

JAPANESE DRAFT PROTEST

Business Organizations Object to Proposed Land Act.

ANSWER BY CALIFORNIANS

It is Alleged that Act Applies to All Aliens and is So Drawn as to Avoid Any Handicaps.

TOKIO, April 11.—Buel Nakano, president of the Tokyo Chamber of Commerce today visited the United States embassy and outlined the views of the Japanese business community in regard to the California land ownership bill.

A joint meeting of the chambers of commerce of Kobe, Osaka, Yokohama and Tokio has been summoned by M. Nakano to discuss the question.

M. Nakano is well known in the United States, having visited several of the principal chambers of commerce there in 1909.

A joint meeting of the Japanese political parties is also being planned to discuss the situation.

The clause of the California bill providing for confiscation of property of persons unable to become naturalized American citizens has aroused the strongest feeling here.

Explanation by Californian. SACRAMENTO, Calif., April 11.—The agitation in political and business circles in Tokio concerning the proposed alien land law now pending before the California legislature is not justified by the facts in the case, according to members of the senate who read the dispatch today from the Japanese capital.

"Nothing in the bill as now before the legislature can be construed as affecting the present holdings of any alien, regardless of their right to become citizens," said Senator Thompson, who was active in drafting the measure.

"No confiscation is planned, and the Japanese have been misinformed as to our intentions. Land now held by aliens may be retained forever, for all that this bill is concerned.

"The only restrictions are on land to be acquired hereafter, either by lease or purchase, gift, devise or otherwise. The bill limits future leases to three years duration and ownership to one year. This is regarded as ample time for an alien to dispose of such property without loss.

"The rights of any alien to citizenship will not affect his status so far as ownership of land is concerned. All aliens will be treated alike under this act, for it has been drawn to apply equally to Japanese, German or English subjects, or the subjects of any other foreign nation."

Iowa Cities May Be Authorized to Build and Run Theaters

DES MOINES, Ia., April 11.—Cities in Iowa will be authorized to build theaters if a bill which passed the house of the Iowa legislature today meets with a similar reception in the senate.

The measure provides that elections may be held to determine whether municipal theaters shall be established, and a two-mill tax for the support of the playhouses is included. Management is to be vested in a board of five trustees appointed by the mayor and council.

Representative Miller, author of the bill, said that Waverly, the county seat of Bremer county, which he represents, plans to take advantage of the measure should it go through the senate.

MANY CASES CONSIDERED

(Continued from Page One.) very large number of cases to investigate and decide on, and the circumstances differ in every case. Some sufferers by the tornado are apparently worse off than if they had never bought property, because of the smallness of their equity.

Even where the property is clear of incumbrance, the loss is a possibly reliable estimate to any great extent. The best we can do at present is to lighten the load a trifle and give the victims of the tornado a boost along the road of ambition again.

"Some most worthy cases brought to the attention of the committee present features that are both puzzling and distressing. This is especially true in the cases of widows left with small children and no resources. All they had in the world was their homes, and these are destroyed. Some widowers and some unmarried women are in like predicament. The hard-won accumulations of many years of thrift have been utterly destroyed. We have confidence to believe the contributions to our fund will be accelerated rather than lessened from now on. Then, after the most urgent cases are temporarily relieved we should go over the ground again and lighten the burden further.

Great Responsibility. "Omaha and Nebraska have shouldered a great responsibility. They must carry it with honor and that means hard work for all concerned for perhaps months to come. This committee cannot see any end to its work for the next ninety days, and probably much longer. We can quickly enable a worker to start his little shop, or buy a horse for a teamster, or aid a small florist or chicken raiser to begin anew, or make temporary repairs to a house, or furnish material so that a sufferer's friends can get busy and help him rebuild, but this is not sufficient. We ought to be able to aid on a more liberal scale the aid, the discouraged and those now heavily-laden in various ways who were living in comparative comfort, free from debt, before the tornado hit them. The committee wants to do this, and will, if it possibly can.

