

JAPAN CHAFING AT DIPLOMATIC DELAY

Minister Hints New Solution Is Sought.

TEXT CABLED TO WASHINGTON

Administration Circles Continue Policy of Silence.

NEXT MOVE IS UNDECIDED

Member of Cabinet Reopens Question in Speech to Parliament at Tokio—Reply of United States Unsatisfactory.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—An address today by Baron Nobuaki Makino, the Japanese Foreign Minister, to the Parliament of Japan, outlining the status of negotiations over the California alien land legislation, and declaring that the Japanese government had "come to see the necessity of considering some other way for solution of the question," because the replies of the United States had not been found satisfactory.

The address, which was not commented on in official circles, announced that the third note of protest presented to Secretary Bryan by Ambassador Chinda on August 13 remained unanswered. It also revealed that the Ambassador, under instructions from Tokio, saw President Wilson on March 5, the day after the President's inauguration, and asked that he make an effort to stop the threatened legislation in California, which since has been enacted.

Administration's Promise Recited. The address as made public tonight by the embassy tells of the passage of the Webb bill in California and of the action of the Japanese Ambassador in calling at the White House March 5.

In the interview the Ambassador requested, under instructions of his government, that the new executive would, considering the friendly relations of the two nations, take proper steps to stop the threatened legislation of the alien land ownership bill. The President thanked the Ambassador for the representation thus made and stated that, although the Federal Government could not interfere with rights reserved to several states of the Union, he would not hesitate to use the best possible efforts so as to realize the wish of the Imperial government. On March 13 the same assurance was elicited by the Ambassador from Mr. Bryan, Secretary of State. In California also our Consul used his best efforts in accordance with our instructions.

Situation Changes Rapidly. The address reviews the efforts made to stem the tide of public opinion, and to prevent the passage of the bill pending in California. It follows the rapidly changing situation through its various stages, including Mr. Bryan's trip to California, the refusal of the Governor of California to veto the bill and various protests made. It continues:

Upon the receipt of the information relayed of State handed to Viscount Chinda the reply to the protest of the Imperial government. The reply recorded the fact that efforts had been made to the fullest extent by the United States Government to prevent the legislation, expressing regret as to its final enactment, but went on to state emphatically that the enactment was purely the outcome of economic questions, and further gave counter-arguments on points raised in our protest. But as the reply was not satisfactory to the Imperial government, the Ambassador was instructed to address on the 14th of June a second communication to the Secretary of State in answer to the reply, discussing in detail the point concerning the violation of the treaty. On the 16th of June the Secretary of State handed to Viscount Chinda the rejoinder in which counter-arguments on points mentioned in the second communication of the Imperial government were given fully and in detail and some suggestions were mentioned as to the remedial measures concerning the legislation.

Replies Not Satisfactory. The Imperial government then prepared the third note of protest and caused the Ambassador to present it on August 18 to the Secretary of State, which note remains unanswered.

While the protests of the Imperial government and the replies of the United States relative to the land act of California are as has been outlined, the details of which the Imperial government regrets to be unable to publish, the replies of the United States were not found satisfactory and the Imperial government has come to see the necessity of considering some other way for solution of the question.

However, to the regret of the government, the time has not arrived for reporting on the point.

Although the address elicited no formal comment from the State Department, the conditions under which the statements that "Japan's last note remains unanswered" was made will, it is understood, serve to direct attention to this subject, from which it has been

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YANKEE WOMEN IN BERLIN INDIGNANT

CHARGES THAT SINGERS ARE WAYWARD DENOUNCED.

Fair Westerners Leaders in Meeting Called to Protest Against Reflection on Honor.

