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aps Scrap Nine Power Pact; Will Turn Down Bid

Empire's Spokesman Spurns Treaty Promising China Territorial Rights.

To Answer America

Tokyo Stock Exchange In Revival After Roosevelt Condemnation Talk.

Tokyo, Oct. 8.—(P)—The Japanese foreign office said today that a formal statement of Japan's attitude on their condemnation by the United States and the League of Nations for violation of the 9-power treaty.

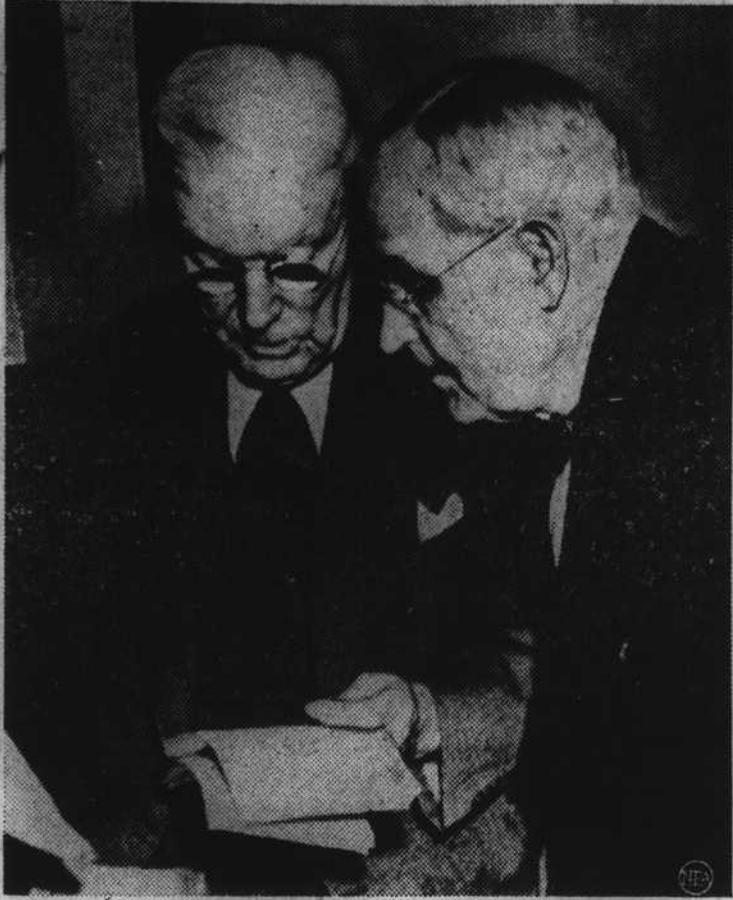
Reliable sources indicated that Japan would denounce the treaty as an obsolete and impracticable in the present emergency.

Japan, these sources implied, would refuse to participate in any conference of the treaty signatories.

"These are the nation's sentiments" the foreign voice spokesman said. He declined to state the government's answer would be dictated by national sentiment. The time for releasing the statement was not announced, although it was expected tonight.

The Tokyo stock exchange which had been thrown into disorder by Mr. Roosevelt's speech opened slightly stronger today.

Mapping Strategy for A. F. of L.



Intent upon determining the best course for the American Federation of Labor to follow in the turbulent convention at Denver, and a critical national labor situation, were Frank J. Duffy, left, first vice president, and Frank Morrison, veteran secretary-treasurer, as this picture was taken. Internal strife and a campaign against the C. I. O. make their task more difficult.

Legion Plans Armistice Day Ceremony In Public Schools

Italian Ace



Second son of Il Duce, who is reported to be leading crack Italian flyers in new bombing raids over Spanish government lines.

Asheboro Council Discuss Program

City Fathers Pressed For Constant Improvements In Municipality.

The Asheboro city council last night devoted considerable time to discussing ways and means of providing the necessary improvements to streets, water and sewer lines and to the city water supply. The demand for additional municipal service of all kinds has been increasing from day to day until it has reached a critical stage.

The rapid growth of the city, the ever increasing residential section has taxed the city to keep with the demands for all kinds of service.

Several taxpayers appeared before the council last night with verbal petitions for street repairs and improvements. Among those received were requests for re-surfacing White Oak and West Ward streets. The council approved the payrolls and vouchers for the past month.