"It will aid us very materially if all seeking aid to repair or rebuild will first go to the operating committee—C. C. Rosewater, Commissioner Butler, J. M. Guild and E. F. Denison—at the Auditorium, and give them all the details needed. These men will sift the information and present it to the general committee every evening."

The general relief committee is composed of T. J. Mahoney, chairman; C. C. Rosewater, secretary; Robert Cowell, treasurer; Mayor Dahlman, City Commissioner Butler, J. M. Guild, Rev. John Williams, Thomas C. Byrne, E. F. Denison and Police Commissioner Ryder.

Frightful Pains. In the stomach, torpid liver, lame back and weak kidneys are soon relieved by Electric Bitters. Guaranteed. 50c Per Sale by Beaton Drug Co.—Advertisement.

Key to the Situation—See Advertisement.

Dance Halls that Sell Liquor Blamed for Downfall of Girls

CHICAGO, April 11.—Dance halls, where liquor is sold to girls and where "friends are provided for those who want them," were ascribed as the cause of the downfall of many young girls by Mrs. Gertrude H. Britton, a Social Settlement worker, who testified before the Illinois vice commission.

"In a thorough investigation we found that there are 200 dance halls in Chicago where liquor is sold to girls under 18 years old," said Mrs. Britton. "In some of the other places the so-called soft drinks, when analyzed by the city chemist, were found to contain alcohol. In one dance hall on the north side we discovered that the proprietor has served notices on his patrons that a 'friend' would be provided for any girl that needed one. Our investigators learned that respectable dance halls were a good thing, for they provided diversion for young people without endangering their morals, but half of the dance halls are immoral. The selling of liquor to girls is often the first step toward their ruin."

"Myrtle S." 17 years old, told the commission how a scolding by her father, the chance meeting of a "jolly fellow" and his giving her drugged beer led to her downfall. "On my parents separating I came to Chicago from Cleveland and finding it lonesome to stay in my room at night, I sought company," said the witness. "A girl introduced me to a friend. At first we took soft drinks, but later I was induced to drink beer. One night the beer affected me strangely and after that I was a lost girl. I conceived my friends had drugged the beer. We often visited hotels, sometimes without any baggage, going to those in the downtown district which are considered respectable."

The proprietors of dance halls and hotels mentioned by witnesses were to testify later.

COLEMAN, O., April 11.—A bill authorizing an investigation of a minimum wage for working women similar to the vice campaign of the Illinois legislature was passed by the house today. The measure originated in the senate and now goes to the governor. Under the provisions of the bill every employer of five or more girls or women in the state must send information to the new industrial commission relating to the wages paid.

Stilwell Denies Accepting Money

ALBANY, N. Y., April 11.—State Senator Steven J. Stilwell, charged by George H. Kendall of the New York Bank Note company with obtaining \$250 and attempting to extort \$3,500 more for pushing legislation favorable to that company, took the stand in his own behalf before the senate judicial committee today. He told of his meetings with Kendall and said that Kendall had asked him to draft a bill. Stilwell replied that he was too busy and suggested that Kendall employ Samuel Lewis, Jr., a revision clerk of the senate. "I told Kendall," he testified, "that I wanted him to understand that I was not interested in the \$250 payment which he expected to make for this service. 'Not one cent comes to me,' I said."

Earlier in the day's session, however, Lewis admitted on the stand that he had stated in the presence of witnesses that he had shared his \$250 fee with Senator Stilwell.

Wyoming Sheepmen Will Fight Free Wool Proposition

CHEYENNE, Wyo., April 11.—(Special.)—Although they are somewhat discouraged by the present outlook, the Wyoming sheepmen will fight to the last ditch any attempt to remove all tariff from wool. President J. A. Delfelder of the Wyoming Wool Growers' association, is organizing a movement on the part of the flockmasters to oppose to the utmost any measure which provides for a duty of less than 30 per cent on raw wool. Letters are being prepared and will be sent to all the county associations in the state, asking for contributions and stirring up the wool men to make a determined effort to prevent the reduction of duty.

