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Single Misguided Act Might Force Rupture With Nippon, in His Opinion.

STRAIN IS TENSE

GRAVEST CONCERN FELT

Most of President's Time and Attention for Weeks Past Given to Problem of Averting Pos-

sibility of Break.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Wash ington, Feb 14 .- Never, during his long term of office, has President Roosevelt been more deeply concerned over any Na tional question than he is over the possibility of a rupture with Japan. It is not stating it too strongly to say that the President, knowing the situation as he does, feels that a single misguided act

of hostilly in this country, may force a rupture, the extent and result of which no man can foresee. The defeat of the antil-Japanese bills in California has for the present postponed the issue, but has not changed the general situation. From his many conferences with nublic

From his many conferences with public men and representative citizens from all sections, the President finds that the people do not attach proper significance to the Japanese question. There is a gen-eral disposition to look upon the con-troversy very largely as newspaper sen-sationalism. But the President knows differently, he regards the situation as un-mentative erarge and one dermuding the usually grave, and one demanding the most adroit handling.

Japanese Question Paramount.

As a matter of fact, the Japanese que tion has occupied the bulk of the Presi-dent's time and consideration for the past three or four weeks-ever since anti-Japanese bills were introduced in the California Legislature. Daily the Presi-dent has been in consultation with the beads of the State Department; with rep-resentatives of the Japanese government, with Senators and Representatives, lead-ing men of California and other far western states, and much of his cor-respondence has had to deal with this subject Latterly he has been consult-ing active structure from Pawith other prominent men from Pa-e Coast and Rocky Mountain states undertaking to impress upon them, and through them, their people, the desir-ability of avoiding conflict with Japan. The President has felt all along that if

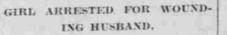
the people of the entire country would cuce awaken to the true importance of the situation, that public sentiment from the outside would be so strong that the the outside would be so strong that the botter element on the Pacific Coast would realize that the Japaneze question, in its present shape, is one that affects the whole Nation, and not any one, or two, or half dozen states where a consider-able portion of the population is made up of laws of Japs

When "Butting In" Is Necessary,

Some of those who have counseled with the President have expressed the view that he should not "butt-in" on the Leg-Islatures of California, Nevada and other states; that he has no such constitutions authority, and that any such action on his part would be properly resented. The President has replied to such of his ad visors that when a single state under-takes to legislate in a way likely to involve the whole Nation in war with a foreign power, it is his privilege-his duty, to do his utmost to prevent the enact-ment of inflammatory legislation in any

such state. In other words, he feels that it is incumbent upon him, as President of Istrai the whole United States, to use his in-The whole child states, to use his in-fluence in any emergency when the hot-brads and the agitations of any single state attempt that which means much to the entity Nation. When President Roosevelt first entered the White House, it was predicted by his enemies that he would involve the this enemies that he would involve the country in war before the close of his Administration. Now that a serious situa-tion has arisen, be has gone perhaps farther than any other man in his posi-tion would have dared go in an effort to avert war. He has shown that he is a man of peace; not an advocate of war. He would not for a minute have peace if it could be had only without honor; yet it is his firm conviction that there is yet it is his firm conviction that there i nothing in the present situation in Call-fornia or elsewhere that justifies war be-tween the United States and Japan.





Victim of Shooting Also Husband of Girl's Mother - Quarrel Over Valentine.

REVEALS

BUSY DAYS FOR CONGRESS

Two Weeks

WASHINGTON, Feb. M .- Congress this

WASHINGTON, FUE IA - Congress this week will give all possible attention to appropriation bills, as it has become a pressing necessity that both houses shall act promptly if the measures are to be-come laws in the few remaining days of the session. The Senate will take up the naval hill Monday and when that is alsooned of the Pastoffice bill will receive

attention. The Senate is so far behind that night reasions will be necessary. The House is in better shape, but has little time to

Work on the Indian bill will be re

sed of the Postoffice bill will receive

Much

SHOT

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Feb. 14 -- In the

hooting of William Smith, a carpenter, here today, which is expected to result fatally, there came to light one of the strangest entanglements in the lives of three persons ever known. A girl 22 years old, who shot Smith, avers to the police that she married him knowing that

police that she married him knowing that her mother was already his legal wife. The three have lived for years together, the gaan as the husband of both. The shooting this afternoon occurred over the sending of a comic valentine. The girl, who styles herself Mrs. Cora Smith, while her mother is known by the name of Mrs. William Smith; sent the carriester a comic valentine. Smith grew arpenter a comic valentine. Smith grew angry when he ressived it, and after packing up his clothes, started to leave the house

