

## NAVAL LEADERS TRY TO PREVENT AN AGREEMENT

Shantung Issue Threatens to Be Skeleton in Closet of Nations.

### PARLEY PROGRESS SLOW

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WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—American naval opinion is working to prevent agreement by the United States to the five-power naval reduction treaty pending development of the highest importance in the Far East. The Shantung issue is threatening to become the skeleton in the closet of the nations here assembled. Another Chinese political crisis of such serious import as to threaten disruption of any Far Eastern formulas of the Washington conference appears in prospect.

The heads of the five delegations late yesterday went to their desks to have a treat. They made progress, but not enough to conclude their task. Their discussions were continued today. Several issues are in dispute. Some of them may have to be referred to home governments. American naval officers were pointing to a possible menace in full approval by this Government to the naval treaty in advance of adjustment of matters present in force in the Far East. There was a disposition to withhold assent to some details of the naval agreement until such time as the Chinese political atmosphere showed definite signs of clearing.

### NEW POLITICAL MOVE IN CHINA.

Wu Pei Fu, tuchen of the province of Hunan, and inspector general of Hunan and Huanan, is the center of a new political movement in China. Although allied nominally with T'sao Kun, superintendent of the Chinli group, and one of the military traitors which established the existing ministry at Peking, appeared to have had the political astuteness to grasp the possibilities of the situation offered by the action of the Peking officials in entering into a Shantung agreement with Japan in the terms of the Tokio government. He proposes to trade on the intense unpopular feeling on that issue. An effort to overthrow the present government and set up a new administration is an irreconcilable opposition to the decision of the Washington conference was not at all an unlikely. The Chinese student movement in this country and in China is believed to have arrived at a point of religious fanaticism relative to Shantung. A popular uprising is not at all improbable. Such an eventuality might carry Wu Pei Fu to power, but leave a wake of serious political influences, upsetting the best laid plans of the men attending the Washington conference.

A nine-power Far Eastern treaty would become a virtual impossibility. The Chinese delegation in Washington would have abundant excuse for not signing it. The prospect is not entirely remote that the delegation must lend a certain influence to a popular rebellion of the Peking minister, which under such circumstances would relate to mines along the Shantung railway and other properties not disposed of thus far in the negotiations. There were many rumors of the imminent of a full agreement on the whole question. In some quarters it was stated an arrangement might be forthcoming within forty-eight hours.

The statement was made by responsible spokesmen that China has received effective notice her request for a consideration by the conference of the Sino-Japanese treaties of 1915 based on the twenty-one demands was not possible of granting.

The position taken by Eliza Reed, approved by the American delegation and known to be concurred in by the British and other delegations respecting the sanctity of treaties was held to offer adequate forecast of what may be expected of the conference.

### NO WHITE HOUSE MEDIATION.

Occasion was taken in executive quarters to say there had not been any suggestion of White House mediation in the Shantung squabble, but it is known President Harding regards a settlement as one of the vital tasks of the conference.

The powers represented in the conference, it was learned, have called on the Chinese delegation for a list of the instruments which the Chinese government would like to have altered and for information as to how it would have them modified. The general trend of the situation respecting spheres of influence in China. Most of the delegations desire to abandon the obsolete system of spheres of influence but it is contended the burdens China wishes to be rid of must be defined by China herself.

### HUNT FOR SATISFACTORY FORMULA.

Dr. Wang, one of the Chinese plenipotentiaries, said:

"We have not yet found a formula satisfactory to both China and Japan, but we hope a solution will be found. Chinese public opinion on the Shantung question is much more intense and stronger than it was at Paris. Then it was acute. Now it is chronic. It is a political issue now, it may become a retinuous tenet later. So it is also with the 'twenty-one demands'."

The text of the pronouncement by Wu Pei Fu as received here by the Chinese delegation, applied the term "traitors" to

### Man, Seeking Wife, Takes Method Used by Book Peddlers

ARKANSAS CITY, Kan., Jan. 11.—J. J. Moreland, matrimonial Diogenes, has been making a house to house canvass for a wife here.

