

HIRAM JOHNSON TO PROBE REPORT JAP PACT CHANGE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Negotiations looking toward a revision of treaty relationship between Japan and the United States in connection with Japanese land rights, will be investigated by Senator Hiram Johnson of California, to ascertain whether an attempt is being made to prejudice the situation resulting from the supreme court decision upholding the anti-alien land laws of California and Washington.

The first word that Japan had approached the state department on the subject was incorporated in a statement issued by the Japanese government in Tokyo. Secretary Hughes declined to comment. Senator Johnson desires to learn just what the situation is and he expects to take action if he thinks it necessary in conserving the interests of California.

The statement made in Tokyo said a revision of treaty relationship, including the revocation of the dual nationality of Japanese together with the enforcement of the alien land law of Japan, were the subjects under consideration with the state department as a result of popular sentiment aroused in Japan by the supreme court decision in the land case.

The expectation has prevailed in Washington that the Japanese government would make inquiry of the United States regarding the immigration question also, inasmuch as a new immigration act soon is to be drafted and a group of senators and representatives from Pacific coast states have taken steps to have inserted a provision covering Japanese and Chinese immigration.

Such an inquiry, in the view of officials, would be entirely proper. It was explained at the White House today that foreign nations usually make much inquiry whenever an immigration matter affecting their interests is likely to be considered.

Build North Pole Planes
FRIEDRICHSHAFEN, Germany, Dec. 22.—The construction of three airplanes to be used by Captain Roald Amundsen on his north pole flight next summer has been started.

ARMED BAND ROBS DISTILLERY OF 40 BARRELS WHISKEY

BALTIMORE, Dec. 22.—A score of armed men and a fleet of trucks last night swooped down on the Gwynnbrook distillery warehouse at Gwynnbrook near Owings Mills, shackled the three guards and broke into two of the three whiskey stocked buildings.

An army of state, county and city police and National Guardsmen on motorcycles last night, scoured the roads and countryside for the fugitives.

Four men were captured in a motor truck. Half a dozen escaped amid a hail of bullets abandoning two trucks believed to have been stolen from the Manhattan Transportation company, Philadelphia.

More than 40 barrels of whiskey valued at \$60,000 were stolen.

Hands Down Decision Christian Science Case

BOSTON, Dec. 21.—Judge Anderson, in a memorandum, handed down in the federal court today, ruled that Christian Science practitioners have a civil and property right to have their cards included in the directory of practitioners published in the Christian Science Journal subject to control by authorized church officials acting for the good of the church and not for personal reasons.

The ruling was made in the suit brought by Mrs. Katherine Allen of Phoenix, Ariz., against the directors of the church and the trustees of the Christian Science Publishing society.

Leviathan Floated, Undamaged.
NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—(By the Associated Press)—The Leviathan, pride of the American merchant marine, which struck a mud bank off Staten Island yesterday, remained there for about seven hours when she was refloated after most of her passengers had been landed by ferryboats and tugs.

HI SCHOOL PLAY AT ASHLAND IS ROARING SUCCESS

ASHLAND, Dec. 21.—The anniversary play, "It Pays to Advertise," was given at the high school gymnasium Thursday evening. This was a three act play and was directed by Miss Louise Hall, dramatic director and English teacher for the high school. The play began with the announcement of the engagement of a young millionaire, Rodney Martin, portrayed by Vernon McGee. On account of a bet the father, Cyrus Martin, taken by John Galey, had made with another man, the son was disinherited and was forced to prove his mettle by making a living. He started to rival his father in the soap business, and by advertising extensively was able to get some orders, however, only after the father had sent an order to them first. Through the clever plotting of Mary Grayson (Virginia Jones), the secretary and fiancée of Rodney, the trademark was finally sold to the father, who was forced to furnish all the soap, because his son had forgotten the manufacturing of soap in the whirl of the advertising that was being done. A very clever French girl was involved in the play, which part was very well taken by Miss Carol Van Dyke, Henry Homer as the father was very good as was also Miss Alice Ruger as the stenographer in Rodney's office. Robert High as Rodney's manager, sent seals of laughter through the house and William Scott as a typical rich man's son portrayed the part to perfection. John Churchman, Willard Tucker and Eugene Detrick as business men seemed very well fitted to the part. Miss Keitha Brookmiller, who helped to translate the French which was spoken by the French girl, was very amusing, especially when both she and the French girl started to speak French. Music for the evening was furnished by the high school orchestra, Miss Leona Martens, directing. The play was considered a very good one by all and was wonderfully amusing. All of the characters took the parts exceptionally well. Much credit for the splendid way this play was produced belongs to Miss Hall.

