

BRYAN FINDS NEW ACT EQUALLY BAD

Phrase 'Eligible to Citizenship' Held Not to Avoid Offense to Japan.

TWO-YEAR LIMIT URGED

Secretary Pleads That Time Be Allowed for Diplomatic Settlement Which Might Make Enactment Unnecessary.

SACRAMENTO, May 3.—Secretary of State Bryan concluded his mission to the Governor and Legislature of California this afternoon with a message of farewell, and began his return to Washington, where, he said, he thought at this juncture he could be more useful.

To an open joint session of the two houses, attended by the Governor and presided over by the Lieutenant-Governor, he gave renewed assurances of the friendly interest and co-operative attitude of the National Administration toward the peculiar problems of California, transmitting the President's latest criticism of the alien land act passed last night by the State Senate, and rehearsing again those objections already made public.

Phrase Still Discriminatory.

Secretary Bryan in his address voiced the President's opinion that the words "eligible to citizenship," substituted in the California Attorney-General's draft of the alien land measure for the words "ineligible to citizenship," are equally as discriminatory and, therefore, equally objectionable to Japan.

If a law must pass, he urged that it be limited to its operation to two years, in order that meaningful diplomacy might improve the international situation that re-enactment by the next Legislature would be unnecessary. This suggestion, which had not yet reached the President, he said, was made "for the consideration of those who have yet to act on the subject." Secretary Bryan said in part:

"My counting of the President's request, on the mission that brought me, was unusual and yet in the President's opinion, not only right in principle but wise in policy. It was in keeping with his own course in appearing in person to deliver a message to Congress.

Longer Stay Unnecessary.

"I need not recount the experiences through which we have passed. The Legislature, in so far as it has acted, has found it inconsistent with its views of its responsibility to follow the President's advice in the wording of the land law which it regards as its duty to enact. While I shall not attempt to form a judgment as to the action of the Assembly on this subject, I have so fully presented the President's views that I do not deem a longer stay necessary. On the contrary, I feel that I can be more useful at Washington while the President has before him the bill as it reaches the Governor, if it shall finally pass the Assembly.

"I cannot, however, take my departure without giving expression to my appreciation of the spirit in which, as a representative of the President, I have been received, and of the courtesies that have been shown me at all times. The amity that has characterized our intercourse is in keeping, I think, with those who, acting under a series of responsibilities about matters in which they are jointly concerned are unable to agree upon the means to be employed for reaching the end in view."

President Is Sympathetic.

"The President has impressed upon me at all times that I should emphasize the fact that his only purpose is to confer with the Legislature as to the National and international phases of the question under consideration and that he confers as a not ungrateful friend who desires to add to the extent of his ability in a matter where he has not only a constitutional duty to perform, but where he is assumed to be able to judge of the effect of legislation on our relations with other countries.

"He has pointed out the things which seem to him unwise in the bill that has passed the Senate. The first words to which he calls attention are 'eligible to citizenship' and he points out the discrimination as the words 'ineligible to citizenship,' against which he so earnestly advises. In the second paragraph the property rights of foreign-born citizens are defined as they are defined in the treaty. He fears that this will raise a question of construction and he suggests that a lawsuit that may be both irritating and protracted.

Measure of Delay Suggested.

"I have submitted to him the suggestion—but, owing to his absence from Washington just at this time I have been unable yet to secure an answer—that a time limit upon any bill which you pass might reduce to a minimum the unfavorable influence it exerts if that influence is unfavorable. If, for instance, any bill that you pass dealing with the subject is limited in its operation to two years or even four years, but two years would give opportunity for the next Legislature to act upon the subject—it would afford an opportunity for diplomatic action, for the hope that the situation could be so improved as to make a re-enactment of the law unnecessary. Assuming that the people of California will be satisfied to reach the end which they desire by methods which will cause the least friction between this and other nations, this suggestion is made for the consideration of those who have yet to act upon the subject.

