



HALT JAPAN BILLS

President Roosevelt Writes to Governor Gillette.

CALLED "MOST UNFORTUNATE."

Says It Would Work Incalculable Damage to Pass Laws Against Orientals Who Own Land.

Sacramento, Cal., Jan. 20.—Governor Gillette has caused the anti-Japanese bills to be held up in the legislature at the urgent request of President Roosevelt, who wrote him the following letter:

My Dear Governor—I am greatly concerned over the anti-Japanese bills which are apparently going through or are on their way through the California legislature. They are in every sense most unfortunate.

At least we have in first class working order the arrangement which with such difficulty we succeeded in getting through two years ago.

The Japanese government is obviously acting in entire good faith. During the six months ending Oct. 31 last the total number of Japanese who have come to the mainland of the United States has been 2,074, and the total number who have left has been 3,281.

In other words, the whole object nominally desired by those who wish to prevent the incoming of Japanese laborers has been achieved.

More Japanese are leaving the country than are coming in, and by present indications in a very few years the number of Japanese here will be no greater than the number of Americans in Japan—that is, the movement will be as normal in one case as in the other, which is just what we desire.

There is therefore no shadow of excuse for an action which will simply produce great irritation and may result in upsetting the present agreement and throwing open the whole situation again.

These agitators have themselves to thank if trouble comes from what they do if there is a fresh influx of Japanese hither. They hamper the national government in what it has now so efficiently accomplished—the agreement by peaceful means and through the friendly initiative of the Japanese government to keep Japanese immigrants out of the United States save as Americans themselves visit Japan.

It is not possible to get the legislature to realize the great wisdom from the standpoint of the country at large and above all from the standpoint of California of what is being done? Sincerely yours, THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

Before receiving this letter Governor Gillette got the following telegram from the president:

We are greatly concerned at newspaper reports of anti-Japanese legislation in California's legislature. Have written you at length on the subject. Earnestly hope that no progress will be made on bills until you have had a chance to receive my letter and, if necessary, to discuss its contents with leaders of two houses. My knowledge of the international situation, particularly with reference to emigration of Japanese laborers to United States, satisfies me that passage of proposed legislation would be of incalculable damage to state of California as well as to whole Union.

Governor Gillette sent the following reply:

Telegram received. Have caused bills to be held up until I can hear from you. Copies of bills introduced affecting Japanese, together with briefs on same, mailed to you.

One of the bills aimed at the Japanese, the Drew measure, forbids ownership of property for more than seven years by aliens, and it was reported out of committee favorably and was to have been passed at once through the assembly.

It is said on good authority that Governor Gillette will veto the bills if by any chance they should come to him for signature.

Speaker Stanton declares that the Drew bill is dangerous. He said, "When we undertake to change the laws regarding such vital matters we tread upon dangerous ground."

Grove L. Johnson, author of three anti-Japanese bills that are bitterly opposed by the federal government, declares he will pay no attention to the president's request for delay.

The bills provide for the segregation of all Japanese by act of the legislative bodies of municipalities and preventing Japanese from attending the public schools for white children.

FLIRTING IN CHURCH O. K.

Pastor Approves It, Though He Says It's Harmful Elsewhere.

Chicago, Jan. 20.—While flirting in theaters and other places of public amusement should be tabooed, according to Rev. S. B. Dexter, he declares that it may properly take place in church, where, he says, "it is purged of its harmfulness."

"Church surroundings and associations," he says, "are entirely different from those which attend performances in public playhouses. Sometimes the plays in our theaters are a trifle rique, and if the show be given on Sunday the result is a general forgetfulness of that fact. Under such conditions flirting is harmful.

"In church, however, I can see no harm in a little bit of flirting."

EARTHQUAKE IN TURKEY.

Many Persons Killed and Great Damage Done to Buildings.

Constantinople, Jan. 20.—Reports today from Smyrna, Phocaea, Chii, Brusa and Kutala state that severe earthquake shocks have occurred within the last fourteen hours, resulting in the loss of many lives and great destruction of property.

Seventeen persons were killed by a sharp earthquake at Phocaea, twenty-five miles northwest of Smyrna, and fifteen other neighboring towns. Considerable damage was done to buildings at Phocaea.