A great many people are purchasing "A Day in the Skikjov" for holiday gifts. The low price on this book was made possible by the securing of the entire lot from the publishers, which was done by the local Chamber of Commerce.

Miss Florence Holleneyer is making collections for the Chamber of Commerce dues. A large percentage of the membership has paid dues in full and nearly the entire amount of the budget up to May first, 1924 has been collected. The membership of the Chamber of Commerce remains closely around 400 and effort will be made during January to make substantial additions to the membership list.

Beth Johnson will return Saturday evening from Pilot Rock, where she has been teaching. Miss Joyce Johnson, who has been attending U. of O., will meet her before she arrives in Ashland and they will return home together.

Seven very pleasing letters have been received from poultry raisers up state congratulating the management of the Winter Fair on their prompt receipt of premium ribbons and cash prizes.

Mr. Charles Brady, Jr., and wife will spend Christmas with Mr. Brady's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Brady of Allison street.

Miss Marguerite Hammond returned Thursday evening from Corvallis, where she has been attending O. A. C. She will spend the vacation with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. P. K. Hammond.

Miss Edith Moody will return Sunday from Spokane where she has been teaching for the past school year.

Miss Ivern Keller will arrive in Ashland Sunday from Corvallis. She is a senior at O. A. C., and has been majoring in physical education.

Mr. Louis Schewe is ill at his home on Church street. He owns a meat market in Medford, but has been compelled to be at his home on account of his illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Klum left recently for Arizona and New Mexico, where they will stay about two months. The trip is being made in the hopes of benefiting Mr. Klum's health.

Miss Clara Will will leave for The Dalles, Oregon, Saturday night where she will visit her brother, Mr. John Will, who is in business at that place. She will stay there during the whole of the Christmas vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Miller of Missoula, Montana, passed through Ashland on Wednesday, visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Ambrose. They are en route to Long Beach, Calif.

Mrs. George Pope is quite ill at her home, according to her father, W. W. Robinson. She had expected to spend Christmas day at his home, but on account of her illness, will not be able to.

Mrs. F. C. Murphy and son, Charles, who have been at Monmouth for the past school year, have returned home for the Christmas vacation. Mrs. Murphy is attending Monmouth this year.

Miss Mildred Beeson, who has been teaching school near Drain, Oregon, will return Friday evening from that place to spend the Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Beeson.

Miss Hazel Bruner, who has been teaching school at Riverside, California, will return Saturday, Dec. 23, to spend the Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bruner.

WINNIPEG, Dec. 22.—The Victoria Cougars defeated the Saskatoon Crescents by a 3 to 2 score in an inter-league hockey contest last night.

1924 PROMISES TO BE BIG YEAR FOR LUMBER BUSINESS

SEATTLE, Dec. 22.—There is every reason to believe that 1924 will be an active year for the Pacific Northwest lumber industry, declared Robert B. Allen, general manager of the West Coast Lumbermen's association, upon his return yesterday from the east, where he attended a lumber standardization conference and the annual convention of the National Lumber Manufacturers association, in Washington, D. C.

"West coast lumber is growing in popularity in the New York market," he stated. "In the southern pine region heavy rains have somewhat curtailed the lumber production and several operators have gone off the market. The result is that southern pine stocks on hand are light."

"In the northern pine and hemlock region, Wisconsin and Minnesota, there is a marked scarcity of common lumber and stocks of upper grades are below normal."

"All these things indicate that there will be a good chance for west coast lumber in the coming year."

ANOTHER MONTANA BANK CLOSED UP

GREAT FALLS, Mont., Dec. 22.—The West Side State Bank of Great Falls, an institution of which R. B. Noble, was president and organizer, failed to open its doors this morning on order of the directors and the state bank examiner took charge. The bank was organized in 1918 with a capital stock of \$25,000, to which has been added \$1000 surplus and had \$85,000 deposits with about the same amount of loans and stockholder liabilities of \$25,000.