THE WEATHER

North Carolina. Fair tonight and Saturday. Slightly colder in the and south eastern sections. Scattered frosts in the west portion tonight.

Deflated Life Raft Found In Pacific; Earhart Clue

Honolulu, Oct. 8.—(P)—The finding of a deflated life raft off the coast of Hawaii, a small island near here, was indicated as a possible clue to the mysterious disappearance of Amelia Earhart today.

Lieut. Thomas G. Richards, of the United States navy flight base here said there was a possibility the raft was one carried by Miss Earhart. He said it was the type carried on civilian trans-ocean flights.

Fleet street is London's newspaper row.

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British Minister Lauds President Roosevelt's Talk

Contents Roosevelt Speech Calls For United Acts Of "Peace" Nations.

Conference Plans

Discuss Procedure For 9-Power Parley; May Meet In Hague.

London, Oct. 8.—(P)—Foreign secretary, Anthony Eden, today expressed the British government's "gratification" over President Roosevelt's speech to the American charge-de-aquais, Hershel Johnson, and, told him that Great Britain considers it a "real contribution towards peace."

At the same time, informed sources said, during a meeting of the cabinet yesterday, the general implications of the United States speech called for cooperation of "peace loving nations."

They also went over the procedure to be followed at the 9-power conference appeal from the Japanese invasion of China.

Informed sources hinted it was unlikely Washington, London, or any other big capital would be chosen as the scene of the 9-power talk.

It was indicated the League would be considered in view of the Netherlands important trade interests in the Far East.

The United States was indicated the United States was taking over Britain's traditional role as the holder of the international balance of power, at least in the Eastern situation.

The British were suddenly silent on Il Duce's delay on answering the bid for a tri-power conference to discuss getting foreign troops out of Spain.

Britain stood by France today ready to support immediate decisive actions, if the Italian leader's reply to the situation failed to meet the Anglo-French requirements.

Park Urges Need Of Unselfishness

Raleigh Publisher Guest Of High Point Rotary; District Governor.

High Point, Oct. 8.—An inspirational address beautifully interspersed with humor by John A. Park, of Raleigh, governor of the 189th District of Rotary International, was the feature of yesterday's luncheon meeting of the local Rotary club.

Governor Park, whose experiences as a Rotarian covers a period of 23 years, was a charter member of the Raleigh club. Having seen the number of Rotary clubs grow from less than 200 to more than 4,000 the speaker believes that the 185,000 individual members of Rotary exercises an influence in the 82 countries in which they live, the force and value of which is incalculable.

Men maintain their Rotary affiliation because they are interested, Governor Park continued, stressing the fact that the unselfish interest in the welfare of others which is one of the cardinal principles of Rotary, brings out the better qualities in the nature of the individual. Men who have grown rich and influential during their lives will be remembered more for their extensive philanthropies than for their material accomplishments he stated, mentioning in this connection several Americans whose vast fortunes have been devoted to the improvement of living conditions in this country.

Rotarian W. H. Foy of Reidsville, was a visitor at today's meeting. Other visitors were Ben Cooper, and Arthur Marsh, Jr., both of High Point and Sherman Hoover of Washington, D. C.

Preceding the regular meeting, Governor Park met with chairmen of the club's various committees. At this meeting a number of phases of Rotary activities generally and of the local club particularly were discussed in detail.

New York, Oct. 8.—(P)—A strike at 800 Brooklyn gasoline stations, employing 6,000 men, was ordered tonight by Walter J. Burke, president of local No. 20,408 of the Gasoline Station Attendants' union, to take effect Saturday morning.

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Japan "Declares" War In China; Warns Chinese Against Attack On Nipponese Non-Combatants

20 Years Later—Still Shooting



Twenty years, more or less, may have widened their waistlines and thinned their hair, but it hadn't affected the American doughboy's fondness for the peculiar pastime of crap shooting, France found when a group of legionnaires landed in Cherbourg and started a game in the station, where this picture was taken. When the game ended the veterans continued their pilgrimage to the battlefields on which they had fought two decades before.

Lives, Property Of Foreigners To Be Safe-guarded

Statement Believed to Mark Opening of Jap Big Offensive.

