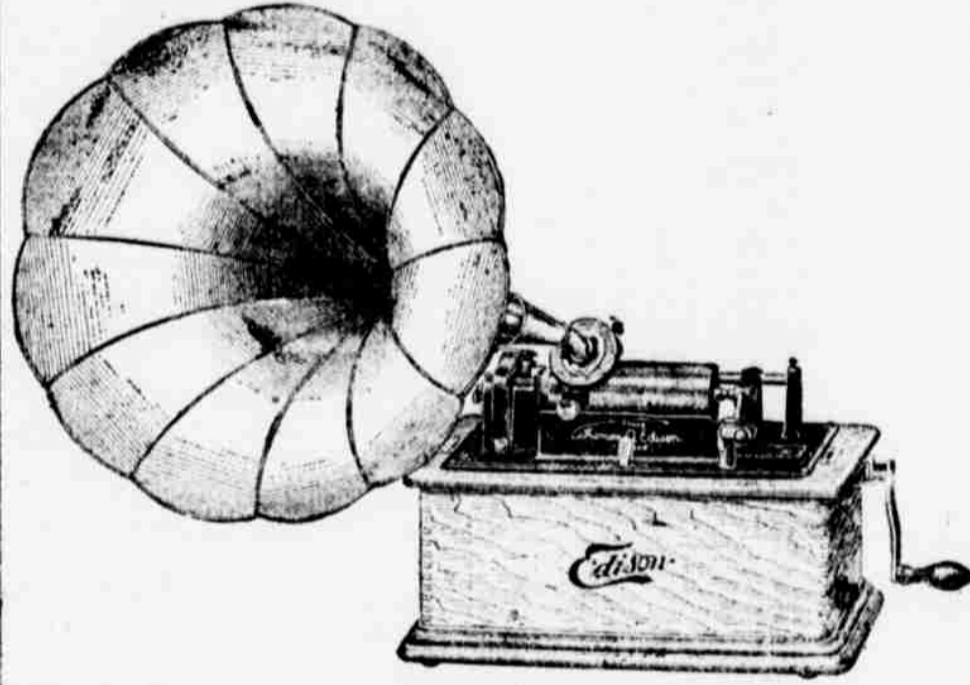


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CABINET CRISIS IN JAPAN

TWO OF THE MINISTERS RESIGN THEIR POSITIONS.

SAIONJAI RETAINS PORTFOLIO

Resignation of Prime Minister Not Accepted—Policy of Increasing Taxation Causes Dissatisfaction Throughout the Empire.

Tokio, Jan. 15.—A cabinet crisis is imminent. After a conference of the cabinet ministers, Marquis Saionjai, the prime minister, visited the emperor at the palace and was quickly followed by Prince Ito.

It is understood that difficulties exist over the budget which are irreconcilable.

It was announced that Yoshiro Satani, minister of finance, and Isaburo Yamagata, minister of communications, have resigned from the cabinet. Their resignations have been accepted. The resignation of Marquis Saionjai, the prime minister, has been refused.

Masahisa Matsuda, minister of justice, will combine the portfolio of finance, and Keihara, minister of the interior, will combine that of the minister of communications. This leaves the cabinet without any new element and removes the disputants, who have been the disturbing factors for some time past.

The whole matter now is believed to be settled. There probably will be some changes of items in the budget and probably the government may decide not to increase taxation, but instead reduce the appropriations for the army and navy. It is possible that it may be decided to issue a loan to cover the deficiency.

PRESIDENT CAUSE OF FLURRY

Count Von Kanitz Says Threats Against Trusts Is Cause of Trouble.

Berlin, Jan. 15.—In the course of an interpellation in the reichstag, in reference to the high rate of discount charged by the imperial bank, Count von Kanitz, Conservative, suggested that President Roosevelt's "threats against the trusts" was responsible for the critical financial situation existing here throughout the entire world.

The speaker expressed the opinion that the United States will need more money and that this will come from Europe. He then asked what means would be adopted to prevent the outflow, which even a high bank rate of discount could not keep back. He suggested a moderate return to bimetalism by issuing in Germany silver coinage to the amount of 27 marks per capita which, he said, would improve the situation. He upheld the method of the Bank of France, which issues silver coinage to the value of 40 marks per capita of population, as a model in this direction, declaring that this system permitted France to have such an enormous gold reserve. The shortage of money, according to Count von Kanitz, made the restoration of ordinary financial conditions questionable, particularly as there are indications that a period of industrial adversity is beginning. At the beginning of December there were in Berlin alone 23,000 skilled workmen without employment and since that time the figures had been increased greatly.

Teachers Scarce in Chicago.

Chicago, Jan. 15.—The situation caused by the scarcity of teachers in the Chicago public schools has reached a climax. In seventy-three rooms, chiefly in elementary schools, the officials found it impossible to provide teachers and had to dismiss the pupils for the day. More than 3,000 school children spent the day at home. More than 150 vacancies were reported.

Ice Breaks With Thirty Skaters.

