

MUST FACE FAR EAST PROBLEM

U. S. BANKER ON DANGER OF CONFLICT

Wise Statesmanship Alone Can Avert War With Japan

New York, March 7.—"As one who helped to finance the late war of Japan against Russia," said Jacob H. Schiff, Saturday, "I say it has developed during the last few weeks that Japan has joined hands with that enemy of all mankind, Russia."

Mr. Schiff was speaking at a luncheon given by the Republican club. "Russia and Japan," he continued, "have evidently one purpose at present—to keep the great Chinese empire stifled. If we are not careful, if we do not show the right statesmanship, and if we have not back of it the great moral force of the American people to defeat that purpose, we shall be drawn into troubles."

"The most difficult problem the nation has to deal with is the problem from the Far East. I am sorry to have to say it, but we are in danger of war over this same question. As a friend of Japan, one who helped her finance the late war, I regret this conclusion, but it is inevitable."

NEW PLAYING RULES FOR SEASON OF 1910

Official Bulletin of Joint Committee Gives Code Changes

Copies of the new playing rules of baseball, issued by the joint rules committee—T. J. Lynch, Clark Griffith, John Heydler, Charles A. Comiskey, Charles H. Somers and B. F. Shibe—have just been received. They mark some changes in the game that will be of interest to the fans.

More specific orders are made on the substitution of players, demanding that the captain notify the umpire and the umpire immediately make the announcement to the crowd. Fines may be imposed on a captain or an umpire for slowness in this respect.

The changing of the batsman from one batters' box to the other while the pitcher is in his position has been modified to read that "the batsman is out if he steps from the batsman's box to the other while the pitcher is in his position ready to pitch."

If a thrown ball or pitched ball strikes the person or clothing of an umpire on foul ground the ball shall be considered in play and the base runner or runners shall be entitled to all the bases they can make."

The above rule is interesting in respect to the umpire who stands behind the catcher and the catcher must look out for passed balls. Last year Spokane lost a close game because a runner was ordered home from third base when the ball struck the umpire's foot and rolled two feet away.

The runner will have to take his chances this year. The duties of the two umpires are definitely fixed, and the one who works behind the plate is designated as the "umpire in chief." The one who watches the bases is the "field umpire." The umpire in chief alone shall have the authority to declare a game forfeited.

There are a few changes in the scoring rules, the principal one of which is that in the event of a double or triple steal being attempted, where either runner is thrown out, the other or others shall not be credited with a stolen base.

BURNS TO MEET LANGFORD.

Los Angeles, Cal., March 6.—Tommy Burns, erstwhile heavyweight pugilistic champion, is going to re-enter the ring. His first will be with Sam Langford before the National Sporting Club of London, according to the statement of Joe Woodman, Langford's manager. Woodman said that he has a tempting offer from the National Club to pit Langford against Burns. The former champion, he said, already has signified his willingness to fight Langford. The offer came in a cablegram from London.

According to the proposition offered by the Londoners, the men will fight at catch weights on Derby Day, May 24th. They will travel over a 20-round route. Woodman has been planning to take Langford to Paris to try for a match with the winner of the McVey-Jeanette fight. He said yesterday that the London offer was so much better than the opportunity afforded in the French capital that he will abandon his plan for an invasion of France.

BOYS ARE LET GO ON SUSPENDED SENTENCE

Attorney-General Consents to the Magistrate's Action

(From Saturday's Daily.) With the consent of the attorney-general, Magistrate Jay this morning allowed the two youths who pleaded guilty to theft from the store of T. N. Hibben & Co. to go on suspended sentence on condition that the fathers of the boys became sureties for their good behavior for one year under bonds of \$200 in each case.

The magistrate spoke to the parents of the necessity of taking a greater interest in the lives of their children, sharing in their work, sports, amusements and social enjoyments, and not allowing their children to grow up becoming more and more strangers to them as they get into manhood.

Douglas Matheson charged with breaking into the residence of James Mason, 2114 Douglas street, was remanded until Monday. He asked for bail which was not given and was told he could have legal advice if he wanted it. Four drunks paid fines.

ISLAND AMATEUR CHAMPION EVENTS

Entrance Fee as Deposit Only—Physician in Attendance

The Islands amateur boxing championships will be boxed at the A. O. U. W. hall on March 15th, a week from next Wednesday, and entries are coming to Vincent Grey, at the J. B. A. A., from local boxers and also from Cumberland.

The events will be boxed under the auspices of the James Bay Athletic Club and will be by permission of the British Columbia Amateur Athletic Union, so that none but those who are registered as amateurs with the union will be eligible to compete.

The entries close with Vincent Grey at the J. B. A. A. club house on March 10th, and every entry must be accompanied by a deposit of \$2. The secretary announced this afternoon that the entry fee of \$2 is deposited only to ensure the appearance of the competitors. In the event of any competitor not appearing on time to compete in the bouts he will forfeit his \$2 deposit. Those who appear according to entry will receive a refund.

Under the rules and police supervision by which boxing contests are allowed in Victoria, each of the contestants must procure a doctor's certificate before entering the ring. The certificate must be to the effect that the competitor is in condition to go the three or four rounds.

Secretary Grey this afternoon said that the club will provide the doctor to examine all men competing. There are some of the local boxers he believes who are under the impression that they will have to obtain a medical certificate at their own expense. This impression, he wants corrected, as Dr. McKicking will be on hand to issue the club's official doctor to pass on all who are entered. There will be no charge made to the men personally for these services.

From Cumberland, Dickson, boxing at 125 pounds, will be in the ring, and two other boxers from the same district are expected.