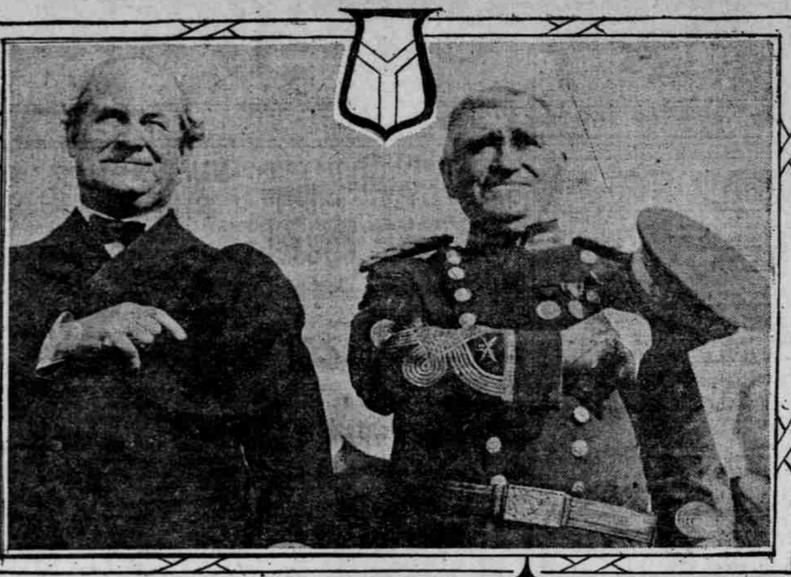
"If the Legislature is willing to avoid the use of the words 'eligible to citizenship' or 'ineligible to citizenship,' I am authorized to suggest that the line might be drawn at another point, namely, between those whose right to own land is defined by treaty and those whose right to own land is not defined by treaty, the former to be allowed to own according to the terms of the treaty and the latter to be allowed to hold on the same terms that citizens of the United States hold land. But the President desires me to keep before you at all times the fact that he would prefer, if consistent with your views of the state's interests, to have all action deferred for a time sufficient to permit him to employ diplomatic means."

Gompers' Son Gets Federal Job.

WASHINGTON, May 3.—Secretary Wilson organized today the clerical force of the Department of Labor. He appointed Robert Watson, Lowell, Mass., chief clerk; George C. Cox, Buffalo, N. Y., disbursing clerk; Hugh L. Kerwin, Wellboro, Pa., private secretary, and Samuel Gompers, Jr., son of the president of the American Federation of Labor, chief of the division of publications.

Recent corrections in maps of Greenland have added about 150,000 square miles to its area.

SECRETARY OF STATE CAUGHT BY CAMERA ON VISIT TO SAN FRANCISCO.



TARIFF PROTEST IN

Britain Joins in Objection to Preferential Clause.

HOUSE RECOGNIZES FORCE

One of First Acts of Ambassador Spring-Rice Is to File Protest Against Rebate on Goods in American Ships.

WASHINGTON, May 3.—The British government has joined the nations in protest against that portion of the tariff bill which extends a preferential difference of 5 per cent in goods imported in American bottoms.

One of the first acts of Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, the new British Ambassador, was to call the attention of the State Department today to this provision as in violation of the existing treaty of trade and commerce between America and Great Britain. It is understood the Democratic tariff managers in the House, who were at first disposed to permit the Senate to deal with this question, have now decided to refer the bill to the Senate, which will be in session on May 13. The matter is now pending in the House, and will themselves remove the objectionable provision by an amendment when the administrative section of the bill containing it is reached.

CHURCHES START SUIT

THE DALLES OFFICIALS DEFENDANTS IN SALOON CASES.

Methodist, United Brethren, Baptist and Christian Bodies Say Injuries Are Moral and Financial.

THE DALLES, Or., May 3.—(Special.)—Methodist, United Brethren, Baptist and Christian churches here are plaintiffs in proceedings, instituted in Circuit Court today, against Mayor Fish and city officials, the object of legal action being to prevent the city from issuing saloon licenses in the Dalles, while union revival meetings are in progress. The Council has no legal right to issue permits on account of a charter omission which was made when the State Legislature re-enacted a section of the local charter in 1905.

