

# JAPAN GETS SAUCY

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### LONE HIGHWAYMAN HOLDS UP TRAIN INSIDE SEATTLE CITY LIMITS

### Steel Plants to Close When Strike Called

### REFUSES TO MAKE A STATEMENT ON WHAT SHE'LL DO WITH SHANTUNG

(By the United Press)  
TOKIO, Sept. 19.—Japan will make no categorical statement regarding the return of Shantung to China, despite hints from Washington that such a statement is desirable, according to an announcement which the foreign minister is reportedly reported to have made to the diplomatic council today.

"Foreign Minister Uchida is reliably reported to have told the diplomatic council," says the Jiji Shimbun, "that Japan cannot predict events which depend upon negotiations between Tokio and Peking, which will be opened at the earliest opportunity."

This statement is in effect a direct slap in the face for the officials and other persons in America who are working for the adoption and ratification of the peace treaty without amendments, urging the claim that Japan will return Shantung to China.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—Officials here maintain silence regarding the Tokio dispatches saying that Japan will not make a statement on the return of Shantung.

This is in line with the policy of not commenting on Shantung in any way until Japan makes a definite move.

It is known, however, that officials and especially the administration senators, have been hopeful that Japan would make some statement. They believe this would considerably lessen opposition to the treaty.

### BOTH SIDES SATISFIED

By L. C. Martin,  
(United Press Staff Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—President Wilson's assurance that Great Britain will not have more voting power in the League of Nations than the United States, knocks the last prop from under the supporters of the covenant, league supporters declared here today.

Its opponents, with equal assurance, regard the president's statement on this point at San Francisco as ammunition for themselves. They intend to use it, they say, to show that an effort is being made to mislead the people.

### BANK ROBBERS SHOOT TO KILL

(By the United Press)

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Sept. 19.—Gerritt Streelman, a peddler, was shot and instantly killed by robbers who held up a branch of the Grand Rapids Savings bank here today.

Four men drove up to the bank in an automobile, entered and held up the bank employees and several customers at the point of revolvers.

Streelman, who was in the bank on business, attempted to escape and the robbers shot him dead.

The hold-up men secured \$3645 in cash and currency and made their escape in the car in which they came.

The police were immediately notified and posses are now scouring the city and vicinity for some trace of the robbers.

### NO WAGE INCREASE

(By the United Press)

NEW YORK, Sept. 19.—Workers in shipyards doing government work cannot hope for wage increases until after October 1, according to letters sent out by Assistant Secretary of the Navy Roosevelt to navy officials of the United States shipping board and emergency fleet corporation.

The letters, received here today stated that the existing wage scale will be retained until after the first of next month in accordance with the president's request to await results from efforts to reduce the cost of living.

### DEFEND FIUME TO THE DEATH

(By the United Press)

ROME, Sept. 19.—"Calm and harmony in dealing with the situation which the poet Gabrielle D'Annunzio has created in occupying Fiume was urged today by Premier Nitti."

"The movement is grave," he said, speaking before the chamber of deputies.

The poet's reply to the proclamation that every soldier refusing to leave Fiume will be considered an enemy of Italy, has just been received here.

"It is an infamous order, worthy of a vile government," was D'Annunzio's expression. He reiterated that he would defend Fiume to the death.

S. S. Conference

The Sunday School Workers' conference of the Presbyterian church will take place in the church this evening, at which all officers and teachers of the school will take part. A supper will be held at 6 o'clock, after which the conference will be held.

Thousands of acres being dyked and drained in Klamath basin.

### Would Send Our Boys to Armenia

(By the United Press)

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—The foreign relations committee today referred to a sub-committee the Williams resolution authorizing President Wilson to use the American military and naval forces to keep peace in Armenia.

Williams urged the committee to report the resolution on the ground that withdrawal of the British troops from Armenia will leave that country helpless against the Turks.

Republican members on the committee, however, opposed action until the need for American troops presents itself.

### MUST WEAR PANTS TO BE HEALTHY

NEW YORK, Sept. 19.—"To be healthy, woman must wear trousers," said Miss Fanny Harley, registered in an exclusive hotel here today.

Demonstrating, she strolled down Fifth avenue in a pair of white flannels.

### Killed Trying To Hear Speech

(By the United Press)

OAKLAND, Sept. 19.—Intent upon gaining a point of vantage for a rush when the doors opened for the Wilson meeting, Mrs. Belle Taylor, a widow, was struck and killed by a street car last night in sight of thousands of people waiting to hear the president speak.

