

JAPAN WOULD DEMAND RIGHTS IN CALIFORNIA

(By The Associated Press.)

TOKIO, Jan. 20.—Immediate evacuation of Siberia, universal suffrage and insistence upon Japan's rights in the California question, were demanded today in a resolution passed at a general meeting of the Kenseikai, the opposition party of Japan.

The party held a meeting preparatory to the reopening of the Japanese diet, and in addition to the above demands, urged that maintenance of friendship with the United States be made a basic policy of this nation and also endorsed the league of nations, and a renewal of the Anglo-Japanese alliance in the interest of world peace.

The league of nations was favored by Viscount Kato, leader of the party, but he regretted the fact that America was not a member. He approved of the plan for restricting armaments, but considered Japan's naval program as the minimum to be fixed for the national defense.

Takeshi Inukai, leader of the Koku minshu, or national party, addressed a meeting of that organization, condemning Japan's policy toward America, China and Russia, declaring it was "sowing the seed for future trouble."

MORRIS DISCUSSES JAPAN'S VIEWPOINT

(By the Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Jan. 23.—Discussing what he termed "The California Issue" in an address today before the University Club, Roland S. Morris, American ambassador to Japan, declared that the Japanese were fearful that California and other western states might extend the classification to aliens on the basis of eligibility to citizenship not only to property rights but also to personal rights.

Ambassador Morris, who has conducted the negotiations with Baron Shidehara the Japanese ambassador, with a view to having the bases of a treaty between the United States and Japan, further declared that the Japanese protest against the California naturalization law presented to the American people the definite question of whether in the larger view of America's relations with the Orient it is wise to classify aliens on the basis of their eligibility to citizenship.

Presenting the issue involved in the present negotiations, Mr. Morris asked that it be borne in mind that the Japanese were not complaining because its nationals resident in the United States are ineligible to citizenship; not asking any greater rights for its nationals than those extended to other aliens; not questioning the right of the United States government to pass, subject to treaty obligations, legislation covering admission or residence of foreigners nor seeking removal of present restrictions on Japanese immigration. The Japanese government, he added, does "contend that it is unjust and unfair to pick out a particular group of aliens who are under certain political disabilities and deprive them of rights which all other aliens are permitted to enjoy."

"Japanese aliens resident in the United States," said Ambassador Morris, after asserting that he was not discussing the merits of the issue, but its definition, "are not eligible to citizenship, nor naturalization laws having been interpreted as applying only to white persons or persons of African descent. This is in a sense discrimination or perhaps better—a selection of those whom for one reason or another, we are willing to admit to the privilege of American citizenship. But it is clearly not a discrimination of a character which could properly be the subject of complaint by a government whose nationals might be excluded. No government would consider it proper or expedient to protest because its citizens were not permitted to expatriate themselves. A friendly state might regret and deplore such a policy and even hope that some day it would be changed, but it would undoubtedly claim for itself and concede to other states the inherent right of a sovereign state to determine the conditions and limits of naturalization."

"May I ask you therefore to note in the second place that the government of Japan is not in any way questioning the right of our government to pass, subject only to its treaty obligations, any legislation it may see fit covering the admission of residence of foreigners among us. It is true that by the treaty of 1911 Japanese were granted full rights of admission to and residence in our country. But this right was granted only upon the express understanding that the Japanese government would continue voluntarily to limit immigration as provided in the so-called 'gentlemen's agreement' of 1908."

"In the third place, therefore, may I ask you to note that the Japanese government and people are not clamoring for the removal of any of the present restrictions on Japanese immigration. On the contrary, the government has shown a willingness to examine and correct any (Continued on page 3.)

IS GOOD ROADS CAUSE BEING JEOPARDIZED

This is the Opinion of Good Roads Enthusiasts Who Deplore Fact That State Association and Governor Differ As to Method of Maintenance.

By MAX ABERNETHY.

RALEIGH, Jan. 22.—Opposition of the North Carolina Good Roads Association to Governor Morrison's county maintenance plan as outlined by him in his inaugural address is understood to have caused considerable worry among friends of a State-wide system of hard surfaced highways when it became known here that the good roads association was flooding the State with letters and circulars attempting to show the fallacy of the governor's program.