In response to motion of attorneys for the plaintiffs, Judge Bradshaw set May 24 for hearing on the application for a temporary injunction, which would enjoin the Council from issuing saloon licenses. The legal action will not affect the liquor permits which are now in effect. They expire June 30. The charter of 1899, under which the Dalles is operated, contained a subdivision which gave the Council "the power to license, regulate and restrain barrooms and drinking shops." In 1905 the city desired to have the Council delegating powers to the Council the right to license saloons, but a subdivision giving the Council the right to license saloons, for some unknown reason, was omitted. The plaintiffs assert that since 1905 the Council has granted saloon licenses without any legal power to do so.

The churches allege that the maintenance of saloons here is injurious to the plaintiffs religiously, financially and morally; that during the month of March, while union revival meetings were being conducted by the four churches named in the complaint, the saloon forces greatly hindered and crippled religious work by misrepresentation and thereby lessened the good results which would have been otherwise secured in the way of membership, support and improved environment.

ANTI-ALIEN BILL WINNER

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offer whatever objections they may care to make," said Governor Johnson, without indicating how long he considered a "reasonable time."

Bryan Aids People to Act.

Defeated finally in his diplomatic effort to dissuade the California Legislature from enacting an alien land bill affecting the Japanese, Secretary of State Bryan declared this afternoon that he looked to the people of the state to express a final judgment, through the referendum, before the act shall go into effect.

Mr. Bryan's statement was made before an open joint meeting of the Senate and assembly, immediately before his departure. The assembly, which was even then in the midst of its debate on the land bill passed last night by the Senate, paused for half an hour to hear him, and then took up



ABOVE—W. J. BRYAN AND COLONEL CORNELIUS GARDENER, COMMANDANT AT PRESIDIO. BELOW—BRYAN READY TO SPEAK.

its work of following the Senate's lead.

Referendum Is Possible.

Apparently the only contingency that can arise to prevent the carrying out of its provisions within approximately 90 days is the threatened referendum petition, which would require 20,000 signatures before the law could be temporarily nullified pending an election. The matter could not be submitted to the people until the Fall of 1914—a delay of 18 months, in case the proposed referendum petition gains enough signers.

Early in the session representatives of the board of directors of the Panama-Pacific Exposition who came here to oppose the bill, intimated that the board might foster a movement to invoke the referendum against any anti-alien law that might be enacted. The same attitude has been indicated by several commercial and trade bodies in the larger cities, who fear Japan will levy reprisals on California by abrogating the present business relationships.

ARBITRATION MAY BE ASKED

Washington Expects Japan to Appeal to The Hague.

WASHINGTON, May 3.—It was learned here today that the Webb bill in its present form is not satisfactory to the Japanese Government. Although there is possibility of amendment in the lower branch of the Legislature or in conference, the conviction obtains that nothing remains to be done from the Japanese point of view at present but to await the return to Washington of Secretary Bryan. Then it will be in order to attempt to settle the question diplomatically, probably the first step being to ascertain whether the Administration can be counted on to begin a legal test of the constitutionality of the new act.

If the question between the United States and Japan should not be settled within the next three months, it was intimated here today that Japan might make a formal request for the submission of the issue to arbitration at The Hague tribunal.

The special arbitration treaty between the two countries negotiated in 1900, which is believed to cover the case, will expire by limitation on August 24. It will be necessary for Japan to claim the benefits of the treaty before that date.

PRISON IS OVERCHARGED

Texas System Pays Premium for Want of Ready Cash.

HUNTSVILLE, Tex., May 3.—Because of a lack of cash to pay its bills, the Texas prison system has been charged much above market prices for its supplies, according to developments at the legislative investigation here today. The inquiry was instituted to determine reasons why the system has run about \$2,000,000 in debt since the practice of hiring out prisoners to contractors was abolished two years ago. It was believed at least \$250,000 of the debt represented excessive charges for supplies.

The world consumes one million gallons of kerosene a day.

MOB IS OUTWITTED

Officers Take Woman to Jail by Roundabout Way.

MAYOR HELPS WITH AUTO

Members of Switchmen's Union Plan Lynching or Tar and Feathers for Mrs. Grace Smith, Who Killed Popular Member of Order.

