

BASEBALL FANS FROM ALL OVER U. S. FILL CITY'S HOTELS

HOUSE WILL FIGHT SALES TAX TO END, SAYS MR. MONDELL

Leader Tells President It is Illogical and Sure to Be Cut Out. WANTS PEOPLE HELPED. Taxes Should Be Lifted, Not Shifted—Little Chance of Recess.

By David Lawrence. Special Correspondent of The Evening World.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 5 (Copyright, 1921).—Republican Leader Mondell told President Harding today that a sales tax was not only illogical but impossible of enactment in the House.

Mr. Mondell's visit followed several conferences which Administration Senators had with Mr. Harding, in which they urged him to throw his influence in the scales in favor of a so-called manufacturers' sales tax.

The controversy between the advocates and opponents of a sales tax has reached a climax inside the Administration camp. The House is insistent that the bill which it has passed be used as a basis for tax legislation, and Mr. Mondell indicated that there would be no objection in the House if the Senate made certain changes in the nuisance and transportation taxes. In other words the formula of taxation prepared by the House will be adhered to by its leaders and the other method proposed by Senator Smoot will be vigorously opposed.

"We worked in the House," said Mr. Mondell, "on the theory that the people wanted the tax burden lifted and not shifted. With all due respect to the gentlemen who are advocating a sales tax, it is illogical and adds to the burdens of taxpayers. Nor is it the simple thing that is claimed. How, for instance, will a sales tax be computed on the wool grown in my State? Will it be placed at the source or will it be placed on yarn or on cloth? It will be passed on just as surely as any other tax."

The Republican House Leader declared that a new system of taxation would have its embarrassments in many other respects. The Government machinery would, of course, have to be changed so as to collect the new taxes. Furthermore, there is no certainty in Mr. Mondell's opinion, that the manufacturers' sales tax would be desired by more evils than it was designed to cure.

He declared today that the House bill was by no means a perfect measure, but that it did tend to relieve the people of the abnormal and unusual tax burden. He saw no hope for the amendment proposing that the repeal of the excess profits taxes be made effective as of last January. When it was suggested to him that many business interests may have got behind a sales tax because of their disappointment over the fact that excess profits taxes will not be immediately repealed, Mr. Mondell insisted that such a step was also illogical.

He argued that he could hardly believe that members of Congress would support a burdensome measure as a sales tax in order to insure relief to a few taxpayers from the excess profits tax. Mr. Mondell said he originally favored making the repeal retroactive, but that he had been won over to the other view because it had been represented to him that the firms which are asked to pay excess profits taxes for the calendar year of 1921 have already passed on that tax to the consumer, who has paid it, and that it would be unfair to let one set of taxpayers pay while another set benefited by the change.

While talking with the President, Mr. Mondell expressed himself on the subject of a recess of Congress at the beginning of November as had been proposed for several days. The Republican leader drew out a pad and wrote a list of a half dozen major subjects pending in Congress such as the treaties with Central European countries, the tax bill, the tariff, the railroad bill and the bill to fund foreign debts.

"When all those are disposed of," he said, with a smile, "I think we can adjourn the special session."

"That was only another way of saying that the legislative calendar was so crowded that Congress will be accomplishing almost a miracle if it clears its slate of most of these questions.

The chances are the present session will merge into the regular December session without perceptible interruption.

GIANTS ON THE FIELD FIRST; BIG OVATION FOR BOTH TEAMS; COWBELLS AND WHISTLES USED

Babe Ruth Comes In for His Share of Applause, Especially From Left Field Bleachers. Cheers for Other Players as They Practice.

By Isaac Shuman. POLO GROUNDS, Oct. 5.—The first cheer from the crowd came at 12:25 o'clock when the Giants, the home team for the day, made their appearance on the field in white suits. The demonstration lasted throughout the team's journey across the field, the crowd rising to its feet and mingling with its cheers, whistling and sounds of cowbells. The players began immediately to warm up by tossing to each other. There was an extra cheer as Dave Bancroft, captain of the team, appeared aloft.

There was much greater cheering for the Yankees when they came on at 12:55 o'clock all dressed in the gray uniforms of the "visiting club." They marched through center field led by Eddie Bennett, the team's mascot, and regarded the batting practice of the Giants curiously. It was the first time many of the players had ever seen the Giants even in semi-play. The scene was in the group, of course, and seemed to get an extra cheer from his friends in the left field bleachers.

