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THE ANTI-COMMUNIST PACT

THE PACT RECENTLY SIGNED BY ITALY has a carefully chosen and very disarming title carefully selected to allay the anxiety of the democratic countries of the world. "The Anti-Communist Pact!" Could anything have a more harmless sound?

In reality the true test of anything is how it actually operates. "By their works ye shall know them."

In practice the Anti-Communist Pact is the most clever and ruthless system of statecraft ever advocated since Machiavelli wrote "The Prince." It is a beautifully simple system of organized international meddling. Under cover of this ample cloak it is possible to interfere in the affairs of any country in the world. All that is necessary is to finance a revolution among the discontented minority in any country. It matters little whether the discontented minority is Communist or Fascist. Skillful propaganda, arms and money can foment a rebellion. The nations who are members of the Anti-Communist Pact will then say that they cannot tolerate a centre of Red activity near their borders. Armed intervention will follow and the country in question will find itself reduced to a colony or vassal state.

As a system of acquiring colonies or gaining control over the world sources of raw materials it offers infinite possibilities to countries such as Italy, Germany and Japan, who started late to build their colonial empire.

If we grant that the suppression of Communism is a secondary object and that the real purpose of this pact is to acquire colonies and dominate the sources of raw materials and trade routes of the world, logic forces us to the conclusion that the British Empire must in reality be the foe at which the full force of this pact will be eventually aimed.

In every case the aims and ambitions of Italy, Germany and Japan find themselves checked by the British Dominions. British bases British occupations of key sources of raw materials and the British fleet.

Japan finds herself blocked in the East by our possession of Hong-Kong and Singapore and the Dominions of Australia and New Zealand. She finds herself held back from the seizure of the fabulously rich and highly developed Dutch East Indies by the threat of the British fleet.

Italy finds her colonial ambitions in Africa and Palestine blocked by Britain. The Mediterranean can never become an Italian lake until England is liquidated.

German ambitions in Central Europe and the Baltic are blocked by Great Britain. How easy, if it were not for the British fleet, to incorporate Denmark, Norway and Sweden, Germany's chief sources of raw materials in the German Empire.

We are about to receive an unwelcome call from three nations who have not done as well in the world as we have. If gangsters come to town they go to the rich man's house.

NO ELECTION DISTURBANCE

THE RUMORS CURRENT as to the possibility of an early Federal election have been set at rest by the timely statement of the Prime Minister, who sees no prospect of an appeal to the country until the end of the statutory term in 1940. These rumors took to owing shortly after the Ontario election, presumably on the theory that the Government would take advantage of the wave of Liberal sentiment indicated in that Province. Mr. Bennett's regenerating cross-country tour has added weight to the conviction that far-sighted leaders sensed a conflict. It is all off. The people may settle down to their respective jobs for another 3 years without danger of political disturbance.

There can be no excuse for a mid-term election as long as public affairs are taking their normal course. Should a European conflagration rise or a war break out elsewhere involving the British Empire, or some other major problem crop up seriously affecting the country's interests, an appeal to the electorate might be justified. But the expense and turmoil are not warranted simply to extend a Government's unexpired lease of life.

The Government also has some distance to go to complete the program it set for itself. It has been fortunate in catching the tide at its flow, and has been able to utilize its trade policies to advantage. Revenues are most encouraging, promising Budget surpluses instead of deficits, but as yet they are not in the record. The benefits of the National Employment Commission's work are obvious, but has not yet reached their peak. While the Royal Commission on Dominion-Provincial relations anticipates completion of its hearings by next midsummer, time will be required to prepare its report, and many more months to consider the recommendations and make them effective. Moreover, the Government would be ill-advised to ask for another mandate without doing something to reconstruct the railway situation or without being able to prove beyond question that it is curing itself.

Taking everything into consideration, an election at this time, or within the near future, assuming no serious unforeseen situation develops, would be an act of folly.

And with the air cleared of the uncertainty, would it be too much to ask the two parties at Ottawa to forget about elections and give the country two years of constructive service? The National Employment Commission is doing an excellent job; but cannot something be done in addition to overcome the oppressive and demoralizing idleness of the employables? Is it not worthwhile at least to establish a record of trying to solve the railway problem?

The public has become accustomed to seeing the break-up term of Parliament a fight for political position. There will be two intervening years which can be devoted to public service profitably, if the parties are willing to devote their best efforts to this end.

Snapshots

The hockey team seems to be getting away to a good start. All that is needed now is public support. The boys should have a better break under the present rink management than they have received in recent years—and they deserve it.

There is no reason why this city should not have a bang-up hockey team.

According to our old friend Mrs. Carvell, who keeps her eyes open, the Japs in British Columbia are getting possession of the lumber and mining resources in that province and are shipping large quantities of these resources to Japan for war material. This is interesting.

Augustus is said to have been the 'only dictator in history who ever kept his head.' Current dictators try to protect themselves by removing the heads of others.

The bagpipes skirled in an Alberta town as one of its residents entered his 103rd year. There are critics who insist that it is for such occasions that bagpipes should be reserved.

General Ludeudorff states in writing that his wife is the wisest of all human beings. Once he commanded a great army, but now, defenseless, he has to make the common male admission.

