

## JAP YOKE FOR CHINA, RUSSIA REAL DANGER

U. S. Diplomatic Effort  
to Make Open Door  
a Fact.

PROBLEM KNOTTY  
Purposes Will Put  
British Friendship  
to Test.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—America achieved another important victory in the arms conference today when the nine nations of the Far Eastern committee finally and formally adopted the third article of Secretary of State Hughes' resolution making broader the historic open-door policy regarding China.

Article four, the biggest possibility for contention and which provides for review of concessions in China by an international reference board created by the resolutions, was left open for the time being. This is the last article of the resolution.

Special to Indiana Daily Times  
and Philadelphia Public Ledger.

By FREDERIC WILLIAM WILE.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—American statesmanship, in the final phase of the conference, now opening, recognizes it faces the crucial test. Its task, during the days or weeks that remain, is to find ways and means for giving practical expression to one of the basic objects of the United States in calling the conference.

The Hughes program for "convincing the open door from a moral, not a factual, point of view" gives a categorical form to the purpose set forth in President Harding's formal invitation to the powers on Aug. 11, 1921. The President emphasized that limitation of armament must be accompanied by a "removal of causes of misunderstanding." He declared it to be "the earnest wish of the United States Government to find a solution of Pacific and Far Eastern problems of fundamental importance at this time." He defined those problems as "matters which have been and are of international concern."

**PURPOSE TO  
AVERT TROUBLE.**

What President Harding meant was not relatively minor matters, or tariffs, or post offices, railroads, wireless rights or troops in China. He meant the real and gleaming danger spots in the Far East. He meant the pretensions of certain powers to "superiority of rights" in China. He had in mind, specifically, the necessity of curbing Japan's activities on the mainland of Asia, particularly what looks to American statesmen as aggressive designs on China. In that aggression, particularly if Japan were to continue to enjoy the fact, there are frankly no limits. The United States, frankly, does not believe in future conflict in the Far East. Unless America is prepared to abdicate her rights and interests in the region of the Pacific, American statesmen feel we could hardly escape enrollment in such conflicts. We prefer to avert, if we can, while there is still time. That was the underlying purpose of the Washington conference. That is the underlying purpose of the sweeping proposal propounded by Charles Evans Hughes.

When the conference was projected in July, 1921, it was the plan of the United States to discuss Far Eastern war incubators first and armament limitation afterwards. The Harding-Hughes scheme was based on the theory there was little virtue in stacking arms without reason. The assurance they would not have to do so was given by the United States. Marshall was buried Nov. 12, a reversal of that program was revealed, nothing but expediency dictated the change.

There was and is no alteration in the Washington determination to rid the Far East of danger spots. If certain (Continued on Page Eight.)

**CITIZENS ASK  
MARTIAL LAW**

Oklahoma City Residents Appel-  
peal to Governor After  
Lynching.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Jan. 18.—Citizens met in mass meeting today to submit resolutions to Governor Robertson asking that Oklahoma City be placed under martial law.

The meeting was held as a result of the finding of the body of Jake Brooks, a negro packing house boy, lynched by the neck in a tree in the southern edge of the city. The negro was taken from his home last Saturday by masked men.

John H. Shirk, chairman of the shop division of the Chamber of Commerce, declared that police protection against violence by the striking packing house workers was only "lukewarm" and that it had become necessary to ask for martial law in the situation which had become more than serious.

The finding of the body of Brooks marked the crisis of a series of disorders in the strike here.

Several packing house strikers are being held by police for investigation but no arrests have been made for the lynching of Brooks.

**BIG SNOW AT WARSAW.**

WARSAW, Ind., Jan. 18.—Five and one-half inches of snow put a wintry aspect on the territory around here today. In some places it was three and one-half feet deep. The snow turned into rain.

**WEATHER**

Forecast for Indianapolis and vicinity for the twenty-four hours ending at 7 p.m., Jan. 19, 1922.

Rain or snow tonight and Thursday.

HOURLY TEMPERATURE.

6 a. m. .... 39  
7 a. m. .... 40  
8 a. m. .... 40  
9 a. m. .... 40  
10 a. m. .... 39  
12 (noon) .... 37  
1 p. m. .... 37  
2 p. m. .... 37

## Shank Matrimonial Bureau Goes Big WILL WELD HEARTS WITHOUT CHARGE

## Applications Are Coming in Flocks

Though "curst be he who first cries, 'Hold, enough,'" Dan Cupid Shank is he would perform the ceremony free for each such couple.

The United Press sent an innocent little one-hundred-word sketch about the mayor's scheme over the wires and every newspaper in the United States must print it, the mayor believes. Letters stating "I have seen your 'ad' in the paper" are pouring in on the mayor from all the big cities and many of the small ones. The mayor's mail is heavily laden with his card, darts turned boomerangs from New York, London, Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Detroit, Toledo, Cincinnati, Louisville, Chicago, Milwaukee, Kansas City, St. Louis, and, in

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## MEMBERS OF CLUB AGREE TO 'HIRE-A-MAN'

Organization Falls in  
Line With Mayor's  
Suggestion.