Thinking he was going to desert her, he girl shot him. The girl's mother says Thinking he was going to desert her, the girl shot him. The girl's mother says she married Smith in 192. Her daughter was by a former husband. A year after their marriage, she says, she found that her husband had improper relations with her daughter. She made him marry the girl, she says, without first securing a divorce. The girl and her husband both hear out the story.

bear out the story. Mrs. Cora Smith, who shot her husband, was placed under arrest by the police. She will be held pending Smith's condi-**BODIES 52 DEAD RECOVERED**

REFORM BILL FOR SPAIN Deputies Pass Administration Mea-

sure After Year's Debate.

Lifeboats Swamped in High Seas. MADRID, Feb. 14 .- After a discussion lasting more than a year, the Chamber of Deputies has passed the local admin-Rafts Found to Be More Servstration's bill the principal features o government's programme. It



towa will pay homage to one of its dis-tinguished citizens when a memorial por-trait of General James B, Weaver, twice candidate for the Presidency of the United States, will be unvelled at the Iowa State Historical Building. Prin-cipal aftong the speakers will be W. J. Bryan, one of General Weaver's closest triends. NEEL The day will start with a breakfast at the Savoy in honor of General and Mrs. Weaver and Mr. and Mrs. Bryan. At 2 Country Will Be Overrun. work Ahead for Next Retired by Admiralty Before Age Limit Is Reached. Weaver and Mr. and Mrs. Bryan. At 2 o'clock the programme incident to the unvealing of the portrait will begin. At 6 o'clock a hanquet will be given at the Savoy under the auspices of the Demo-cratic legislators, and attended by both Republicans and Democrats. Governor Carroll will preside at the un-veiling ceremonies. Ex-Governor Warren Garst will deliver an address, as well as Colonel Lafe Young and Rev. Father J. F. Nugent. Senator W. D. Jamieson will be tonstmaster at the banquet. TWO RACES NEVER BLEND CHANNEL FLEET DISPERSED Declares Americans Will Become Largest and Best Ships of Navy to Servants of Japanese if Immi-Be Grouped Under Vice-Admiral STORMS IN MIDDLE STATES gration From Orient Is for Home Defense. Not Checked. SLEET AND SNOW BLOCK TRAF-SACRAMENTO, Cal., Feb. 14 .- Assembiyman A. M. Drew, of Fresno, who recently introduced an anti-allen land FIC IN CHICAGO. The second provided an anti-alter and bill, in a sermon preached at the Cen-tral Methodist Episcopal Church, this city, conlight, spoke in part as follows: "The history of the world teaches that a co-mingling of the white and yellow or the white and black races, olways brings the white more down

Lake Steamers Are Behind in Their Schedules-Wire Service Is Badly Interrupted.

always brings the white race down and never brings the yellow or black up. It results in a shiftloss, worthless mongref race that the world does not want. The South American countries were settlod with the people of the mixed Scantab and merce bland, and CHICAGO, Feb. 14-A heavy fall of sleet and snow, driven by a high wind. interfered with transportation and seriously interrupted wire communication mized Spanish and negro blood, and that is the thing that places the South American lands where they are. over a large portion of the Lake Michigan district today. The storm was gen "The Monroe doctrine was one of the most pernicious the world has known. eral through the Central West. Northern Illinois, Northern Indiana, Missouri and That country teems with natoral wealth, but the people who inhabit it are the most worthless in the world. And now the Monroe doctrine (has Kanzas had little communication with the outside world by wire tonight.

In Chicago traffic on the surface, elevated and steam roads is being operated with difficulty. A gale on the lake made passenger

steamers far behind their schedule time. BITTER COLD IN KANSAS

has, and never can stand where the yellow or black race meets it. I say to you that if conditions go on as they now are it will not be 50 years until the white race becomes the typewrit-ers and the servants of the yellow. To commete with the yellow race the white ompete with the yellow race the white Zero Weather and Sleet Ties Up man would starve to death. "The Japanese are fastening them-aelves to our soil. Only today a man Traffic in Southwest.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 14 .- Zero seather and the worst sleet and snow storm of the Winter prevails in the southwest tonight. All over Kansas the fall of sleet has been heavy, causing de layed traffic and bad wire communica-

In Oklahoma the storm began Saturday night with a rain followed by a sudder drop of 48 degrees in temperature. Siee and snow have been falling almost con-linuoualy. Streetcar traffic is paralyzed, and whro service is seriously interrupted. Stock will suffer from the extreme cold.