The shock was very strong at Chii, where the population became panic stricken.

Smyrna also experienced the earthquake, but there was no loss of life. The American battleships Louisiana and Virginia are at anchor in the harbor of Smyrna.

The American battleships Ohio and Missouri arrived at Salonika today from Athens.

MESSINA AGAIN STRICKEN.

Swept by Fire That Destroys Remnants of Harbor Promenade.

Messina, Jan. 20.—The fresh outbreak of fire in Messina was got under control today by soldiers and sailors, who worked heroically to keep them from destroying the last remnants of the town.

Smoldering embers in the wreckage were fanned into flames by the strong wind that has prevailed here for the past two or three days, and the fire secured a good foothold before efforts were made to extinguish it.

The flames made fast progress and soon swept through the remains of the beautiful promenade along the harbor front. The small force of firemen was augmented by detachments of soldiers and sailors from the warships, and pumps and lines of hose were brought ashore from the vessels.

Many Shocks on Coast of Greece.

Athens, Jan. 20.—Many earth shocks have been felt throughout the Ionian islands, which lie off the west coast of Greece. The most severe shock was at Santa Maura.

Spanish Cities Shaken.

Granada, Spain, Jan. 20.—Two strong earth shocks occurred at Zafarraya and Granada. The populace were thrown into a panic.

MRS. ANNIS INDIGNANT.

Declares Verdict Freeing Hains Is Violation of Law.

New York, Jan. 20.—In a statement voicing her indignation at the verdict which acquitted Thornton J. Hains of complicity in the killing of her husband Mrs. William E. Annis expressed her detestation of what she called "that unspeakable thing, the unwritten law," and said:

"The verdict is in violation of the law, and I do not see how those twelve jurors, who swore they would respect the law, could act upon the unwritten law, that unspeakable thing which claims to set aside and override the laws we have.

"The law says that a man shall not suffer punishment without being heard in his own defense. The law says that no man shall have the right to judge and avenge wrongs to himself either real or imaginary. All of these laws have been disregarded by the jury.

"Two things I wish the world would remember. My husband never had an opportunity to speak or show his innocence, and I, his widow, will do him justice to assume that he was innocent."

RENT WAR IN TIPPERARY.

Irish Tenants Resent Landlords Refusal to Sell Land.

Dublin, Jan. 20.—A serious "no rent" campaign has begun in Tipperary owing to the refusal of the landlords to sell land to the tenants under the land purchase act of 1903.

The judge in issuing the decrees against thirty-six recalcitrant tenants said that the landlords were making a mistake in not selling the land, as it would involve all the old troubles of evictions and the martyrdom of tenants.

The priests and the public generally are strongly supporting the tenants and are raising funds for their defense. The struggle promises to be severe.

DRISCOLL DEFEATS HAYES.

English Champion Featherweight Wins Fight in Philadelphia.

Boston, Jan. 20.—Jem Driscoll, the English champion featherweight, defeated Grover Hayes of Philadelphia in twelve rounds at the Armory Athletic association here.

Hayes, showed up superior in only two rounds, the second and fifth. He landed scarcely a dozen clean blows in the last seven rounds.

Weather Probabilities. Fair; warmer; light southwest winds.

CARMACK TRIAL.

Three Face Justice Today For Slaying of Senator.

GREAT ARRAY OF LAWYERS.

Jury Will Pass on the Guilt of Duncan and Robin Cooper and John D. Sharp, Accused of Murder.

Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 20.—Probably never before in the history of Nashville has there been seen so brilliant an array of men of law or so crowded a courtroom as witnessed the calling today for trial of Duncan B. Cooper, Robin Cooper and John D. Sharp for the shooting in November last of former Senator Edward Ward Carmack. The case was called in the county courthouse before Judge William M. Hart.

The prominence of the men involved in the case has spread its ramifications



JOHN D. SHARP.

into the state capitol and the United States senate. It has kept the entire state of Tennessee on edge since fiery, impetuous, unfortunate Carmack fell on the street before the pistol of young Robin Cooper, a victim to his unfortunate propensity for holding up to public scorn his political opponents.

