

FAR EAST ISSUES HELD INTRICATE BY WICKHAM STEED

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Washington, Nov. 15.—On Tuesday the conference resumed its plenary sessions. Wonder whether Mr. Hughes will follow up his achievement of Saturday with an equally striking outline of policy on Pacific problems, is tempered by the reflection that complicated though the limitation of armaments may be, it is simple in comparison with the intricacies of the Far Eastern situation.

ARMY AND POLITICS LINKED
As indicated in a statement by Admiral Baron Kato Saturday, Japan might be willing to discuss the limitation of armaments independently of political issues. This willingness is comprehensible, but it is not regarded as practicable. The two issues are naturally interdependent and inseparable. Mr. Hughes definitely linked them together in his speech on Saturday. But it is an open question whether he will think it expedient to announce the policy of the United States in regard to China, and to define the American conception of the integrity of China and Russia, as especially as he made the suggestions for the limitation of naval armaments.

At the same time the American public may be disappointed if the second sitting of the conference fails to produce a sensation approximating in effect that of the first. While the administration is unlikely to have any special expectancy in respect of the conference, it may well desire to convince supporters and critics alike of their determination to place the discussion of the Far Eastern problems on a practical basis without delay.

Meanwhile attention is concentrated upon the reception of the American armaments plan in the countries represented at the conference. Surprise, mingled with satisfaction is felt at the overwhelming favorable echoes from Europe. Some ill-informed sections of American opinion seemed to anticipate bewilderment on the part of the British delegation and of British public opinion. In point of fact the American government has known for months past that the British government would be ready to accept the principle of equality of naval strength with the United States, and to accept the capital ship strength as the standard of measurement.

AMERICAN VIEW TOUCHED
One of the most curious aspects of the American state of mind, especially in the West and Middle West, is its unfamiliarity with the real British aspirations. A tendency to assume that people in Great Britain and in the continent will think and act as a large part of the American public, under various misleading influences, has been brought to the attention of those who would think of the most singular factors in the situation. British sincerity in supporting the efforts of the United States to secure limitation of armaments and to place the emphasis in the Pacific upon ensuring foundations, may end by convincing the American people that something has been fundamentally wrong in views audaciously inculcated upon it by anti-British agencies.

It will remain for the American public to be reassured as to the attitude of Japan. This can only be done by Japan herself; and, as in the case of Great Britain, deeds alone can do it. The reception of Mr. Hughes' proposals by the Japanese delegation has already tended to create a pleasurable expectation that the Japanese attitude, when it is fully defined, will give satisfaction. The statement Sunday night by Admiral Baron Kato, at a reception of the press, seems to open a window upon the Japanese state of mind. He referred to the American proposals as showing "convincing sincerity of purpose."

TWO POLICIES POSSIBLE
At bottom the choice for Japan is between a frank association with the East with other powers, on a footing of equality in an honest intention to promote the welfare of China for the good of all concerned; a policy of resistance, passive or active, to the efforts of other powers, on the assumption that Japanese interests demand the ultimate subjection of China to Japanese influence. There can be no question as to which policy would, in the long run, best conduce to the welfare of Japan. No international arrangement can deprive Japan of her undeniably special position in the Far East or of the great advantages, political and commercial, which that position gives her. It must give her. Fear lest the object of the conference should be to unfairly restrict the play of these natural advantages has, undoubtedly, tended to cramp the influence of the wiser elements in Japanese national life, and to weaken their efforts toward hearty cooperation with the Western powers.

GUIDED BY WISDOM
Japan has not risen to her present eminence among the powers of the civilized world by military and naval efficiency or by diplomatic skill. At many critical turns in her fortunes since the restoration exalted wisdom and foresighted prudence have guided her steps. It is the hope of all delegates to the conference, and, foremost among them, of the American and British delegations, that the present fateful moment in Japanese development—a like wisdom and perspicacity may inspire the Japanese statesmen, and may enable the representatives of Western powers to cooperate with them not only in good will but in a spirit of respectful admiration.

Divorce Is Granted Prof. E. E. DeCou, of State University

Astoria, Nov. 15.—Maximum speed in obtaining a divorce was exemplified Saturday when Judge J. A. Eakin granted a decree to Edgar E. DeCou on the same day that the complaint was filed. DeCou alleged that in April, 1920, Grace Colton DeCou, to whom he was married in 1918, deserted him against his protests. They have no children.