Mr. Noble was sentenced in federal court here Tuesday to two and a half years in Leavenworth prison on a charge of having made false entries and reports in the closed Commercial National bank, of which he had been manager and vice-president. He resigned his presidency of the West Side bank after his sentence.

BIG R. R. DEVELOPMENT PENDING IN RUSSIA

LONDON, Dec. 22.—(By the Associated Press)—According to the Canadian Pacific Railroad company, an important group of British, Canadian and Dutch transportation companies has completed negotiations with the Russian soviet for the development of passenger traffic to and from Russia. The agreement provides for the formation of a mixed company designated "Russian-Canadian-American Passengers Agency," with headquarters in Moscow.

The soviet is represented in the company by the Russian volunteer fleet and state mercantile fleet, while the British, Canadian and Dutch interests are represented by the Canadian Pacific railway, the Canadian Pacific Steamships Ltd., the Cunard line, the Anchor-Donaldson line, the Holland-America line and the Royal Mail Steam Packet company.

DOLLAR HITS PEAK IN FRENCH EXCHANGE

PARIS, Dec. 22.—The dollar opened today at 19.60, the highest peak it ever reached on the Paris bourse. The explanation of the continued rise in exchange during the past week it is believed is to be found in the legitimate requirements of the year end, the settlements having caused the great volume of transactions.

Exchange all this week has risen above \$1,000,000 daily, in contrast to the normal average of between \$400,000 and \$600,000.

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EXPECT BIG FIELD OF CANDIDATES IN COUNTY PRIMARIES

At the spring primaries, nominations will be made for all county offices, with the exception of circuit judge and a county commissioner, and early indications point to plenty of candidates. Constables and justice of the peace for all districts will also be nominated. The offices to be filled are: County judge, sheriff, treasurer, assessor, clerk, school superintendent and district attorney.

The sheriff toga is the most prolific of candidates to date. Joe J. McMahon and D. A. Lyons have announced their intentions. McMahon is the present efficient state traffic officer for this district, and Lyons is a farmer of the Central Point district, and member of the 1922 special grand jury, that returned indictments in the Jackson county night riding cases.

Candidates, reported as prospective, but still silent are: W. T. Grieves, Polk Nimmer of Ashland, County Probation Enforcement Officer Sam B. Sandefer, Jack Homstreet, former Medford policeman, W. H. Leggett, connected with the county prohibition enforcement forces, D. M. Lowe, recall candidate against Sheriff Torrell in 1922, and Charles Talent.

For county judge, the incumbent, George A. Gardner is expected to make the race for the republican ticket. William Ulrich is being urged to make the race on the democratic ticket. Arthur L. Hill of this city, is being urged by friends to seek the office, but stoutly and steadfastly declines to consider it.

For district attorney, the most frequently spoken of are O. C. Boggs, recently ousted by Governor Pierce as "Special Prohibition Prosecutor," William Briggs of Ashland and Don Newbury of this city. It is expected that the incumbent, Newton W. Borden, serving out the vacancy caused by the resignation of Rawles Moore, will make the race on the democratic ticket.

For treasurer, the incumbent, A. C. Walker, said Thursday, that "I have about made up my mind to go after the office again."

Susanne Holmes Carter, school superintendent, and County Assessor Coleman, are expected to see reelection.

For commissioner, Victor Bursell, incumbent, is expected to see reelection.

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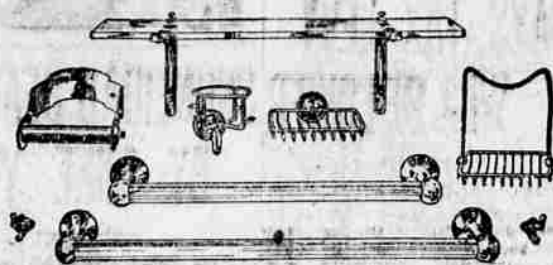
MUSHROOM SAUCE
1 teaspoon Kitchen Bouquet
4 tablespoons flour
Salt, pepper, paprika
4 tablespoons butter
1 cup cream
1/2 cup stock
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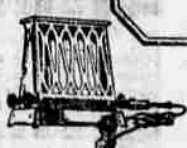
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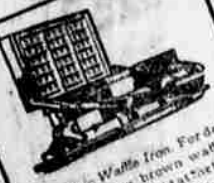
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