BERLIN, Jan. 21.—(Special.)—The American Woman's Club of Berlin has issued a call for a general meeting of Americans here for next Wednesday. Mrs. Gerard, wife of the Ambassador, will preside. The object is to protest against what is characterized as a libelous and slanderous attack on American women, Eleanor Palmer of Colorado, prima donna at the Deutsches Opera; Marcella Craft and Maude Fay, of California, both members of the Royal Opera at Munich, demands have been made for action to register indignation protests against what are considered aspersions on the honor of American singers abroad.

Indignant protests are made against the statements attributed by the musical journal to Alma Gluck, that the leisure time of American girls studying in Europe is chiefly given up to swamping lies and wandering off the straight and narrow path. American singers in Germany have been stirred to action by the insinuation of the editor of the journal in question that no American girl can get a place in European opera except at a sacrifice of her honor, and the statement attributed to Damosch, that girls who study here are robbed of their health, wealth and virtue.

Headed by three energetic Western women, Eleanor Palmer of Colorado, prima donna at the Deutsches Opera; Marcella Craft and Maude Fay, of California, both members of the Royal Opera at Munich, demands have been made for action to register indignation protests against what are considered aspersions on the honor of American singers abroad.

CANAL READY FOR SHIPS

Colonel Goethals Says Steamers Could Get Through Big Ditch.

PANAMA, Jan. 21.—The Panama Canal has reached such a condition of completion that a large ocean steamer could pass through now, according to a statement today by Colonel Goethals. There is 30 feet of water through the Culebra cut and the Cucaracha slide, and it is Colonel Goethals' intention to send a Panama Railroad steamer through the canal in April.

An order issued by Colonel Goethals today abolished the Atlantic and Pacific divisions of the canal construction because of the nearness of completion of the work.

Both ends of the canal are practically completed, only the electric installation and clearing up remaining to be finished.

SLIDE IS BLOCKING STREET

Portion of "Profanity Hill," in Seattle, Shifts 15 Feet.

SEATTLE, Jan. 21.—A portion of "profanity hill," between the King County Courthouse and the Seattle City Hall, softened by recent rains, shifted to such an extent today that Fifth avenue, on the east side of the City Hall, was blocked to traffic between Third Place and Yesterlway.

To protect the police assembly room and the municipal courtrooms, the windows of the ground floor were boarded up with three-inch planks.

The hillside, which has been causing trouble for many years, slid 15 feet today, the movement being so rapid that 20 laborers and eight wagons were unable to keep the street clear.

5 AND CAR OF LOOT TAKEN

Woman Member of Alleged Robber Band in Cascade Mountains.

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 21.—A fight between alleged car thieves and a search by Deputy Sheriffs for evidence against a "blind pig" at Green River Hot Springs, in the Cascade Mountains, today led to the discovery of a carload of loot alleged to have been taken from Northern Pacific freight cars and the arrest of Frank Mitchell, Jack McCarthy, Martin Auersland, and Fred Smith, an ex-Justice of the Peace, and Mrs. Halle Lucero, who conducts a boarding-house at Green River.

Mrs. Lucero was released on \$1000 bonds, but the four men were held in the County Jail pending further investigation.

FIREMEN TO FARE BETTER

Ordinance Introduced Giving Them Every Sixth Day Off.

Commencing February 1 all members of the fire department are to have one day off in six. Mayor Albion yesterday presented an ordinance to the City Commission providing for the new system, and it met with unanimous approval. This will mean that the department will have to be increased by 19 or 20 men.

SUNKEN SUBMARINE FOUND

OIL Floating on Water Marks Location of British A-7.

PLYMOUTH, Jan. 21.—The British submarine, A-7, which sank to the bottom of Whitesand Bay on last Friday, in the course of maneuvers, was located today in 23 fathoms of water four miles from shore.

SULZER DESCRIBES BREAK WITH 'CHIEF'

Appointment and Contract Are Causes.

THREAT TO WRECK IS MADE

Murphy "All Worked Up" Over "Spilling of Beans."

"BAGMAN" AGAIN ACCUSED

Deposed Governor of New York Under Oath for First Time Since Charges Were Made Against Head of Tammany.

