

AMERICA STILL AWAITS JAPAN'S REPLY TO NOTE

WAR BETWEEN CHINA AND JAPAN GREATLY FEARED

America in Maintaining "Open Door" Policy in China Would Be Seriously Affected, and Might Become Involved—Considered Doubtful That Japan's Concessions Will Be Satisfactory to America.

United Press Service

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 24.—America is still awaiting the reply of Japan to her note regarding China's "Open Door Policy." Officials believe that the reply will probably be delayed until the completion of the negotiations between the Japanese ambassador at Peking and the Chinese foreign office.

Japan has apparently adopted a conciliatory attitude as a result of the American inquiries. Whether the concessions in the reply of Japan will satisfy America is considered doubtful.

It is admitted in diplomatic circles that there is a growing anti-Japanese sentiment in China. It is admitted that a war between Japan and China would be a very serious affair for America. The administration refuses to even outline the text of America's note to Japan.

ANOTHER IMMENSE WARSHIP PLANNED

AS SOON AS ARIZONA IS OFF THE WAYS STILL GREATER SUPER-DREADNOUGHT WILL START AT BROOKLYN YARDS

NEW YORK, March 24.—The super-dreadnought Arizona, which is more than 50 per cent completed at the navy yard in Brooklyn, will be launched early in June. As soon as she takes the water, preparations will begin for the greater super-dreadnought California, which also is to be built at the navy yards.

Contracts for the materials to be used in the construction of the California are now being let.

DENVER IS SUNK IN MID-OCEAN

BELIEVED THAT AMERICAN LINER MAY HAVE STRUCK AN ICEBERG—PASSENGERS AND THE CREW RESCUED

NEW YORK, March 24.—The Mailory liner Denver was sunk in mid-Atlantic today. The cause is unknown, but was probably due to a collision. The crew and passengers were rescued by a dozen rescue ships which were summoned by wireless.

The belief is expressed in marine circles that the Denver may have struck an iceberg. A floe was recently reported in that vicinity.

TAX PENALTY TO BEGIN ON FIRST

FIRST HALF OF TAXES MUST BE PAID BY THE END OF MARCH. HAVE UNTIL SEPTEMBER 30 ON SECOND HALF

March 31 will be the last day on which first half payment taxes will be received without interest. After March 31 all taxes, the first half of which has not been paid, will be subject to interest at the rate of 1 per cent per month until August 31, when they become delinquent, and subject to a 10 per cent penalty and 12 per cent interest per annum.

First half payments made by March 31 entitle taxpayers to defer second half payments until September 30. After that date the second half becomes delinquent, and subject to the 10 per cent penalty and 12 per cent interest.

Persons making first half payments by March 31 should not proffer second half payments until after May 22, as the old tax law will not be superceded until that date, and interest must be collected under its terms until May 22.

Taxpayers can make payments only in half or full amounts. Many taxpayers who have offered checks for over half payments have been compelled to write new checks because the law provides only for half or full payments.

Ladies Will Meet.

The Ladies' Aid of the Christian church will meet tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 at the church. All members are requested to be present.

Hauling the Great Austrian Siege Guns to Bombard Lowicz, Poland



This photograph of Austrian siege guns on the way to bombard Lowicz, Poland, was taken when they were on their way over the heavy roads. It is the gun with which the forts at

Liege, Belgium, was subdued in the beginning of the war. In fact, it is the greatest gun used in the war with the exception of the German forty-two centimetre. The scene shows what Poland, torn more by the war

BIG FIGHT OVER NON-PARTISAN BILL

REPUBLICANS, DEMOCRATS AND SOCIALISTS LINE UP AGAINST PROGRESSIVES AT CALIFORNIA CAPITAL

United Press Service

SACRAMENTO, March 24.—The entire day was taken up in the assembly in the fight over the Young non-partisan bill. It is believed that the bill will pass, eliminating party politics in all state and legislative elections. It is impossible to predict when the final vote will be taken.

Speaker Young surrendered the gavel and led the fight for the measure. Republicans, democrats and socialists generally oppose the bill, which is supported by the progressive cohorts.

Numerous amendments have been defeated. Schmitt offered sixty-four amendments, all of which required debate and separate roll calls. At least a hundred alterations in the bill will be necessary. Slason charged that most of the amendments were not offered in good faith, but were merely an attempt to filibuster.

VICE-PRESIDENT DEDICATES FAIR

OFFICIAL DEDICATION OF PANAMA PACIFIC EXPOSITION MADE BY REPRESENTATIVE OF PRESIDENT WILSON

United Press Service

SAN FRANCISCO, March 24.—Vice President Marshall officially dedicated the Panama-Pacific Exposition at 2 o'clock today. The vice president, Secretary Franklin K. Lane, ex-President Theodore Roosevelt and others were guests of President Moore of the Exposition at noon.

