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BRITAIN NOW ASKING JAPAN ABOUT CHINA

Sir Edward Grey Tells House Anglo-Japanese Agreement Touched on—British Interests in Orient May Be Affected By Japan Demands

ULTIMATUM TO CHINA IS ADMITTEDLY NEAR; RUMORS ALREADY SENT

Tone of Tokio Papers Close to Government Shows Government Preparing For Radical Action—Hint That President Yuan Would Welcome a Threat in Order to Afford Excuse For Yielding—Sir Edward Grey Denies United States Has Engaged In Negotiations with Great Britain

[Associated Press by Federal Wireless] LONDON, England, May 4.—When questioned in the house today as to the progress of negotiations between China and Japan, Sir Edward Grey answered that he has been in communication with Japan on the subject of the Anglo-Japanese agreement generally and particularly concerning British interests which might conflict with competing Japanese demand in China. The negotiations, he added, were confidential.

SAYS "GENRO" APPROVE ULTIMATUM TO CHINA

TOKIO, Japan, May 4.—An extra edition of the Yomiuri declares today that the "Genro" or Japanese Elder Statesmen, after explanations from Premier Okuma and Baron Kato, minister of foreign affairs, have approved the sending of an ultimatum to China to enforce the demands China has refused.

The Yomiuri says that information leads to the conviction that the nature of the last Chinese answer obliges Japan to resort to this logical diplomatic step, and that the concessions made by Japan, particularly regarding the restoration of Kiaochau, have created the belief that China can be satisfied with peaceful arrangements.

The impression is given that President Yuan desires Japan to send an ultimatum, in order that he may justify the eventual acceptance by China of the Japanese demands.

The Hoshi Shimbun says that martial law will be proclaimed in South Manchuria simultaneously with the issuance of the ultimatum. The Japanese press as a whole in its comment considers the ultimatum as a proper step for Japan to take to settle the situation, which is declared to be otherwise very unsatisfactory from the standpoint of the good of the entire Orient.

LONDON, England, May 4.—Sir Edward Grey, British secretary of state for foreign affairs, announced in the house today that the United States and Great Britain have engaged in no formal negotiations regarding the Japanese demands.

[Associated Press by Federal Wireless] SANTA BARBARA, Cal., May 4.—The Norwegian ship Agri is stranded at Santa Rosa island in four feet of water. "She is pounding hard."

MONUMENTS

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Pictorial Key to Ad Club's Dinkelspiel Song Warbled to Congressmen at Luncheon Today

Souvenir key to the Heidelberg graduation song, sung today for the benefit of the visiting congressional guests at the Ad Club luncheon. Professor Dinkelspiel, who has his graduation class out on a tour of the World, has been interned in Honolulu since the outbreak of the war. The Professor himself led his class in the singing this noon, all appearing in typical German undergraduate costumes

HI. U. SAY. HI. U. SAY. Tra. La. La. La. La. La. La.

 WAGON ROD.	 GRUM GRAD.	 TANA BAUM.	 CONGRESSMAN.
 FEDERAL SHORTAGE MILLIONS REVENUES.	 50 US CENTS.	 HAWAII'S INDUSTRY.	 SUGAR FREE.
 FREE SUGAR PILL BITTER PILL.	 DUTY CURE OUR ILL.	 TROPICAL LABORING MAN.	 CAN'T READ OR WRITE BUT HIS CHILDREN CAN.
 WHAT WE LOSE.	 OPEN THE DOOR.	 HAWAII CAN THE TOURIST WIN.	 BUT THIS FLAG HE MUST SWIM.
 SOLDIER CIVILIAN CLOTHES.	 THIS SOLDIER LONELY GOES.	 "I LOVE YOU HONOLULU" AD CLUB SING.	 DEFARLICHE SONG.



STAR-BULLETIN WILL HAVE NEW AND FINE HOME

Spreckels Property In Business Center of City Purchased For This Paper—Three-Story Modern Building Will Soon House All Departments

Deeds have arrived from San Francisco transferring from the Spreckels Estate to the J. B. Atherton Estate, Ltd., a 50-foot strip of property extending from Merchant to Queen streets, and on this site the purchasers will soon begin the erection of a three-story concrete building to be used as a permanent home for the Star-Bulletin.