NEW YORK, Jan. 21.—William Sulzer testified under oath today that Charles F. Murphy, leader of Tammany Hall, threatened to wreck his administration as Governor of New York if he did not appoint James E. Gaffney Commissioner of Highways.

Mr. Sulzer said he had declined to make the appointment after a conference in Washington with United States Senator O'Gorman. The Senator told him, he said, that Gaffney was Murphy's "chief bagman" and that Gaffney had attempted to hold up James O. Stewart, a state highway contractor and client of the Senator, for \$100,000, and that to appoint him would be a disgrace to the State of New York.

First Sworn Statement Made. Mr. Sulzer's testimony was his first sworn statement of charges he has made against Murphy and in many particulars he added to and elaborated them.

Mr. Sulzer appeared as a witness in District Attorney Whitman's "John Doe" inquiry into state highway graft.

He was called to explain why, as Governor-elect, he had sent a telegram to the State Canal Board requesting it to defer action in the matter of a \$3,000,000 canal contract on which Stewart was lowest bidder.

Stewart, who failed to get the contract, testified at a previous hearing that a man named Gaffney had asked him for a contribution of 5 per cent of the contract.

Chief "All Worked Up." Mr. Sulzer said that the day after he sent the telegram, John H. Delaney, now Commissioner of the Bureau of Efficiency at Albany, came to see him at his office.

"He seemed much perturbed," continued Sulzer. "He said: 'My God, what have you done? You have spilled the beans. The Chief is all worked up about it.'"

"I said: 'What have I done?' He (Concluded on Page 2.)

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PINKERTON UNFOLDS BARONESS' CAREER

Woman of Many Victims Known Here.

OLD AND YOUNG MEN HER PREY

Operations of De Pallandt Woman World-Wide.

AMERICAN SOCIETY DUPED

Several Plots of Former Michigan Girl Foiled by Noted Detective Visiting Portland—Suicide of Young Admirer Described.

"One of the most remarkable women of her type in the world," said William A. Pinkerton, the famous detective, at the Portland Hotel last night, after he had read in The Oregonian of the connection of "Baroness de Pallandt" with Dr. Ernest Villiers Appleby, who made the astonishing statement to a London court on Tuesday that he has been making his living for the last few years by gambling at Monte Carlo.

The woman who the doctor—a former lecturer at the University of Minnesota—is suing for the recovery of \$20,000 lived for a short time in the early part of her checkered career in Portland.

Woman Has Many Victims. By a strange coincidence the noted detective, who has been in touch with her movements for more than 30 years, was in Portland when he learned of her latest escapade.

The woman is rich, Mr. Pinkerton says. She has plucked probably a score of men of their fortunes, has caused at least one suicide and has traveled completely around the world many times in her strange conquest of men and their wealth.

The woman's real name, said Mr. Pinkerton, as he recalled her record from memory just as accurately as if he were reading it from a printed page before him, is Mary Dugan. She is a native of Manistee, Mich., and probably is 45 years old.

Old Sobriquet Retained. She went to Chicago in the early '80s and then first came to the notice of the Pinkertons. In Chicago she entered a house of ill-fame and took the name of Pauline Townsend. To the police and detectives she became known as "Long Pauline" and bears that sobriquet among them still.

"After living in Chicago, for a few years," (Concluded on Page 4.)

TWO PARTY GOWNS HOLD BIG LINER

BEAR DOESN'T SAIL TILL DRESSES ARE LOCATED.

Fair Accuser of Departing Woman Causes Search, Learning Apparel Is at Home.

With nearly 300 passengers aboard, the big steamship Bear was held at Astoria dock yesterday long after sailing time until two party gowns belonging to Miss Florence Anderson could be located by squads of officers from Constable Weinberger's office and the harbor police force.

