

## JAPAN INVASION IS GRAVE ISSUE BEFORE LEAGUE

China to Demand Invoking  
of Pact in Dispute  
Over Manchuria.

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WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—Within the next two weeks three international conferences of tremendous importance to the United States and the world will meet in Switzerland.

A week from today, at Geneva, the council of the League of Nations, in regular session, will find itself confronted by an indignant and invaded China asking nothing less than that Japan, in effect, be declared an outlaw state and cut off from all intercourse with the rest of the world.

On the same day, at Lausanne, within a few minutes' ride from Geneva, Great Britain, France, Italy, Germany and other European powers will gather to hear Germany repeat that she can no longer meet her reparations payments and ask what the others will do about it.

Lastly, two weeks from today, also at Geneva, upward of sixty nations will begin a world disarmament conference upon which, leading statesmen on both sides of the Atlantic agree, the future of civilization itself may depend.

### Fate of U. S. Involved

That the decisions reached at these three parleys will be fateful to the American people, no one here disputes.

China's demand for a showdown on Japan's invasion of Manchuria will bring the League of Nations face to face with the gravest problem of its existence. Many of its most ardent supporters feel its very existence as an effective peace force depends upon how it meets this crisis.

China, dispatches from Nanking declare, will invoke Article 16 of the league covenant. That article declares:

"Should any member of the league resort to war in disregard of its covenants . . . it shall ipso facto be deemed to have committed an act of war against all other members . . . which hereby undertake immediately to subject it to the severance of all trade and financial relations, the prohibition of all intercourse between their nationals and the nationals of the covenant-breaking state, and the prevention of all financial, commercial or personal intercourse between the nationals of the covenant-breaking state and the nationals of any other state, whether a member of the league or not."

### Use of Arms Envisaged

How the league can refuse, in the light of events in Manchuria, to stand by China is not foreseen here. And if it does stand by China, the United States, in turn, will find itself in a tight corner. It either will have to respect the league's boycott of Japan and cease all financial, commercial or personal intercourse with that country; else run afoul of the entire league membership, excepting, of course, Japan.

The use of armed force to carry out the provisions of Article 16 is clearly envisioned. The second paragraph of the article declares "It shall be the duty of the council in such case to recommend to the several governments concerned what effective military, naval or air force they shall severally contribute toward enforcing the boycott."

### Debt Reduction Likely

The reparations conference at Lausanne is generally regarded as the first step toward eventual reduction, if not outright cancellation not only of German reparations, but of the allied war debts.

The loss to the allies, over the fifty-eight-year period which reparations are scheduled to run, may reach a total of approximately \$28,000,000,000. The loss to the United States, on war debts, over the same time, in case of cancellation, would be about \$22,000,000,000.

America's stake in the world arms conference scheduled to begin a fortnight hence, is world peace tax relief and a boost to prosperity. Failure of the conference, it is predicted, would plunge the world back into an armaments race and greater world war dangers than existed prior to 1914.

Returns Manslaughter Charge  
Herman Jones, 30, taxi driver, charged with auto death of Henry Simon, 68, retired south side confectioner, New Year's eve, was bound over to the grand jury Wednesday on manslaughter charges. The accident occurred in the 1200 block, Shelby street.

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## POWER PLANTS' VALUE WILL BE AIRED IN COURT

Township Assessors Plan  
Suit to Force Higher  
Assessment.

Fight between Perry and Decatur townships over a boundary line was forgotten temporarily today, as both townships joined in the attack upon the state tax board's assessment of the Indianapolis Power and Light Company's new Harding street plant.

Through their assessors, L. A. Holt, Perry, and Baster D. Park, Decatur, the townships will become parties to a suit against the tax board.

They have decided upon court action in order to have the tax board's \$1,500,000 valuation of the plant set aside, and boosted to the \$5,000,000 figure fixed by the county board of review.

The boundary line argument developed several months ago when the two townships could not agree upon the exact location of the Harding street plant.

Assessor Holt declared today, however, that Perry still will seek to assess the plant after a "fair valuation has been fixed."

Reduction of the assessment figure by the tax board aroused protests from Robert Sloan, Marion county assessor, who has been involved in a verbal battle with tax commissioners for several weeks.

The suit against the tax board is being prepared by township attorneys, co-operating with Charles B. Clark, county attorney.

## HOPE RISES FOR CARDODOZ CHOICE

N. Y. Jurist Popular Nominee for Supreme Court.

By Scripps-Howard Newspaper Alliance  
WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—Senate friends of Chief Judge Benjamin N. Cardozo of New York were more hopeful today that he would be chosen by President Hoover to succeed Justice Holmes of the United States supreme court, than they have been since his name first was suggested.

In the eight days which have elapsed since Justice Holmes' resignation, the President, in studying the endorsements in behalf of various lawyers and jurists, is understood to have discovered that Cardozo's appointment would prove universally popular and will have no difficulty in obtaining senate confirmation.

The President hesitated over Cardozo's selection, despite his pre-eminence as a jurist, because New York already has two members on the court—Chief Justice Hughes and Associate Justice Stone. But leading lawyers and senators are urging him to disregard sectional, geographic and political considerations.

## GROTT WOMEN INSTALL

Mrs. Mabel Dobbins Becomes Auxiliary's President.

Mrs. Mabel Dobbins is the new president of the Sahara Grotto auxiliary. Public installation of Mrs. Dobbins and the following officers was held Wednesday night in the Grotto home, 1238 Park avenue:

Mesdames Ione Eberly, first vice-president; Mary Herrick, second vice-president; Ruby Pettigrew, recording secretary; Edith Dickinson, corresponding secretary; Coral Bryan, treasurer; Esther Arnold, first guard; Edith Skinner, second guard, and Katherine Harakas, Frances Hamilton and Mary Pearl Riddle, trustees.

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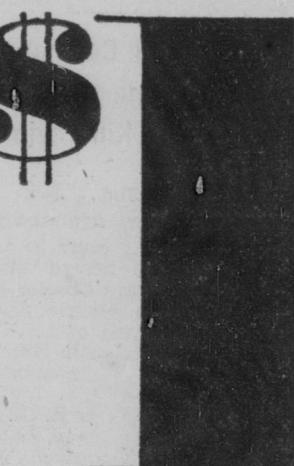
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