Col. Jacob Ruppert, one of the owners of the club, walked across the field behind a home plate to the Yankee bench a moment later, but few recognized him. The strain of prospective battle was evident in the demeanor of the players. They were quieter than usual; they were standing more closely together and waiting their turn at bat and they were trying to get ready to appear at ease. Fred Toney was taking short, nervous steps near the batter's cage, chewing his gum furiously and never releasing his hold on his bat. He seemed relieved when his batting practice was finished.

In keeping with the plan to call the Giants the home team today, George Levy, the baritone announcer of that club, will call out the batteries this afternoon, while the honors to-morrow will be held by "Little" Jack Lenz, the Yankees' tenor.

If the hitting in practice was any indication of how the two teams would hit in the game, the Yankees were scheduled to come through with the count on which their supporters are likely to break down the greater count average. The Yankees were hitting the ball much harder than the Giants did, the blows were loud and long and the ball-batters in Yankee prowess they boded victory.

Col. Ruppert and Miller Huggins, manager of the Yanks, posed for the movie men, but the latter had to catch the players "on the fly."

All the newspaper reporters from every town to county apparently were here. There were not enough seats for all of them, so many got their seats which permitted them to love wherever they wished.

There were still nearly 5,000 empty seats at 1:10 o'clock, but nearly a score of thirty fans had at that time perched themselves on the elevated lower outside the grounds.

The band marched across the field at 1:45 and returned a moment later leading a procession. There were cheers from the bleachers. A squad of policemen made their appearance and then Gov. Miller and Mayor Hylan. Before they went to their boxes they posed for the movie men with Judge Landis and the club magnate.

The left field side of the bleachers, the side facing the field in which Babe Ruth ranges, is the most tightly packed and the most demonstrative. They're all supporters of the Babe and they've been gleefully helping each other with paper balls, which, falling to the playing field, have for an hour been keeping a corps of ground-keepers busy picking them up. Late arrivals seeking places in this section have been forced to run a gauntlet of whips made of newspapers. Apparently they're jealous of who shall pay homage to the Babe.

The few in the grand stand have been entertained more watching them than by Pat Conway's band, which is seated on the mezz just to the right of the "hotie teams" or Giants' berth.

"The crowd so far is evidently solid for the Giants. Not a soul applauded the rendition by the band of 'Yankee Doodle.'"

"Shufflin'" Phil Douglas practised batting with Fred Toney, who was slated to pitch for the Giants.

The field was almost over-run with photographers, who were overlooking no opportunity to make a shot of a possible World's Series hero. There is, however, little posing. Ball players about to enter an important series are superstitious about admitting even by the implication of posing that they're the probable champions.

Irvin S. Cobb was on hand early. He is said to have made a lot of money writing about how he got thin, but evidently he didn't spend any of it buying new clothes for the World Series, and consequently, in his old ones he seems as fat as ever.

Movement in the reserved sections became brisk shortly after 1 o'clock. Most of the early arrivals were

plainly from out of town. The players had to be identified for them.

Babe Ruth took his place at the plate in batting practice at 1:17 o'clock. Shawkey pitched to him and there was a great roar as the "Babe" hit the first ball pitched into the right field section of the bleachers.

Not by any means were all of the early fans men and boys. There were a number of women, young ones, good looking ones, in the line which had waited hours in the cold.

Among the first of the feminine fans to arrive was Mrs. Hazel Gill of New Britain, Conn., a rabid Yankee rooter. She was accompanied by her husband, Frank Gill, who is just as rabid a rooter, only he has chosen the Giants. The Gills arrived soon after 3 o'clock and joined the half-frozen members who had braved the cold and wet of the night.

Miss May Abrams of No. 515 West 159th Street was among the first to arrive and take a place in the line last night. She braved the onslaughts of the weather for perhaps an hour and then turned over her place in the line to her brother, Daniel.

M. J. Burke and J. B. Kleiy, both ex-soldiers and former members of Company I, of the Fifty-second Pioneer Infantry, and living at No. 317 West 123d Street, reaped a golden harvest from the cold and hungry fans by selling hot dogs, red-hot sandwiches and steaming coffee, all served from a fireless cooker aboard a decrepit baby carriage. Although the prices they charged were high, not one bowl of "profiteer" was heard from the hungry hordes.

Also among the early feminine arrivals this morning were three knickerbocker girls, who took their place in line, but refused point blank to give their names.

