

COAST PROTESTS AGAINST JAPS

NEW JAPANESE TREATY FAVORED BY HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Washington, Feb. 22.—The Japanese treaty was ordered reported favorably to the senate by the committee on foreign relations today, after the committee had heard a statement by Mr. Knox, secretary of state.

GOVERNOR JOHNSON SAYS Sacramento, Feb. 22.—Governor Johnson declined today to discuss the new treaty with Japan. "I haven't a word to say about the treaty. I don't desire to discuss it," said the governor.

The new Japanese treaty, sent to the senate yesterday for the purpose of superseding that of 1894, in relation to trade and commerce, was ordered favorably reported today from the committee on foreign relations. Secretary Knox explained the provisions of treaty, and answered many questions to satisfy the members of the committee that the proposed change affecting immigration would not let down the bars to the unrestricted immigration of Coolie labor. The committee finally adopted a resolution of ratification, the terms of which satisfied the members there would be no danger of difficulty with Japan over the immigration of laborers by reason of the new treaty having omitted the provision of the convention of 1894, which recognized the right of either country to make regulations on the subject of immigration.

This resolution declares this question will be left absolutely to the diplomatic notes between the governments of the United States and Japan. Senator Lodge gave notice in the senate today that he would ask for an executive session at the earliest possible moment. He did not state the purpose of the session, but it is known he intended to press the Japanese treaty for immediate consideration and ratification today if possible.

Lodge was authorized by the committee to make a report favoring the ratification of the treaty, and he is said to have canvassed the sentiment of the Pacific Coast senators and to have found that there would be no opposition to the measure. The Pacific Coast senators, it is asserted, have been brought to see that the exclusion of undesirable aliens has never been accomplished by treaty, but by regulations of this government. The omission in reference to immigration, which was made as a tribute to the Japanese national honor, and in consideration of Japanese pride, is said not to have affected the situation at all.

Provisions of Treaty. This new treaty is one of "trade and commerce," intended to replace the treaty of 1894, negotiated by the late Secretary Creehan and Baron Kurino, then Japanese Minister to the United States. That treaty is a most comprehensive document, comprising 20 articles, dealing with trade, commerce and navigation, rights of dwelling, import and export duties, tonnage dues, port regulations, shipping rights, consular functions and other subjects. It already has become antiquated, because of the rapid advance of the Japanese in ways of civilization. It was drawn simultaneously with several other treaties of similar scope negotiated by Japan with all the great powers. But unlike the others, this particular treaty was not promptly ratified and did not go into effect until about a year after the others were in force.

Japan's Finances Involved. Japan has already negotiated treaties to replace those of the '90s with nearly all of the other powers except the United States. If our government were to insist upon its rights, the existing treaties could be continued in force until July 17, 1912.

This little incident—the difference of year in the expiration of the old treaties—is proving very embarrassing to the Japanese in developing a fiscal policy. As all of the new treaties contained the favored nation clause, the Japanese government would be obliged to concede to the nations other than the United States all of the privileges which America now enjoys under the treaty of 1894.

The practical result may be to delay for a full year, if America refuses to enter upon a new treaty relation at once, the readjustment of tariff rates and other forms of taxation vital to the soundness of the Japanese empire. Hence the Japanese government has been using every effort to induce the state department to follow the example of the great European nations and consent to immediate revision of the treaty. The department has delayed doing so, principally for the reason that it is desired to await the conclusion of all the treaties which Japan is making with the other powers in order to make certain of securing for America any advantages extended to other peoples.

The essential difference between the proposed treaty and the existing convention is said to be that it omits all reference to all such restrictions and leaves to the national honor of Japan the enforcement at her own ports of the limitations upon immigration from Japan now expressly placed upon immigration into the United States.

The document is said to provide that either country may denounce the treaty at the end of six months if it fails to operate as expected.

Because it embodies this radical departure from the existing treaty and touches the question of the deepest importance and interest to the Pacific Coast, the injection of this convention into the closing hours of the 51st congress caused a sensation today.

San Diego, Cal., Feb. 22.—Held a prisoner on the charge of being a rebel spy, Harry C. Bell, an American, faces the probability of being executed by Mexican officials at Juana, fifteen miles south of here, according to information supplied the Evening Tribune today. With Bell is a man of Mexican descent, but who claims to be an American citizen.

ASTORIA BANKER DIES IN CALIFORNIA Los Angeles, Feb. 22.—Benjamin Young, banker, of Astoria, dropped dead in the lobby of a hotel here today of heart trouble.