The big steamer was about ready to sail for California when the Constable and Deputy Druhot went aboard to search for the gowns, which Miss Anderson charged she had lent Mrs. M. L. Mosby, who had taken passage for the south and who had resided at the Carmelita Apartments, where Miss Anderson resided.

The officers were unable to locate the apparel and later Miss Anderson appeared to aid them. She was met by Mrs. Mosby and the fair accuser and accused exchanged friendly greetings. Mrs. Mosby assured Miss Anderson the borrowed gowns were in Mrs. Mosby's trunks at the apartments, which moved Miss Anderson to stop further proceedings, allowing Captain Nopander, who was impatiently pacing the bridge, to give the word to cast off.

Constable Weinberger later said the proprietor of the apartments was holding Mrs. Mosby's trunks, in which the gowns are said to be, for rent.

CREW SAVED BY LIFELINE

Captain and Seven Men Rescued by Use of Breeches Buoy.

CHATHAM, Mass., Jan. 21.—Captain Hart and his crew of seven men were rescued by the use of the breeches buoy today, when their vessel, the New York two-masted schooner General Ames, was wrecked off Monomoy Point, the Ames, which registered 450 tons net, was bound from St. John for Philadelphia.

The schooner struck before daybreak on Bears Shoal, about 200 yards off shore. Livesavers in their surfboat were driven back, and the beach gun was used to pull the schooner up. The combined crews of the Monomoy and Monomoy Point lifesaving stations, working waist deep in the icy water, completed the rescue.

PHONE SERVICE NOW FREE

Days Creek Company Finds Charges to Patrons Unnecessary.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 21.—(Special.)—So far as telephone service in Days Creek and vicinity is concerned, according to information received by the State Railroad Commission today, an Utopian condition exists. The Commission was notified that at the annual meeting of the stockholders, January 11, a resolution was adopted by an unanimous vote "to make our line free to all subscribers and non-subscribers."

The company's plan of meeting fixed charges, the cost of upkeep and other expenses has not been divulged to the Commission.

PLANS TO WED ARE TOLD

Miss Louise Chalmers Will Marry William H. Barton, of Portland.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Jan. 21.—(Special.)—The engagement of Miss Louise Chalmers, daughter of Dr. J. M. P. Chalmers, president of the Clarke County Medical Society, to William H. Barton, connected with the Portland Gas Company, of Portland, was announced in an unusual manner at a meeting of the Jabberand Club, of which Miss Chalmers is a charter member.

At 10 o'clock, a messenger boy, in regulation uniform, appeared with a telegram, announcing the engagement. The wedding is to take place in April.

TOWN BUILDER SENTENCED

Cashier Sent to Prison as City He Made Reverts to Village.

FORT SMITH, Ark., Jan. 21.—Martin Korff, of Rolla, Mo., ex-cashier of the failed Bank of Everton, at Everton, Ark., pleaded guilty to embezzlement of the bank's funds today and was sentenced to 12 years in the penitentiary. Korff is said to have practically made the town of Everton. With the failure of the bank and the arrest of Korff, the town dwindled into a mere village again.

BOWERY OUTCASTS TO EAT

Helen Gould to Celebrate Wedding Anniversary by Derelict Feast.

NEW YORK, Jan. 21.—To celebrate her first wedding anniversary Mrs. Finley J. Shepard, who was Miss Helen Miller Gould, will provide a dinner for 500 Bowery outcasts tomorrow night and 200 beds for the homeless. The dinner will be served at the Hadley Rescue Hall, where Mrs. Shepard entertained 1900 at dinner on the day of her marriage.

MAN ROLLS IN SNOWBALL

Aged Victim of Train Is Extricated From Six-Foot Sphere.

PEABODY, Kan., Jan. 21.—Alexander McGregor, an aged man, was rolled a distance of 150 feet through wet snow in front of a locomotive today. When assistance reached him he was in the center of a snowball six feet in diameter. He probably will die.

\$125,000 FIRE HITS BIG LUMBER YARD

Portland Lumber Co's Plant Stricken.

