

## JAPAN IS WORRIED BY RED PROPAGANDA

Guarantees of Protection for  
People in Siberia Wanted.

## NEW DEMANDS ARE DENIED

No Exclusive Privileges Asked For  
In Territory, Says Official,  
but Radicals Are Feared.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 28.—(By the Associated Press.)—Japan wants from the far eastern republic some guarantee that her 2000 residents of Siberia shall be protected and also wants assurances that there shall be no attempt to spread propaganda, more particularly across the Korean frontier, Vice-Foreign Minister Hanabusa announced tonight in discussing the conference at Dairen between representatives of the Chita government and Japan.

His statement was made following the publication of demands alleged to have been made by Japan on the Siberian republic—demands which he characterized as untrue.

"We want no exclusive privileges from the far eastern government," he said, "but merely guarantees for our residents who have worked many years in Siberia and who have considerable interest there. It is true that many are doing business with our army of occupation at the present time but they have been there many years and it is only natural that we should desire some protection for them. We are particularly anxious about the question of bolshevik propaganda.

There are about a million Koreans now domiciled in Siberia, part of which is contiguous to Korea. Many of these Koreans have become naturalized Russians, but some are good citizens, but others have become bolsheviks, and are in constant communication with the Japanese in Korea. In this way disturbances arise in Korea."

Mr. Hanabusa said he regretted that the Dairen negotiations with the Chita government were not making satisfactory progress.

## TARIFF FOR CHINA REVISED

Measure Agreed To in Principle  
but Will Be Redrafted.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 28.—(By the Associated Press.)—The draft of an agreement providing for an upward revision of the Chinese customs tariff was approved by the Senate today, but in somewhat changed form. At another session, the draft is expected formally to be agreed to after it has been put in final shape.

In effect China will be granted a 5 per cent effective ad valorem rate. It was said, with a 2 1/2 per cent surtax, when a new ad valorem schedule can be worked out by tariff experts which would bring the present nominal 5 per cent tariff up to the effective figure.

This cannot be done, however, it was explained, because the Chinese demand in time to make the new rate with the surtax effective by January 1, 1922, the date on which the Chinese declared it would be necessary to meet the existing crisis in the Chinese government's financial condition.

## JAPAN'S ATTITUDE ATTACKED

Direct Conversations Considered  
No Place to Handle Shantung.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 28.—(By the Associated Press.)—A group of Chinese calling themselves delegates of the "Chinese people's organization in Washington," issued a statement tonight declaring that the proper place for a satisfactory settlement of the Shantung question was in the conference on far eastern questions and not in the direct conversations. The signers allege that the Japanese have not shown a real intention of making any complete restitution of China's rights, but are only endeavoring to make restoration a nominal one.

M. Hanabusa, one of the Japanese delegates, said tonight it was probable there would be no resumption of the direct Shantung negotiations this week.

## SEVEN BILLS ARE VETOED

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to fail to fit with the operation of law of unannounced settlement of old law and no doubt would lead to useless litigation, always an undesirable result.

Senate bill No. 14, introduced by Senator Vinton, also was disapproved. This bill related to the manner of fixing values of estates, for inheritance tax purposes, when the information was not forthcoming from the usual sources.

The governor signed senate bill No. 12, authorizing state banks to borrow money from the war finance corporation under the same conditions as govern national banks. The bill was introduced by Senators Staples and Robertson.

National banks, under the present laws, may borrow money from the war finance corporation in any amount they may cover by satisfactory collateral. The state banks, under the so-called old banking statute, were limited to borrowing from the war finance corporation only in the amount represented by their capital stock and surplus.

Frank Bramwell, state superintendent of banks, said today that the approval of senate bill No. 12, if the governor would be welcomed by many banks of Oregon and would aid materially in lifting over the financial emergency in this state.

## Judges' Expenses Approved.

The governor also has signed house bill No. 20, authorizing an appropriation of \$2500 to pay the traveling expenses of circuit judges when called outside of their respective districts in the performance of their official duties. A law authorizing the payment of traveling expenses for circuit judges was approved at the 1921 session of the legislature, but no provision was made for an appropriation.

A bill passed at the special session authorizing an appropriation of \$20,000 with which to reimburse farmers of western Oregon for flax furnished to the state also was signed.

At the time this bill came up for consideration before the senate, a means committee it was explained that the farmers had sold their flax to the state, but because of subsequent uncertain market conditions and the inability of the officials to

dispose of the finished product, there was no money at hand to pay the growers. The ways and means committee took the position that the contract entered into with the growers was a state obligation and they were entitled to their money. The appropriation was authorized with the understanding that when the flax products now held by the state are sold the receipts shall go into the general fund to reimburse the state for the money advanced.

## Building Fund Act Approved.

Another bill signed by Governor Olcott carries an appropriation of \$500 with which to complete a school building now being erected in connection with the Louise Home in Portland. Proponents of this explained to the ways and means committee that it had been intended to build the structure with funds raised by popular subscription, but because of the present financial depression sufficient money was not forthcoming from this source.