The property was purchased for a consideration of about \$55,000 and the new building will involve an outlay of from \$45,000 to \$50,000. Ripley & Davis are now preparing the plans, and construction work will probably be begun by the middle of June.

The only structure now on the property, which lies just east of the Stangewald building, is the Star building, which houses the branch office and job printing establishment of the Star-Bulletin. This building will be remodeled, and the Merchant street frontage will be the entrance to the business office and editorial rooms of the Star-Bulletin. The new concrete block will adjoin the existing building on the rear and will extend through to Queen street, giving ample accommodation for the composing room and presses of the newspaper.

The two upper stories will be used as stock rooms, and will also house the newspaper's engraving plant and job printing plant.

The property was purchased (Continued on page two)

BASEBALL RESULTS

NATIONAL LEAGUE.
At Boston—Washington 0, Boston 2.
At St. Louis—St. Louis 1, Detroit 3.
Games at Washington and New York postponed, cold.

AMERICAN LEAGUE.
At Pittsburgh—Pittsburgh 4, St. Louis 3.
All other games postponed, rain.

MANN EMPHATIC IN STANDING BY SUGAR TARIFF AT AD CLUB LUNCH

Songs, Lively "Stunts" and Informal Speeches In Rapid-fire Order Make Occasion Unique In Local Entertainment—Ad Club Smile Decorates Every Solon as Program Is Given

"If the sugar tariff is taken off—which I do not think will be the case, though it now stands for removal on the law books, it will be restored as quickly as legislation can be ground out, after March 4, 1917."—Congressman Mann at Ad Club luncheon today.

The Delphic Oracles have hailed in significance in comparison with the "Telegraph," the marvelous new Marconi instrument which was exhibited and operated for the first time today at the luncheon given by the Honolulu Ad Club in honor of the party of congressional visitors who arrived yesterday from the mainland.

Noon was the hour set for the event, but long before that time the roof garden of the Alexander Young Hotel was crowded, and though covers had been laid for 528 people, more than 200 were turned away because of lack of seating capacity.

The Telegraph, explained Secretary Harry L. Strange, possessed the wonderful faculty of telling what persons thousands of miles away were saying and even thinking. More than that, the unique instrument also had the power of interpreting the thoughts of others at any given time in the future.

The "stunts" began early. Wallace R. Farrington, president of the Ad Club, who presided at the luncheon, suggested that Mr. Strange tune his instrument.

With remarkable facility the Telegraph then began clicking off some paragraphs of President Wilson's message to Congress, when that body reassembles next December.

Mr. Strange also said that he had been urgently requested by two young men of the visiting party to get in touch with the minds of several young ladies who came over on the Sierra, in order to see whom they really favored. "I shall mention no names," he continued, "for I should dislike to create any ill feeling between Representative C. B. Slomp and Representative W. H. Stafford."

The "stunts" at the luncheon were begun when President Farrington asked Secretary Strange to read the minutes of the last meeting. The secretary appeared with a monumental pile of manuscript containing 10,642 sheets of paper. He was put in an embarrassing position, he averred, because the papers were the minutes of the Ad Club meetings for the last two years, none of which had ever

STANDARD OIL RUMORED AFTER HAWAIIAN SUGAR

Coast Report of Sensational Deal Scouted by Local Businessmen

Is the Octopus whetting his teeth to gobble up the Hawaiian sugar industry? Has anybody seen aught of a "Sugar Trust" expert, now an agent of "Jawn D's" colossal oil interest, nosing around among the plantations or the offices of the sugar factors, seeking what his boss may devour in this Paradise of the Pacific?

According to the leading article of the San Francisco Examiner's commercial page on April 27, rumors were current in that city "that the Standard Oil interests are looking into the affairs of certain Hawaiian sugar plantation companies, with a view to their purchase and consolidation into a single entity."

