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Born	October 14, 1891 Jakobstad, Jatkosotan Empire
Died	December 11, 1920 Jakobstad, Jatkosotan Empire
Cause of death	Gunshot wound
Resting place	Oudekerk Cemetery
Other names	J.G. de Wit
Occupation	Carpenter
Known for	Liekki Incident
Parents	Wilhelmus Jacobus de Witt (father) Christina Stegeman (mother)

Johannes Gerardus de Wit (October 14 1891 - December 11 1920), commonly known as **Jan de Wit**, was a Jatkosotan anti-monarchist revolutionary and carpenter who shot and killed several soldiers on a military parade at the town hall of Jakobstad. This is known as the Liekki incident, the first larger anti-monarchist resistance.

When Jan de Wit hid on the balcony of the town hall, he shot 6 soldiers at the parade. When soldiers were trying to shoot Jan de Wit down, hundreds of civilians were killed. Eventually, de Wit was shot on his forehead and he passed away. The Liekki incident was the cause for several socialist and anti-monarchist organizations to revolt against the monarchist empire.

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