With Governor Morrison championing the county maintenance plan and the North Carolina Good Roads Association giving State-wide circulation to its State maintenance, friends of good roads who are wedded to no particular plan but who are anxious that North Carolina be "lifted out of the mud" express the opinion that the association is jeopardizing the cause. Unless there is harmony when the good roads advocates go before the committee of the legislature it is feared that the State will suffer since with so many conflicting views and opinions the legislators will hesitate to pass any sort of a road bill.

The good roads association from its Raleigh office, established for the session of the General Assembly, thinks little of the governor's maintenance program. Aside from being unbusinesslike the reply to Governor Morrison's inaugural address goes in the mails as follows:

"Even if the plan were feasible it would only serve further to discriminate against the farmer, for the funds derived by the State under this (Morrison's) plan for construction and maintenance would not only take all funds that might otherwise be paid on county roads, but would be ever burdensome to the rural counties, and any other which may happen to be heavily in debt."

Governor Morrison has not learned that the association was attempting to stampede the General Assembly into State maintenance by holding the "farmer" up before the legislators. But this appeal will have weight with both Democrats and Republicans who are year in and year out, on any and all proposed legislation, stopped from taking progressive steps for fear of alienating the farmer."

The governor, following his inauguration, said to the newspaper men that "the road program in the past was maintained by the State." He fears that such will be the case again and therefore he is urging county upkeep as the best substitute. State maintenance heretofore, because of its staggering cost, held North Carolina to mud roads because it was feared the State could not bear the brunt of taxes. Governor Morrison offers "county maintenance" in the hope of getting legislation that will provide a State-wide system of hard surfaced highways.

Frankly the situation at the present time does not appear the brightest. However, if the warring factions will come together it is altogether probable that a constructive program of legislation will be passed by the General Assembly.

To Retain Welfare Office.

Legislators familiar with the work being done by the Department of Public Welfare declare that the bill introduced by Senator Nash to abolish the department will not pass in either branch of the General Assembly.

It is admitted that there is a disposition on the part of some of the members to vote for the Nash bill although they will be prevented from so doing because it is not apparent how the provisions of the compulsory attendance law and the child labor law will be enforced in the event the office is abolished. A number of counties have asked for the abolition of the county officers by the introduction of bills and it is not likely they will meet with opposition, although the Nash bill will hardly go through since it is State-wide.

Governor Morrison, asked as to his opinion of the State department, said that while the office had only been in existence two years he was convinced that it should be retained. Supporting the governor are the women through the North Carolina Legislative Council of Women. The women are urging that the department be maintained.

Governor Morrison is back in his office after a day's trip to Charlotte, where he presided over the meeting which was addressed by the American College of Surgeons. The governor is now busy with his first message to the legislature, which will likely be delivered Monday or Tuesday.

WORDS OF APPRECIATION FROM CITY MANAGER

To the Editor of The Gazette: It was with great pleasure that I watched your new Duplex press run off the finished edition of your paper. Realizing the amount of hard labor and stick-to-itiveness that you must have employed to accomplish such a proposition as that which you have had before you for the past several years, you are to be congratulated upon your success. Each and every subscriber and business man in Gastonia and Gaston county should come forward and render all the assistance that they can give to help The Gazette to hold and improve the standard that it has maintained. A live paper such as The Gazette is of inestimable value to the growth and popularity of a city. The Gazette is one of the best boosting mediums that we have, so help it along. W. J. ALEXANDER, City Manager, Gastonia, N. C., January 21, 1921.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WILL ASK AID FOR ORTHOPAEDIC HOSPITAL

Board of Directors Urge Gaston County Representatives to Lend Every Effort Toward Securing Larger Appropriation.

The appointment of a committee to convey to the Gaston county representatives in the General Assembly the sentiments of the Chamber of Commerce regarding the budget commission's report on the appropriation for the N. C. Orthopaedic Hospital, and the report of the steering committee on the chamber's new quarters featured the meeting of the board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce Friday afternoon. Present were A. G. Myers, president, S. A. Robinson, vice president, S. N. Boyce, treasurer, and Chas. Ford, W. E. Hayes, A. J. Kirby, E. G. McLeod, Hugh A. Query and G. R. Spencer, directors.