Among the men who will testify to the circumstances that led to the tragedy will in all likelihood be Governor Patterson of Tennessee, Senator James B. Frazier and others conspicuous in the public life of the state.

From all parts of Tennessee have come friends of the dead senator, intent on assisting the prosecution in avenging his death. A prominent figure among these men today is Guston T. Fitzhugh of Memphis, a leading lawyer, who is serving as a volunteer counsel for the prosecution under Prosecutor Jeff McCarn. On the other hand, the Coopers, father and son, have the backing of political and personal friendship among the members of the Tennessee bar, and John D. Sharp, codefendant in the case, who



COURTHOUSE, NASHVILLE.

was formerly sheriff of Davidson county, in which Nashville is situated, commands the services of able attorneys.

It is the universal prediction here that a legal battle such as has not been seen in Tennessee in many years will follow the opening of the case in court today. The principal attorneys for the defense are J. M. Anderson, General W. H. Washington, James K. Bradford and M. H. Meeks.

GRIMES COADJUTOR BISHOP.

Apostolic Delegate Announces Choice of Syracuse Diocese.

Syracuse, N. Y., Jan. 20.—The Most Rev. Diomedes Falconio, apostolic delegate, announces that Mgr. John Grimes of this city has been appointed coadjutor bishop by the consistory in Rome.

The head of the Syracuse diocese is Bishop Patrick A. Ludden.

NOTE ETIQUETTE.

Nothing More Indicative of Breeding and Education Than the Signature.

It is useless to know what to write in a note if one does not understand the manner of doing it.

For example, no other small detail is more indicative of breeding and education than the signature. Under no circumstances should the prefix Mr., Mrs. or Miss be used unless it go in parentheses. Even then it is only to indicate whether it is a man or woman and, if the latter, married or unmarried, which makes it permissible. In writing to total strangers or to those who have not this information it may appear. In writing to a social inferior the prefix is always possible, but even then it must be parenthesized.

If a married woman is writing to a social equal who does not know the status of her correspondent the writer should sign her own name in full, as "Mary Jane Smith," and underneath write her formal name, "Mrs. John James Smith," putting parentheses about the lower signature. To a social equal upon whom for some reason she has not called, but would wish to, a married woman signs her own name and incloses her visiting card.

It is desirable that all letter and note paper shall be stamped either with monogram and address or both. According to the newest way of placing it, if only the monogram is used it is in the upper left hand corner. A note should begin always with "My dear," not "Dear" without the "my." If the writing must continue beyond the first page it is the fourth that should next be used. If more space is needed, then the paper should be turned so the right edge becomes the top and the second page becomes the third.

To end a note the formal way is "Cordially" unless the person to whom one is writing is an old acquaintance, and then "Sincerely" is employed.

For all invitations "Cordially" is to be preferred. For letters to old friends the words "Faithfully" and "As always" are most commonly used, "Sincerely" also being good form. "Affectionately" and "Lovingly" are for old friends or relatives. Envelopes should be addressed with the utmost precision. It is permissible to put the word "To" or "For" before the name, but it is a continental rather than an American custom. It is always better formally write the full name, as "Miss Mary Jane Smith" or "Mrs. John James Brown," rather than to substitute initials.

If a note or letter is to be delivered in the city in which it is mailed, "Town" is now used in preference to the city's name. This is not a fad that commended itself to the postoffice, but it is sanctioned by society.

The postage stamp must always be exactly in the upper right hand corner, for to put it at an angle or on any other spot is considered ignorant or vulgar.

THREE BODIES IN RUINS.

Woman and Two Children Perish in Fire in Brooklyn.

New York, Jan. 20.—The bodies of Mrs. Maria Dias and her two children, a boy of four and a girl of two years, have been found in the ruins of their home on Bergen street, Brooklyn, which was destroyed by fire.

When the firemen arrived the house was a mass of flames. The blaze was quickly subdued, and it was supposed everybody in the building had escaped.

BUCHANAN COMPLETES TASK.

Commissioner to Venezuela About Ready to Return.

Washington, Jan. 20.—William I. Buchanan, the American special commissioner now in Venezuela negotiating a basis for the settlement of disputed claims between the United States and Venezuela, has telegraphed the state department that he expects to leave Caracas soon.