Approximately \$7000 will be required to complete the school building, it was said, of which amount \$2000 will be contributed by women's clubs of Portland. Governor Olcott also has signed house bill No. 25, which carries an appropriation of \$1000 for the administration of the so-called bonus law enacted at the 1921 session of the legislature and made operative through a constitutional amendment approved by the voters of the state at a subsequent election. This appropriation previously had been pledged by the state emergency board, which was called into session here when the original administration fund had been exhausted.

Other bills signed provided for lights at railroad crossings and the payment of bounties. The former bill was introduced by the committee on roads and highways, while the latter bill was fathered by Representative Gallagher.

## FAIR BILLS ON THEIR WAY

Measures Expected to Reach Governor Olcott Today.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 28.—(Special.)—House joint resolution No. 3 and house bill No. 22, which are a part of the world's exposition legislation approved at the recent special session of the legislature, probably will reach the office of Governor Olcott tomorrow morning. The bills were introduced by the senate, and the house, respectively, and are expected to reach the governor's office today.

Although Governor Olcott has not indicated what action he will take, he is expected to sign the bills. It is believed that he will consider the resolution and bill incomplete without the signatures of the presiding officers. In this event it will be necessary for the proponents of the exposition to bring mandamus proceedings against President Rittner and Speaker Bean to compel them to sign the measure. It is possible, it was said, for the fair opponents to bring action against the governor to compel him to accept the bill and resolution and pass them on to the secretary of state as completed measures without the signatures of the senate or speaker of the house.

## GROWERS' PROTEST HEARD

Fruit Men Want Inspection Made  
at Shipping Points.

THE OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, D. C., Dec. 28.—The department of agriculture today agreed to consider the suggestion of the fruit growers of Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana that federal inspection be made at loading stations instead of at the destinations of shipments. The question was presented to the department by Representative Sumner of Washington, who explained that the fruit growers have sustained heavy losses in the last few years by reason of large consignments of apples and pears being held up or quarantined in eastern cities on the charge that the fruit contained an excessive amount of poison spray residue. In some cases the fruit was a complete loss, while in others the authorities were induced to release it after promises to have the growers reduce the use of the spray or to give the fruit before shipment.

The growers contend that all loss would be obviated by having the inspection made at loading stations in the northwest.

## MASONS HONOR ST. JOHNS

Albany Lodge Has Celebration in  
Presbyterian Church.

ALBANY, Or., Dec. 28.—(Special.)—With a big banquet and a splendid program, held at the First Presbyterian church, St. John's day was observed here last night by local members of the Masonic fraternity. A large number of people participated in the banquet and entertainment which followed.

Walter C. Winslow, Salem attorney and an officer of the Masonic grand lodge of Oregon, was the principal speaker. Percy R. Kelly, circuit judge of the third judicial district and senior grand master of the grand lodge, on behalf of the members of St. John's lodge of this city, presented Fred H. Hough, retiring master of the local lodge, with a master's jewel. Mr. Hough responded to this presentation. A splendid musical program was presented also.

## EGYPT AGAIN IS QUIET

Situation Returns to Normal; Only  
Schools Remain Closed.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—(By the Associated Press.)—Official reports from Cairo today stated that the situation in lower Egypt was approaching normal, that all officers had returned to their offices, and that only the school remained closed.

There were some disturbances in Alexandria yesterday, but Cairo, the canal zone and the hinterland were quiet.

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## FRENCH SUSPICIOUS OF GREAT BRITAIN

Subordination Will Not Be  
Permitted, Say Delegates.

## DESIRE FOR WAR DENIED

Surprise Over Tonnage Demanded  
Is Declared Not to Have Been  
as Great as Indicated.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 28.—(By the Associated Press.)—In discussing the conclusion of consideration of the submarine tonnage question by the Washington conference, French delegation spokesmen tonight said their government was determined not to be helpless voluntarily and by written agreement in the presence of Great Britain. Members of the delegation smiled at suggestions of A. J. Balfour of Great Britain in the naval committee which they interpreted as attributing to France a desire to make a sea war with England. Deprecating this, they pointed to the relative size of the two fleets and declared there was a great difference between being unarmed and being "moderately armed."

## Question to Be Avoided.

It is not believed at French headquarters that the approaching conversations of M. Briand and Mr. Lloyd George at Cannes on reparations and associated economic subjects will touch Washington conference questions. The question of submarines and other light tonnage vessels is believed by the French to go far deeper than current financial problems and of having in it something fundamental and traditional, reaching back into the long rivalry which has existed more or less since 1888 between Great Britain and France.

The policy of Great Britain is now said by French spokesmen to look toward the subordination of France, something which Frenchmen will not consent to "with their eyes open, although unseeing American opinion may be against them."