While the situation is conceded to be critical, the flockmasters hope to interest enough western democratic senators to head off free wool. In all probability, the Wyoming Wool Growers' association will send a strong delegation of prominent flockmasters to Washington to appear before the congressional committee and present their side of the argument.

Street Car Completely Wrecked. PORT DODGE, Ia., April 11.—(Special.)—A practically new car on the Fort Dodge street car line put on a little runaway stunt last night that resulted ignominiously for the progressive vehicle. It was standing at the top of a steep Central avenue hill with no one inside, the motorman having left the car a moment while waiting to make a trip according to schedule. Suddenly the car began to move, gaining velocity as it dashed down the hill. It made one sharp turn without mishap, ran three blocks down grade at breakneck speed, turned another corner only to be dumped from the track onto an embankment a wreck of a thousand pieces. The car is a total loss. Because it was late at night accidents at crossings were fortunately averted.

Injured in a Fire. Several persons were injured or bruised by a fall apply Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Cures burns, cuts, wounds, boils, sores, eczema, piles. Guaranteed. 2c. For sale by Beaton Drug Co.—Advertisement.

Iowa News Notes. LOGAN.—Several vacancies in the crop of the Logan school instructors are announced. In addition to the city superintendent, the Board of Education is seeking instructors in German, Latin, English and Mathematics for the ensuing year.

CRESTON.—The families of Oscar Metcalf and the Parkers, both former residents here, were among the Dayton, O., flood victims who lost their homes in the recent disaster there. The families escaped in boats from their homes after thrilling experiences.

MISSOURI VALLEY.—At the meeting of the local fire company here for the ensuing year: E. E. James, president; Theo Wilson, vice president; George Rich of Moorehead, secretary and treasurer. It was decided to hold the annual picnic on Labor day at Missouri Valley, picnic on Labor day at Missouri Valley, picnic on Labor day at Missouri Valley.

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INDIANOLA.—Fred W. Ingvalstadt of Simpson college is the winner of first honors in the state oratorical contest held at Leander, Clarke college. He won second honors last year. Leander Clarke, Western Union, Morningside, Cornell and Simpson colleges were represented in the contest this year.

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We are Surprised and Delighted at the Activity of our Business

In spite of the cyclone with its resultant hardships—in spite of the rainy weather, business is much ahead of a year ago. A tribute to the resourcefulness and buoyancy of Omaha people. Some acknowledgment also, no doubt, of our splendid equipment for spring business. In Dress Fabrics and Accessories and in Ready-to-Wear Apparel. Newness predominates, Fashion has approved and Economy dictates our prices.

Women's Suits, Coats, Dresses and Waists

The newest edicts of fashion expressed by artistic tailors. A sale of Waists Saturday. Lingerie waists, \$1.19 sold up to \$2.50, Saturday

Silk Petticoat Sale

Dependable quality Messaline. Proper narrow cut with adjustable top. All colors, sold up to \$4.00. Sale opens at 10 a. m., each \$2.58

Men's Silk Socks

Plain colors, regularly 50c; on Saturday, while the lot lasts, pair, 29c

Sale of Leather Bags

Saturday, beginning at 10 a. m. Long grain, Morocco, Goat Seal, black and colors, newest shapes; value \$2.25; Saturday, at \$1.50

Another Lot of Hand Bags

Pure Seal, Dull Seal, Long Grain and Morocco, Moire Silk lining; many with fine German Silver frames; worth \$5.00; Saturday, ea... \$2.95

Children's & Junior Section

New Balkan Suits in Junior sizes, new colored and white dresses. Special sale of coats; fine tailored garments, mainly Junior sizes, ought to sell \$15 to \$18; for this sale, each... \$9.90

Ribbons

All Silk Taffeta, 6 3/4 inches wide, regularly 5c; Saturday for... 2c

Dark colored, warp print Millinery Ribbon, for... 3c

Wash Goods

Ratines—We have them, many have not. Linens—Splendid values, at the yard, 50c, 65c, 85c and... \$1.00

Crepes—Popular weaves, plains or stripes, at the yard... 25c

Voiles—Imported and domestic, plain colors, stripes and figures, at the yard, 25c to... \$1.00

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