Later they autored to the Court of the Universe, where with General Murray and Admiral Howard they reviewed the soldiers, bluejackets and marines from the warships and forts. They then entered the stand at the Court of the Universe, where Governor Johnson, Mayor Rolph, James D. Phelan and Vice President Marshall spoke. As the vice president officially dedicated the exposition the warships in the bay saluted with nineteen guns.

ATTENTION, CITY VOTERS

Only nineteen registering days remain in which to register for city election, May 3d. There are 1,500 citizens who have not registered to date. To avoid waiting in line an hour or two for your turn on the last day, attend to the duty at once.

WILL ASK BANKS TO AID IN WORK

KLAMATH WATER USERS ASSOCIATION, FURNISHING PRIZES WORTH \$500, SEEK AID FOR GETTING GOOD BEEH

Believing that the encouragement of agriculture among the young people on the Klamath project will ultimately benefit the entire county by reason of their acquiring more intelligent farming methods, etc., the officers of the Klamath Water Users plan to ask the banks of the county to contribute money to be used in the purchase of the seed necessary for the starting of the farming contests the association will carry on this year.

"The matter was taken up last fall at Merrill," said a prominent water user today. "And in less than ten minutes after the project was explained, three fine colts, three good calves, three blooded pigs and three pens of turkeys were promised as prizes to the youngsters by individual water users. The value of these prizes is about \$500. We feel that the farmers have done their share by these contributions and the encouragement of their children, furnishing land, etc., and the banks will be asked to help the work along further."

"The contests are for the best sixteenth of an acre of potatoes, the best acre of wheat, of barley and of oats raised by the school children under the irrigation project this year. There will be three prizes in each competition. "In such a contest, the children should all be given an equal chance as far as possible. For that reason, we wish to secure the best seed possible in each variety, to be distributed to the children entered. The best of seed cannot be obtained free of cost, and it is for this reason that the aid of the banks is essential just now."

The Indiana senate has passed an eugenic marriage law.

FINISH ALGOMA ROAD BY JUNE

WORK PROGRESSING RAPIDLY ON NEW COUNTY ROAD ALONG EASTERN SHORE OF UPPER KLAMATH LAKE

George North is in the city today from his homestead on the Upper Lake. Mr. North is now rocking on the new county road between this city and Algoma, which is being completed by the Chapman Construction company.

About fifteen men are employed in the crew, and the steam shovel is being worked double shift, night and day. Six teams will begin tomorrow on grading that portion of the road built this spring. It is expected that the cut along the hill below Modoc Point will be finished in May, and that the new road will be open to travel early in June. This will be one of the most scenic highways in the county when completed.

FURNITURE MAN IS IMPROVING

W. P. McMillan, who suffered a stroke of paralysis yesterday while at his furniture store on Sixth street, is reported as slightly improved today by Dr. L. L. Truax. He has regained consciousness, and hopes are had for his recovery.

Mrs. "Stonewall" Jackson Dead

CHARLOTTE, N. C., March 24.—Mary Anna Jackson, wife of "Stonewall" Jackson, the Confederate general, died here today at the old Jackson home. She was 83 years old, and has been ill for several months.

Cooked Food Sale.

Ladies of Sacred Heart church will hold a cooked food sale Saturday at the McDonald building on the corner of Sixth and Main.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Lund have returned from Westwood, Calif., where they spent the winter. They visited the Fair before returning to their home in Klamath Falls. Mr. Lund will resume his old position as grader with the Pullman Bay lumber company as soon as the mill starts up in April.

ONE OF BLOODIEST BATTLES IS RAGING IN CARPATHIANS

United Press Service

BERLIN, March 24.—Reports from the Carpathians indicate that one of the greatest and bloodiest battles of the campaign is raging. Military critics are agreed that the Russian force liberated by the fall of Przemysl will soon engage in the struggle in the Carpathian Mountains. This battle is so important that it overshadows developments elsewhere.

United Press Service

PETROGRAD, March 24.—It is authoritatively stated that at least 200,000 Russians and many batteries of new artillery have been released for the siege at Cracow and the Hungarian campaign by the surrender of Przemysl. This prepares Russia to strike a most crushing blow as soon as trains have taken the troops toward the front.

United Press Service

LONDON, March 24.—The admiralty today announced that 200 of the allied aviators bombarded the German shipping yards at Hoboken, three miles south of Antwerp, today, where submarines are under construction. The works were fired, and it is believed that considerable damage was done.

