

**OKUMA IS CRITICIZED**

**Arouses Indignation in Imperial Circles of Japan**

**WILL RETARD OUR COMMERCE**

**Americans Deplore Revival of War Talk—Author Without Political Influence at Home—Hobson Not Altogether Blameless.**

Tokio, Aug. 14.—Special dispatches expansion policy of the United States printed in Japanese newspapers represent that the recent utterance of Count Okuma attributing the naval expansion policy of the United States to the sudden rise of Japan to the importance of a world power, is arousing intense indignation and has caused a complete recrudescence of anti-Japanese sentiment throughout America.

The New York newspapers are quoted as editorially urging an American-Chinese alliance for the purpose of off-setting the belligerency of Japan. One newspaper is quoted as giving the views of Wu Ting Fang, Chinese minister to the United States, on the subject of an alliance in which he threatens Japan with "An early evidence of the real power of the American navy."

Americans residing in Tokio, Yokohama and elsewhere throughout Japan are extremely indignant. They believe that the special dispatches exaggerate the tone of the New York newspapers and it is felt that it is particularly unfortunate that at his time anything should be permitted to retard the increasingly friendly relations of the two nations in view of the elaborate arrangements on foot among the Japanese to welcome the American fleet and the growing cordiality exhibited on all sides towards Americans. American business men especially regret the publications because the revival of the anti-Japanese propaganda in America will, they fear, undoubtedly afford gratification to the competing countries represented here and also seriously damage American trade. Count Okuma's frequent utterances do not create a ripple here and his most recent one was passed quite unnoticed by foreigners until the special announced the outcry of the American newspapers. Even among Japanese statesmen and newspapers the first expression was one of amusement.

Count Okuma is regarded here as a doctrinaire politician who is now completely without political influence except in academic circles. His statement concerning the American navy and President Roosevelt's advocacy of its expansion was undoubtedly brought by reports of Congressman Hobson's speech in the Democratic national convention when he quoted President Roosevelt as predicting an early war with Japan.

Count Okuma's statement, which has caused all the comment, was an excerpt from a series of articles printed in the Hochi, a Tokio paper which are being written by Count Okuma reviewing the world politics and printed from day to day.

When Count Okuma returned today from the country he said to the Associated Press that he was surprised to find that his utterances had been considered purposely offensive.

"It was only natural," said he, "in reviewing the world's politics, to point out that Japan's rise above the horizon had caused the American navy to turn its attention toward the Pacific. When it was absolutely true that some Americans talk unwisely concerning Japan but never for an instant have I desired or intended to reflect on the honor and courage of the American navy or its sailors; but it is an uncontrovertible fact that commercial considerations weigh materially with all older nations, even when it becomes a question of war. No one will endeavor more earnestly than myself to cultivate cordial relations with America because I realize that only through such cordial relations can Japan hope to become a really great nation."

In an article published in the Hochi, August 11, Count Okuma attributed the present naval expansion policy of the United States to the sudden rise of Japanese to the importance of a world power, saying in part: "Judging from the fragmentary speeches of President Roosevelt that have been transmitted here, it is not difficult to

infer that the augmentation of the United States navy in the Pacific is directed at Japan.

Count Okuma expressed a doubt, however that the views and ideas of President Roosevelt would long continue to govern public opinion in America.

**BEARS IN UGLY FIGHT.**

**Russian Bruin Nearly Kills Japanese Bear In Zoo.**

NEW YORK, Aug. 14.—As a result of a fight between inmates of the bear den in the Bronx Zoo gardens, one bear is in the hospital, figuratively speaking, and may come out only in the shape to be made into bear steaks, while another is proudly strutting up and down inside his cage, proclaiming his victory in bear language.

The victorious member of the bruin family is Admiral a 900 pound Russian Brown bear. The animal that lost the fight is Mike, the Yezo bear, whose species has its habitat in Japan. The Admiral's cage is No. 8 and joins No. 3 in which Mike dwells. The two have been on bad terms for a long time but were kept a safe distance from each other. Admiral, according to keeper of the bear den, has been scheming to get past the barriers and yesterday morning, found a way. At the rear end of the dividing line of iron bars several had become rusted near the ends. Admiral hurled his nine hundred pounds against the bars, landing almost on top of Mike. There was an immediate mixup and when the keepers, attracted by the snarls of the combatants, reached the scene they found Admiral and Mike in a deadly embrace and slashing at each other with their long sharp claws. Soon there were ten keepers on the ground, prodding the bears with the pikepoles. The bears paid no attention to the keepers and Admiral succeeded in getting Mike's throat between his teeth. At this juncture a keeper landed on Admiral with a blow that made him let go. Mike took advantage of the opportunity to beat a retreat. Then Admiral was driven into his own cage. Mike's wounds were attended to by the keepers as well as can be done with the bear still in an ugly mood, but the keepers are afraid that he is fatally hurt.

**NEW FREAK CHURCH.**

**"Doubt And Be Damned" One Of Its Tenets.**

CHICAGO, Aug. 14.—"Doubt and be damned," is the battle cry of a new religion, according to Mrs. Jennie Blakeley of 773 West 63rd Street, who with her husband Albert Blakeley, is promoting it and who together comprise the "Kingdom of Heaven Churches of the First Born."