She was decapitated. Several women fainted at the sight of the tragedy.

### Profiteers Admit Guilt

#### Firewater Absent at Celebration

(By the United Press)

SAGINAW, Mich., Sept. 19.—With one diversion from historical accuracy—absence of the ten barrels of "firewater"—Michigan today celebrated the hundredth anniversary of the treaty by which the greater part of the state became a part of the United States.

General Louis Cass and 114 Chippewa chiefs signed the treaty in 1819.

"General Cass" arrived here today from the waters of the Flint river, which he reached in 1819 after a ride on horseback through the unbroken wilderness from Detroit. Hundreds of actual descendants of the Chippewas met him up the river with their gaily colored canoes, and wearing their tribal regalia and war paint.

At the conference ground, the pipe of peace will be smoked. Only the ten barrels of "firewater" with the "man beside each with a willing dipper" will be missing from the ritual.

In exchange for the rich territory extending from the southern border of Genesee county to the Thunder Bay river and running to the center of the state the United States promised to pay the Chippewa Indians and their descendants forever \$1,000 a year in silver.

The treaty made a number of reservations of territory to be retained by the Indians, but these now have come into possession of whites.

#### JANITORS' PAY HIGHER THAN PROFESSORS'

(By the United Press)

NEW YORK, Sept. 19.—College professors are worse paid than janitors and scrubwomen in the same institutions, charges Gardner B. Perry of Albany, a Harvard graduate who is chairman of the Eastern New York endowment committee to raise funds for Harvard university.

The university wants \$11,000,000. "So long as the janitors of our college halls and the scrubwomen of the libraries get larger salaries than professors, just so long shall we be in danger of seeing our universities become second rate schools of advanced education," he said.

"The remedy for this condition is not lowering the pay of the janitors and scrubwomen, but raising those of our teachers."

Hubbard's Creek is a new mushroom town near Port Orford.

### No Effort Will Be Made to Operate; Strike Is Certain

(By the United Press)

CHICAGO, Sept. 19.—Steel plants in the Chicago district will be closed if the workers strike Monday, officials declared today. No effort will be made to employ strikebreakers.

They believe this plan will tend to prevent bloodshed.

It is reported here that a canvass at Gary, Ind., showed that 8302 out of 10,125 workers interviewed expressed their intention of not striking Monday.

Union officials answered this with a declaration that 98 percent of the workers had voted to allow the national council to call a strike in case they could not reach an agreement.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—"The steel strike situation is unchanged," said Chairman Fitzpatrick of the steel men's union committee following a two hour conference today with Samuel Gompers, head of the American Federation of Labor.

(By the United Press)

PITTSBURG, Sept. 19.—Labor's challenge and announcement of its intention to fight for the democratiza-

tion of industry was made in a solemn letter addressed to President Wilson, which was made public late last night.

"No labor without representation," is the slogan of the laborers in the 24 unions whose members are employed in the steel industry and who are scheduled to walk out from the plants next Monday.

Their strike, it is announced, will be continued until the heads of the steel companies consent to a conference with the labor leaders at which the men's grievances can be discussed and adjusted.

Leaders for every strike district have been appointed and arrangements for picketing have been made. Only Monday is awaited to throw a large section of the country into a titanic struggle.

The immediate cause of the strike is based by the leaders upon the steadfast refusal of Judge Gary to meet the steel workers' committee in conference.

This, they declare, is a denial of labor's right of representation in industry and in determining conditions under which it shall work.

### BOYCOTTING STREET CARS

(By the United Press)

CAMDEN, N. J., Sept. 19.—Boycotting replaced vandalism as a protest against the new zone system of the public service street railways when the cars resumed service this morning, after a suspension since midnight.

Three arrests were made last night, two of them boys for throwing stones at a car and the third, a woman who was organizing a crowd to attack a car.

The charge on the police docket says she commanded the crowd to "knock hell out of the car."

### Bulgarians Given 25 Days to Sign Treaty

(By the United Press)

PARIS, Sept. 19.—Without any ceremonies the Bulgarians were handed the peace treaty at the French foreign office today. They were given 25 days in which to make their reply.

L. L. Theodoroff, head of the Bulgarian peace delegation made an address in which he urged mitigation of a number of the provisions of the peace terms.

The delivery of the treaty occurred in the presence of a single representative of each of the allied countries and ten newspaper correspondents.

