

United States Seeks to Allay Japanese Fears

Administration Is Attempting To Convince Oriental Government It Will Not Be at Disadvantage in Meeting.

Washington, July 16.—The Washington administration is seeking to convince Japan that it will not be placed at any disadvantage in the forthcoming conference on limitation of armaments and far eastern problems.

President Harding believes that Japan will eventually decide to participate in both branches of the proposed conference and will agree to discuss Pacific and eastern questions with the other powers invited, as well as the issues of reducing armaments.

Friday the cabinet considered Japan's response to the president's invitation, which was a cordial acceptance of the proposal to discuss armaments, but failed to agree to the second proposal that the international issues, which make present-day expensive armaments necessary to be considered with a view to general adjustment.

Following the cabinet meeting, it was learned that exchanges are now in progress between the United States and Japan with reference to Japan's implied objection to participating in a discussion of the far eastern and Pacific questions. Japan's position, however, has occasioned no delay in plans for the conference and the president expects to issue the formal call in the near future.

Every Phase Considered.

Every aspect of the president's proposal of a conference of the five principal allied and associated powers and China, was considered at today's session, with particular reference to the attitude of Japan, and indications that certain uninvited nations having interests in the far east would like to participate.

There was general felicitation that the conference was assured, in spite of the obstacle apparently raised by Japan's position.

Publicly, administration officials made no criticism, taking the view that the Japanese government was entirely within its right in seeking to ascertain the range of subjects that would be considered under the heading of far eastern and Pacific questions. It is understood that the United States government has informed Japan that as it is only one of the participating powers, it cannot undertake to define the limits of the conference procedure. That determination, according to the government's position, must be left to the participating governments when they meet in Washington.

No Objection Raised.

No objection exists on the part of this government to diplomatic exchanges prior to the conference with a view to agreeing in a tentative way upon an agenda for the conference. It is contended that there is nothing incompatible between the views of the United States government and the desire of the Japanese government to ascertain the probable nature and scope of the conference and that in the ordinary course of events these will be worked out by the powers before the conference convenes formally, or by the conference itself.

Japan's position is being made clearer in news dispatches from Tokyo, where it is evident the fear exists that Japan will find itself confronting a bloc of European powers and America whose attitude will be to the detriment of measures Japan has taken to strengthen her hold on China and the far east. The inclusion of China in the list of nations asked to participate in the resolution of the far eastern questions is not pleasing to Japan and suspicion is apparent in Tokio that France and Italy were invited to attend the conference in order to strengthen the case that the United States will present with reference to problems affecting the Orient and the future control of the Pacific ocean.

President Harding still clings to the opinion that armistice day, November 11, will be the most suitable date for the opening session of the conference and it is supposed that the suggestion will be advanced to the participating governments in the preliminary convocations.

Man Charged as Draft Dodger Goes on Trial

Chicago, July 16.—Hans Jacob Zimmerman of Chicago, alleged draft evader named in the government slacker list, was brought to trial before a general court martial at Fort Sheridan Friday. After a brief session, court adjourned indefinitely because of the inability of the trial judge advocate to present evidence in a form acceptable to the court.

Capt. Lewis McBride, judge advocate, introduced various documents used during the draft. They were, however, mostly duplicate copies of the original papers. The court, following objections by the defense counsel, directed the judge advocate to procure the original or properly authenticated papers.

Edward Mahers, retained as defense counsel, indicated that his defense would be that Zimmerman had never received proper notification to report for service.

Woman to Answer Charge of Forging Roosevelt's Name

Newport, Ind., July 16.—Mrs. Emma R. Burkett of Hillsdale, Ind., started to New York today in the custody of Detective Sergeant John Cuniff and a policewoman, to answer to the charge of forgery in connection with the filing of a note for \$69,000 against the estate of the late Theodore Roosevelt. Mrs. Burkett was arrested at Hillsdale last Wednesday on the request of the New York police department. An indictment charging Mrs. Burkett with forgery was presented to Sheriff Leads Sweet by the state attorney. Mrs. Burkett waved good-bye to a crowd that had gathered to witness her departure and called out, "I will write just as soon as I reach New York."