So far, the police report, there has been little trouble among the all-night fans and but one embryonic fight threatened. This was quickly nipped in the bud and the two battlers lost their places in the line for their demonstration.

Mrs. Carrie Letang of No. 103 West 141st Street, colored, arrived at midnight with a set of furs and a bed-quilt with which to cover her ample form. She was relieved at daylight by her husband, Louis, who is to see the first game and come early to-night to keep a place in line for her, so she can see the second game.

With Kierst, the Auburn fireman, was his chum, Joseph Jakub, No. 52 Cottage Street. Unlike Kierst, he is a Yankee rooter.

Leslie Carpenter, fifteen, No. 279 South Street, Jamaica, a Yankee rooter, was one of the youngest in line. He arrived at 5 P. M. He is an office boy in the Equitable, where there is a rule that all who are early for three months on each successive day get one day off. To-day is his day off for being punctual.

Dan Brouters, once a famous player, but who is now a watchman at the Polo grounds, entertained the fans within range of his voice telling about the days when he was a star on the order of Ruth. And Dan picks the Yanks to win.

"I think the Yanks will win because their slingers will get the jump on the Giants and run away with the series," said Dan.

The honor of being first in line went to Charles M. Kierst, a fireman of Auburn, N. Y. He took his place along side of the box office to the bleachers at 10 o'clock yesterday morning. He went to sleep early, as did many of the other fans, along the cold ground damp after a ten-minute shower just after 1 o'clock this morning.

The police shooed several "fakel" fans when they announced no one would be allowed to sell his place. The late comers must go to the end of the line was the order issued by Inspector Cahalane, who with 300 men will handle the crowds to-day.

Charles E. Starr Charged With Fraud Involving \$255,000. TULSA, Okla., Oct. 5.—Charles E. Starr, President of the Starr-Kane Oil Company of Tulsa, was arrested yesterday on a fugitive warrant from Philadelphia charging him with obtaining \$255,000 fraudulently in an oil stock deal. He was released on \$5,000 bond.

SIX BANDITS GET 121 YEARS FOR SUBWAY HOLD-UPS

Judge Gibbs Gives Limit to Band Who Robbed 14 Ticket Agents in 8 Months. COURT ROOM GUARDED.

One, Sentenced to Forty Years, Must Then Return to Face Two More Charges.

Six bandits who were sentenced to Sing Sing by Judge Gibbs in the Bronx County Court to-day will serve an aggregate of 121 years, if they all remain in prison for the maximum terms.

One of them, Vincent Tomassi, No. 3016 Olinville Avenue, was sentenced for forty years on two counts, and Judge Gibbs directed that at the end of that time the prisoner be brought back to court to face two more indictments. Tomassi is now twenty-four years old.

The other prisoners and their sentences are:

Henry W. Richter, No. 425 East 148th Street, ten to twenty years. Henry Bergman, No. 501 East 162d Street, ten to twenty years. John Leubeck, No. 564 Bergen Avenue, six to fourteen years.

Charles Flynn, No. 429 East 148th Street, five to twelve years. The six admitted they had committed fourteen holdups of ticket agents of the subway and elevated lines in the last eight months, always displaying revolvers, although they fired no shots. The money they got was less than \$3,000.

Judge Gibbs in sentencing the men said he was sorry he could not give their life and that he would urge the Legislature to make life sentences possible in such cases.

Extra police were assigned to the court room when the prisoners came up for sentence, for it was feared an attempt might be made to rescue them. Every person entering the room who was not known was questioned.

WRITER OF SEARLES POISON NOTE KNOWN

Said to Have Expected Big Legacy From Millionaire—Autopsy Delayed.

LAWRENCE, Mass., Oct. 5.—The identity of the person who wrote the anonymous letter that led to a decision to hold an autopsy for determining the cause of death of Edward F. Searles, eccentric Methuen millionaire, is known to day to District Attorney Donnell. He is not likely to be questioned unless the autopsy reveals something that may justify it.

Comparison of the letter with other writings has now fairly well established the fact that the writer was one of very few persons in this section who might be termed friends of Searles. As such he had the run of Pine Lodge during most of Searles' life here, he was assiduous in his efforts to please the dead man and expected to receive in return a good-sized legacy when Searles died.

MRS. S. J. WICKOFF-BENT, BIG REALTY OWNER, BURIED.

