

THE HULL CASE OF JAPAN INCIDENT

Protection for Mid-Pacific Isles Basis of Episode.

TREATY CAUSE HARMLESS

Disagreement Between President and American Delegates Has No Vital Issue at Stake.

BY MARK SULLIVAN. (Copyright, 1921, by the New York Evening Post, Inc. Published by Arrangement.) WASHINGTON, Dec. 21. (Special.)—For 36 hours or more this town has buzzed with what is referred to, roughly, as the "Harding-Hughes-Japanese" episode.

In official quarters, and in conferences between the officials and the newspaper men, there is for the present a disposition to say nothing more about it; but in the private conversations of politicians, senators and newspaper men it is the one subject.

"Common Bonds" Find "Joker."

For making the incident clear to the general public, the best method is a chronological account. Just a week ago today, some of what was learned to call humorously the "common bonds" smelled out in the four-power treaty that the language in such a case over the island of Japan in the same sense that it covers the main islands of the Pacific.

President Starts Something.

With these explanations the matter died down until Tuesday at 1 o'clock. In the newspaper conference with President Harding, which takes place that hour, some of the newspaper men asked the president whether he felt that the treaty covered the homeland of Japan. He replied that, in his judgment, it did.

Episode Enters Another Phase.

For the moment this completed the episode, so far as President Harding was concerned. It was recognized as a fine thing for him to have said to the public that his interpretation of the language of the treaty would not be permitted to cause any embarrassment to the president.

GERMANS MAKE GOLD

ALCHEMY REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN ACCOMPLISHED. Gram of Precious Metal Said to Have Been Manufactured From Basal Materials.

BY ARNO DOSCH-FLÉUROT.

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TIBET LECTURE SUBJECT

Major Jack Hamilton Speaker at Ad Club Luncheon.

Tibet and the Himalaya mountains were the subject of an illustrated lecture at the luncheon of the Ad Club Wednesday at the Benson hotel. Major Jack Hamilton, who was connected with the British India and was a member of Colonel Younghusband's expedition, was the speaker.

JAILBREAK IS AVERTED

Hinges of Door at Oregon City Almost Sawn in Two.

OREGON CITY, Or., Dec. 21.—(Special.)—Discovery that the hinges of the main corridor door of the county jail had been nearly sawed in two pro-

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Considerable opposition developed against the bill placing motor trucks under the jurisdiction of the public service commission after telegrams had poured into the house today from Portland firms protesting against being placed under further restrictions.

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Early Use of Roosevelt Highway Money Thought Possible.

STATE HOUSE, Salem, Or., Dec. 21.—(Special.)—It is possible that measures which include the release of the \$2,500,000 which was set aside for the Roosevelt highway will be taken by the legislature.

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vented that the authorities believe was scheduled to be a jailbreak tonight. The six prisoners held in the jail were brought to the interior cell this evening. The general run of the jail, allowed to men held on long sentences or awaiting trial, will be indefinitely postponed.

Sheriff Wilson today received a tip that a general delivery was planned. When he took the evening meal down to the prisoners he noticed that the barred door which stands between liberty and the interior of the jail swung with more than its accustomed give at the hinges.

Examination showed that the bolts which act as pivots had been nearly severed and a hard iron bar had been wedged under the door. Although on the outside of this there is a thin steel door to prevent communication, it is possible, by using a piece of wire, to get through the door sufficiently to allow a man to pass out.

A prompt search of the jail and the prisoners was made, but failed to reveal any saw blades, which, from the character of the break, could have been the only instrument used.

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BRICK BIDS ECHO DISPUTE

PROPOSED AWARD OF CITY TO CANADIAN FIRM PROTESTED.

Rights of Only Oregon Concern to Seek Contract Upheld by Dan C. Freeman.

Echoes of the council dispute over the award of the rock contract for the municipal paving plant to Porter & Co. of Vancouver, B. C., as a result of Commissioner Bigelow's recommendations on bids for fire brick to reline furnaces at the city incinerator, were heard Wednesday at a meeting of the Y. M. C. A. Thursday night, December 22, at 8 o'clock.

Members of the Y. M. C. A. and of the young women's classes of the Sunday schools of the city will be guests of members of the clubs. This will be one of the few occasions when women will be invited to attend functions at the association.

WILD ANIMAL BOUNTIES PAID.

MONTESSANO, Wash., Dec. 21.—(Special.)—Bounties were paid today to Fred Achey, a cowboy, for the skin of a wildcat, and to A. D. Schafer of Elma for a coyote. Both men report hunting in the county good this winter.

SLAYER ESCAPES NOOSE

JOE HELL GETS LIFE TERM IN STATE PRISON.

Man Who Killed William C. Powers Sentenced and Taken Next Day to Penitentiary.

Joe Hell, slayer of William C. ("Jerry") Powers, escaped the noose when a jury in Judge Wilson's court Wednesday returned a verdict finding him guilty of murder in the first degree, but recommending life imprisonment instead of hanging. Hell waived the statutory two days allowed before passing of sentence and the penalty was imposed at once. He was taken to Salem yesterday.

MEDICAL SOCIETY ELECTS

Dr. J. Guy Strohm Named President at Annual Election.

Dr. J. Guy Strohm was elected president of the Portland City and County Medical Society at the annual election of officers Wednesday night at the Portland hotel.

Other officers elected were: Dr. George Parrish, city health officer; Dr. Harold H. Bean, secretary, and Dr. Kittle Plummer, treasurer. Dr. Gray has held the office of treasurer of the society for several years.

Delegates to the convention of the Oregon State Medical association, which will meet in Portland next June, elected were: Dr. R. B. Dille, Eugene Rockey, J. M. Short, J. M. Brooks, C. C. Moore, Charles Booth, Raymond Watkins, E. B. McDaniel, William S. Knox, George F. Knebler, Andrew C. Smith, Charles Chamberlain, W. Johnston and Fred Kiehle.

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Fitted Suit Cases
Entire stock now
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All styles and kinds
Now 15% Off
Fine Desk Sets
We advise early selection
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Electric Percolators, nickel finish or aluminum...\$10.00 to \$25.00
Percolator Sets with sugar creamers and trays...\$31.00 to \$43.75
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