Cohen, the former Irish champion, has entered in the welter and lightweight classes, and most of the men who were in the Timpres tournament will appear again.

GRANBY MINES. Expert Will Make a Geological Report for the Company.

Phoenix, March 3.—Dr. Otto Sussman, an expert mining engineer of New York, and Wm. Yolen Williams, a former superintendent of Granby mines and at present occupying a position as consulting engineer with the company, have been in camp for the past several days examining the company's big property.

Sussman is a representative of the American Selling Company, with which Granby is closely identified, and is examining the property for the purpose of making an expert report on the existing ore bodies of the big producer. He made a report on the property for the company about eight years ago, and the wonderful expansion in development since that time had outgrown to a considerable extent, his previous report.

Mr. Williams, who makes periodical visits to Phoenix, is assisting Dr. Sussman in his work. He was in charge of development work on a group of claims on Bear creek, in the Similkameen, bonded by the Granby last summer. Development work was carried on with satisfactory results for some weeks, but was discontinued in the fall. The work will probably be resumed again in the spring.

MAY BUILD SUBWAY LINES.

Toronto, March 6.—The private bills committee of the provincial Legislature has given the city of Toronto power to construct and operate underground subway lines, but refused the request made by the city that it be allowed to expropriate the Toronto Railway Company. The committee has also given the city a right to run cars on streets on which the Toronto railway refused to lay tracks.

ROLLER WINS.

Denver, Col., March 6.—Dr. B. F. Roller, of Seattle, is to-day hailed as the conqueror of Raoul de Rouer, the French heavyweight wrestler, following a rough match here last night, which resembled a fight more than a wrestling bout. Roller won after 15 minutes of wrestling for the second fall on a foul. It took the Seattle man 35 minutes and 22 seconds to throw the Frenchman the first time.

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REBEL LEADER DESIRES PEACE

MAY CONFER WITH NICARAGUAN PRESIDENT

Madriz Will Resign if U. S. Refuses to Recognize Present Government

Bluefields, Nicaragua, March 5.—Gen. Estrada has determined to sue for peace according to the announcement to-day of his American advisers. The Americans are reported to have contributed funds for the revolutionary movement, and the announcement is considered authoritative.

JOHN HOUSTON'S DEATH IS DENIED

Well known Newspaperman is Reported to Be Recovering

Dispatches received by the Times late Friday afternoon contradicted the report which had reached the city earlier that John Houston was dead. Unfortunately the contradiction reached the city after the Times went to press and announcement was made of his death. John Houston has always had a faculty for doing the unexpected. It was therefore but in keeping that he should be found to be alive and well after all the papers in the country had announced his death. The latest reports are to the effect that Mr. Houston is recovering.

MORE INDICTMENTS AGAINST DR. HYDE

Mrs. Swope Declares Her Son-in-Law Tried to Poison Her

Kansas City, Mo., March 7.—Disregarding the advice of her attorneys, Mrs. Logan O. Swope on Saturday laid bare while giving her deposition in the slander suit brought by her son-in-law, Dr. Hyde, the innermost secrets of her household for many years.

With tears coursing down her cheeks she repeatedly rose from the witness chair as she told her story. She told of the courtship of Dr. Hyde, how she tried to like him as a son-in-law, of her belief that he had attempted to murder her relatives, and at one time tried to poison her. The charge that Dr. Hyde tried to poison Mrs. Swope is a new feature in the case.

"He brought me a glass of water on December 12th. It tasted bitter," she said. "I drank some of it, and noticed the peculiar taste, asked him where he got it. 'Out of the water cooler,' he replied."

"He is trying to poison you," said one of my daughters. I directed that he give me an emetic. This probably saved my life. Dr. Hyde married my daughter for money, and not for love. He followed her like a hawk would follow a hen. She was his prospective prey. At last, despite my objections, they were married, and I tried then to give my daughter an opportunity to reform him."

Here the woman's emotions overcame her. Tears flowed from her eyes. She choked, and for a moment was unable to speak. Summoning all her strength, she arose from the chair and almost shrieked: "And every moment of the time that he was standing, there he was planning the murder of members of my family."

After this tirade the aged woman sank almost exhausted into her chair. When she resumed talking it was in defence of her daughter, Mrs. Hyde. "Frances is a dear, pure girl, and I have never said anything against her," she said. "I love her, and none can say harm of her."

"Harrowing as this may be to me, I must tell it all," she continued. "I must explain how I feel against Dr. Hyde, and why I feel that way. It is my story, and I will tell it all."

Dr. Hyde was Saturday night indicted on thirteen counts in eleven indictments returned by the grand jury that has been investigating the Swope mystery for the last three weeks. Two indictments charge first degree murder in connection with the deaths of Col. Swope and Christian Swope. Dr. Hyde is alleged to have given them strychnine tablets causing their deaths. One indictment accuses Dr. Hyde of manslaughter by bleeding James Moss Huntton, a cousin of Col. Swope, in a neglectful manner. Eight indictments were returned in connection with the alleged poisoning of the Swope family, visitors and attaches of the household. Dr. Hyde is accused of poisoning with typhoid germs, with intent to murder, Margaret Swope, Stella Swope, Lucy W. Swope, Nora Belle Dickson, Georgia P. Compton, Mildred and Leonora Cooperidge, a colored girl. All these persons were stricken with typhoid fever while Dr. Hyde was attending the Swope family.

ERA OF THE AVIATOR.

Fanciful inventor Foretells Many of Coming Achievements. Paris, March 7.—Levasseur, the creator of the Antoinette flying machine with which Latham has done so many wonderful things, comes forward as the prophet of the air. He says that before long aviators will have no difficulty in flying 100 miles an hour. Then, he says, a man may dart about

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