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JUSTICE HUGHES DOESN'T INTEND TO CAST HIS HAT

[Associated Press by Federal Wireless] WASHINGTON, D. C., May 4.—Justice Hughes of the supreme court, former governor of New York, declared today that he disapproved of the use of his name in connection with the presidential campaign.

"I have no desire to re-enter politics," he said.

He has been mentioned as one of the most available men for the Republican nomination.

TEUTON REPORTS ABOUT WAR SITUATION TODAY

[Associated Press by Federal Wireless] BERLIN, Germany, May 4.—Official—Russian prisoners to the number of 21,500 have been taken in Galicia. The Germans are invading the Baltic provinces and have captured 4000 retreating Russians. In Flanders the Germans have captured Zevocate, Zonnebeke and Westhok.

VIENNA, Austria, May 4.—The Austrians have captured a fortified front previously held by the enemy between the Vistula and the main ridge of the Carpathians and have taken 30,000 prisoners.

ATHENS, Greece, May 4.—The Allies have begun an invasion of the mainland of Asia, landing near Smyrna. The bombardment of Smyrna forts continues.

It is reported that negotiations are on for the surrender of Smyrna.

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5 WOMEN DEAD IN AUTO CRASH

[Associated Press by Federal Wireless] LOS ANGELES, Cal., May 4.—Mrs. Gwen Hicks, wife of the Washington state commissioner to the San Diego exposition, her two children and Mrs. A. J. Atkinson and Mrs. Luther Brown of Pomona, Cal., were killed today near Watts in a collision between a street car and an automobile. Commissioner Hicks was injured.

SUGAR

SAN FRANCISCO, May 4.—Sugar 96 degrees test, 4.71 cents. Previous quotation, 4.77 cents.

J. K. Silva was found guilty yesterday of assaulting L. Heona Poo, a Chinese, and paid a fine of \$15.

GAZETTE ASKS IF WORDS OF WILSON GOOD

Semi-Official British Paper In Pointed Comment on Sinking of American Steamer By German Submarine—Refers to the President's Warning

U. S. CABINET CONFERS; GULF FLIGHT DISASTER IS UNDERSTOOD SUBJECT

Italy Postpones Taking Any Definite Action—Troops of Allies Landed on Coast of Asia—Teutons Claim Victories in Several Battles

[Associated Press by Federal Wireless] LONDON, England, May 4.—An investigation into the sinking of the American steamer Gulf Flight off the Scilly Isles last Saturday by a German submarine, has been begun by Ambassador Walter Hines Page and attaches of the embassy.

Commenting upon this destruction of an American steamer by a German submarine, the semi-official Westminster Gazette asks pointedly today whether President Wilson "will make good his words in February," when he said the United States would hold Germany to strict accountability in case any American vessel were sunk in the submarine war on commerce.

U. S. CABINET CONFERS WITH MR. WILSON TODAY

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 4.—The president and the cabinet today went into conference for a discussion of the serious situation developing from the sinking of the Gulf Flight.

ITALY POSTPONES TAKING DEFINITE ACTION ON WAR

ROME, Italy, May 4.—Italy has again postponed a definite decision as to whether or not to participate in the war. New offers and negotiations have been presented on behalf of Austria. The king's attitude is regarded as an indication of warlike action soon.

BRITISH STEAMER SUNK OFF FATAL SCILLY ISLES

LONDON, England, May 4.—The British steamer Mintema has been sunk by a submarine off the Scilly islands. Two firemen were killed and the engineer injured when the vessel was torpedoed.

WAR TO COST BRITAIN HUGE SUM FOR ONE YEAR

LONDON, England, May 4.—In presenting to the house of commons the budget today, Chancellor David Lloyd-George announced the estimate that if the war continues throughout the fiscal year, Great Britain's expenditures will amount to 1,136,434,000 pounds.

LONDON, England, May 4.—President Eunciman of the board of trade announced today in the house that the government has requisitioned the entire supplies of meat in Australia. He added that New Zealand supplies not needed for the army would be marketed for the benefit of civilians.

LONDON, England, May 4.—Official—British troops which have been landed are advancing into the interior of Gallipoli peninsula.