ZERO WEATHER HITS TEXAS

Coldest in Lone Star State Since Blizzard of 1899.

FORT WORTH, Tex., Feb. 14 -- North Texas last night experienced the coldest weather since the blizzard of 1899. The temperature began failing Saturday morning and continued to drop until last right when the destination of the second

ITALY night, when 19 degrees was registered. The minimum forecast for today is two degrees above zero.

BLOCKADES TRAINS SNOW

Service in Minnesota Badly Interrupted by Storms.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Feb. 14.-Railroad traffic throughout Minnesota was hadly blockaded today as the result of a snow and wind storm. The trains on all the lines are many hours late. The tracks are reported as rapidly filling with drift-

MARSHAL CLAIMS REWARD

Starbuck Officer Says He Can Lo-

cate H. H. Karmon, Missing.

quake in Southern Italy," said Baron des Planches, the Italian Ambassador at Washington, in an interview today. "Besides the great monetary assistance and the sympathy we have received, we are grateful for the scientific informa-tion which we have received and the valuable kints which have been given up by the United States geological survey. This information will be of more lasting benefit to Italy than even the great sums of money that have been sent to our people." Telegraph Wires Are Down. ST. LOUIS, Feb. 14 -- A heavy sleet storm north and west of St. Louis has broken many telegraph wires. At Keokuk, Messina was going to rebuild, he said, but profiting by the lessons of the San Francisco disaster, it would be done on , a hurricane blew down the towers the bridge across the Mississippi River and all wires eastward were broken. different lines.

THANKS

Earthquake Sufferers.



And Can Make Immediate Delivery



damages in the sum of \$7500 for the death | structions of George Hoggatt, superinof Henry Tarkainen, a fisherman, who was drowned some months ago as the result of a collision between his fishing crossed the continent to California. I say to you that the white race never

Fishermen Break Law.

tendent of the Johnson Creek fish hatchery, six miles up Lewis River, went to the mouth of Lewis River yes-terday to investigate complaints that result of a collision between his hanna boat and the steamer Daniel Kern. The complaint alleges carelessness on the part of the officers of the steamer as the cause of the accident. the cause of the accident. the cause of the accident. other nets were in the river.

WOODLAND, Wash., Feb. 14.-(Spe-No really young and attractive woman cial.)-Deputies acting under the in- ever gets off a streetcar backwards.





the first line of Great Britain's naval

force. Henceforth the more important vessels of the Channel fleet, under command of Vice-Admiral Sir Archibald Berkeley Milne, now second in command of the Channel fleet, will form the second di-vision of the main fleet under supreme command of Sir William May, Second Lord of the Admiralty. It is understood this means the prac-tical retirement of Admiral Charles

It is understood this mounts ino plac-tical retirement of Admiral Charles Beresford and that i will be placed on half pay. In the ordinary course, Lord Charles would have retired under the age limit in February, 191, but the govern-ment desired to group all the newest and best ships under Vice-Admiral May's command for home defense.

and best ships under vice-Admiral and a command for home defense. The action of the government, how-ever, in thus prematurely retiring Beres-ford, is likely to arouse again the acri-monious discussions so frequently assoclated with his name

FURTHER DETAILS OF WRECK

ON NEW ZEALAND COAST.

iceable.

War Would Be Costly.

War with Japan at this time would be costly to the United States, and it would be protracted. An Army officer of wide experience, who has seen long service in the Orient, spenking of possible trouble with Japan, made this statement;

"If war should be declared betwen the United States and Japan, the Japs would have possession of the Philippines within a very few days after the opening of hostilities. They have as complete maps of the islands as we have; they are close by, and could, on short notice, land 16 or 20 times the number of troops we now have there, and our fittle inilitary force would be quickly swept out of ex-istence. In all likelihood, the Japs could capture the Hawaiian Islands with almost the same ease, and they could get con-trol of much ferritory, particularly strategic points, in Alaska. "It is not doubted that after a long

seige; after our baltleships were sent back to the Pacific, and after a largely augmented Army had been assembled on the Pacific Const, the United States could regain the territory captured by Jopan-and the United States would be forced to recover this territory if it sought to re-tain its standing as a world power-but the recovery of this domain would not the brought about except at heavy cost, financially, and in the lives of men and less of property. A war with Japan, therefore, would be a most deplorable one from our standpoint"

President Has Counted Cost.

