

JAPANESE OFFICIAL VISITS PORTLAND

Baron Shimpel Goto on Way to Homeland.

ORIENT ESCAPES UNREST

Head of Departments of Home and Foreign Affairs Reports Little Bolshevism.

Baron Shimpel Goto, reputed to be the wealthiest man in Japan and active in the Japanese government for 20 years as director of railroads and head of the departments of home and foreign affairs, arrived in Portland Wednesday for a brief stay on his way to San Francisco, where he will board a vessel for Japan. He left last evening for California.

When the baron stepped from the train he was greeted by an imposing group of local Japanese, on hand to pay their respects to the distinguished visitor. His station was taken at the Multnomah hotel and later was the guest of local Japanese at dinner. The Japanese consul, T. Sugimura, officials of the consular office, and prominent Japanese business men here are entertaining the baron.

Yesterday morning he was taken to various points of interest over the city and at noon was the guest of W. D. Wheelwright at a luncheon at the Arlington club, to which a group of city officials and business men have been invited. In the afternoon, under the guidance of the local Japanese, he visited the Columbia highway and was the guest of the Japanese consul at dinner.

Baron Goto's career has been closely interwoven with affairs of the government for 20 years past, and today he is enjoying a long-looked-for period of rest and sightseeing, his tour of the United States and Europe being of a private nature and position official. He arrived in San Francisco seven months ago, spent two months in that city and then went to Europe to spend several months at Paris.

Baron Goto was educated as a doctor and studied the medicine in Germany and elsewhere, returning to his home land to become director of the health bureau of the home department. Twenty-five years ago, following the Sino-Japanese war, he was appointed director of the local Japanese, and so successful was his administration of that country's affairs that he was later given charge of the southern Manchurian railroads.

Railroad Lines Directed.

His next position was that of minister of communication, directing the railroad lines, postal system and telegraph system of Japan. This position he occupied throughout the life of two cabinets. Later he occupied the post of minister of home affairs and then became minister of foreign affairs, occupying the latter position just before the present incumbent. He is now a member of the Japanese diplomatic council, an important post in itself, but not demanding the activity and constant attention of the other federal positions and giving time for the pleasure that the baron feels that more than 20 years of continuous service for Japan warrants.

"The American railroad problem is one that I am frequently questioned about, in view of my experience in administering the railroads of Japan," said Baron Goto yesterday. "The railroads of Japan went under federal control ten years ago, and I can say unqualifiedly the system has been a great success. The general proposition of government ownership and operation is the same everywhere, and I see no reason why a system which is successful in one place should not be successful in another. However, in considering your own railroad problem, conditions in America are vastly different from those in Japan, so far as distances and topography are concerned, and these differences would have to be taken into consideration carefully in any scheme of railroad administration."

Japan Escapes Unrest.

Baron Goto was not a member of the peace delegation, as had been reported, and could throw no light on the reception of the league of nations covenant by the Japanese people. He declared that unrest, which he found rampant in Europe, and even in this country, had not as yet touched Japan, and he had little fear that the red flag would get a following there. "No, I am not a bolshevik!" said the baron, with a laugh, misunderstanding a question as to whether there was any bolshevism in his country. "There are very few bolsheviks in Japan and little labor difficulty."

Baron Goto is an excellent example of the fine class of Japanese. He is 62 years of age, but looks a dozen years younger, being straight and alert, with just a trace of iron in his hair. He does not talk English, but was ably assisted yesterday by local Japanese who were anxious to have the honor of being interpreter for him. Although of high family, the baron is of the type of self-made man, as he has added immeasurably to his wealth and his family position and influence during his life. The baron is accompanied by his secretary, Michiji Tojima, who is a graduate of the University of Tokyo and during his tour of this part of the country he is also being accompanied by a prominent Japanese writer of San Francisco, Kiyoshi Kawano, a graduate of the University of Wisconsin and author of "Japan and World Peace" and other authoritative books on American-Japanese relationships.

LIQUOR SEIZED ON BOAT

Twenty-One Half Pints Are Found Aboard Steamer Rose City.

Twenty-one half-pints of whisky were seized in a raid on the steamer Rose City Wednesday by Patrolmen Huntington, Abbott, Drake, Russell and Powell. The liquor was found in a compartment in the wall of a stateroom.