May Come Oct. 10

Jap General Believes He Has Sufficient Force To Defeat Chinese.

Shanghai, Oct. 8.—(P)—Iwabe Matsui, Japanese commander-in-chief on the Shanghai front issued a proclamation today as the first official announcement of the Japanese invasion of China—which Chinese considered the equivalent, if not a diplomatic formal declaration of war.

The general declared the Japanese army "is now prepared to use every means to subdue its opponents."

In view of previous declarations of Japanese army and navy spokesmen, observers considered this a verbal prelude of Japan's threatened "big push" against Chinese defense lines north west of Shanghai.

The commander, in the name of the Japanese emperor, promised "an early victory and a peaceful future after scouring the Chinese government army which has been pursuing an anti-foreign and Japanese policy in cooperation with Communistic influences." He added that the lives and property of nationals of third nations would be protected.

His announcement came shortly after army authorities made an implied threat to turn their plane and warship battle against Pootung and says that industrial sector across the Wampou unless Chinese batteries cease firing at Japanese civilians in the Hungkek sector of the International settlement.

Questioned concerning the proclamation, and army spokesman explained that General Mateur, after gathering the necessary units, now considers himself equal to carrying on out the mission entrusted to him by the Emperor.

The Japanese army, the spokesman said, was prepared to utilize all reinforcements and military equipment but declined to say whether the "big push" was planned to begin October 10.

Rev. W. R. Phillips, Former Pastor, Will Assist Minister in Special Meeting.

Ramsey, Oct. 8.—Rev. W. R. Phillips, pastor of the Pilgrim Holiness church here, announces that Rev. W. C. Frazier, native of Randolph county and a former pastor here, will hold special services October 16 and 17.

Rev. Mr. Frazier is now pastor in Burbank, Calif., where he has been for a number of years. During his years in Burbank Rev. Frazier has organized and built Nazarene churches there. Before going to California he was superintendent of the Pilgrim Holiness church of the Southern District.

Referring to the special services Rev. Mr. Phillips said "we are expecting a great crowd and are arranging for loud speakers in order that everyone will be able to hear the speaker."

Man Electrocuted By Short Circuit

Charlotte Youth Killed as He Repairs Auto; Wire Run From Residence.

Charlotte, Oct. 8.—Horace Short, 20-year-old mill worker of Kings Mountain, was electrocuted here early last night while repairing his automobile at the rear of 438 Malory street, North Charlotte.

Short, police reported, was standing in a puddle of water holding a drop cord he had run from the house when he was suddenly knocked off his feet by strong voltage caused by a short circuit.

Chefoo, China, Oct. 8.—(P)—The American destroyer squadron No. 5 moved out of Chefoo harbor yesterday in response to a Chinese warning that the breakwater protecting this Shantung province port would be destroyed.

Cotton Futures Drop; Reach Lowest Level Since 1933

New York, Oct. 8.—(P)—Caught off guard by the unexpected big increase in the government's report of this year's cotton crop, prices of the staple in futures dropped to the lowest since 1933.

Prices fell to a low of \$1.50 a bale shortly after trading was resumed, following a halt when the market received

the report yield, the second largest in the nation's history. Dealing was resumed and later showed declines of 8 to 17 points from the level prior to the publication of the estimate.

Leadership in a quiet rally later but dealings showed commodities gained some. Bonds were uneven.

17,573,000 Cotton Bales Estimated for This Year

Washington, Oct. 8.—(P)—The agriculture department today forecast this year's cotton crop at 17,573,000 bales of 500 pounds each, based on October 1 conditions.

The census bureau announced 8,259,445 bales of this year's crop had been ginned prior to October 1 compared with 6,031,850 of last year.

A month ago the agriculture department reported 16,098,000 bales were indicated from conditions existing September 1.

Today's forecast was based on 33,736,000 acres and a condition of 79 per cent of a normal year as of October 1, indicating a yield of 249.3 pounds of lint to the acre.

Improvements At Pugh Funeral Home

Modern Green Awning Makes Covered Walk-way From Chapel to Street.

Among the many improvements now in process in the main business district of Asheboro is obvious to all who pass Pugh's Funeral Home on 6Wth street. Taking on additional winter clothing in the form of an oval awning running from the door to the street, is the first step of this winter preparation.