Was Known as "Successor of Mrs. Hetty Green." The funeral of Mrs. Sarah J. Wickoff-Bent, seventy-seven years old, reputed to be worth \$5,000,000 and one of the biggest real estate holders in New York, was held from her late residence, No. 1773 Washington Avenue, the Bronx, this afternoon. Burial was in Woodlawn Cemetery.

NEW POLICE CHIEF GETS ARRESTED TO LEARN HIS JOB

Spends Hour in Cell, Is Fingerprinted, Has Third Degree, and Pounds Beat.

Roy Taylor, recently appointed Police Commissioner of Port Chester, has completed his preparations for the job. This was his programme:

He submitted to a "demonstration arrest," spent an hour in prison, ate a meal in a cell, had his finger prints taken, underwent a "third degree," accompanied a patrolman on his beat (though he weighs 300), acted as a Sergeant for a day, and spent part of a day on the bench with the regular Judge in Police Court.

Taylor figures he is now familiar with his task.

HYLAN AGAIN HITS THE "INTERESTS" IN HIS ACCEPTANCE

Says City Should Junk Many of the Old Surface Transit Lines.

In the presence of a large crowd which gathered in City Hall Park at noon to-day, Mayor John F. Hylan and Comptroller Charles L. Craig were formally notified of their renomination by the Democrats, and Dock Commissioner Murray Hulbert of his nomination for President of the Board of Aldermen.

The address of notification was delivered by former Gov. Alfred E. Smith from the front steps of City Hall. A voice amplifier carried the voices of the speakers well into the park. There was music by Shannon's Naval Reserve band.

In his speech of acceptance Mayor Hylan recommended that the city owned subways be turned back to the municipality for city operation "at a 5-cent fare," that old surface lines be scrapped and that bus lines be extended.

After stating that he believed in the greatest degree of personal liberty, the Mayor blamed Republican legislators for the mistakes made by the police in enforcing the Mullan-Gage law.

The remainder of the Mayor's address was devoted to attacks on the "subsidized press," the Rockefeller interests, those who reflect upon "any lack of scientific culture" and the traction interests. In part he said:

"I am greatly honored by the renomination for Mayor and I pledge myself to continue, if re-elected, the fight begun Jan. 1, 1918, to restore the Government of the city to the people. The present Administration was elected on a platform of which the most important plank was—public ownership of public utilities. It affirmed that the city should be governed solely for the benefit of the people and not for the special benefit of private corporations, syndicates or privileged persons of any kind.

"Fighting with earnest sincerity for what seemed right for all the people, I have borne the criticism, ridicule and hatred of the subsidized press and their sponsors, the special privilege-seeking interests. A campaign of calumny, abuse and misrepresentation, to discredit and, if possible, to destroy me, has been carried on by certain papers backed by

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18 MORE JUDGES ASKED FOR BY TAFT

Volstead Act Gives 8 Per Cent. More Work, and Dry Cases Will Grow Greatly.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 5.—Chief Justice Taft, appearing to-day before the Senate Judiciary Committee, urged the creation of eighteen additional District Judges as a means of relieving congestion in Federal court dockets. Something must be done immediately, he declared, to keep the courts from being swamped.

The Volstead act, Chief Justice Taft said, had "added greatly to the jurisdiction of Federal courts." He added, however, that Prohibition was only one feature of court congestion, and was responsible for only 8 per cent. of increased court business.

Asked by Senator Reed, Democrat, Missouri, whether he thought there would be a decrease in the number of cases in Federal courts growing out of Prohibition Law violators, the Chief Justice said the number of cases "is apt to grow a great deal before it grows less."

NEWS OF U. S. IN BRIEF.

WASHINGTON.—The nomination of Major Gen. Leonard Wood to be Governor General of the Philippine Islands has been confirmed, thereby permitting his retirement from active service in the army.

CHICAGO.—The Appellate Court has sustained a verdict for \$17,200 awarded nine-year-old Raymond Budd against the city for injuries sustained when he touched a tree which had been charged with a live wire.

WILKES-BARRE, Pa.—Nathan Rigol died suddenly at his home and his son, Benjamin Rigol, made the charges that the \$55,000 insurance his father carried would likely prove a reason for his sudden death. He complained that he believed his father had met with foul play.

SPOKANE, Wash.—Two masked men entered the Spangle State Bank at Spangle, eighteen miles south of here, yesterday, shot Miss Ruth Jennings, the assistant cashier, in the arm and escaped with \$5,000.