It is assumed that the signing of the protocol is assured.

YANKEE'S RAISING DELAYED.

Bad Weather Prevents Efforts to Save Sunken Cruiser.

New Bedford, Mass., Jan. 20.—The raising of the United States cruiser Yankee, now sunk outside the harbor, has been delayed by the storm.

Engineer Wotherspoon believes that within forty-eight hours after the compressed air connections are made the Yankee will come to the surface.

Train and Track.

The Pennsylvania railroad has adopted the third rail system of electrical transmission for its tunnels in the vicinity of New York city.

There has been installed in the railroad yards at Omaha, Neb., an electric truck the movements of which are absolutely controlled by wireless electric waves.

According to an official report, while in the past seven years 253,020,836 passengers have been carried on the railroads of New South Wales, only one person was killed by an accident.

FACTS IN FEW LINES

Tasmania has two stock exchanges, Western Australia one and New Zealand one.

Wine is so plentiful in Spain that after a good vintage it will often sell at 2 cents a quart.

The deepest section of the ocean yet found is at the Tonga islands, where the bottom is 9,636 meters deep.

Australia, which is twenty-six times larger than the whole of the British Isles, has a population smaller than that of London.

The Russian government has vetoed the decision of the Moscow municipality to hang portraits of Tolstoy in the municipal schools.

Since the Brooklyn bridge was opened for traffic, May 24, 1883, it has afforded passage to more than the entire population of the world.

Recent experiments have proved that the sea water of the coast of Ireland is exceedingly rich in radium, as is the water of the Arabian sea.

The parish of North Moulton, in Devon, England, has recently elected a mayor. His duties are to consist chiefly of presiding at the mayor's annual feast.

The Mexican foreign office has ruled that any alien coming into the country with the intention of earning his bread by manual labor is—in the eye of the law—an immigrant.

In 1904 the recently deceased Grand Duke Alexis of Russia created a sensation by breaking the bank at Monte Carlo. He had an extraordinary run of luck, winning \$50,000 in half an hour's play.

While hunting near Grand Marais, Mich., Gustav Herbert shot and killed an albino squirrel. While albino deer are occasionally killed in upper Michigan, this is the first case on record of a white squirrel.

American patent laws seem to be the most satisfactory of any country, and it is probable that the statutes of many countries will be changed in the near future to conform with those of the United States.

Southern Pacific surveyors are at work laying out lines for a seven mile tunnel through the crest of the Sierras to relieve the main overland line of the stiff grades that now require two engines to haul ordinary trains.

A patent has been granted on a fan the propeller-like blades of which are driven through gear wheels by a lever operated by one finger of the person holding it. The inventor claims it obviates the effort needed for using the ordinary fan.

Sir H. H. Cozens-Hardy, master of the rolls in England, recently said that in his belief classical teaching did more to cultivate true gentlemanly manners and to improve the whole condition of the man than any other branch of study.

Orderly and well behaved convicts are now being employed as agricultural laborers in Austria, owing to the lack of farm hands. The prisoners are most pleased with the work, and their employment is an incentive to others to behave well in prison.

Because of frequent acts of rudeness and discourtesy and flagrant offenses against school rules by the pupils of the public schools in Bombay the local government has ordered that no newspapers be taken into the schools by masters or pupils.

Heretofore Belgium has neglected to provide anything like adequate scientific training for dental practitioners, any one that chooses being allowed to practice dentistry. Now, however, parliament has under consideration a project regarding supervision of dentistry.

R. A. Fogg of Garland, Me., possesses some rare carrier pigeons. One pair have the record of a fifty hour flight from Minneapolis to Boston, the last thousand miles of it through a driving storm. The birds are of the same breed as those that accompanied Andre on his dash for the pole.

Fumes so strong that all metals in a town sixty-five miles away are turning black, while birds are dying in great numbers and the eyesight of many people far away is affected, are the remarkable results of the great flow of the Mexican oil well at Dos Bocas, Mexico, according to a consular report.