Screen Queen Chooses Home Life to a Career in Cinema



Mrs. Natalie Talmadge Keaton and her little god-daughter, Natalie Conlon, who was named after her. The baby is the daughter of a Los Angeles newspaper man.

Casualties in Coal Field War Placed at 100 By Union Leader

Washington, July 16.—One hundred casualties resulted during the last year from labor troubles in the Mingo (W. Va.) coal fields, C. F. Keeney, president of the miners' district union today testified before a senate investigating committee. Mr. Keeney agreed with representatives of the operators—who placed the casualties in the same period at 27—that the dead were "mostly men on the other side."

R. H. Kirkpatrick, another union witness, formerly mine foreman for the Burwell Coal and Coke company, testified that an imitation battle around a mine tunnel had been staged by his superiors and himself "to get martial law declared and beat the strike."

W. E. Hutchison, another miner and organizer, attributed the continuation of the strike to the refusal of the mine operators to deal in any fashion with the United Mine Workers, and to their alleged policy of continuing to work the mines with nonunion forces.

Details of Trip To Canada Told In Stillman Case

Witness Describes First Meeting Between Defendant and Indian Guide Named As Correspondent.

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., July 16.—Details of the first meeting of Mrs. "Fifi" Potter Stillman and Fred K. Beauvais were given Friday by H. Phelps Clawson of Buffalo on cross-examination by Counsel William Rand of counsel for James A. Stillman at the hearing before Referee Daniel J. Gleason.

Mr. Clawson said Mrs. Stillman first met Beauvais, whom Mr. Stillman has named as correspondent, while Mrs. Stillman, Miss Anne Stillman, "Bud" Stillman and Clawson were on a vacation at "Lake Coogan," Canada, in November, 1916. Mr. Clawson said Beauvais was one of three hired guides for the trip and naturally assumed leadership because he was the only one of the three who could speak English.

Clawson said that the family lived in a log cabin on this trip and Beauvais and the other two guides in tents. He said the party usually split on hunting and fishing trips, each with a guide. Mrs. Stillman, he said, seldom went on these trips, because she was not feeling well at the time. Mr. Stillman, he said, was not there.

The hearing was cut short by the illness of John F. Brennan, Mrs. Stillman's chief counsel, who developed a fever last night after his return to his home in Yonkers. It was decided to adjourn the hearings until Monday and Tuesday, July 25 and 26. Mr. Clawson was cross-examined by Colonel Rand from 10:30 in the morning until 1 o'clock in the afternoon, and was said to have remained unshaken on the main point of his testimony that Mr. Stillman was with Mrs. Stillman several times at their country home at Pleasantville during January, 1918.

The only two new witnesses of the day were Patrick Torpey and John J. Cronin, both former chauffeurs for "Mrs. Florence H. Leeds." Torpey, who drove the car for "Mrs. Leeds" from December, 1919, to August, 1920, identified a photograph of "Mrs. Leeds" as that of the woman who had employed him, but said he could not identify a photograph of James A. Stillman as a likeness of "Franklin Harold Leeds." Cronin, now a detective in the New York police department, identified photographs of Mr. Stillman, "Mrs. Leeds" and the baby, Jay Ward Leeds.

"Adam's Ale" Substituted For 48 Barrels of Whisky

San Francisco, July 16.—The removal from the government bonded warehouse at Vallejo, Cal., of 48 barrels of whisky, valued at approximately \$150,000, and the substitution of water, was discovered today, federal authorities here announced.

The owner of the whisky is said to be F. Hollman, San Francisco realty dealer. Hollman left San Francisco yesterday for New York on business.

Ak-Sar-Ben Requests Fort Omaha Equipment For Reunion in Fall

Washington, July 16.—(Special Telegram.)—Officials of the Knights of Ak-Sar-Ben have wired Congressman Jeffers stating the 34th (Sandstorm) division will hold a reunion in Omaha, September 19, 20 and 21, during the festivities of Ak-Sar-Ben week and that they have applied through proper military channels for the privilege of using the barracks and bedding at Fort Omaha, not in use, with a pledge that nothing will be taken from the reservations.

A telegram says that formal application has been made through Gen. Omar Bundy at Fort Crook and asks the co-operation of the other congressmen to secure the permission in the absence of Mr. Jeffers, who is on a tour of investigation in Canada with a congressional party.

