

Thinks Russia and China Would Unite Against Japanese

Leon Trotsky, Now in Exile, Says a Japanese Declaration of War Would Unite the Enormous Man Power of Russia and China in a Historic Struggle.

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Istanbul, Turkey, March 21—A Japanese war against the Soviet Union probably would unite the overwhelming man power and resources of Russia and China in a historic struggle against the island empire, in the opinion of Leon Trotsky, the exiled Russian revolutionary and military genius.

In an interview with the British United Press bearing on the present conflict in the Far East, Trotsky said that Japan is going to stick up to the knees in the "fat soil of Manchuria."

Trotsky's Conclusions

His conclusions on the present situation are:

- 1—Japan is aiming to colonize China, but she will fail.
- 2—Many Japanese statesmen and others besides the Japanese are convinced that a conflict with Russia is inevitable.
- 3—Russia does not want war and it could develop only if Japan with consent of stronger allies provoked it.

The Military Situation

His conclusions on the military situation in event of war were:

- 1—Japan could strike at Russia only after consolidating her position in Manchuria.
- 2—While there might be some Japanese successes in an advance westward, the difficulties of Japan would greatly increase with every mile of advance and her successes would be swallowed up.
- 3—Japan would face the danger of a crisis at home after which the revolutionary party would life up its head.
- 4—China, with her millions of men, would fight.
- 5—With the aid of Russia China could put 1,000,000 men in the field in 12 to 18 months, and another 1,000,000 in the next six months. They would be efficient as the Japanese.
- 6—The Soviet and China would have the advantage in fighting moral.
- 7—That vital element, "time," is working in favor of Russia.

CHAMPAGNE DEMANDED AND CASE WENT OVER

Chicago, Illinois, March 21—There being no champagne handy, a hearing on the \$1,000,000 estate of the late Mrs. Kitty Gunn Jones, was temporarily halted.

Mrs. Louise Thompson one of the relatives seeking to invalidate the claims of Major George W. Jones, who married Mrs. Jones in 1925, was on the stand Saturday in Master of Chancery Jacob M. Avery's chambers.

"Mr. Avery, have you any champagne here?" she asked.

"Well, no," he replied when he recovered his poise.

"I'm feeling very weak," she explained, "and the doctor prescribed champagne for me. I can't answer questions, until I get some."

No other witnesses were present and the case was continued until today.

Well, here's one break one gets from the depression: The golf club can't afford to install one of those new-fangled lie detectors.

CATCH YOUTH WITH BABY IN A PACKAGE

Ladonia, Mo., March 21—When railroad police came upon a youth climbing out of a freight car here they shouted "Drop that bundle." The boy clutched it tighter, and they approached him with guns drawn.

The little package was a 4 months old baby.

"It's mother died," the boy whimpered. "I'm trying to get back to relatives in Arkansas."

Officers raised \$5 and a conductor gave the little passenger and its custodian a seat in the caboose. The boy wanted to borrow 15 cents for milk for the child.

WOULD COMBAT KIDNAPPING

Chicago, Illinois, March 21—The ultraviolet ray as a means to combat kidnapping is boosted by Charles M. Wilson of Northwestern. Ransom money could be marked with white vaseline which would quickly become invisible. But under the ultraviolet ray crime detector the sneaks "would stick out like an electric light."

GREEN IS MASCOT NAME IN FIVE GENERATIONS

Forest City, North Carolina, March 21—John Green of near Cliffside believes his name will never get out of the family, no matter what happens.

From his great-great-grandparents to himself the name was Green. He married twice and both times married Greens. He has three daughters and one granddaughter—they all married Greens.

DEVALERA GIVES OUT INTERVIEW

Irish President Makes a Reply to Warning Issued by Hon. Neville Chamberlain.

Dublin, Ireland, March 20—President Eamonn De Valera of the Irish Free State today told a group of newspapermen he disclaimed any responsibility for his people if bitterness and differences between the Free State and Great Britain should be revived as a result of his avowed intention to secure, through the Dail Eireann, abolition of the oath of allegiance to the British Crown and abolition of land annuity payments to the British Governments.

