend the

Elks annual ball later in the evening will have time to do so.

The Antlers defeated the Owls at Baker last week, catching the Owls more or less unprepared through lack of practice and without the services of Posey, guard, but this week promises to be a different story, with the Owls favored to win handily. Posey is back in the lineup, and the team put in a splintered workout last night.

The Owls rank as one of the leading independent teams in Eastern Oregon.

JERUSALEM (AP) — Drouth has brought so serious a water shortage that the municipal council announces water will not be available for building purposes after April 1.

BAKER DOWNS BUCK CAGERS BY 41-14 SCORE

BAKER, Ore., Feb. 23 (Special)—A band of diminutive Buckaroo basketballers of Pendleton bearded the Baker Bulldogs in the kennel in the high school Saturday night, but were impressively turned back by a count of 41 to 14.

Hitting his stride in veteran style with Shirley and Jackson at the forward positions, the new combination of Bulldogs scored consistently while the Buckaroos were hard pressed to score their five field goals.

The game was fast from start to finish and kept the spectators in an uproar throughout. Although the Buckaroos displayed plenty of speed and aggressiveness they were severely handicapped by their size. Clicking like clock-work, the Bulldogs passed the ball with unerring accuracy over the heads of their small opponents and converted field goals almost at will.

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Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons: but in every nation he that feareth him, and worketh righteousness, is accepted with him.—Acts 10: 34, 35.

OUR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Twelve prominent citizens of the Grande Ronde valley have been selected to constitute the board of directors for the Union County chamber of commerce during the coming year. The activities planned will be many and varied, but unified to accomplish a five-fold purpose, and dedicated to the highest interests of the people of La Grande and Union county.

Encourage farming! Farming is the leading pursuit of the Grande Ronde valley and will be directly benefitted if the citizens stand behind the chamber of commerce in urging the establishment of a public market. During the past year this organization sponsored the Grange Fair and Home Products Show and made about 10,000 people conscious of the vast productiveness of the valley. A delegation from the chamber appeared with local wheat growers before representatives of the federal farm board to present a plan of wheat control through the reduction of acreage.

Civic improvement! The chamber has been responsible for many public improvements, and for 1932 it has placed among its objectives the beautification of Jefferson street near the depot, in order that people coming through on the trains may receive a more favorable impression of the city. Another definite objective is the beautification of Commodore Park.

Highway improvement! Intensive efforts on the part of the chamber of commerce, backed by the people of the whole county, during 1931 made possible the construction of the new Mt. Emily road, making accessible an incomparable vista of remarkable scenery which promises to attract hundreds of tourists to this area. During 1932 the chamber plans to encourage the improvement of roads and the protection of natural scenery.

Tourist travel! Through the publication of a small folder last year hundreds of tourists were brought to the Grande Ronde valley, tourists who otherwise might never have known the many attractions and advantages of this locality. And those tourists left hundreds of dollars in Union county. This year a much more attractive folder is being prepared and the chamber is planning strenuous efforts to bring in more tourists and persuade them to stay longer.

Industrial development! This is a most important phase of activity, and during 1932 the chamber plans to urge the erection of the E. O. N. training school building, co-operation with the railroad in every possible way, and the development of an airport, all of which would be of direct benefit to both city and county.

The chamber of commerce has led many worth while projects in the past and there is much it can accomplish in the near future. Its usefulness is measured by the degree to which the people of the county co-operate with it. It is the only agency for intelligently directing and co-ordinating the efforts of all our citizens in building a finer, more prosperous community.

Willamette Scores Decisive Victory

SALEM, Feb. 23 (AP)—A spectacular last half drive by Willamette university hoopers sent "Spec" Keene's platoon one game up on Whitman in the Northwest conference championship. Willamette last night defeated Pacific University 53 to 24.

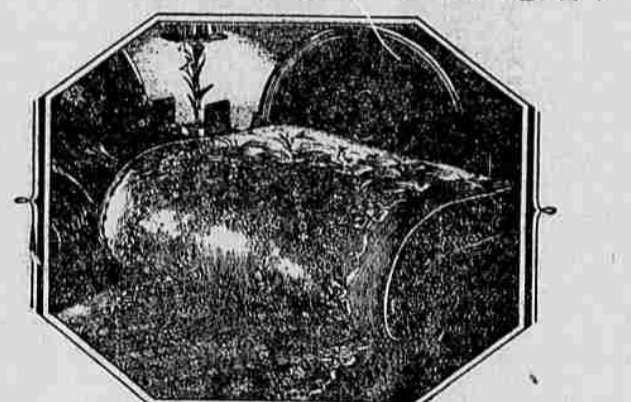
The lead changed hands several times during the first half of the game, but in the second half Willamette was smothered, scoring but 10 points against 34. Roy Benjamin was high scorer with 14 points while Douglas scored 9 for Pacific.

Production of "true chalk" in the United States is confined almost entirely to Alabama.

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CHURCH HOLDS SERVICES IN HONOR OF DAY

A special service was held yesterday by the First Church of Christ, Scientist, of La Grande, as a part of the nation-wide celebration of the George Washington bi-centennial.

The service included an address by the first reader, in which were recounted some of Washington's moral and spiritual traits, closing with the statement that "On the whole, therefore, it can be said of George Washington that he served God and men consistently and faithfully, according to what he regarded as his opportunities, that he did this unselfishly, and that no lapse of time is likely to dim either the value or the virtue of his service. The United States of America has been greatly blessed by having had the benefit of Washington's wholesome example and influence, not only during our country's infancy, but also throughout its history, even to the present time."

The lesson-sermon, prepared especially for the occasion, was read by the first and second readers of the church. The subject was "Love For God and Man, the Universal Ideal," and the golden text, taken from Psalms, was "The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord: and he delighteth in his way."

Included in the lesson-sermon were passages from the Bible in which the prophet Isaiah, foresee the end of war when nations "shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks."

PORTLAND PRODUCE

PORTLAND, Feb. 23 (AP) — Eggs — Pacific poultry producers' selling prices: fresh extras 17c; standards 16c; mediums 15c. — Selling price to retailers: country killed hogs, head butchers under 100 lbs. 6c; vealers 8c to 130 lbs. 10c; spring lambs 16c; heavy ewes 9c; heavy cows 4c; bulls 6c; 6 1/2c lb.

Butter, butterfat, live poultry and mohair, nuts, cascara bark, hops, onions, new potatoes, potatoes and seed potatoes, wool and hay quotations unchanged.

LIVERPOOL WHEAT

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 23 (AP) — Wheat closed: March 63 1/2; May 61 3/4; July 63 1/2; Oct. 63 1/2. Exchange 93.47.

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