Well informed as is the President, is not to be doubted that he personally appreciates the situation in all its serious-mess, and knows the cost of conflict with the Japanese. It is because of his knowl-edge, and because he has reckoned on the cost, that he is so much concerned in checking hostile action in the Legislatures of the far western states. The froubles of which those states complain can, he believes, be adjusted without offering scilous affront to a foreign gov-ernment; indeed, he still maintains that ernment; indeed, he still maintains that under an agreement between the United States and the Japanese government, the Japanese question is being slowly, but effectually settled. If this process, begun under his direction, is allowed to pro-ceed, he feels certain that the things complained of will be ultimately remedief and without bloedshed on either side. If war with Japar should be precipi-tated. Theodore Roosevelt, private citizen though he will be at the time, will find tomorrow

though he will be at the time, will find his way to the front. But he is not seek-ing military honors. He has bent every energy, as never before, to mold public sentiment on the Japanese question, he is still laboring in that direction, and if. Nafore March 4, he shall succeed in

pected to Recover:

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 14 .- Mrs. H. E. Bennett is dead and her husband has but a slight chance for recovery, as a result of eating canned chill-concarne. Soon after eating the chill Mr. Bennett began to feel 11 and soon fell to the floor. Mrz. Bennett summoned a physi-cian, but had hardly left the telephone when she also was overcome, and when the doctor arrived he found the two photonscious on the floor. Mrs. Bennett died at 11 o'clock Saturday night, after suffering terribly from convulsions. Ben-nett's chances for recovery are slight.

MONTANA HAS JAP ISSUE CELTIC TO AID SUFFERERS

Labor Committee Expected to Report Memorial Favorably.

Scorpion Out of Commission on Ac-HELENA, Mont., Feb. 14 .-- That the

count of Boilers. Morton anti-Japanese memorial will be favorably reported by the committee on labor in the House seems certain from NAPLES, Feb. M .- The United States statements made by members of the committee. They will amend it slightly and in its amended form the resolution gunboat Scorpion will be out of com-mission for six weeks, owing to the conmission for six weeks, owing to the con-dition of her bollers. On this occount the supplyship Celtic will remain in these waters in order to slit in the distribu-tion of American timber. Commander Huse, of the Celtic, visited the carth-quake zone inspected the work which is now being done, and expressed the warmest admiration for the Italian army and navy, whose performances, he said, are beyond praise, many of the officers engaged in the earthquake district being wornout by their labors. asking that the Chinese exclusion act be continued and extended to take in other Mongolians, will no doubt pass the House: There is a possibility, however, of the hill to segregate Mongolian school children being enacted.

TALES MAY JAR SOCIETY (Continued From First Page.)

the riding test prescribed by President Roosevelt last Summer.

dent Roosevelt last Summer. The troubles of the Tucker family date back to 1964, when the Colonel was sta-tioned in the Philippines. They became public in 1967, when Mrs. Tucker filed charges with the War Department, in when she charged her husband with be-ing infinate with Mrs. Monte Desti-HELENA. Mont. Feb. 14.-With the signing of the meetrack bill by Governer Norris, the state will be without any form of licensed gambling except during fair wocks, at which races are to be ing intimate with Mrs. Myrile Pratt, a teacher in the Islands. On October 15, 1998, Mrs. Tucker swore out a warrant for the arrest of her husband, charging him with desertion. He was arrested and paroled. The following day he left held throughout the state. The bill has passed both houses of the Legislature and will be transmitted to the Governor following day he left for Hot Springs, Ark., to take treatment not the Government hospital. Mrs. Pratt went with him, Since that time the case has been smoldering and will be aired early this week. The new law is en-tirely satisfactory to the anti-racing ele-

Burglar Makes Small Haul.

WELLINGTON, N. Z., Feb. 14 -- Fiftytwo bodies have been recovered from the wrecked steamer Penguin, of the Union Steamship Company, of Welling-Two Persons Killed in Tornado. ton, which went on the rocks Friday night off Cape Terawhite. Six of those aboard the Penguin are unaccounted for. BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Feb. 14.-Two persons were killed and seven badly in-jured at West Point this afternoon in a

In all, the passengers and crew num-bered about 100. The ship struck about 19 o'clock at night, but the captain remained on the bridge and after his vessel slid into deep water was able to steer her closer in

water was able to steer her coser in shore. The seas were running high and the small boats and raffs which were launched could not withstand the waves. The boats and raffs were overturned, but while the boats practically sank, the rafts righted themselves a number of

Many acts of heroism were performed, some of the stronger of those struggling in the water helping the weaker to re-gain the frail crafts.