Readjustment of frontiers, aiming to promote the peace of the Balkans and recognition of new states form the leading features of the Bulgarian treaty, which follows the Aus-

### Germany Says She'll Be Good

(By the United Press)

BERLIN, Sept. 19.—Germany today sent a note to the allies formally stating that she will accede to their demands for alterations in the German constitution.

Attached to the note were observations protesting against the observation of procedure.

The allies asked Germany to modify her constitution, eliminating the clause providing for Austrian representation in the reichstag. The allies maintained that this provision is opposed to the treaty's guarantee of Austrian independence.

WILSON AT SANTA BARBARA

(By the United Press)

SANTA BARBARA, Sept. 19.—President Wilson's special train, en route to San Diego, arrived here at 8 o'clock. A big crowd cheered the president during his brief stop.

Send to have \$100,000 steam heating plant erected by local utility to utilize sawmill waste for heating purposes.

### BINDS AND GAGS MAIL CLERK; MAKES ESCAPE

#### Find No Room for Poor St. George

(By the United Press)

LONDON.—(By Mail.)—Famous Britons will have to hurry up and die if they want to be buried in the national Valhalla, Westminster Abbey. There is absolutely only room for six more, and they will have to be cremated first, according to Rev. Canon R. H. Charles, who is in charge of abbey graves and interments.

The suggestion cabled from Australia that the abbey should be the last resting place of a casket of bones, alleged to be those of England's apron saint, St. George of Cappadocia, which were excavated by Australian troops in Palestine, finds little favor with Canon Charles.

"I don't care 'tuppence about his bones," he declared emphatically. "Just now I am more concerned about the remains of England, if the labor troubles don't cease."

"Anyway, there is only room for the remains of six more famous people in the abbey. I am trying to secure additional ground for interments; there are some old houses behind one of our Norman walls which will have to come down some day. I want the space reserved for the interment of the famous men. There are so many, great men nowadays, and there will be so many in the years to come, that space for six seems inadequate. If we get this space we might have room for St. George."

#### THE WEATHER

For Oregon—Fair.

### FIRE THREATENS REDWOOD FORESTS

#### Wants March To be General

(By the United Press)

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—Secretary of War Baker today made a personal visit to the capitol to urge passage of a bill conferring the rank of permanent General on Peyton C. March for his services as chief of staff.

Secretary Baker asked Chairman Campbell of the rules committee, to report out a rule for the bill's consideration. The committee meets to consider the secretary's request next week.

#### GOOD PRICES FOR HOGS

MEDFORD, Sept. 17.—Roland Flaharty, manager of the co-operative sales department of the farm bureau, returned yesterday from Portland where he sold a car load of hogs at the market consigned by Jackson county farmers. Eight Chester White hogs from the ranch of L. Oorthuys of Talent, brought a premium, being purchased at \$17.60 a hundred, while the bulk of the other hogs in the car brought the top market price at \$17.50.

SEATTLE, Sept. 19.—Binding, gagging and forcing Harry Mero, a mail clerk, into his locker, a lone robber, who is still at liberty, rifled the mail car of an Northern Pacific train this morning while still within the city limits, bound for St. Paul. A package of money consigned to a Roslyn bank, and other registered mail was included in his loot.

The robber is supposed to have boarded the train here and made his way to the mail car through the baggage car.

Just after the train picked up speed the robber entered the mail car, compelled Clerk Mero to throw up his hands, by sticking a revolver in his face, then bound and gagged him.

The amount of his loot has not yet been determined.

### MONEY NEEDED

CORPUS CHRISTI, Tex., Sept. 19.—Former Mayor Brown, chairman of the relief committee, again appealed to the outside world for assistance, saying that dozens of once prosperous citizens have been made penniless, many of them actually losing the clothes off their backs.

"Financial assistance," he declared, "is what these men are going to need worst, particularly men with families!"

The death toll from the storm is now placed at between 850 and 925 and the property loss at \$20,000,000.

Almost continuous rains since Sunday have made difficult the problem of taking care of the 3000 homeless, but the authorities hope to complete the tent refugee city tonight.

### FRISCO MARKETS

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 19.—Following are market quotations: BUTTER—Extras, 64c. EGGS—Extras, 67 1/2c; pullets, 63c.

POULTRY—Broilers, 33c; hens, 35c.

CATTLE—Top steers, 10 1/2c; seconds, 8 1/2c; cows, heifers, 8 1/2c; calves, 13c.

HOGS—Top, 16 1/2c.

SHEEP—Ewes, 7c; wethers, 6c; lambs, 10c.

BARLEY—Feed, \$8.05; shipping, \$3.12 1/2c.