THE DALLES CALLS SPECIAL ELECTION

The Dalles, Nov. 15.—The city council Monday ordered a special election to be held December 5 to pass on three road propositions which will aggregate \$25,000. Among these items is a requested appropriation of \$2600 to pay the cost of building a sewer for the new auditorium, which also is asked to appropriate \$5000 for the cost of the municipal automobile park, which has been financed to date by the chamber of commerce and by donations from the business men. These interests feel that they should no longer stand the expense of a municipal enterprise, and have requested the city council to ask the people to pay for the park maintenance.

Sinnott Is Accorded Hearing on Fund to Fight Pine Beetle

Washington, Nov. 15.—(WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL)—Congressman Sinnott granted a hearing by a sub-committee of the committee on appropriations in the treasury department of \$150,000 for fighting the pine beetle in the national forests and adjoining lands in Southern Oregon and Northern California.

Woodcock's Name Is Withdrawn for Maupin Postmaster

Washington, Nov. 15.—(WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL)—The president today withdrew the nomination of H. F. Woodcock as postmaster at Maupin, Or., from consideration of the senate. It developed that Woodcock could not qualify, as he is a resident of The Dalles. He is a Democrat, just retiring from a position in the land office, and his name was sent in after examination for postmaster at Maupin had failed to develop any candidates.

DIVORCE DECREE GRANTED
Dallas, Or., Nov. 15.—Hannah L. V. Sims was granted a divorce Saturday by Judge H. H. Belt from Robert T. Sims. Mrs. Sims charged that her husband had deserted her a few months after their marriage and returned to his former home in England. Edward F. Piaster of this city has filed suit for divorce from Olive Piaster. Mrs. Piaster is now a resident of Roseburg.

NON-SUPPORT IS CHARGED
Montezano, Wash., Nov. 15.—Frank Marvella of Aberdeen was arrested, charged with non-support.

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BRUMFIELD LIKES PRISON TREATMENT

Roseburg, Nov. 15.—Dr. Richard M. Brumfield, who now occupies a cell on "Death row" at the state penitentiary awaiting execution for the murder of Dennis Russell, is greatly pleased with the treatment given him at the penal institution, he has written to "Chief" Balliet, his former captaine here. Although short, the acquaintance of the two prisoners, whose positions in civilian life so radically differed, quickly ripened into a warm friendship while both were confined in the Douglas county jail. The "Chief," a Cherokee Indian, is awaiting trial on a forgery charge. He says he promised to pay Brumfield a call, providing the present charge against him drew a trip to the state prison.

In the letter Brumfield cautions the "Chief" not to forget this promise. "I have been here now for quite a while," the letter says, "I am quite a little stronger than I was and am improving each day. Chief, you have no idea of the culture of the men running this institution—big hearted fellows who treat a fellow very much like a man. The place is spotlessly clean and the meals are good as you could get at the Unquapa. I am more closely confined and have less chance for exercise, it is my only objection, but a fellow couldn't well expect to find everything to his liking in a state penitentiary, could he? If the jail built and run by the state men, how well I am being treated. I suppose they would raise an awful holler. . . . My wife and sister will visit me this afternoon. Merle is as much a brick as ever—always brave, always ready to fight for me. They treat us quite differently from what Frank Hopkins did. They provide us with comfortable chairs and allow us to rest and hold hands and chat for two hours at a time."

John E. Skelton Arrested Here and Held for Salt Lake

John E. Skelton, wanted in Salt Lake City on charges of grand larceny, was arrested in Portland Sunday by Inspectors Griffin and Hyde. According to information received by the police, Skelton is alleged to have robbed the American Express company of goods valued at \$500. Skelton refused to comment on the charges and announced he would fight extradition. W. E. Rutherford, a special agent for the express company, wired from Seattle that he would come

Whitman County to Observe Anniversary

Colfax, Wash., Nov. 15.—The thirtieth anniversary of the organization of Whitman county, set apart from the county of Stevens, November 25, 1871, will be celebrated here November 23. George W. Case of St. John, chairman of the Whitman County Pioneer association, launched the project. The Colfax Commercial club is cooperating. A dinner at the Community building, at which pioneers of 1871 and earlier will be guests of honor, will be a feature. William Goodyear of Pullman, veteran newspaper man of the county, will speak.

Was Born and Died In Jacksonville, Or.

Medford, Or., Nov. 15.—Edward Herman V. Helms died at his home in Jacksonville Sunday morning from heart trouble. He was 34 years old and was born in Jacksonville, November 24, 1884. Mr. Helms was the owner of an historic collection of pioneer relics. He is survived by one brother, two sisters and a nephew. He was a member of the lodge of Elks.

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