The police arrested Ernest Schultz, German, as he got off the steamer with a bottle of liquor in his pocket. It is said Schultz offered to sell 20 cases of liquor to Patrolman Abbott about a month ago, but failed to deliver the shipment when the policeman kept an appointment to buy it.

ARMISTICE LIKELY TODAY

Laundry Workers and Owners Are Expected to Sign Stipulation.

Armistice between the laundry owners and laundry workers of Portland probably will be signed formally in a stipulation between attorneys of opposing interests holding good until a decision can be reached in the supreme court on the appeal in the jewelers' picketing case. A tentative agreement drawn up by

Roscoe C. Nelson, attorney for the owners, was presented to W. S. U'Ren, attorney for the workers Wednesday which U'ren took up with his clients. At a late hour Thursday night the laundry workers had not announced a decision. There is basis for the belief, however, that they will ratify the agreement.

Though there are many provisions in the agreement, the stipulation in effect provides that neither side of the controversy shall abuse the other side, verbally or otherwise. Picketing will be permitted, but only with banners and with not more than two pickets on duty at any one laundry. Every effort is being made to expedite the jewelers' appeal, for numerous picketing cases in the state depend on its outcome.

SPIRITUALISM STIRS INGE

PRELATES DEBATE WARMLY OVER LIFE AFTER DEATH.

"Gloomy Dean" Inge Sees in Return of Spiritualistic Beliefs Revival of Necromancy.

LEICESTER, England, Oct. 16.—(By the Associated Press.)—The congress of the church of England yesterday held a warm debate over spiritualism which started through an attack from Very Rev. William Inge, dean of St. Paul, London, who is known in the newspapers as the "gloomy dean" because of his sometimes despondent views on present-day life.

The Right Rev. James E. C. Weldon, dean of Durham, and one or two other prominent clergymen made a partial offense of spiritualism and the archbishop of Canterbury said the entire subject would be considered by the bishops of the Lambeth conference meets next year.

"If," said Dean Inge, "this kind of after life were true, that portents in the pitiable revival of necromancy, in which so many desolate hearts have sought spurious satisfaction, it would indeed be a melancholy postponement or negation of all we hope and believe about our dead."

Replying, Dean Weldon said: "It is too late to dismiss spiritualism as a fraud—as some say, a nauseous fraud."

The dean added that the spiritualistic phenomena had won the assent of men of science like Crooks, Lodge, Flammarion and the hopes of many war-battered persons to communicate with lost relatives. The revival is said to be due largely to the writings of Sir Oliver Lodge and popular discussions in which Sir Conan Doyle figures as the chief champion of the cult.

Robbery Is Reported.

John M. Davis, 592 East Sixty-seventh street north, reported to the police Wednesday that burglars had entered his home and had stolen jewelry, silverware and clothing worth several hundred dollars. Inspectors Tichenor and Mallett investigated.

Portland People to Wed.

SEATTLE, Wash., Oct. 16.—(Special.)—Marriage licenses issued yesterday included: Frank Maxwell Ruthman, legal, and Carrie L. Kesler, legal; Charles W. Fuller, legal, and Mary C. McNicol, legal, all of Portland.

BUILDING MATERIAL MEN GIVE BANQUET

Preliminary Report on City Zoning Expected Soon.

C. H. CHENEY IS SPEAKER

Architect Discusses Problems of City Building for Benefit of Portland Exchange.

Within two or three weeks the preliminary report of the city zoning commission will be ready and public hearings will begin to aid the city government in providing a thorough and modern zoning plan for Portland, according to the statement of C. H. Cheney Wednesday in addressing the Builders' exchange of Portland, the occasion being a banquet tendered to the builders by a group of material men of the city.

"We have just completed the first preliminary round of the city after an exhaustive study covering a period of nine months," said Mr. Cheney, "and are now working on the report, which should be ready to submit to the public soon."

"In times past suspicion frequently has attached to real estate investments and lack of proper building laws frequently has brought losses to investors. Buildings erected at considerable cost often have been all but ruined when unsightly and undesirable structures were put up beside them, or smothered by taller structures on all sides."