The President's remarks were prompted by a speech delivered Friday in Birmingham by Rt. Hon. Neville Chamberlain in which the Chancellor of the British Exchequer said "any suggestion that the obligations or agreements (of the Irish Treaty) solemnly entered into by the two Governments could be repudiated or changed by either side" would be viewed by the British Government with "the gravest concern." Any such suggestion, Mr. Chamberlain added, "would undoubtedly revive the bitterness and differences which it was hoped had been removed forever."

"At this stage," President De Valera told his interviewers, "I shall only say that if the bitterness and differences are revived, the fault will not lie with the Irish people."

Worth £3,000,000

The annuities which Mr. De Valera would withhold from the British Government are worth approximately 3,000,000 pounds. They are collected under the terms of the Irish Treaty from Free State farmers in repayment for loans advanced to enable them to secure freehold of their land from their former landlords. The President's attitude is that the annuities are the property of the Free State and that the Irish Treaty does not bind the people of the State to swear allegiance to the British Crown.

PARIS OPERA IN FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES

Paris, March 21—The Paris Opera is in financial difficulties and its manager, Jacques Rouché, had written a letter or resignation to the Minister of Arts. There is talk of today of closing the opera at the end of the month. It has already been closing one night a week. Recently American dancers were engaged to increase the attraction, but the attendance failed to respond.

M. Rouché says the opera's deficit is around \$10,000 a month. The opera receives subventions of \$250,000 annually from the State and \$24,000 from the city of Paris, but it has never been able to keep its scenery in proper shape or to obtain new decorations.

Painful Accident

Elias White, Marysville's oldest man had the misfortune to fall in his home last week and injure his hip quite severely. A physician who was called however, found that the bone had not been fractured as at first supposed, but had been badly bruised. Mr. White is confined to his bed and is reported to be resting comfortably.

CANADIAN AND BRITISH BANKS IN GOOD SHAPE

Not a Failure Has Been Reported in Seven Years

MANY HAVE CLOSED IN U. S.

Swedish Brokers' Associations With Kreuger Suspended

(Special to the DAILY MAIL by the British United Press)

Washington, D. C., March 21—There has not been a single bank failure in Great Britain or Canada for seven years, the Commerce Department reported today.

In the United States, more than two thousand banks closed during 1931 alone, involving \$1,700,000,000.

Brokers Suspended

Stockholm, Sweden, March 21—Three brokers associated with the late Ivar Kreuger were suspended from the Stockholm stock exchange for insolvency today when trading was resumed.

The Exchange had been closed for a week to avoid possible difficulties incident to Kreuger's suicide.

The provincial Vimmerby Savings Bank, believed to be a small institution closed its doors. The bank was reported to have been a large investor.

NEW TOWERS RAISE SKYLINE

New Haven, Conn., March 21—Due to Yale's gigantic building program New Haven is fast becoming the city of towers. A fifth 150-foot tower has just been raised over a new Sheffield Scientific School building. Other towers include the famous Harkness Tower, Wrexham, the graduated school tower and the tower of the new \$7,000,000 Payne Whitney gymnasium all 150 feet high or more.

WILLIS McPHERSON PASSED AWAY AT THE VICTORIA HOSPITAL

Well Known And Popular Mechanic And Garage Proprietor Of North Devon Succumbs After Lengthy Illness.

Willis McPherson, garage proprietor of North Devon, and well known throughout the city and province passed away at the Victoria Public Hospital. He had not enjoyed good health for some time and about a month ago was admitted to the hospital for treatment. The news of the fatal termination of his illness, although it did not occasion much surprise, was received on all sides with expressions of the deepest regret.

The late Mr. McPherson was a mechanist by trade and in his particular line of work had few equals and no superiors in the province. He had carried on business for upwards of thirty years in the city and in Devon. His circle of acquaintances was large and his cheerful and obliging disposition won for him universal esteem.

The deceased was fifty six years of age and is survived by a widow, three sons and two daughters. The members of the family are Myles and Willis, Jr., at home, Ralph of River Shannon; Annie, of Waterbury, Conn., and Grace at home. One sister, Miss Ethel McPherson, resides at Calgary.

The funeral will be held from his home in Devon on Tuesday at 2.30 p.m., conducted by Rev. H. Burns with interment under auspices of the Masonic order in the rural extension cemetery, Fredericton.