It was the opinion of the board that pressure should be brought to bear upon Messrs. Gaston, Woltz and Carpenter, Gaston's representatives at Raleigh, informing them of the need for additional appropriations and urging them to do their utmost to secure sufficient funds for the completion of the hospital. Messrs. J. Lee Robinson, H. A. Query and W. T. Love were appointed a committee to draft this message to the representatives.

Messrs. S. N. Boyce, A. C. Jones and R. G. Cherry were appointed a committee to answer a tax referendum from the U. S. Chamber of Commerce. Messrs. A. G. Myers and S. A. Robinson reported that plans were under way for the complete remodeling and equipping of the new quarters now being occupied by the chamber. A large assembly hall will be one of the features of the new quarters.

WESTERN FARMERS GIVE THEIR CORN TO SAVE STARVING EUROPEANS

CHICAGO, Jan. 22.—The offer of middle west farmers to give over to the starving millions in foreign countries was accepted today by the Hoover European relief committee and the Near East Relief committee. A telegram was received at the American farm bureau federation's headquarters from J. R. Howard, president, now in New York, saying the two committees have promised to use all corn for which they can raise transportation money.

Mr. Howard, representing 125,000 farmers, has been in New York for several days in conference with Herbert Hoover and other foreign relief committee heads. In his message he said the committees were confident they would raise money for transportation of the grain offered by the farmers throughout the corn growing districts of the country. At their headquarters the farmers' slogan in the movement has been announced as "Let us market our surplus in relief and take our pay in good will." It is said there that the public is expected to pay the transportation bill.

Ray D. Hogle, general secretary of the American Committee for China famine fund, has written the farmers' declaration: "We are counting on at least a cargo of 6,000 tons ready for shipment from Tacoma the latter part of February or the first week in March, so that it reaches China for distribution on the earliest possible day in April."

CLOUDY AND RAINY. WEATHER NEXT WEEK. WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—Weather predictions for the week beginning Monday are: Middle Atlantic States, South Atlantic and East Gulf States, West Gulf States: Temperature normal or above; considerable cloudiness and occasional rains.

"LOST" BALLOON INQUIRY BEGUN BY NAVY BOARD AT ROCKAWAY



The members were appointed by Sec'y of the Navy, Daniels. Left to right, Lieut. Commander Archibald MacGlasson, Judge Advocate; Rear Admiral George W. Kline, President of the Board; Captain Henry H. Hough; and Lieut. Commander Joseph P. Norfleet. Insert, Lieuts. Farrell and Hinton in readiness to be questioned.

PIEZ SAYS THAT GILLEN'S REPORT IS ALTOGETHER WRONG

(By The Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 22.—It is believed that the report of Mr. Gilgen's investigation into the conditions of the shipbuilding industry in the United States, which was published in a statement submitted to the Senate committee on United States shipping board operations by Lieut. Piez, the former assistant general, United States shipping board, is altogether wrong. In the statement Mr. Piez claims that the report of Mr. Gilgen's investigation is not correct in its findings, and that the statement which is published in the official report of the shipping board is entirely wrong. Mr. Piez's statement is a direct challenge to the report of Mr. Gilgen's investigation, which is widely known to be a study of the shipping industry in the United States, and is a study of the shipping industry in the United States, and is a study of the shipping industry in the United States.

MARTENS DEPORTED AFTER LONG FIGHT

NEW YORK, Jan. 22.—Nearly two years' effort by Ludwig C. A. K. Martens to gain recognition by the United States government as the ambassador of the Russian Soviet government ended today with his departure for Gottenburg, Sweden, on board the ketchship Stockholm. It was the final execution of an order from the department of labor for his deportation as an undesirable alien. Hundreds of personal friends of Martens and his "ambassadorship" retired at forty-two crowded the docks to bid him well.

HARDING SPENDS DAY ON THE GOLF LINKS

ST. AUGUSTINE, Fla., Jan. 22.—A program of recreation calculated to insure immunity from the worries of the presidency awaited President elect Harding upon his arrival here today for a six-week stay in Florida. Putting his vacation at once into full swing, he arranged even before his train reached St. Augustine to spend this afternoon on the golf links and to put out a few hours later for the horse-back fishery which is to occupy the next two weeks.