Moreland put this question to every woman who opened the door when he knocked:

"I'm looking for a good wife. Could you tell me where to find one?"

Police who interfered with his activities said he did not appear to be doing anything but the wife badly times using the only method he knew to get one.

Moreland sold his farm at Medford, Okla., recently and distributed the proceeds to the poor.

### CONVICT'S VISIT SAVES LIFE OF HIS SICK WIFE

Physicians Assert Presence of Husband Better Than Medicine.

OAKLAND, Cal., Jan. 11.—Permission from Attorney General Daugherty for William C. Grant, former cashier of the First National Bank of Santa Rosa, to leave San Quentin Prison under guard to come to the bedside of his wife at Merritt Hospital here, has saved her life, physicians announced today.

Grant was sentenced two years ago to a five-year prison term for alleged implication in the wrecking of the Santa

Rosa bank. His wife went to work in a restaurant to support their two children, spending all her spare time at work in her husband's behalf. Finally she became ill and was in a dying condition when permission was granted for her husband to visit her bedside. His presence did what medical science had failed to do—turned the tide towards life instead of death.

Grant sits constantly at his wife's side, a prison guard just outside the door.

### PROTEST ASSESSMENT.

Residents of Northwestern avenue who believe they are assessed too high for the resurfacing of the street will meet at Tenth and Northwestern avenue and Northwestern avenue this evening to make final arrangements to protest to the board of public works. Noah Elmore, 2724 Northwestern avenue, has acted as chairman of several other meetings which have been held by the property owners.

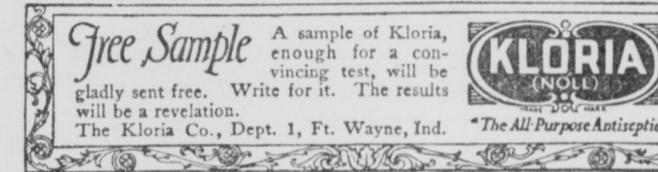


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### LEGION ASKED TO HELP FIND DACE

MacNider Calls for Effort to Locate Canadian.

Harford MacNider, national commander of the American Legion, today called upon all departments of the legion to help in the search for Thomas Dace of Edmonton, Alberta, first vice-president of the Dominion command, Great War Veterans of Canada, who has been missing for some time. The Canadian organization appealed to the legion for help in finding their commander.

Dace was a wealthy estate and financial broker. He was last seen in Edmonton on Dec. 22. He was taking a trip to the United States and was still suffering from wounds received in the World War.

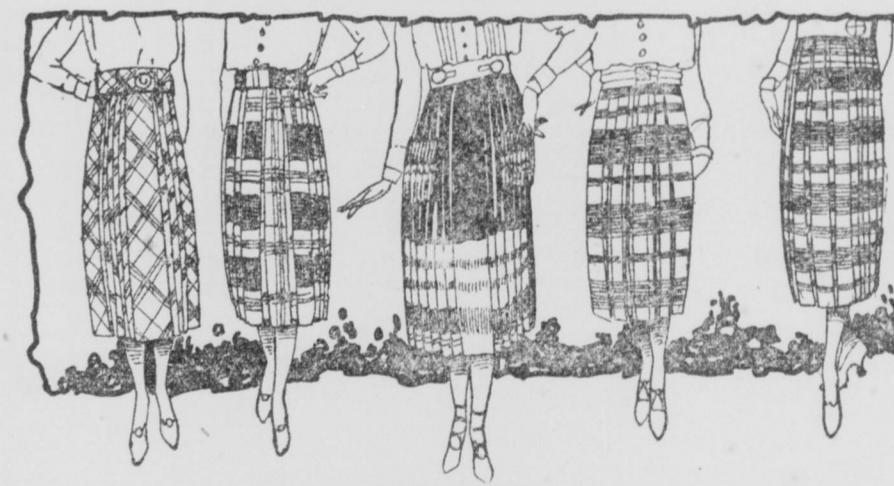
Dace was 38, five feet, four and a half inches tall, weighed 153 pounds and had black hair.

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