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Define American Policy On Open Door In China: Critical Days Face Parley

United States Wants no Special Privileges or Rights in China. ORIENTAL POLITICS NEW STORM CENTER

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—(By The Associated Press.)—Secretary Hughes as head of the American delegation to the Washington conference defined at a meeting of the far eastern committee late today, the American policy concerning the open door in China, his statement, it was said, being based on a note he sent as secretary of state to Alfred Sze, the Chinese minister here, on July 1, last.

Without referring to the note, or quoting from its language, Secretary Hughes was understood to have followed closely the principle covered by the following statement which was said to be contained in the note:

"The government of the United States has never associated itself with any arrangement which has sought to establish any special rights or privileges in China which would abridge the rights of the subjects or citizens of other friendly states.

"Any I am happy to assure you," the note continued, "the purpose of this government is neither to participate nor to acquiesce in any arrangement which might purport to establish in favor of foreign interests any special rights or privileges with respect to commercial or economic developments in designated regions of the territory of China, or which might seek to create any such monopoly or privilege for any individual or group of individuals."

"The situation again has made Japan the center of conjecture because of her outstanding position in the far east and now to be applied to the present situation."

"The Japanese meantime, are waiting also but are throwing out suggestions that any attempt to force Japan's withdrawal from Siberia should be made on terms that will protect her interests in the region."

Although not directly wrapped up in the general far eastern negotiations, the Japanese are waiting for final approval and indications are multiplying that its signature may be delayed until the far eastern problems are showing clearer indications of solution.

"The time to tell Mr. Wilson his was right is right now," she said. "If a later generation builds him a monument, it will not be a memorial, but an apology."

FARMER-MEMBER BOARD OF FEDERAL RESERVE FEDERAL AND FOR BOARD EXPECTED STATE HIGHWAYS

Senate Vote on Federal Reserve Act Amendment Taken Today. Will Go to Washington With Commissioner Page This Week.

NOT AT ODDS WITH PAGE ON PROGRAM Seek Funds for "Lost Provinces" Freight Rate Meet Wednesday.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—The senate will probably vote tomorrow on the federal reserve board, leaders of both parties said tonight. Such action will be taken on a bill amending the federal reserve act so that in making appointments to the board, the President must have "due regard for a fair representation of the financial, agricultural and industrial commercial interest and the geographical sub-divisions of the country."

Senators today denounced and reserved their activities, there being several attacks on the general administrative policy of the board, while Senator Glass, democrat, of Virginia a former secretary of the treasury, stoutly defended the board's personnel and program.

The arrangement for the Washington conference was the basis for stories today in morning papers other than The Citizen, declared the governor was at odds with Chairman Page, and that he was going to Washington alone and endeavor to get the federal reserve act amended by legislation.

The governor is anxious to have ways of communication opened up between the sections of the highway commission is favorable to the plan if the federal government will allow the money to be used as proposed.

The governor's suggestion would give \$500,000 for the Jefferson-Wilkesboro highway, and a half million each for the other two highways. The highway commission on the part of the highway commission has been due to doubt as to whether federal money should go to the highway commission.

NEW ORLEANS GETS COTTON CONFERENCE The corporation commission has called a meeting here Wednesday, at which time the proposal to make direct complaint will be considered.

Wilson Foundation Fund Is Increasing In Asheville Daily List of Those Sending In Contributions Through the Citizen Grows

- Contributions have been received by the Wilson Foundation through the Citizen as follows: Mrs. Geo. W. Vanderbilt, \$500.00; W. B. Henderson, Quebec, 1.00; Asheville Citizen, 100.00; John H. Cathey, 10.00; Mrs. John H. Cathey, 5.00; Martha Cathey, 5.00; J. C. Wiles, Sapphire, 5.00; Mrs. T. S. Morrison, 25.00; Herbert B. Miles, 25.00; Edward G. Miles, 5.00; Hubert D. Miles, 5.00; Mrs. P. B. Allen, 5.00; Mrs. P. B. Allen, 5.00; Mrs. J. E. Clement Stafford, 5.00; Cameron Morrison, 5.00; Rev. J. H. Thrall, 5.00; C. A. Rayner, 25.00; Owen Gosler, 10.00; H. W. Shaw, 5.00; W. Walden, 5.00; Cash, 1.00; A. V. Lewis, 5.00; Mrs. Annie E. Bassett, 1.00; Mrs. J. G. Low, 1.00; Miss Norma Cox, 5.00; Mrs. J. P. Ravenel, 25.00; Mrs. J. P. Sawyer, 5.00; Mrs. Elizabeth C. Norris, 10.00.

South Fails to Get Member On Interstate Body

Senate Confirms Harding's Nomination of Western Men on I. C. C.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—The senate late today confirmed the nominations of Commissioners Atchison and Hall, of the interstate commerce commission, who were reappointed by the President. The senate action ends a protracted fight waged by several southern senators against the filling of the vacancies by men from sections of the country other than the south.

Mr. Atchison is listed from Oregon and Mr. Hall from Colorado. These senators who opposed the confirmation and who had forced delays in senate action several times, were said to have made it plain that their opposition was not personal but they had obtained a veto from southern representation on the commission and believed that the best way to call attention to their claims was by opposing the confirmation of the two nominations.

Senator Trammell, democrat, Florida, has a bill pending which would designate the rate districts and thus grant the southern territory a member.

Reports Will Be Made to Organizations and Executives. A Washington, Jan. 16.—A provisional agreement was reached today by railway executives and railroad labor leaders, meeting at the instance of Secretary Hoover, to submit a report working questions affecting train service employees to federal officials for adjustment if possible, without contest before the railroad labor board.