SAULT STE. MARIE, Mich.—Freight tonnage through the canals here registered a decrease for the year up to October 1 of approximately \$18,000,000 tons, and September tonnage this year decreased a little more than 5,000,000 tons compared with September, 1920.

MISS LETICH LOSES TO CHICAGO WOMAN IN IDEAL GOLF PLAY

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That could be heard down at the Deal Station. Miss Letich's famous driving only outranged the American woman by ten yards on an average, and this advantage was almost offset as Mrs. Letich was more often on the fairway. The deciding factor was the short game. Here Mrs. Letich was at a disadvantage, as the English champion, wild and erratic, was usually away from the line and into trouble.

Early nervousness and weak putting cost Mrs. Letich at least four holes. This and a streak of long putting by Mrs. Letich gave the foreign invader a commanding lead, but the American defender quickly refused to quit and toward the finish was steeper than the overseas champion.

The English title-holder, whose only play she had with her second shot, but recovered nicely and holed a 20-footer for a win in four. Mrs. Letich was better coming to the twelfth, but missed an easy putt for the hole. The English champion drove in a deep rut and missed the thirteenth green and failed to escape on her next shot. Mrs. Letich was past the cup, but her approach putt came so close that she was conceded the hole.

The long fourteenth was halved in sixes, although the American woman gambled a winning putt. Miss Letich was in trouble off the tee on the short fifteenth and Mrs. Letich squared the match for the first time.

Mrs. Letich then moved into the lead on the 450-yard sixteenth when after a miss she drove in her third hole. Mrs. Letich's rare nerve so skillfully chipped from a side of a mound that the ball stopped within three feet of the cup. This effort won the hole, as Miss Letich overran the cup and missed the hole.

With victory within reach Mrs. Letich drove into the rough on the seventeenth and her chip shot was short. Miss Letich drove to the edge of the green and registered a fine three which again squared the match.

On the decisive eighteenth both drove about alike and both reached the green with the second, while Mrs. Letich having a slight edge, Miss Letich, carefully sighting the line, then putted too strong, the ball over-running the cup by eight feet. Mrs. Letich did better and stopped within five feet. Miss Letich missed her return putt, while Mrs. Letich holed her shot, which ruined the chance of an English champion in this tournament.

While Cecil Letich lost, the other English invaders successfully survived the second round. Edith Letich defeated Mildred Leiby of Philadelphia 4 up and 3 to go.

Mrs. Latham Hall, who tied with Miss Gullett for the qualifying medal, easily defeated Mrs. Melvin Jones of Chicago, 5 up and 3 to go. The English women were never in danger and outplayed their American opponents from start to finish. The only upset of the other matches was the unexpected victory of Sara Fowner, one of the numerous young stars, over Georgianna Bishop, national champion in 1919.

This match was a hip and tuck battle all the way, Miss Fowner making a grand finish by winning the last two holes. Alexa Stirling, defending title holder, continued her fine golf, winning an easy victory over Mrs. (Caley) Fox.

Second round summaries: Mrs. F. C. Letich, Chicago, defeated Cecyl Letich, England, 1 up. Edith Letich, England, defeated Mildred Caverly, Philadelphia, 4 up and 3 to go.

Mrs. Latham Hall, England, defeated Mrs. Melvin Jones, Chicago, 5 up and 3 to go. Elaine Rosenthal, Chicago, defeated Dorothy Klots, Indian Hills, 2 up and 1 to go.

Alexa Stirling, Atlanta, defeated Mrs. Caley Fox, Philadelphia, 5 up and 4 to go. Sara Fowner, Oakland, defeated Georgianna Bishop, Brooklawn, 2 up.

Mrs. C. H. Vandenberg, Philadelphia, defeated Mrs. Alex Fordyce, Oakland, 7 up and 6 to go.

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SAN ANTONIO—Major Gen. Joseph T. Dickman, Commander of the Eleventh Army Corps Area, will retire from active service in the United States Army to-morrow when he reaches the retirement age sixty-four years.

15,000 FANS SIT UP ALL NIGHT TO SEE FIRST WORLD'S GAME

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left field bleachers and it went in as if carried on a wave that flung it up to catch what foothold it could on the ledges of the stand.

With such a crowd to handle it was necessary that Eighth Avenue from 15th Street to 159th Street be kept clear, and Inspector Cahalane gave orders that no surface cars were to be admitted to that stretch and that it would be open only to those having tickets to the game or those in line for admission to the grounds. As a means of clearing it he sent a dozen mounted men to the north end of the space and had them move abreast down the avenue, brushing all those ahead of them who had no business there.