## MORE EMPLOYED

With "Employ One More Man" as their slogan a committee of the American Club set out today to help Mayor Samuel Lewis Shank relieve the unemployment situation. The club decided to carry out a suggestion of the mayor at their weekly luncheon Tuesday that each employer in Indianapolis provide work for at least one man for a period of five weeks.

Meanwhile the municipal agencies for relief of those out of work was functioning with increased efficiency. Street Commissioner Martin J. H. O'Farrell, who has the names of John Sullivan, Farno N. D., and Harry Wheeler, Buffalo, N. Y., as other witnesses to the shooting of Fitzgerald.

"Fitzgerald was a switchman in the yards at Basises and I was running an engine," wrote Ackerman. "He was put in prison for being drunk and had to work on the coal pile. He had to get fifteen minutes for lunch and had to get fifteen minutes for dinner. He was scared to shoot and the guard then shot Fitzgerald dead."

Charges that American soldiers in prison camps in France were compelled to sleep on bare floors in horse stalls without straw or blankets were made by Harry K. Walmer, 37 West Seventy-first Street, about the same time.

Walmer named "Sergeant Smith and Sergeant Stanley" as the men responsible for these killings.

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## RALSTON TO BE CANDIDATE FOR SENATE, REPORT

Former Governor Mentioned  
as Likely to Seek Nomination.

Samuel B. Ralston, former Governor of Indiana, will, in all probability, be a candidate for the Democratic nomination for the United States Senate, according to reports being circulated among party workers today.

Some time ago Mr. Ralston said he would not be a candidate, but recently when the subject was discussed with him he refused to say whether or not he will seek the office.

It is believed, if Mr. Ralston wishes to be a candidate, there will be little opposition from other seekers after the nomination. The only avowed candidate at this time is Bernard B. Shively of Marion.

Mr. Ralston has been looked upon as one of the heads of the Democratic party in the State since he was Governor from 1913 to 1917. He has frequently been talked of as a candidate for the Senate seat.

If Mr. Ralston becomes an active candidate, it is possible he may take a hand in the reorganization of the party in Indiana. At the present time there is no working organization and the necessity for building one up from the bottom is being discussed by party leaders.

The speculation concerning the organization centers around the possibilities for State chairmanship. At the present time Dale A. Crispell, chairman of the Sixth District, chairman, and Walter Chambers of Newcastle, Sixth District chairman, are being talked of as State chairmanship possibilities to succeed Benjamin Bosse of Evansville, who has signified his intention to relinquish the chairmanship.

The new chairman will be confronted with the task of building an organization and paying off the debt of the State committee.

## Shank Selects Board to Make Bigger, Better City

Formation of an advisory committee of business and professional men "to advise with me and to make suggestions as to various things that should be done in order to make Indianapolis a bigger and better city," was announced today by Mayor Samuel Lewis Shank.

The mayor appointed William H. Armitage chairman of the committee with the following members: Edward J. Robison, restaurant owner; Arthur E. Bradshaw, president of the Indianapolis Horseracing and Pacing Company; Henry H. Linton, former State senator; Sol Meyer, president of the Meyer-Kiser Bank; the Rev. Sumner Williams, negro; Albert A. Hoffman; Jesse S. Sisoff, bookbinder and Alfred M. Glosbrenner, president of the Levey Printing Company.

In a statement announcing the committee Mr. Shank said:

## Letters Back Up Charges of Prison Killing

One Writer Identifies Fitzgerald's Slayer as John Krupa, 69th Engineers.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—Letters from three former soldiers who declared they saw the killing of John Fitzgerald in the prison camp at Basises, France, because he asked for "seconds" in mes line, were put into the record today before the special Senate Committee investigating charges of Senator Watson (Dem.).

The writers of the letters were J. H. Ackerman, Las Vegas, N. M.; Harry C. Miller, Portland, Ore., and Bernard Kane, Youngstown, Ohio.

Miller identified the sergeant who, he said, killed Fitzgerald, as John Krupa, of the 69th Engineers.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—Letters from the board of school commissioners and the firm of Snider & Rotz, consulting engineers, in the Marion Superior Court, Room 4, today.

The suit is based on the alleged illegality of payments made to the defendants under the terms of two contracts, one between the board of school commissioners and the firm of Snider & Rotz, entered into Feb. 27, 1919, and the other between the board and L. A. Snider, dated March 2, 1920.

By the terms of the first contract, Snider & Rotz were employed as engineers for the board and were to receive compensation 5 per cent of the cost of all mechanical installation work, exclusive of the general contract.

The second contract provided for the employment of L. A. Snider as an individual, as building advisor of the board, to receive 1 per cent of the cost of all general contract work, exclusive of mechanical installation.

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