John Shanahan, secretary to the congressman, started the machinery to secure the necessary permit. Mr. Jeffers will be in Washington Monday personally to urge upon the secretary of war the advisability of granting the request of the Knights of Ak-Sar-Ben.

Body Found Under Dentist's Burned Motor Car, Not His

Roseburg, Ore., July 16.—The headless body found near here last Wednesday beneath the wrecked and burned automobile of Dr. R. M. Brumfield, local dentist, was identified today by J. T. Russell and Ed. Russell as that of their brother, Dennis, a laborer who lived here.

A barber often patronized by the dentist, testified before the coroner that a bit of human scalp found near the body was not that of Dr. Brumfield, who has not been seen for several days.

Mrs. Brumfield, however, persisted in her original declaration that the body was that of her husband and that charges of murder laid against him in a warrant issued last night would be cleared up.

Officers today found stains believed to be blood on the pavement at a point near where Ora and Kenneth Ronk, brothers, said they heard two shots the night before the body was found.

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Harding In Favor Of Amalgamating Air Department

President Would Place All Military and Civil Branches Under One Central Authority.

Washington, July 16.—President Harding favors the proposal to place all the aircraft services of the government, military and civil, under one central authority. There has been an impression that the president was opposed to this plan and that impression was emphasized when Major General Menoher, chief of the air service of the army, asked the secretary of war to remove the assistant chief who advocated the amalgamation of army and navy services.

It was learned today, however, that the president is heartily in favor of the proposed amalgamation and that the joint reorganization commission, which is engaged in preparing plans for a reorganization of administration of the executive branch of the government, is inclined to recommend the unification of all the government's aircraft activities.

The position of President Harding in the matter is that amalgamation will work for efficiency and economy. One great difficulty pertaining to the present separate aircraft services that has impressed him is that there is no systematic method of awarding contracts for the construction of aircraft. One branch awards contracts without regard to any other government aircraft organization and the president believes that this is detrimental to the upbuilding of private aircraft manufacture in the United States.

Inference is drawn from what was learned today of the president's position, that he is in favor of the amalgamation of the War and Navy de-

Widow of Famous Surgeon Leaves \$2,000,000 Estate

Chicago, July 16.—Mrs. Jeanette C. Murphy, widow of the late John B. Murphy, famous surgeon, left an estate of \$2,000,000, according to her will which was filed Friday in the probate court. She leaves her entire estate to her three daughters in the following manner.

First she created a trust fund of \$200,000, the income to be paid to her daughters. The residue of the estate she divided outright, share and share alike among them. The daughters are Mrs. Cecile M. Benedict, Mrs. Mildred Hurley, both of Chicago, and Mrs. Celeste Murdock of Indianapolis. Prior to her death Mrs. Murphy entered into an agreement with her daughters that they should carry on certain charities she and her husband had been interested in. These amount to \$25,000 a year.

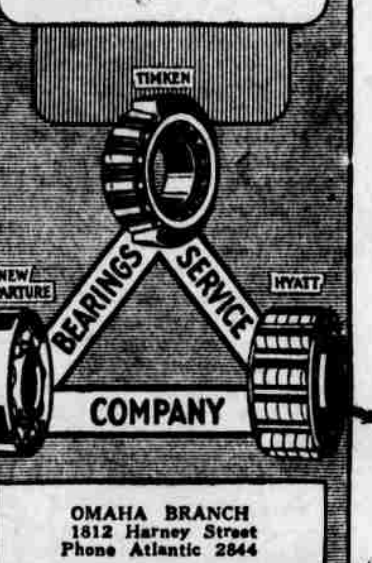
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36.00 Old Ivory Chair with cretonne upholstery	19.50	85.00 Fumed Brown Settee with tapestry upholstery	39.50
41.00 Old Ivory Chair with cretonne upholstery	19.50	48.00 Chair and Rocker to match, ea.	19.50
120.00 Parchment Settee with loose cushioned upholstery	65.00	30.00 Old Ivory Willow Settee	29.50
64.00 Rocker and Chair to match, ea.	35.00	40.00 Chair and Rocker to match, ea.	18.50
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