

JAPAN DENIES U. S. HAS RIGHTS IN YAP

Tokio's Note of February 26. Disclosed Today, Rejects 'Open Door' Contention. RESERVATIONS BIG ISSUE

By the Associated Press. Washington, April 18.—To maintain its position with regard to the Pacific island of Yap, the American Government would have to prove not merely the fact that President Wilson made reservations concerning it, but also that the Supreme Council decided in favor of those views.

It was to this note that Secretary Hughes replied on April 14, at the same time sending similar notes to the governments of Great Britain, France, Italy, Belgium and the Netherlands. He declared that the United States was opposed to any action which would result in the exclusion of Japan from the island.

It is to be noted that Secretary Hughes' reply to the Japanese note was not only a denial of the Japanese claim, but also a declaration of the United States' opposition to any action which would result in the exclusion of Japan from the island.

In the first memorandum, dated November 9, the secretary of state said it was the policy of the United States to support the principle of an open door in the Pacific.

The Japanese government officials replied in a memorandum under date of November 10 that it was the definite intention of the Japanese government to establish a final decision to place under German rule all of the former German islands north of the equator.

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Bill Would Reduce Pay of 'Immortal' Teachers

Harrisburg, Pa., April 18.—The "hard" pay in school or the girl or boy who has trouble figuring out fractions on the board will not be pleased by a typographical error in a bill which would appear to consider some teachers immortal.

As printed, a bill by Representative Walker, of Philadelphia, concerning the probationary period of teachers, reads: "No teacher, principal or supervisor shall be discharged or reduced in pay except on account of immortality, incompetency, intemperance, etc."

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State Bill for Port Slashed to \$100,000

Harrisburg, April 18.—Senator Vane's bill calling for an appropriation of \$250,000 for the Department of Wharves, Docks and Ferries of Philadelphia has been cut to \$100,000.

The appropriation becomes available to the city of Philadelphia only when the Senate approves the bill. It is not believed that the senator is worrying about the slashing, as it is known today that the bill will be amended.

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Munson Steamship Line advertisement listing shipping routes to South America, Europe, and other international destinations.

Cummins Lines advertisement highlighting U.S. Shipping Board Steel Steamers and regular freight services.

Earl-Line advertisement for Philadelphia to Havana routes, featuring S/S 'COQUINA' and other vessels.

White Star Line advertisement listing shipping schedules to Liverpool, London, and other European ports.

Dixie Steamship Lines advertisement for routes to Philadelphia, Manchester, and Glasgow.

Brunswick Records advertisement featuring a list of records for sale, including titles like 'Absent', 'La Paloma', and 'Mafe Believere'.

House Rental Bill advertisement with contact information for Fridenberg's Loan Office and other financial services.

Whitewashing and Water Painting advertisement for Wm. B. Southern, offering professional services for homes and businesses.

Mae's Seeds advertisement for various types of seeds, including garden and farm seeds, with contact information for the business.