The couple claim to have received a divine manifestation from the clouds 15 years ago this coming 29th day of August and they declare that death will befall anyone who discusses it before its 15th anniversary.

Blakeley is a carpenter and has been a close student of the Bible for a long time. He and his wife were formerly members of the Latter Day Saints Church and expect a large following from that creed and among the Jews.

They filed their charter of incorporation in the county recorder's office yesterday, and while it indicates that nine persons participated in the organizing of the church, Mrs. Blakeley acknowledged that she and her husband are really the only ones who "acted" and that the others were merely "present."

Blakeley is named on the papers on file as "ruler" and his wife as secretary and the claim is made that the Almighty elected them. The objects of the church are given as follows: "To rule and refine. "To redeem Zion. "To set up the Heavenly sanctuary. "To bind up the testimony and seat the law. "To work after the spiritual order of God in all divine ordinances. "To establish apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors, and teachers with fundamental principles. "To gather in all Israel."

**PRIVATE RYAN'S TRIAL.**

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 14.—The trial of Private Ryan, coast artillery on a manslaughter charge for the shooting of Private William D. English an escaping prisoner at the Presidio several weeks ago, took place before a court martial yesterday, but the findings of the court will be withheld for some days. Evidence adduced at the trial tended to show that Ryan was within his orders in shooting.

**DRUMMERS CONVENE**

**New York Welcomes 5000 of the Clan**

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NEW YORK, Aug. 14.—Five thousand commercial travelers are in convention here today. For two days they will be in session, but they are not going to be talking and planning all the time. They will put in all day tomorrow at Manhattan Beach, just having a good time. The convention is under the direction of the Commercial Travelers Interstate Congress, an organization of commercial men formed at the instance of the United Travelers of America and the Travelers Protective Association. The congress begins this morning with a reception in the auditorium of the Merchants Association building at which Controller Herman A. Metz will preside. Acting Mayor McGowan will make an address of welcome which will be followed by addresses by Past Supreme Councillor C. W. Rice, of the New York Commercial Travelers, National President H. O. Gray of the Travelers Protective Association, Colonel John S. Hargod, D. C. Clink, Senator Reynolds, Sigmund Hirsch, and J. N. Walsh. The afternoon session will be held in the assembly room of the Metropolitan Life Building. The topics and speakers are "Reason for Congress, A. M. Eastman; "Banks and their Returns to Commerce," Henry Clews; "The Return of Commercial Travelers to Prosperity," E. C. Simmons, and "Prosperity for the People," George Fred Williams.

Automobiles will take all the delegates and their friends to Manhattan Beach tomorrow morning. Athletic games will take up the early part of the day. Mayor D. S. Rose of Milwaukee, John S. Whalen, secretary of state and Controller Metz, acting as Judges.

The speakers and their topics at their dinner at Manhattan Beach Hotel, are as follows: "Travelers Protective Association," Mayor William R. Johnston, Knoxville, Tenn. "Uncommercial Travelers," M. J. Wemons of Wisconsin; "Read Prosperity and the West," Mayor Rose of Milwaukee; "Selling Goods," A. F. Sheldon, Chicago; "The Ladies," Judge Charles F. Moore; "The Power of Commercial Travelers," Alexander Lawrence, Jr. "Traveling Salesmen," Secretary Whalen and "Faith in Our Country's Future, the Foundation of Prosperity," by Lewis Nixon.

**SHIP WITH NO FLAG.**

**Finally Is Sold To A Cuban And Now Is All Right.**

NEW YORK, Aug. 14.—The Ward Liner Bayano will sail today for Cuba, towing the former Norwegian steamer Launberga, but now flying the Cuban flag. Getting the vessel a flag has been a hard task for the Cuban consul and it was only after she had been sold for one dollar to a Cuban captain that she was able to obtain Cuban registry. The Launberga was wrecked some time ago on the Wilmington harbor. She was fixed up and sold by the underwriters at a public sale. By her abandonment by her owners and re-selling she lost her Norwegian flag, so when the American company bought her and towed her here she was without a flag. With a valuable cargo on board, the ship has been lying at Pier 14, East river, for a week, but the Cuban consul refused to clear her without a flag. The Cuban secretary of state was appealed to and he cabled back that if the vessel started she would be liable to seizure as a Pirate craft. Under the Cuban law the vessel had to be owned by a Cuban to have a Cuban registry granted to her. So it was that on Tuesday the Launberga was sold to Former Senator Jose Freias. This done, she was put under the Cuban flag, and in order to allow her sailing today the Cuban consulate was kept open last night while the officers force made out the necessary papers.

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**She Likes Good Things.**

Mrs. Charles E. Smith, of West Franklin, Maine, says: "I like good things and have adopted Dr. King's New Life Pills as our family laxative medicine, because they are good and do their work without making a fuss about it." These painless purifiers sold at Charles Rogers & Son's drug store. 25c.

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