

## JAP ADMIRAL TO BE REBUKED

His Government Is Investigating His Alleged Criticism of President Taft and If Found Guilty He Will Be Punished

TOKIO, Jan. 14.—Prompt steps to punish Admiral Yashiro for his criticism of President Taft's plan to fortify the Panama canal will be taken by the Japanese government, if an investigation now under way should verify the reported remarks of the admiral made while a guest of Colonel Goethals at Panama.

The navy and foreign office here are greatly concerned over the incident and have intimated openly that if the remarks are found to have been correctly quoted Yashiro will be sharply reprimanded. Further punishment may be administered.

There is a disposition in some quarters however, to believe that the words of the admiral were either misquoted, or as to give them a false meaning, so that the whole story was fabricated by anti-Japanese partisans in the United States, and the government will take no steps until the most careful investigation of the affair has been made.

The incident is being widely discussed in the Japanese press. Most of the papers take the attitude that the American government is inclined to take the matter in too serious a light, even supposing the admiral did criticize the plan as is alleged.

No other affair for a long time has brought forth so much open discussion of the relations between the two nations. In official circles, it is admitted that the matter is of some concern. The Japanese government would doubly regret any remark, on the part of Yashiro that might cause offense to Americans, especially when the fleet he commands is on a friendly visit in American waters.

The government recognizes the fact that there is an element in the United States that is unfriendly to Japan and many officials are inclined to believe that the admiral may have been misrepresented by this element. The fact, however, that this may be the case, has caused some uneasiness, and while it is believed that the present incident will be adjusted between the two nations in a dignified manner and so that no offense can be taken by either the foreign office believes that the affair is an indication that the greatest caution must be exercised in matters dealing with the United States in the future.

One high government official, who protests his friendliness for America, has said that the dislike of some Americans for Japan, if it is expressed too openly will eventually be reflected by certain classes of Japanese and that the result that it will be extremely difficult to prevent incidents which might result in restrained relations.

The state department at Washington will be notified, it is intimated, of the result of the investigation in the present case and if the admiral is found to have transgressed the rules of international etiquette, even unintentionally, steps will be taken to punish him and the United States will be apprised of the fact.

## BOY WILL KILL CROWS FOR \$\$'S

Pelt Bounties to the Value of \$132 Paid Out By County in December—Youth Would Banish Crow Pest if Made Remunerative.

Scalp bounties to the value of \$132 paid out by County Clerk Coleman during the month of December, 1910, were approved by the county court before their adjournment last Saturday.

The county is now paying bounties on wolves, cougar, wild cat, lynx and coyotes.

Reports from various parts of the county contain the news that large numbers of crows have lately been seen and Saturday afternoon a small boy, whose sack enclosed feet denoted that he had traveled some distance to get his information asked County Clerk Coleman whether the returns for crows' "scalps" were sufficient to warrant his neglecting other important business to secure.

He was told that no bounty was paid on the birds.

To find a better furnished room—perhaps at even less rent than you now pay—is surely a task worth a few hours of your time. Arm yourself with some clipped ads—and start on a "little journey!"

## RICKARD TO REOPEN GRAVES

Says He Will Endeavor to Match Jeffries and Johnson Again—Barney Oldfield, Automobile Racer Also in the Game

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 14.—I will attempt to rematch Jack Johnson and James J. Jeffries. I will make no other statement today, but I will tell my plans as soon as I feel that I can do so," said Tex Rickard today.

Rickard, several months ago, went to Los Angeles where he spent many days with Jeffries. Before he made his southern trip he asserted that he would try to rematch the men. At that time Jeffries stated that he would not re-enter the ring. Johnson said that he would be willing to accept a "suitable offer."

It is known that for the past several weeks Barney Oldfield, automobile racer, who is a close friend of Jeffries, has been endeavoring to induce the ex-champion to alter his views. It is believed here that Oldfield and Rickard have been in touch with each other, and the new mysterious move that the promoter is making to bring the two fighters together again is the result of information which has come to him through Oldfield.

Johnson recently uttered a statement in which he said he would be glad to meet Jeffries again, just to prove that the "dope" story circulated since the Reno battle was not true.

That Rickard would not make any attempt to negotiate with the two fighters unless he had assurance that the men are willing to listen to him is the belief of fight fans here.