An Exchange Telegraph correspondent at The Hague called that it has been learned through diplomatic sources that Franz Josef is endeavoring to obtain Germany's permission for Austria to use for peace through the Vatican.

United Press Service

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 24.—America protested emphatically to Germany against bombs dropping near relief ships bound for Belgium. The protest followed the confirmation of an attack by aeroplanes on the island, a ship laden with food, bound for Amsterdam.

United Press Service

ROME, March 24.—Some of the leaders in the movement for intervention announced that pro-war demonstrations in Rome, Naples, Genoa and other Italian cities have been planned for Sunday. The aim is to stir public feeling into such a flame of sentiment against Italy's non-participation as to force the cabinet to take action.

BONANZA PLAY TO DRAW BIG CROWD

ONE-ACT FARCE COMEDY WILL BE PRODUCED BY LOCAL TALENT, FOLLOWED BY BOX SOCIAL FOR ORGAN FUND

(Herald Special Service)

BONANZA, March 24.—There is every evidence of a big attendance at the entertainment to be given Friday night in Bauman's hall for the raising of a fund to purchase an organ for the

church here. Besides the local people who are interested, there will be present many from Langlet Valley, Deas and other nearby towns. The program begins at 7:30.

"Turn Him Out," a bright one-act farce, will be the headliner, with local talent playing the comedy. The cast of characters follows:

Mrs. Mokei (Jella) . . . Henrietta Lyons Sute (her maid) . . . Esther White Mr. Nobbs (a female professor) . . . Kenneth Bell Mr. Moke . . . Robert Lyle Roseland (a dandy) . . . Rev. S. W. Hall There will also be vocal numbers. Mrs. Hall will render a solo, and Rev. Hall will sing "Tippin'ary."

Following the program, a box social will be held, with the duty of selling the lunch baskets assigned to some forcible auctioneer.

Chautauqua Assembly Will Be Best Ever

The Chautauqua course for Klamath Falls will be held from June 9 to June 14, according to present plans. According to the promises of the Ellison-White Chautauqua system, this will be one of the greatest attractions ever held in Klamath Falls. Engraved posters of the talent have been received and will soon be posted. A letter received by Elder G. D. Harland from the Chautauqua people says:

"As the Chautauqua season approaches, we are making many plans for conducting your assembly, and want to keep as closely in touch with you as we possibly can. The program is building and, day by day, as it develops, we are more and more confident that we are making an offering that is superior to anything which has heretofore been attempted in this part of the country.

"We will be with you about June 9 to June 14, inclusive, with the brightest and best six days you have ever imagined. You will understand that

owing to unforeseen difficulties, there may arise the necessity of shifting these tentative dates a little one way or the other, but this does not seem to be the case now.

"Among the speakers will be Colonel W. H. Miller, who is being returned from last year, as his community development lectures made a very strong impression on all of our audiences. To hear Miller is to laugh while you think, and to think—while you continue laughing.

A further star attraction is the Adolphian male quartet. Here is a quartet made up, as the name implies, from "brothers"—two sets of them—and great is their talent. Watch for their "Old Home" program, made up of songs popular twenty years ago. This is a memory stirrer right. Some of the others will be Senator E. J. Burkett, Miss Charlotte Berg, lyric soprano; Marion Ballou Fink, cartoonist, and Mariette LaDell, the premier lady reader of them all. The musical organizations are shown on the poster."

Weird Hour in Trenches Before Fall of Darkness

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LONDON, March 24.—The most picturesque and weird hour of all the life in the trenches is the time between sunset and the fall of darkness.

If the real picture were put on the stage, it would not be believed. As you sit and watch it yourself, you feel that your eyes and your mind are deceiving you. The darkness grows deeper, you catch a glimpse of a shadowy light on a distant hill, which in the telegram ends a message from a French battery to its own lines. The sky turns to red, the shadows lengthen and the gale of the trench is filled with the deepening darkness of early night. It begins cold, and the frost crystals form on the ready sides of the trenches, giving the effect of tinsel or bits of bright snow. The darkness of the trench is broken

now and then by the flare of a cigarette, puffed nervously, or by the flare of a rifle sending out its messenger of death. Silhouetted against the red sky is the erect figure of a Legion soldier, his glistening bayonet protruding above the trench wall and catching the dying glare of the sun's rays. Further along are the tall chimneys of the machine guns, brightened by the polished brasswork. As the darkness grows deeper, you catch a glimpse of a shadowy light on a distant hill, which in the telegram ends a message from a French battery to its own lines. The sky turns to red, the shadows lengthen and the gale of the trench is filled with the deepening darkness of early night. It begins cold, and the frost crystals form on the ready sides of the trenches, giving the effect of tinsel or bits of bright snow. The darkness of the trench is broken