After several hours of auffering the majority of the survivors on the rafts reached the chore, demonstrating that rafts are more serviceable than boats in a heavy sea close to a rocky shore. One of the rafts with ten men aboard thrice capsized, but all scrambled back and were ultimately cast upon the cliff and were saved. Four boats came ashore hours later and all were hadly crushed.

produce H. H. Harmon, a rancher, who mysteriously disappeared from his home February 5. Constable Actor does not claim to have Cound the man, but states that he has been informed concerning his whereabouts and is consequently entitled to the re-ward. When questioned concerning the matter, Actor would only say that Har-

mon was at work on a ranch near Star-buck and that he could produce him if assured of the money. A city attorney, who has the business of Harmon under control, still believes that he has met with foul play.

WIRELESS CATCHES THIEF Arrest Is Made on Board Ship Far

Out at Sea.

Enlarged WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., Feb. 14 .- The whiles Plains, N. 1., Feb. H.-Phe value of wireless telegraphy as an ad-junct to the operation of the machinery of justice was demonstrated today when John Ryan, seaman on board the United States ship New Hampshire, was placed under arrest and confined to the ship's brig at the request of District Attorney Winslow, of Westchester County. The Varicose Veins

request for the arrest was flashed to the New Hampshire by wireless while that vessel was several hundred miles out at are painfuld a ngerous, if sea on her way to meet the American battleship fleet. Ryan is wanted for alleged participaneglected, and

always relieved tion in a burglary at Ossimilag. N. Y. One of the burglars upon being arrested, turned state's evidence and implicated by wearing our Woven-to-Ryan. Fit Silk Elas-

tic Stockings. RECORD PRICE FOR LAND We weave to

your measure, Wheatfarm of 320 Acres Near Athany size or ena Sells for \$26,500.

length. Money PENDLETON, Or., Feb. 14,-(Special.) back if you're

-By the sale of 320 acres of Athena wheat land for \$25,500 it is believed that the top notch has been reached for this class of land. Dan and Alex McKenzle have paid this price for the half section owned by the Watrus estate. While the not suited. Send for list and self-meas-**IOWA HONORS GEN. WEAVER** urement blank.

Portrait to Be Unveiled in State Historical Building. DES MOINES, Feb. 14.-Tomorrow Portrait to Be Unveiled in State



PORT SIMPSON, B. C., Feb. 14-(Spe-cial.)-Being in the ley waters of Port Simpson Bay for three hours caused the death of Arthur Flewin, aged 15, son of a planeer resident of the British Columbia

'oast, Saturday. With another lad, named Walter Bren-

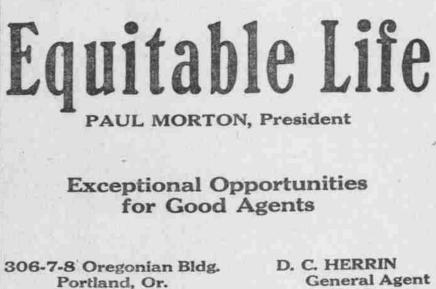
With another ind, named Walter Bren-tenzen, Simpson tried to cross the bay in a small boat. The water was rough and the boat capsized, rolling over and over. Brentenzen climbed on top of the upturned boat and held up Flewin, who had on heavy boets. Flewin died from the exposure, but his companion re-covered. WALLA WALLA, Wash., Feb. 14.-(Special)-Word was received last night from George Actor, Constable of Star-buck, that he was entitled to the reward of \$100 offered to any person who would

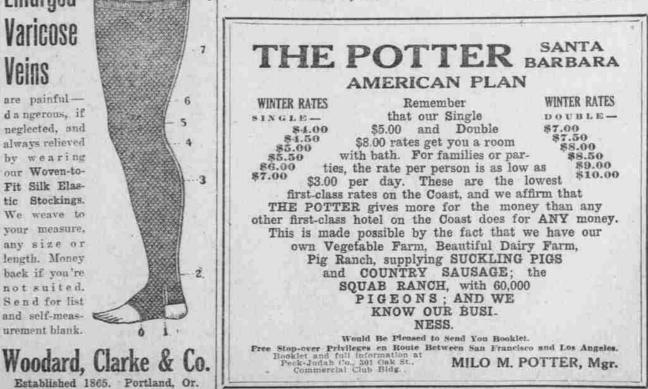


Portland Firm Defendant in Damage Suit for Death of Workman.

ASTORIA, Or., Feb. 14.-(Special.)-A sult was filed in the Circuit Court last evening by Joshua Tarkainen, adminis-trator of the estate of Henry Tarkainen, deceased, against the Columbia Con tract Company of Portland, to recove

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