Aim of System Stated.
"The purpose of the city zoning system will be to protect investors by insuring their buildings against the resort, and also other Chinamen on charges of visiting the place. The police seized \$124 as evidence. Ah Wong was released on \$100 bail and the others on \$50 bail."

Mr. Cheney, who is the architect in charge of the studies and research of the zoning commission, cautions the people against being carried away by booms and permitting buildings to be erected where they would be out of place. He cited the instance of the L. C. Smith building in Seattle. That structure, he said, had sucked all the tenants out of neighboring buildings, ruined smaller structures, and had still remained a "white elephant" on the hands of the owners, never having paid, he declared.

"Investors cannot stand the unnecessary losses which are inevitable if proper zoning laws are lacking," he said. "Other cities are coming to it. New York, with more buildings in its limits than are contained in all the cities west of the Rocky mountains, has protected the business district, the industrial district and the residence district and has provided building laws for each district. Portland should take such steps while there is time."

The banquet and meeting at the Benson hotel was attended by about 100 men of the building and building-material industry. J. A. Currey,

chairman of the committee on arrangements, presided, and called upon Mr. Cheney, Rev. E. H. Pence and Lieutenant-Colonel George H. Kelley, formerly of the Booth-Kelley Lumber company, who had charge of lumber production in France, for addresses.

Mayor Baker, who was to have been a guest at the dinner and give an address, was unable to attend, having been taken ill.

HUNT FOR REDS GOES ON

Military Authorities Continue Search in Gary District.

GARY, Ind., Oct. 16.—Military authorities, aided by local officers, continued their search for radical agitators who have aligned themselves with the striking steel workers. Rumors of plots by those radicals against the lives of public officials and steel mill officials gained wide circulation throughout the city, but authorities refused to confirm reports that the principal characters in the plot were under arrest.

Picketing by the strikers increased during the day and Colonel W. S. Mape, commander of the federal troops, said reports of attempts to intimidate workmen had reached him. A number of troops who have been on duty here were returned to their station at Camp Grant yesterday.

GIRL HURT IN COLLISION

Ada Scott, 10, Injured When Bicycle Strikes Truck.

Ada Scott, 10 years old, was injured slightly Wednesday in collision between her bicycle and a motor truck driven by Abe Brueger, 1024 Mallory avenue, at Twenty-fourth and Johnson streets.

Mr. Brueger, who is a driver for the Willamette dairy, took the child to her home at 229 Cornell street.

Chinese Are Arrested.

Sergeant Van Overn and Patrolmen Martin and Klopfenstein Wednesday raided an alleged gambling game at 86 Second street, arresting Ah Wong, Chinese, on a charge of conducting the resort, and six other Chinamen on charges of visiting the place. The police seized \$124 as evidence. Ah Wong was released on \$100 bail and the others on \$50 bail.

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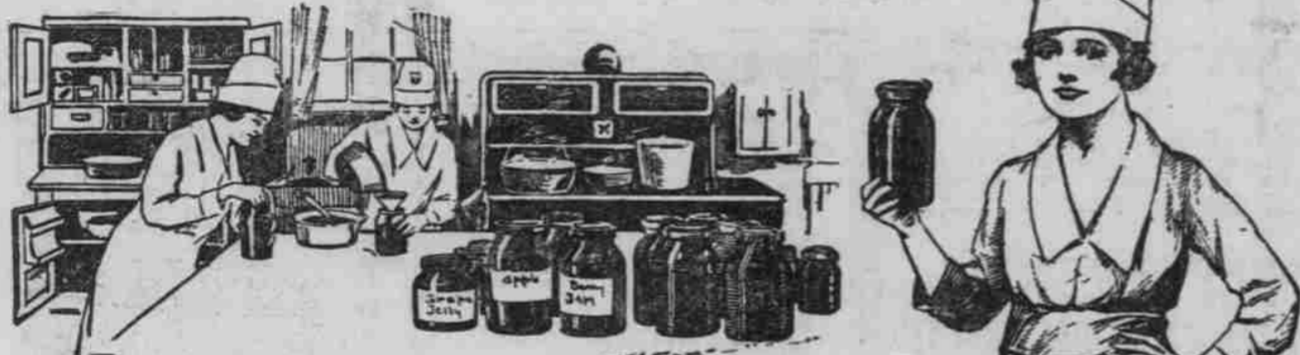
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