ROCK THROWN THROUGH MR. HARDING'S BERTH

LAKE CHARLES, La., Jan. 22.—While on his formal reception, President elect Warren G. Harding arrived in Florida today, and in the morning he was thrown through the window of his berth by a rock which fell from the ceiling of the train. The rock was thrown through the window of the train, and the rock was thrown through the window of the train.

FORMER MINISTER IS CHARGED WITH THEFT OF OVER \$200,000

MONTE VERNON, Wis., Jan. 22.—With Guy Kelo, former pastor of the Free Methodist church, of Mount Vernon, under arrest and virtually all of the money recovered, postal inspectors today were continuing their investigation into thefts here, January 14, of 31 packages of registered mail containing \$185,000 cash and \$27,000 in negotiable securities. Developments early today had convinced the inspectors that Kelo carried out the robbery single handed, it was said, but further examination of the former pastor was planned to learn how he became acquainted with the movement of the large shipment of money.

CANADIAN COTTON MILLS CUT 12 1/2 PER CENT

MONTREAL, Jan. 22.—Announcement of a wage reduction of approximately 12 1/2 per cent affecting more than 3,500 workers was made here yesterday by the Canadian Cotton Mills, Limited. The reduction, which is effective today, affects the mills located at Marysville and Milltown, in New Brunswick, and Cornwall and Hamilton, in Ontario.

COMMUNITY SPECIALISTS TO COME TO CITY

Trained workers in song leading, dramatics and recreational work to come to Gastonia within week or ten days. Within the next week or two, the program of specialists in charge of community service, will be launched at Gastonia under the supervision of trained specialists who are to come here from the State to be in charge of the work. The specialists will conduct institutes of song leading, dramatics and recreational work, and will be in charge of the work. The specialists will conduct institutes of song leading, dramatics and recreational work, and will be in charge of the work.

MRS. MARY J. PATRICK DEAD AT BELMONT

Mrs. Mary J. Patrick, widow of the late George B. Patrick, and one of the most prominent women in the city, died at Belmont today of a cerebral hemorrhage. She was 68 years of age. Her husband died in 1914. Mrs. Patrick was a member of the Belmont Baptist church, and was a member of the Belmont Baptist church. She was a member of the Belmont Baptist church, and was a member of the Belmont Baptist church.

SOUTH AMERICAN SOLON'S FIGHT BLOODLESS DUEL

(By The Associated Press.) BUENOS AIRES, Jan. 21.—Andres Forero, and Mariano Gallo, members of the chamber of deputies, fought a bloodless duel in the outskirts of this city today. The encounter was the result of an altercation between the two men in the chamber yesterday, when Forero gave the lie to Gallo after the latter had denounced the government, insisting that President Irigoyen was surrounded with ministers who were plotting personally at the expense of public interests.

STOCKHOLDERS MEETING WAS HELD THURSDAY

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Gastonia Insurance & Realty company was held at the Hotel Times today morning in the offices of the company in the Kelly building. Reports of the officers showed that the company had had a successful year, and the annual surplus had increased 5 per cent was ordered paid to the stockholders. Directors were elected as follows: W. T. Rankin, R. G. Rankin, A. G. Myers, C. C. Armstrong, J. K. Dixon, T. W. Wilson, R. R. Ray, O. F. Mason and E. B. Brittain. The directors re-elected the present officers, as follows: W. T. Rankin, president; R. G. Rankin and C. C. Armstrong, vice-presidents; E. B. Brittain, secretary and treasurer.

SAYS HE CAUGHT WIFE IN STEEL TRAP LAUREL, MISS., JAN. 22.—Driven from his cabin in the swamps along Leaf river by high water, Albert Parsons, an aged white man, and a woman, who says she is his wife, were brought to Laurel today and placed in the county poorhouse. The finding of Parsons is believed to set at rest the reports of a wild man, current for years, said to be living in this section. Parsons says that he and his wife lived on wild root berries and what animals they were able to trap. With them when found was a child, who in spite of the cold, was entirely without clothing. Parsons told the sheriff that he caught his wife in a steel trap many years ago.

HORSE DOCTORS MEET

SPARTANBURG, S. C., Jan. 22.—The Southern States Veterinary Medical Association, composed of veterinarians of the Carolinas, Tennessee, Georgia, Florida, and Alabama, will hold its annual convention here beginning Monday and continuing through Tuesday. About two hundred delegates are expected to be in attendance.

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