Good prejudices are always preferable to bad reasoning.

Japan Prepares Proposals For Arms Conference

Wants Security Against China and Russia in the Far East—Demands of France for Security in Europe are Rivalled—Temporary Truce in Shanghai is Reached.

Geneva, March 21—Japanese proposals for security arrangements in the Far East against China and Russia, rivalling France's demands for security in Europe, have been prepared for submission to the World Arms Conference the British United Press was informed today.

The Japanese military experts met last night and drafted the proposals for submission to the secretariat on April 4.

A Temporary Truce

Shanghai, March 21—China and Japan reached a temporary truce in their conflict over control of Shanghai today, when both sides agreed to refer details of a peace pact to a joint commission.

LINDBERG BABY IN CANADA BUT WRONG ONE

Winnipeg, Manitoba, March 21—A man sa in a parked car with a baby on his knee recently.

"Better be careful or they'll run you in for having the Lindbergh baby," said a smiling policeman.

"This is the Lindbergh baby," the man said.

"Oh, yeah?" said he policeman as he passed on.

But it was. The man's name is Charles Lindbergh, and he's a flier in the Royal Canadian Air Force.

HOCKEY TEAM ARRIVED

Fredericton Capitals Returned Today At Noon From New England barnstorming trip—Team Victorious In Showing—Players Expected To Remain Here.

The band of the Fredericton Capitals hockey club which have been touring the New England States for the past several weeks—the team which trimmed the Boston H. C. 2 to 0, and 6 to 0 on Friday and Saturday nights of last week to win the International series—arrived home by C. P. R. today at noon. Hedley C. Forbes who had been in charge of the team also arrived. Bill Miller, Campbellton star, who played with the team during its very successful tour, returned via Montreal. He plans to see the Dalhousie-M. A. A. game to-night there.

In conversation with the Mail, Mr. Forbes said the players all enjoyed a good trip and none were injured seriously. He expected that all players would remain here for another year. Though several of the players had been approached by scouts with offers, none accepted, due it is said to the price offered. Mosher, Beaton, Mannus, Gammon were all mentioned in these offers, as well as Miller, the Campbellton star. Hymie McArthur, the diminutive forward, who was slammed against the boards in one of the later games, is recovering quite favorably from the injury. The other members of the team are all in tip top shape. Some mention has been made of having the local club play the Moncton team on Good Friday at the local arena.

Winter has already commenced to linger in the lap of spring.

C.N.R. LOOKS FOR A LARGE EASTER TRAFFIC

(Special to the Daily Mail)

Moncton, N. B., March 21—With Easter occurring earlier than usual this year and with many country roads closed to vehicular traffic the Canadian National Railways look forward to exceptionally heavy holiday traffic over lines in Canada and over International routes.

Another factor certain to swell the numbers is the special fare reduction applying to the general public and especially to teachers and students. This reduction on Canadian Railways is a factor which has not for several years entered into the question of Easter traffic.

It is anticipated that the traffic increase will start with trains leaving various points Thursday afternoon, March 24, which is the day preceding Good Friday and be at its maximum for trains operating Saturday. Since Monday is a holiday observed by many firms in Canada and the United States, it is expected that both Monday and Tuesday will witness much return traffic.

Late Rainsford Foster

The death of Rainsford W. Foster occurred this morning at his late home in North Devon. The deceased was 85 years old, and had been in failing health for some time. He was a well known citizen and for many years, was manager of I. R. Golding's livery stable on York Street. He was a native of Sunbury County and came here from Maugerville, where he had farmed for several years. The deceased is a brother of Dr. Berton E. Foster, of this city. He is survived by his wife, Mary Elizabeth; two brothers, Dr. B. C. Foster and Fred Foster, of Morehead, Minnesota; one sister, Mrs. George Hayward, of Hampton, N. B. The service will be held tomorrow afternoon at four o'clock from his late home in Devon. Rev. G. W. Guion will conduct the services and interment will be made in the rural cemetery.

TOOK A CHANCE

London, England, March 21—Primo Carnera was big enough to do something about this but he wasn't fast enough. A man stepped up to him on the street and slapped him on the jaw. "What's that for?" the giant growled, "Just for fun," the man said as he streaked away.