It was pointed out that the fixing of wage scales for train service employees had been brought about through negotiations participated in by railroad officials and union representatives in districts where work was performed during the period prior to the war.

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MURDER TRIAL IS NOW ON CONCORD CONCORD, N. C., Jan. 16.—Four witnesses testified for the state, following the deposition of the defendant in the trial of O. G. (Red) Thomas, Charlotte automobile salesman, charged with first degree murder of Arthur J. Allen, Concord master plumber at Kannapolis, on the night of October 23, last.

TO HOLD COTTON MEET IN NEW ORLEANS BALEIGH, Jan. 16.—Governor Cameron Morrison today issued a call for the southern states cotton conference to be held in New Orleans February 22-25.

NOMINATIONS FOR STATE POSTMASTERS SENT IN WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 16.—The North Carolina nominations were sent to the senate today. Postmasters: Pierce H. Richards, Lawrence, 100; W. H. Moorehead, Outh, 100; Carl M. Griffin, Rural Hall; Barron T. Caldwell, Chimney; John M. Moshaw, Council, and Frisdon H. Jones, West Jefferson.

Wilson Views Pacific Pact As Old Balance Of Power Agreement

ONLY COMPRISES PLANNING LEADING TO WARS IN FUTURE

Democrats Disapproving Treaty Plan to Prevent Ratification. AMERICAN LEGION DEMANDING ACTION

Failure Postal Department to Recognize Soldiers Making Trouble. WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—President Wilson's view on the four-power treaty soon to be submitted to the senate, is gradually leaking out. Democrats are hoping that he will give voice to his thoughts on the subject.

It was learned today that Mr. Wilson is strongly and definitely opposed to the four-power treaty for protection of insular possessions in the Pacific ocean. Specific information to this effect reached friends of the ex-President in the senate today.

It is said the objection of ex-President Wilson is based on his belief that the treaty does not constitute a league of nations or tend in that direction, which constitutes the old and obnoxious balance of power agreement, which eventually brings on disaster.

Announcement of Mr. Wilson's attitude was being confidentially made to friendly democratic senators this afternoon. Disappointment was expressed by those who already have determined to oppose the four-power pact. Later, it will be used as an argument in missionary work to bring the treaty to a satisfactory close.

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Operation of Street Cars of Virginia Company Is Stopped.

EMPLOYEES REFUSE COMPANY'S ORDERS First Day Finds Three or Four Lines at Practical Standstill.

RICHMOND, Va., Jan. 16.—Complete tie-up of the electric lines of the Virginia Railway and Power company in Richmond, Norfolk and Portsmouth resulted tonight at 7:30 o'clock when the last car running over the lines in this city was taken into the barn. Service in Norfolk and Portsmouth ceased at 5 o'clock this afternoon.

The strike was the refusal of the company's employees in the three cities to accept a reduction in wages. Three lines were operated by the company here today, the South Richmond line, consisting of north and south lines, and the city line, which was operated on other lines, according to statements by the power company officials.

Instructions sent out from headquarters of the men Sunday night that the union should do nothing to incite criticism from the public were observed, according to union officers and no disturbance on the part of the union men occurred at any of the terminals. The only arrests of the day resulted when "outsiders" jettied the crew of one of 12 cars operated by the company here today.

While Richmond was facing its first street car strike since 1903 the city council was holding a meeting tonight about a settlement of the controversy. A joint session of the board of aldermen and the common council took place in the city hall at noon today.

Four union men assisted the company to operate three lines in Richmond. Representatives of the union admitted this fact, but stated two of the men called at union headquarters tonight and joined the ranks of the strikers. Neither of the other two had applied for reinstatement at a late hour tonight.

Word was received from the headquarters of the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees of America, with the Richmond division is affiliated, that the central body would back the local union already in the strike, which has been received here as a defense fund. Receipts of this amount was announced at a meeting of the men today.

Explosion Kills Eleven of German Steamship's Crew Vesta, Hamburg to Lisbon, Burns When Naptha Cargo Explodes

LONDON, Jan. 16.—(By The Associated Press.)—Eleven members of the crew of the German steamship Vesta, bound for Hamburg to Lisbon, and the wife of the chief officer, were killed by an explosion on the ship Sunday night following a fire. Ten survivors of the crew were landed at Lowestoft by a trawler late this afternoon.

Details of the disaster as related by the captain of the Vesta are to the effect that during heavy weather Sunday night the three occupants were drowned. The mate, clasping his newly married wife in his arms, jumped overboard. Both perished. Others of the ship's company also jumped into the sea from the vessel after a burning vessel, only to sink beneath the waves. Finally only the captain and nine men were left on board. They were rescued after a long struggle by a trawler after six hours' work, and when they had almost abandoned hope. Those rescued had been scorched by the flames and partially asphyxiated by the naphtha fumes.

Every Mention Of The Name Woodrow Wilson Is Greeted With Applause In N. Y. Meet

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—Several hundred men and women cheered every mention of the name of Woodrow Wilson today at an opening here of a campaign for \$1,000,000 to establish annual recitations of the Woodrow Wilson Foundation "for meritorious service in behalf of democracy and public welfare, liberal thought and peace through justice."

The cause of liberty had its ideals in Washington, it was said in a speech by Lincoln, and it had its apotheosis in Woodrow Wilson. "Mr. Wilson does not need us as the estimate by Mr. Thomas, but we need him," the playwright continued.

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