Furthermore, in preparation for the final rush of those who had a half-day off and would storm the grounds at noon, Inspector Cahalane sent a request to the elevated railroad management that some trains bound for the grounds be stopped at 151st Street so that the passengers might walk the remaining seven blocks and reduce the congestion at the gates.

INSIDE THE GATES RUSH TO GET NEAR BABE.

The good humor which had characterized the great crowd during its long wait through the night developed into a merry scramble once the crowd was inside the gates. Hundreds of those who had waited were old-timers so far as knowing the stands was concerned, and these made a rush for their favorite places.

There was, of course, a struggle among the wise ones for a place behind the spot at which Babe Ruth was to plant himself as the left field catch-all, hold-all. The baseball birds who roost on Coogan's Bluff knew all about that too, because from one part of the bluff it is possible to see both the score board and the Babe when he is in the field.

So this part of the bluff was populated early in the day by those who had this sort of an "Annie Oakley" for the game. Also on the great inclined viaduct there were handfuls here and there, hoping the police would not drive them away, because even if the diamond cannot be seen from there, at least the cheering can be heard—and that's part of the game.

Shortly after 12 o'clock it was officially announced at the grounds that something over 17,000 persons had passed through the turnstiles and that seats in the grand stand were gradually filling. Those in the stands may have been more comfortable so far as the physical act of sitting is concerned, but the bleacherites had the warm sun beaming down on them and were happy as larks. Some of them had laid in supplies of sandwiches and crackers and there was all the "pop" they wanted to buy.

Every seat in the bleachers was filled at 12:40, and when that word

SAYS WIFE, 83, HAD HIM, 82, CROSS-EYED SEEING SPOOKS

She Wants Divorce Because Scolded, Mocked and Mimicked.

CHICAGO, Oct. 5. The bloom is off the romance of Samuel H. Merritt, eighty-two, and Mrs. Louise Vaughn Merritt, eighty-three. It wasn't thus in June when they married. "Love never grows old," said Mrs. Merritt.

"Love knows no age," said Mr. Merritt. In her divorce bill Mrs. Merritt says she lived in the Merritt home, where she alleges she was scolded by his first generation, mocked by the grandchildren and mimicked by great-grandchildren.

"She is a spiritualist and made me cross-eyed seeing spooks. It was spirits that killed our bliss. She is a year older than me and vamped me," says Merritt.

reached Inspector Cahalane he gave orders that no one was to be admitted to the Eighth Avenue entrance to the grounds who did not have a ticket.

A champion traveller to the series was John Hannule, thirty-first in the bleacher line, who came all the way from his home in Aberdeen, Wash., to spend his vacation seeing the World's Series.

"I left my home town, where I'm a machinist, to see the series," said Hannule. "I have fifteen days vacation coming and reached New York this morning at 9 o'clock. The first thing I did was to hit it up here. I got here at 5 o'clock thinking I'd be first in line but I see the others got ahead of me."

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Japan, Her Aims and Policies, To Be Analyzed in The World

To-day, with Germany behind her, Japan has become the centre of a question that is absorbing the world and especially the United States. Does she stand for war or peace? What of the future? Are there forces of viciousness intent upon bringing about misunderstanding between this country and the Asiatic empire? Is her course leaning toward war? Is the attitude of this country leading itself to that possibility?

These questions and others of even more importance will be answered in a series of nine articles published by The World beginning Sunday, Oct. 9, written by one who has authority and understanding. He is Charles Mers, who was until recently associate editor of the New Republic. He is a brilliant writer, has a wide knowledge of his subject and possesses sound judgment.

His studies will be thorough, not superficial. Mr. Mers has just returned from a trip around the world, which has taken him more than a year, during the greater part of which time he concentrated his attention on Japan and the Far East. He will treat of such subjects as:

- 1. What will Japan do at the Disarmament Conference in November?
2. Who rules Japan? Is it the people or the militarists?
3. Do the Japanese hate us?
4. Are they singing a Japanese version of "Deutschland Ueber Alles"? Is Japan becoming Prussianized?
5. What power has labor in Japan?
6. What are Japan's plans in China?
7. What is China's attitude toward Japan?
8. What are Japan's plans in Korea?
9. General conclusions.

The most pressing problem confronting America is her relations with Japan. You cannot be informed on this unless you read these articles. They will begin on Sunday, Oct. 9, and run daily thereafter.

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