

American Officials Arrive in Japan For Annual Session

Tokyo — (U.P.) — Forty-one American West Coast officials and their wives arrived today to the cheers of flag-waving Japanese school children to attend the third annual meeting of the Japan-American Pacific Coast Mayor's Conference.

The group, headed by Seattle Mayor Allan Pomeroy, landed at Tokyo's International Airport shortly after noon aboard a Japan Air Lines plane.

The two-day conference, which will be followed by a two-week sightseeing tour of Japan, opens tomorrow at Yokohama.

Present Bouquets
As the delegates and their wives stepped off the plane, 17 kimono-clad girls rushed up to the delegates to present huge bouquets of flowers to the wives in the traditional Japanese welcome.

Among the numerous officials on hand to greet the plane were Tokyo Governor Seichiro Yasui and Yokohama Mayor Ryojo Hiranuma.

Among the U. S. delegates were Mayors V. Edwin Johnson of Eugene, Ore.; Charles C. Dail, San Diego, Calif.; Neal S. Blaisdell of Honolulu; H. H. Hendren of Sacramento, Calif.; John J. Sheridan of Richmond, Calif.; and George M. Vermillion, Long Beach, Calif. Mayor Edward H. Cushman of Hollister, Calif., who arrived here Monday, was on hand to greet them.

Daniel J. Tobin Critically Ill

Indianapolis — (U.P.) — Daniel J. Tobin, who led the AFL Teamsters Union for 45 years and was a labor power in the Roosevelt and Truman administrations, was critically ill today.

The 80-year-old Tobin has been in St. Vincent's hospital here for two weeks. His doctor, Joseph Dowd, said he is suffering from high blood pressure and heart trouble.

Housewife Loses Chance for \$16,000 in Big Quiz Show

New York — (U.P.) — Mrs. Polly Culbertson, a farmwife from Pottstown, Pa., who blew a chance at \$16,000 on a TV quiz show, headed back to a hospital bed today with a 1956 convertible in tow as a consolation prize.

Mrs. Culbertson, who suffers from arthritis, spent the past week in a hospital at Valley Forge, Pa., after piling up an \$8,000 stake in the category, "literature," on "The \$64,000 Question."

Husband Invalid

Her husband, retired Naval Capt. W. L. Culbertson, a coronary thrombosis case, also is a patient in the same hospital.

The 59-year-old contestant, who had successfully answered a series of questions on books in her previous appearance, was given the chance Tuesday night of doubling her winnings or bowing out. She chose to go on, but was stymied completely by a multiple-part query on utopian literature.

Asked for Authors

She was asked to name the authors of "The Republic."

11 Japanese Killed In Mining Disaster

Fukuoka, Japan — (U.P.) — An 80-foot section of a coal mine wall collapsed today killing 11 miners and injuring 18 others in Japan's second major mine disaster this month.

On Nov. 1 an explosion at the Mojiri mines in Hokkaido, Japan's northernmost island, claimed 60 lives.

Move of Air Force Headquarters Studied

Washington — (U.P.) — A long-range plan under which Far East Air Force headquarters would be moved from Japan to Hawaii and merged with the Pacific Air Force is under study in the Pentagon, it was learned today.

The move would not take place for at least a year and probably longer, authorities said.

Too Much Politics In Farm Problems, AFBF Chief States

Wichita, Kan. — (U.P.) — The President of the American Farm Bureau federation charged today that "political opportunists in both parties" are trying to make hay out of the nation's farm problem.

Charles B. Shuman urged that the question of farm price supports be taken out of politics. The experience of the past 25 years shows "that farm prosperity doesn't come from political promises and panaceas," he said. "It comes from sound programs which permit farmers to profit from efficient production of the things consumers want," he said.

"And it is possible only in an economic climate which allows our free enterprise system to work."

Shuman, in a speech prepared for delivery at the annual meeting of the Kansas Farm Bureau, put in a plug for Agriculture Secretary Ezra Taft Benson's system of flexible supports for farm commodities. He said this "is not perfect, but it is based on a sound principle."

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Demo Farm Leader Challenges GOP

Washington — (U.P.) — A Democratic farm leader challenged the Eisenhower administration today to come forward now with recommendations for halting the decline in farm income—instead of waiting for Congress to return in January.

The challenge was issued by Chairman Harold D. Cooley (D-N.C.) of the House Agriculture committee.

Cooley said he notified Agriculture Secretary Ezra T. Benson nine days ago that he would summon his committee—which prepare all farm legislation for House floor debate—to meet immediately to consider any administration recommendations.

He said Benson has not replied. He added that he suspects Benson has been "bluffing" and doesn't have any new legislative proposals.

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PRIVATE COURSE

Muncie, Ind. — (U.P.) — Evidently someone here intends to set up a private golf course. The Greenhills Golf Course reported to police that someone made off with half a dozen flags and flag poles from the greens.

Shrewsbury, Mass. — (U.P.)

Every member of Shrewsbury's Beal High School football team wore a protective mouthpiece, similar to those used by boxers, this season. The mouthpiece is shaped to an individual player's teeth and is held in by suction.

LOGICAL CAUSE

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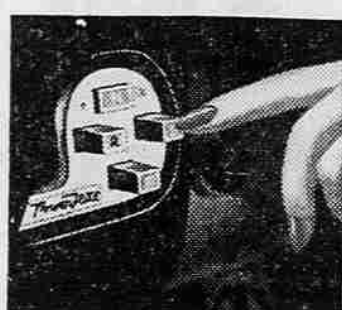
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