CITY IS LIGHTED BY FLAMES

Twenty Engines and Fireboat Work for Hours.

MAIN SAWMILL IS SAVED

Practically Entire Fire-Fighting Apparatus of City Battles With Night Conflagration on South-west River Front.

FACTS CONCERNING PORTLAND LUMBER COMPANY'S FIRE.

Yards on river at foot of Lincoln street, containing about 4,000,000 feet of lumber, valued at \$15 to \$16 per thousand, destroyed. Loss placed at \$125,000 to \$120,000 by L. J. Wentworth, general manager. Loss covered by insurance in Coast and Eastern companies.

Buildings saved from flames with minor damages: Sawmill, planing mill, dry kiln, blacksmith and machine shops, engine-room and electric plant.

Buildings destroyed: Sheds and sorting-rooms, dry lumber sheds, platforms, stringers and resawing plant. Fire started at 11:25 P. M. and was completely under control at 1:30 A. M. Cause not definitely known.

One rumor was the fire started from a boxcar occupied by hobos. Fanned by a stiff southwesterly breeze flames swept the yards of the Portland Lumber Company at the foot of Lincoln street in South Portland last night, causing a damage variously estimated by L. J. Wentworth, general manager of the company at from \$100,000 to \$150,000, covered by insurance.

After fighting for two hours the main mill was saved only after all the finished lumber and a section of the rough planking had been totally destroyed.

The fire started shortly after 11 o'clock. Before the first company arrived at the scene the flames had spread to the drying sheds and grading houses of the plant.

Fire Chief Dowell was at the fire and in command within 10 minutes of the turning in of the first alarm. Immediately two third alarms were sounded, bringing practically Portland's entire fire-fighting equipment into action. The fireboat was also early on the scene.

Within the first half hour of the fire the heat became so great that a retreat of 25 yards was ordered, and again the line of attack sent a wall of water from 20 lines of hose into the heart of the fire raging in the dry kiln, grading and storing sheds.

Flying sparks and embers carried on the blasts of wind caught the roof of the mill building, where machinery valued at \$250,000 is housed. Other fires started in lumber piles located north of the driveway from Front street to the plant and in each case the work of the department checked a general conflagration.

According to the fire records an alarm was sounded for a blaze in the vicinity of the lumber company shortly after 7 o'clock and was responded to by two companies, which reported back a false alarm. Whether or not the fire actually started at 7 o'clock and was thought to have been extinguished by millhands is a question puzzling Chief Dowell.

George K. Wentworth, president of the Portland Lumber Company, arrived in Portland yesterday from Chicago to look over the annual reports of the company and inspect the plant. Last night he stood surrounded by a corps of officials watching the flames creep on toward the mill.

Sheds Are Razed. Three times the flames licked the sides of the frame building and completely razed the sheds leading from the yards up to the entrance of the mill. Each time concentrated effort was successful in driving the course of the fire back to the west bank and away from the mill.

Adjoining the Portland Lumber Company on the north, the plant of the West Side Lumber & Shingle Company lay undergoing a rain of sparks and blazing rebrands. A detail of men washed the lumber piles with hose and fire buckets in an effort to save \$150,000 worth of milled lumber stacked and ready for shipment.

Volunteers Give Aid. Switch engines hauled a number of partially laden boxcars from the danger zone, and employees of both companies mingled with the fire fighters in dragging and pushing lumber-laden trucks and wagons from the aisles of stacked lumber.

Volunteer fire brigades, attracted by the reflection on the sky, came in from Kenton and the Mount Scott district. Thousands of persons lined the hills and vantage points of South Portland, the houses and trees were illuminated by the glare of the flames. The roofs of houses and telephone poles were swarmed by those attracted by one of the most spectacular fires experienced here in years.

Firemen Are Exhausted. Several firemen became exhausted by the heat of the driving flames which

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