Rickard will leave for Los Angeles tomorrow, where he will have another talk with Jeffries. Rickard's offer it is said, will be a purse of \$60,000 and neither fighter will be paid a bonus. The fight, it is said, will be staged in Utah or Nevada.

## FEAR RAINS MAY FLOOD CREEK

Snow, When Thawed, May Augment Spring Rains So as to Cause River to Overflow Its Banks—Will Keep Watch.

Fears for the safety of property along the shores of Bear creek are entertained by persons living on both banks of the stream should the recent snows, when thawing, cause the small body of water to rise above its banks.

The river is normal at present but with the early spring rains augmented by the snow now on the ground it is believed that a damaging flood may result.

Weather reports for the immediate future predict a continuance of uncertain weather with probably more snow or, if the cold wave ceases, rain.

### Walsh Leads in Montana.

HELENA, Mont., Jan. 14.—T. J. Walsh jumped into the lead in the senatorial race today. The ballot in the legislature today resulted: Walsh, 30; Carter, 28; Conrad, 12; scattering 28.

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## GREATEST SHIP OF ALL IS LAUNCHED

Battleship Arkansas, Largest Dreadnought Afloat, Is Successfully Launched—Christened by Miss Mary Macon

CAMDEN, N. J., Jan. 14.—The battleship Arkansas, the largest dreadnought afloat, was launched from the ways of the New York Shipbuilding company at noon today.

With a tremor the giant vessel slid from its racks when the ways were dropped. It settled easily into the water.

Secretary of the Navy Meyer, Assistant Secretary Winthrop and a delegation of Arkansas congressmen attended the launching. The Arkansas was christened by Miss Mary Macon, daughter of Congressman Macon.

The battleship Wyoming, a sister ship, will be launched soon. The Arkansas is the first 26,000-ton battleship authorized by congress and exceeds in size any other battleship ever built. According to specifications, it must make 20½ knots an hour.

The Arkansas is 562 feet long over all; its beam is 93 feet at water line under load. It was built to develop 28,000 horse power in its engine room. Turbine engines were installed.

The ship will carry an armament of twelve 12-inch guns, mounted in six turrets with torpedo tubes.

The contract called for the completion of the Arkansas by May 16.

### Krupp Gross Profits \$9,000,000.

BERLIN, Germany, Jan. 14.—The great steel and gun making firm of Krupp has announced a 10 per cent dividend for the year on the share capital of \$45,000,000, as compared with 8 per cent last year. The gross profits for the year are \$9,000,000, half of which is written off and the rest devoted to the reserve, to dividends and to contributions to the invalid pension funds for the firm's 70,000 employees, which now aggregate \$9,500,000.

The employees in addition have on deposit with the management \$8,750,000.

Krupp's contribution to the workmen's state insurance fund amounts in 1910 to \$1,320,000.

# The Strength of Our First January Clearance Sale IS ITS REALITY

Exaggerated statements may temporarily allure, but if qualities do not bear out what is claimed for them they attract only to disappointment. Our First January Clearance Sale offerings are enthusiastically announced, but we have yet to hear of a dissatisfied customer—We avoid exaggerations, preferring that customers find reality more than up to expectations. The following only tells of a part:

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Tailored Suits; regular values to \$65.00; January Clearance .....	\$27.50
Tailored Suits; regular values to \$45.00; January Clearance .....	\$24.50
Tailored Suits; regular values to \$35.00; January Clearance .....	\$19.50
Others at reduced prices .....	\$11.95, \$16.75

### The Chance You've Been Waiting for to Secure Splendid Coats

Handsome Broadcloth Coats, Plush Coats; some have large shawl collar, others trimmed with wide military braid; all Skimmer satin lined throughout "Style-Craft" make; regular values \$45.00, \$50.00 and \$55.00; January Clearance .....

Black Broadcloth Coats; handsome mixture coats; regular values \$22.50 and \$25.00; January Clearance .....

Other mixture Coats as low as \$7.50, \$9.50 and \$11.95

### Dresses Reduced One Fourth to One Third

Every dress in stock, whether it is evening dress, afternoon dress or street dress, the price for January Clearance is reduced one-fourth to one-third.

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