(Mr. Young was a visitor in Eugene a few weeks ago with his son and daughter, who are students at the University. Miss Wilma Young is a freshmen member of the Chi Omega sorority, and Mr. Stanley P. Young is a well-known senior, a member of the Sigma Nu. Though the father has been a sufferer from Bright's disease for several years, no immediate alarm was felt by his children. The sad news was received by them late this afternoon in Eugene.)

A Gosseneck correspondent of the referendum for several appointments bills.

More good road building than ever before will be done in Douglas county this year. That is the greatest developer the county can get, as well as its best permanent improvement, says the Review.

GOVERNOR WEST OPPOSES NEW JAP TREATY

Oregon Chief Executive Wants No Coolie Laborers

STRONG RESOLUTION IN CALIFORNIA SENATE

Seattle Indifferent to Restriction Clause Because of Growing Trade

Salem, Feb. 22.—Governor West today declared the omission from the proposed Japanese treaty the clause for restriction of immigration was a grave error. "I believe this is a white man's country," he said, "and any attempt to open the floodgates to allow foreign immigration, especially of the coolies from Japan, to pour in should be blocked immediately."

Sacramento, Feb. 22.—A resolution calling upon the United States senate to cease consideration of the proposed Japanese treaty as submitted to it by the president, was offered in the senate today by Senator Caminetti. Its text is as follows: Whereas, it is reported that the draft of the new treaty between the United States and Japan, sent to the United States senate on the 21st instant, omits all restrictive features concerning the coming Japanese laborers to the United States.

Whereas the senate of the state of California, relying in good faith upon assurances from official sources given to the people of the state during the last four years that immigration to the United States of such laborers would be precluded by mutual agreement between our government and that of Japan, that latter nation was as anxious to retain as we were to exclude them, patriotically and patiently observed due calmness pending negotiations for the new treaty, and

Whereas this senate notes with sincere regret the omission from said treaty of such protective measures as are vitally necessary to the interests of California and the welfare of its citizens, or in lieu thereof of such provisions therein, continuing in force the said mutual agreement which has, in the past, been referred to by the federal authorities as our shield and protector, and

Whereas, our people have been led to believe and hope that there would be no surrender of our rights in the premises, and whereas, it further appears that even the protective features pertaining to immigration matters of the present treaty with Japan are omitted in the new draft. Therefore, be it resolved: That the senate of the state of California earnestly urges the president of the United States to withdraw said treaty from further consideration by the senate of the United States, and be it further

Resolved, that we appeal to the senate of the United States to withhold and refuse its assent to a compact fraught with so much danger to our citizens, to our industrial development and to our civilization, and be it further resolved, that our senators in congress be instructed and our representatives in congress requested to use all honorable means to prevent the ratification of said treaty, and be it further resolved, that the governor be requested to immediately send a copy of these resolutions to the president, the respective houses of congress and to our senators and representatives in congress.

Seattle Indifferent. Seattle, Feb. 22.—The people of this city are apparently indifferent to the terms of the proposed Japanese treaty and as yet no action has been taken by the commercial bodies or labor unions. The large trade that is being built up between the Orient and Puget Sound ports has inclined the merchants to favor closer relations with Japan.

Portland Against Treaty. Portland, Or., Feb. 22.—The various heads of the commercial bodies of Portland are emphatic in the declaration that the letting down of the bars to Japanese coolie immigration will be a serious matter to the Pacific coast states. It is the consensus of opinion that the clause restricting immigration should be incorporated in the proposed treaty.

Jay Gould Next of Famous Family to Wed, Rumor Says.



Despite family denials it is affirmed by New York society that another Gould wedding will take place in the summer, probably in June. This time the Gould part of the ceremony will be largely secondary, as George J. Gould's second son, Jay, will be the family's representative. The bride will be Miss Annie D. Graham, daughter of Mrs. Hubert Vos of New York, who was a princess of the Hawaiian Islands at the time of her marriage. The engagement is expected to be announced at Miss Graham's birthday dinner this month, at which Lord and Lady Decies will be guests.

ENGLISH LORDS WILL FIGHT TO HOLD POWER EMPEROR WILLIAM EXPRESSES VIEWS ON SUICIDE

Lord Lansdowne Would Move to Amend the Constitution Declares That in Such Cases One Must Answer to God and Conscience

Berlin, Feb. 22.—The papers publish a cabinet order of Emperor William overruling and declaring the decree of the military court of honor or in the case of Count Hans von Pfeil and expressing his majesty's view of suicide. The count an officer of the German army, recently committed suicide. He was tried by the regimental tribunal, which is authority in matters of personal conduct not covered by fixed laws, and found guilty of having violated his military oath.