## Surprise Is Denied.

French spokesmen had an additional word to say on the question of the "surprise" with which their naval figures were received. Members of the delegation, it was asserted, agreed on the third day of the conference to advise Chairman Hughes of the French naval figures. It was observed that the American, British and Japanese delegates were to carry on their discussion of ratios without the presence of the French. The French plan as it then stood included 140,000 tons of submarines. It was pointed out to Mr. Hughes that it would be far better, according to French judgment, to discuss all ratios together and the interlocking questions of capital ships and auxiliary vessels.

What are declared as "the strongest sort of representations" were made to consider the suggestion of obtaining an early hearing for France, but the question in Mr. Hughes' mind was it was expected to French delegates was said to be that it was better for France to wait.

## IRISH DELAY IS SCORED

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during the period of transition required for setting up the Irish free state administration."

It has been learned from a reliable source, says a Central News dispatch from Dublin today, that at a secret meeting of the Dail Eireann leaders, representing both the supporters and opponents of the Anglo-Irish treaty, a compromise was reached which will insure the ratification of the pact.

## IRISH APPROVAL PREDICTED

Sir Horace Plunkett Says Issue Is  
Finished Politically.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Sir Horace Plunkett, arriving today for a period of quiet in the west, predicted that the Irish peace treaty would be ratified and that Clarendon would join in the ratification of the treaty. Asked how he knew the treaty would be ratified, he replied: "Because even if the Dail cannot, on account of the pledges of its members to an Irish republic, agree to another form of government, it will have to consult the people and they will be for the treaty."

## Incorporation Papers Filed.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 28.—(Special.)—The Vale Cream Products company.

## SHIPPERS DEMAND SIDING

Better Railroad Facilities Asked  
for Butter Creek Country.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 28.—(Special.)—Lee Savely and a number of other residents of the Butter Creek vicinity, in Umatilla county, have filed a petition with the Oregon public service commission urging the construction of a sidetrack by the O-W, R. & N. Co. at Hinkle. The petition sets out that Hinkle is a central shipping point for a large territory of highly productive country, but that the present railroad facilities there are not adequate to meet the demands of the shippers.

## Hearing of the petition probably

will be set by the commission for some time in January.

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should Irishmen and friends of Ireland in America feel.  
"Insofar as the Irish question is the old conflict between Britain and Ireland, I believe it to be buried. Of course, there will remain many Irish questions which will take a long time to settle. In this respect we are in the same position as every other civilized people."  
"The Ulster difficulty is no longer an issue in British party politics. I am confident there will be a wholly new spirit in Ireland in regard to this difficulty."

## SINN FEIN CLUBS FOR PACT

Resolution Adopted Urging Delegates to Back Treaty.

BELFAST, Dec. 28.—(By the Associated Press.)—A convention of Sinn Fein clubs of North Donegal, held at Buncrana, has adopted a resolution by unanimous vote expressing satisfaction with the Irish peace treaty as embodying the essentials of Ireland's freedom.

The resolution called upon the six Dail Eireann members representing the district to use their influence to bring about ratification. Failure to do this, the resolution stated, would be regarded as betrayal of the best interests of the country.

## Committee Approves Pact.

CORK, Dec. 28.—The Sinn Fein executive committee of south Cork, the constituency of Michael Collins, today unanimously adopted a resolution approving the Anglo-Irish treaty. The resolution asked the representatives of the Irish people to be unanimous in favor of the treaty.

## WAR FEELING IS SCENTED

CANADA WOULD BE U. S. ALLY,  
SAYS EDITOR.

H. Wickham Steed Declares Reali-  
zation by England Led to Scrap-  
ping of Anglo-Japanese Pact.

TORONTO, Dec. 28.—Realization by the British government that Canada would have lined up with the United States in the event of a war between the United States and Japan was largely responsible for the scrapping of the Anglo-Japanese alliance, H. Wickham Steed, editor of the London Times, declared in an address today.

"If I read aright the feeling of the British Columbia," he said, "that province would have been wholeheartedly for the American neighbor. The British Columbia feeling would have extended east as far as Manitoba at least. I think the whole of Canada would have stood together the moment it saw the issue."

"Realization of the position of Canada and that of the government of Australia helped to make the British government understand that if it wanted peace, as it did, it must so shape its policy at Washington as to secure peace, and for that reason the Anglo-Japanese alliance had to go."

## VICTIM IS OREGON MAN

Parents of Charles F. Roberts Live  
in Baker County.

THE OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, D. C., Dec. 28.—Charles F. Roberts, who was crushed to death beneath a truck here yesterday, was the son of Mrs. M. A. Hatfield of Long Creek, Baker county, Oregon. He had been a resident of Washington for 10 years, coming here to take a position in the senate secretary room by appointment from Senator Boone. He was a member of the capital building police force at the time of his death.

Mrs. Jonathan Bourne Jr., a half-sister, who is now in the south, it was said today, will not be able to get back for the funeral. Another sister, Mrs. F. E. Ramsey, arrived today from New York. Interment will be at a local cemetery.

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