Paris, Jan. 15.—Great excitement was caused by the breaking of the ice on the lake in the Bois de Boulogne, some thirty young people being precipitated into the water. It was feared at first that many of them were drowned, but after a detachment of firemen had dragged the lake, it was found that only two had been drowned, both bodies being recovered.

Sixty Thousand to Central Girl.

Chicago, Jan. 15.—"I guess I won't work any more," remarked Miss Rose Strantz, as she resigned her position as telephone operator at the Palmer House. Then she told Manager Viesbuchen that she had inherited \$60,000, left by an uncle in the far west, and had received the first installment of the money.

Burglars at Artist Earle's.

New York, Jan. 15.—When a caretaker visited the residence of Frederick Pinney Earle, the artist, at Monroe, he discovered that burglars had been at the place, stealing or ruining pictures, china, rugs and bric-a-brac valued at more than \$25,000.

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County Treasurer's Semi-Annual Statement.

Recapitulation, showing the amount on hand July 1st, 1907, the collections since made, disbursements, and amount remaining on hand at the close of the 8th day of January, 1908, in each and all of the several Funds stated.

KIND OF FUNDS.	Page of Report	Am't on hand last settlement	Amount since collected	Interest collected	Funds Transferred from	TOTAL	Disbursements	Funds Transferred to	Amount now on hand	TOTAL
School and University Land	1	\$ 6956 45	\$ 8903 83	\$		\$ 15860 28	\$ 11406 97		\$ 4453 31	\$ 15860 28
State Consolidated	2	6941 50	12948 53	113 36		20003 39	10016 53		3986 86	20003 39
County General	3	1814 48	9267 61	369 09	Various funds	14806 49	14803 99		2 50	14806 49
County Bridge	4	7771 12	7380 18			10160 30	10020 66		139 64	10160 30
County Railroad Bond	5	8029 40	1847 29			9876 69	1200 00		8676 69	9876 69
County Insane	6	8 75				8 75			8 75	8 75
County Poor	7	14 32				14 32			14 32	14 32
County Soldiers' Relief	8	74 00	368 88			446 88	189 27		257 61	446 88
County Road	9	367 99				367 99			367 99	367 99
District Road	10	5993 64	9799 51			15792 15	6330 40	Comm'r District	3336 72	6125 03
Commissioner District	11	5611 28			District Road	8948 00	4029 36		4918 64	8948 00
District Schools	12	17748 79	25756 81	38 28	District Appor'm't	3532 05	27885 39	School District	3532 05	19190 54
State Apportionment	13				Fines & Licenses	618 00				618 00
					(State Treasurer)	2884 05				2884 05
					Various Parties	148 00		State Apport'm't	648 00	648 00
Fines and Licenses	14	500 00				648 00			648 00	648 00
School Bond	15	2716 57	3164 37	5 89		5886 83	2195 30		3691 53	5886 83
Red Cloud City	16	31 26	1162 85	14 29		1238 40	1124 14	Red Cloud judg't	32 32	81 94
Red Cloud Water Bond	17	2096 41	404 03	14 75		2515 19	979 70		1535 49	2515 19
Red Cloud Electric Light Bond	18	185 00	361 32	2 88		549 80	7 28		542 52	549 80
Red Cloud Electric Light Works	19	2 75	594 40			597 15	561 89		35 26	597 15
Red Cloud Water Works	20	31 02	480 27	1 09		515 38	459 68		55 70	515 38
Red Cloud Water Works Special	21	2 35	67			3 69			3 69	3 69
Red Cloud Judgment	22	3 77	371 09	24	Red Cloud Gen'l	407 42	407 42		407 42	407 42
Red Cloud Sidewalk	23	63 85	129 56	5 27		198 68	195 95		2 73	198 68
Blue Hill	24	625 85	859 62	5 30		1490 77	1017 30		473 47	1490 77
Blue Hill Water Bond	25	884 18	600 78			1484 96	275 65		1209 31	1484 96
Blue Hill Special	26	98				98			98	98
Guide Rock	27	193 03	527 55	2 55		723 13	520 76		202 37	723 13
Guide Rock Bridge Bond	28	27 63				27 63			27 63	27 63
Bladen	29	445 25	388 01	2 34		835 60	645 36		190 24	835 60
Interest	30		609 00			609 00		Various funds	609 00	609 00
Advertising	31		100 80			100 80		County General	100 80	100 80
Redemption	32	383 14	472 94			855 18	602 86		252 32	855 18
Miscellaneous	33				Various parties	402 51		Various funds	402 51	402 51
		\$67528 36	\$96508 00	\$609 00		\$11338 96	\$105984 32	\$100875 86	\$8661 40	\$856447 06
										\$165984 32

Fees and Commissions received from July 1st, 1907, to January 9th, 1908, \$1356.66
 Railroad Bonds outstanding, \$30,000.00

I, W. C. Frahm, County Treasurer, certify that the above is a true and correct statement of the outstanding indebtedness of the county and of all moneys received and disbursed by me as County Treasurer of Webster County, Nebraska, from the first day of July, 1907, to the ninth day of January, 1908, to the best of my knowledge and belief, as per statement submitted.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14th day of January, 1908.

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W. C. FRAHM, County Treasurer.

E. W. ROSS, County Clerk.