The awning is of a soft green shade with the name in very large letters for all to see. This awning helps the looks of the building and of the entire street as well.

In addition to the outside improvements, a transformation and fall cleaning is going on inside the establishment. Venetian blinds of a cream color are being placed at the windows, transforming the entire place.

'Depression Babies' Lower Enrollment

Indianapolis (P)—Six hundred fewer beginners enrolled in Indianapolis schools this fall than last. School commissioners attributed the decline to the fact that this year is the first in which "depression babies" reached school age.

A decline in the birth rate was one of the results of the depression, they said.

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Green Declares 'War' on C. I. O.

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Roosevelt Awaits Party Leaders; May Come Wednesday.

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No Black Meeting

Chief Executive States He Plans No Talk With New Member.

Washington, Oct. 8.—(P)—President Roosevelt told a largely attended press conference today he would make no important decision on foreign policies until he had a chance to talk with leaders in Washington.

In reply to a series of questions, he said, he was not sure of what decision he would make on the matter of a special session of Congress until he returned to Hyde Park Wednesday morning.

The President told reporters he did not have any plans to confer with Associate Justice Hugo L. Black, whose appointment to the Supreme Court aroused a storm of controversy.

Yanks Lead 5 To 0 At End Of Sixth

New York, Oct. 8.—The New York Yankees, at the close of the seventh inning were continuing their baseball instructions to the Giants in a slugging fest which up to that time had given them a 5 to 1 lead.

Schumaker, hurling for the Giants was taken from the mound in the sixth and Melton went in.

First inning. Yanks. Crosetti drew a pass. Rolfe flied out. Di Maggio fanned and Gehrig went out, second to first.

Giants. Moore, the first up, was thrown out at first. Bartell and Ott took turns flying out to center.

No hits, no runs, no errors.

Second inning. Yanks. Dickey flied out to center. Selkirk was passed and scored on Hoag's single. Lazzeri singled to right. Pearson was passed and Crosetti was safe on a fielder's choice which cut Hoag down at the plate. Rolfe fouled out to the catcher. One run, two hits.

Giants. Ripple and McCarthy the first two up flied out to center. Chiozza flied out to third.

No hits, no runs, no errors.

Third inning. Yanks. Di Maggio flied out to center. Gehrig singled Dickey hit a three bagger and Gehrig scored. Selkirk scored. Hoag went out to third to first. Lazzeri was passed. Pearson struck out. Three hits, two runs, no errors.

Danning flied out to short. Whitehead flied out to first and Shumaker struck out. No hits, no runs, no errors.

Fourth inning. Yanks. Crosetti went out third to first. Rolfe hit a two bagger and scored on Di Maggio's single. Di Maggio was caught off second. Gehrig flied out to left. Dickey went down. Two hits, one run, no errors.

Giants. Moore went down short to first. Bartell took the same route. Ott struck out. No hits, no runs, no errors.

Fifth inning. Yanks. Selkirk was safe at first on an error. Hoag singled and Selkirk went to second. Lazzeri fanned. Selkirk was on third. Pearson went out pitcher to first. Selkirk scored. Crosetti flied out to left. One hit, one run, one error.

Giants. Ripple went down short to first. McCarthy was out. Chiozza got a single but was caught napping at first. One hit, no runs, no errors.

Sixth inning. Rolfe hit a two bagger. Di Maggio went out, short to first. Gehrig flied out to second. Dickey went down, second to first. One hit, no runs, no errors.

Giants. Whitehead went out second to first. Berger, hitting for Schumaker, fanned. Moore singled. Bartell struck out. One hit, no runs, no errors.

Seventh inning. Yanks. Selkirk flied out to right. Hoag singled. Lazzeri drew a pass, and was caught in a double when Pearson slid into second, to short to first. One hit, no runs, no errors.

Giants. Ott went down. Ripple hit a single and scored on McCarthy's double. It was Mac's second hit of the series. Chiozza was out, second to first. Melton was thrown out. Two hits, one run, no errors.

Eighth inning. Yanks. Crosetti was thrown out. Rolfe drew a base on balls. Di Maggio and Gehrig flied out to right. No hits, no runs, no errors.

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