Heretofore table salt has been made from rock salt by the tedious process of dissolving the latter and evaporating the brine. An Englishman has invented a plan by which the rock salt is melted, then aerated by compressed air, which leaves the salt pure and white and free from impurities, which the air drives out.

F. G. Hilton, president of the Egypt Exploration fund, announced at the annual meeting the discovery in one of the excavated cemeteries in Egypt of the bodies of many pet dogs. One of the animals had ivory bracelets round its legs, while several had collars of twisted leather, one with a leather lead attached.

Mud stains may be removed from tan leather shoes by rubbing them with slices of raw potato. When dry, polish in the usual way.

A Pertinent Question.

As Discussed by Rev. T. Theodore Lake, in Waymart.

"Should He Marry?" was the subject of a lecture given by Rev. Thomas Theodore Lake, in the Waymart Baptist church, to an audience which filled the building, on Monday evening of last week. The Rev. Mr. Lake is a young man, and surprised his audience by his gift of oratory, of which he made splendid use in the course of his lecture. His advice to young women was not to marry with the idea that they could run successfully a Reformation Agency, and told many amusing anecdotes in illustration of the folly of such an attempt.

He gave them four "Don'ts" to remember:

"Don't marry a man with an hereditary disease." "It is awful," said the speaker, "to see a lover whose heart is breaking because he cannot marry his sweetheart. But far worse is it to see a little child suffering and isolated from society all of its days, through no fault of its own. Far better that the lover be brought down to a premature grave than that one of these little ones, yet unborn, should perish. This 'don't' applies equally to both sexes."

"Don't marry a man who is an habitual liar." Because confidence is an essential feature of a happy home.

"Don't marry a man addicted to the drink habit." The risk of living a dog's life is too great.

"Don't marry a man with an uncontrollable temper, if you want a sweet disposition and happiness yourself." A wife is a man's recording angel, and naturally assimilates his traits, and by and by she becomes indifferent, cold and morose, with a man of brute nature.

The speaker then considered the idea most young people have that "love is blind," and does not see any shortcomings. "It is blind," he said, "because we make it so. Most young ladies would make you believe that the young man who is making love to her is generous and true beyond a fault. Yet last year 77,000 divorces were granted to mismatched pairs; three-fourths of whom must have run blindly into the marriage state, and woke up to realize the very sad fact that they had not prepared themselves for the worse, which was coming.

The speaker closed with a flight of oratory on the real position of womanhood. The lecture lasted nearly an hour, and a good sum was realized.

Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch.

Among good plays, "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch", which comes to the Lyric for matinee and night Tuesday Jan. 26, seems to have the most superabundant vitality. From the first dramatization of Mrs. Rice's two popular stories, "Mrs. Wiggs" and "Lovey Mary" met with a degree of popular favor more enthusiastic, if anything, than that awarded those "best-selling" novels of low life in mean streets. In Mrs. Wiggs herself, Mrs. Hazy, Lovey Mary, and Mr. Stubbins, the play presents four types, each one of which remains firmly fixed in the most pleasant recollections of the playgoer. The character of Mrs. Wiggs, the optimist and philosopher of the Cabbage Patch, takes rank with many of the prominent comedy creations heretofore presented upon the American stage. A very close second for popularity is the character of Miss Hazy, the forlorn and lugubrious spinster, in which the dramatist has evolved something new and likeable in the psychology of the unmarried. Miss Hazy marries Mr. Stubbins; "the prominent citizen of Bagdad Junction" has been provided by a matrimonial agency, and in the various scenes between Miss Hazy and her matrimonial bargain, the humor is irresistible. Lovey Mary, in her transition from the pages of the book to the stage has been made a very lovable character who at once wins the sympathy of the audience. The juvenile element in the stories of "Mrs. Wiggs" and "Lovey Mary" is decidedly happy in its humorous appeal, and plays an equally delightful part in the play. Asia, Europa and Australia and Billy Wiggs; Chris Hazy with his wooden leg; Pete and the other sons and daughters of the Patch make the scenes bright and merry with the play and sunshine of childhood. And "Cuby" the "fit-horse" whose "lights was riz" is not forgotten in this background of juvenile jollity and pick-nicking.

"A Summer Paradise."

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