CROWN POINT, Ind., May 3.—Mrs. Grace Smith, who shot and killed Clarence Murphy at Gary last Wednesday night and who was threatened with lynching by infuriated friends of the slain man, was brought here this afternoon in an automobile by Mayor Knotts and Chief of Police Newman, of Gary. Murphy was a popular member of the Gary local of the Switchmen's Union and when members of the union learned that it was proposed to take his slayer from Gary to the county seat at Crown Point, they held a meeting at which it was determined to lynch her, or at least give her a coat of tar and feathers.

The mob made no secret of its purpose and determined to lie in wait for the interurban car on which it had been intended to transfer the prisoner. To outwit the mob, the Mayor and Chief of Police of Gary determined to make the trip in an automobile over a road at a safe distance from the street-car line. They took the precaution of arming themselves with rifles and pistols, and followed by scores of machines containing sightseers, set out. The change of route deceived the mob, however, and the procession of curious ones returned to Gary, considerably disappointed.

LEBANON WILL ENTERTAIN

Railroad Men and Other Notables to Attend Hotel Opening.

LEBANON, Or., May 3.—(Special.)—Arrangements are about completed for the Commercial Club banquet to be given Wednesday night at the formal opening of the Hotel Lebanon. This fête will bring to Lebanon several railroad men who are looking towards this section with the view of building new lines.

Those who have accepted invitations to be present and respond to toasts are Robert E. Strahorn, J. M. Scott, J. H. Young, R. D. Skinner, Philip Metachan, Jr., W. H. Hornbrook, Mrs. Edyth Foster-Wethered, Thomas Richardson, W. J. Kerr and J. B. Eddy. The visitors are expected to arrive on the 1:30 train, and will be taken about the city and community by a reception committee prior to the banquet.

Jacksonville, Fla., has equipped its city engineer with a camera to take pictures of districts where new street paving is demanded by citizens.

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REFERENDUM WILL GIVE COURTS TIME

Dr. Jordan Says Validity of Law Will Be Tested While Effect Is Delayed.

FEDERAL RIGHT USURPED

Stanford President Refers to "Gentleman's Agreement" With Japan by Roosevelt and Says Nippon Did Its Part.

ST. LOUIS, May 3.—California citizens who oppose the anti-alien land ownership bill passed by the California Senate will hold its operation in suspense by an appeal to the referendum, and meanwhile the validity of the law will be tested in the Federal Supreme Court, according to Dr. David Starr Jordan, president of Leland Stanford University.

This opinion was expressed by Dr. Jordan in an address before the City Club here today. Dr. Jordan is a delegate to the Peace Congress now in session here. Dr. Jordan will be tested in the Supreme Court will result in a decision as to whether a line can be drawn between the property-owners rights of Russians, Armenians, Turks and kindred nationalities eligible to citizenship, and the Japanese and Chinese, who are not eligible under the Federal laws. Dr. Jordan said personally he considered the bill unconstitutional.

National Unit Declared Necessary.

"I am opposed to a state's usurping Federal power," he said. "If the United States maintains its standing among other nations, it must act as a unit. If it allows California to do something to usurp its power and attempts to fix the blame where it belongs, the question soon would be asked, 'who is California?'"

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"There they found real wages and real money. Their numbers so greatly increased that a sort of gentlemen's agreement was arranged by President Roosevelt with the Japanese government that no more passports would be issued to Japanese laborers to come to the United States."

"Since that time the number of Japanese laborers has increased little. Many Japanese students and travelers have come, but they are not offensive. "Three or four years ago the Japanese began to acquire land and own property. A bill was presented to the

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Legislature to stop this land owning. A sharp order was received from Washington to stop the bill and the agitation ceased temporarily.

Dr. Jordan said the provisions of the bill came so close to those of Federal laws as to amount almost to a usurpation of the Federal "right to control aliens."

Medford Hotel Acquired.

MEDFORD, Or., May 3.—(Special.)—Arrangements were completed today

whereby the Hotel Holland, one of Medford's newest and finest hotels, will be taken over on a two-year lease by E. Mohr, manager of the Hotel Medford, and Sheridan and Bell, proprietors of the Hotel Nash. The Holland will be closed for the present to allow inventory, after which it will be thrown open for the I. O. O. F. convention in this city the latter part of May. By this arrangement all four hotels in Medford, the Nash, Medford, Moore and Holland, will be under the control of Messrs. Bell, Mohr and Sheridan.

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