In setting aside this judgment, which would mean dismissal from service, the emperor declared he is responsible only to God and his conscience, therefore his deed can be judged neither by the regular or honor tribunals.

RECIPROCITY DOESN'T MEAN ANNEXATION

Ottawa, Feb. 22.—Canadian parliament today unanimously declared its sentiment to be that the proposed reciprocity agreement with the United States should not lead to annexation.

NAVAL BILL IS PASSED BY HOUSE

Washington, Feb. 22.—The naval appropriation bill passed the house today, and advocates of the naval program of one battleship instead of two, tried to secure a recommitment of the bill for amendment in that respect, but the motion was defeated 167 to 132.

Story of mad coyotes biting dogs and hogs in Chewanucan valley was a fake, says the press. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Jay Bowerman, in Portland, Saturday, twins, making four Bowerman kids in all.

Rats killed several ducks the first night of their ownership by an Albany man. Chickens kept in the same place had never been killed by the rodents.

YOUNG AMERICAN WITH REBELS IN MEXICO AND ATTACK TOWN OF ALGODONES

Mexicali, Mexico, Feb. 22.—With all the wires cut by insurgents, the United States signal corps men at Calexico used the heliograph today to communicate with the town of Andrade and confirmed the report of last night of a rebel attack on the Mexican town of Algodones, opposite Andrade, the killing of one Mexican official and the wounding of another. The custom house at Algodones was burned by the rebels.

Coming directly after the declaration of the insurgent leaders that they intended to establish a socialist commonwealth in lower California, the news of the attack on Algodones caused much excitement on the American side of the boundary. The attacking party was made up chiefly of young Americans.

EUGENE WILL HAVE GREAT INFUX OF HOME SEEKERS EXPECTED

Ladies' Auxiliary Will Take Matter Up Tonight—the Schools Co-operate

Eugene will have another rose-planting day late in March or early in April. The ladies' auxiliary of the Commercial club will meet tonight, and among the matters to be brought up for discussion will be that of setting a date for the annual rose planting. Manager Freeman of the promotion department of the club, will address the ladies on the subject and make suggestions as to the manner in which the day should be celebrated. The promotion department has received a number of inquiries as to whether or not imported rose slips will again be available this year. Manager Freeman says he thinks he can get them cheaper than last year even, and plenty of them.

The schools, ladies' auxiliary and other organizations interested will be asked to appoint committees to take hold of the matter and to work in conjunction. It is planned to secure several thousand of the slips, and distribute them through a committee of florists at cost price. It is planned, the same as last year, to hold appropriate exercises on planting day, with addresses and music, and public out-of-door planting at some prominent spot in the city.

FLAT STUFF FAVORED FOR MY LADY'S LID; BUCKET THINGS BANNED

New York, Feb. 22.—Into the discard with the wash-dish, washtub and bucket millinery effects. The flat-iron poke, the fluffy oyster shell and the mushroom are it now. Models of the new spring styles have just arrived from Paris. The kipped herring is missing. The flat-iron poke bids fair to be popular. The bow rests on a point on the forehead just north of the nose. From there the hat slopes upward and outward, exposing millinery's coiffure, a boon to the hairdresser.

GOOD ROADS LAW IS CONDEMNED

Portland, Or., Feb. 22.—Because the measure failed to provide supervision over the expenditure of state money set aside, and to whom the money shall be paid for construction of state-aided roads, Oregon Good Roads association Monday night practically went on record recommending a Governor who that he veto the \$340,000 appropriation made by the legislature counties in support of good roads. The governor has until Friday consider the bill.

COMMITTEES NAMED FOR S. S. CONVENTION

State Meeting to Be Held In Eugene on April 12, 13, and 14

The state convention of Sunday schools will be held in Eugene on April 12, 13, and 14. A meeting of pastors and Sunday school superintendents was held at the Y. M. C. A. building last night to make preliminary arrangements for the meeting and appointed the following committee chairmen:

Entertainment, A. M. Paulson; reception, W. S. Bartholomew, music, W. F. Fagan; credentials, Arthur M. Tripp; decoration, Homer A. Soules; banquet, Rev. C. T. Whittlesey; usher, Ira Manville; exhibits, Mrs. E. Fisher and class; publicity, H. E. Holmquist.

An executive committee was chosen with Rev. H. W. Davis, chairman and Rev. J. M. Gressley, secretary. Under a new bill Benton county officials will receive the following salaries: Clerk \$1600, sheriff \$1400, treasurer \$900, judge \$900, school superintendent \$1200, assessor \$1600, commissioner \$3 a day.