They are kidding student with 'best memory in Ohio' who sailed abroad without his passport. That's not loss of memory, just absent-minded stuff. He'll remember when his mind is at home.

JAPS NOW

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The Japanese advance had no military effect on the French Concession the area packed with foreign refugees immediately adjoining the region evacuated by the Chinese, but it left all foreign and Chinese sections surrounded by Japanese warships and troops.

This expeditionary column is said to be making a strong attack against Sungkiang, a key point in China's communications to the west.

It was believed the Chinese would take new positions several miles from Shanghai in an attempt to bar the Japanese advance toward Nanking.

Both foreign and Japanese observers were almost unanimous today in the belief that Russo-Japanese relations were nearing the breaking point as reaction to recent strengthening of the anti-Comintern pact and friction over fishing treaty negotiations.

The Tokyo paper Hochi reported the Soviets were making herculean efforts to bolster their Far Eastern Army and that Marshal Klement Voroshiloff, Russia's defence commissar, was hurrying to Siberia to engineer a sweeping reformation of forces.

Despatches to the newspaper from Vladivostok, Russia's principal Pacific port, said that Voroshiloff's report to the Kremlin regarding the strength of the Far Eastern army, was expected finally to determine the decision in Moscow.

The Vladivostok sources said Russia had extended the term of service for Siberian troops and rushed others to that region.

For many months Japan and Russia have been at odds over Japan's desire for renewal of fishing rights in Russian waters north of Japan.

The newspaper Ashai reported in a despatch from Berlin today Germany plans to send a mission to North China to study possibilities of economic development of that area in co-operation with Japan.

Arrival in Berlin of Vice-Admiral Takuo Godoh, former minister of commerce and industry, was believed of importance in the light of this report.

Godoh was one of four 'popular envoys' who left Japan Oct. 15 on separate visits to explain Japan's position regarding China to the various nations.

OLD GOLD

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Apprenticeship Project", to help untrained young men in seeking work. The project is supported equally by the Provincial and Federal Governments who contribute amounts approximately equal to profits from actual mine production.

JAPANESE SECURE

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speaker at a meeting here a couple of days ago deplored the sailing of a great ship with the hull filled with raw materials for the manufacture of munitions whilst the upper deck was loaded with missionaries and Bibles.

Feeling of sympathy for the Chinese is running so high in this port that Japanese residents have distributed a six page pamphlet at every door in the city proclaiming their cause as just. It was stated that women alone could stop the Sino-Japanese war if they refused to wear silk and rayon stockings. The latter made by the Japs from the lumber of the British Columbia forests.

OUR MAIL BAG

"FAIR PLAY'S A JEWEL"

The cancellation by the Duke of Windsor of his proposed trip to the United States at the present time has been wise. The comments of certain sections of the press and various labor leaders have been such as to leave him no other course. That these remarks have foundation but an almost unbelievable ignorance of the Duke of Windsor's past record and present aims is immaterial. Anglo-American goodwill and personal dignity demanded a postponement of his visit. The spectacle of the past ruler of the world's greatest empire being black-guarded like a strike breaker by American labor could have done nothing to promote Anglo-American friendship, or the prestige of Britain.

Even American professors, self-styled radio news commentators, and a host of ill-informed critics have added their voice to the chant of ignorance.

The Duke of Windsor has from his earliest days as Prince of Wales been an advocate of slum clearance and an ardent crusader in this fight. In this cause he visited every section of Great Britain choosing his own districts and refusing to be led about on conducted tours.

London properties of the Duchy of Cornwall from which he derived a large part of the revenue hereditary to his position as Prince of Wales were torn down and rebuilt at great expense. These efforts made a great inroad into his yearly income. On one occasion he was alleged to have described conditions in the British distressed areas as, "a damnable disgrace." As the prince before him he saw the hardships and misfortunes of the suffering at first hand. His abdication put a period to a life rich in service. It did not however put a period to his desire to better living conditions in the slum districts of Great Britain. An active man, and tireless worker, he felt that life yet held promise and interest if in an unofficial capacity he could still continue his efforts on behalf of the submerged sections of Britain's population. It is difficult to conceive how such efforts in view of his past record, his dignified and utter relinquishment of position and power, and his flawlessly correct attitude since could be twisted as having a political bias.

"What then did he plan a trip to

the United States for to study labor conditions," ask his critics "What has slum clearance to do with labor conditions?" In this case as in so many others in this world, what seems to be the mystery in this matter is really its clue.

The problem of slum clearance and labor conditions are like husband and wife and should seldom be divorced from one another. The various governments may build blocks of beautiful dwellings at reasonable rents. But unless they can raise the wage of their population to a reasonable level they will find that they are still too dear for three-quarters of the slum population to occupy.

This was the experience of the United States Government which built blocks of beautiful modernized tenements in all its larger cities and then found out that the average slum family in receipt of less than \$800.00 per year income still could not afford to pay even \$20.00 per month rent.

Anyone wishing to make an effective contribution to slum clearance is forced of necessity to study labor conditions. This is the reason for the Duke of Windsor's trip to study American labor conditions.

The reason for his trip to German labor and housing centres should be plain to all. For some reason Nazi Germany has been able to make much progress in betterment of slum conditions and in fighting the housing problem although her labor is operating on one of the most depressed wage standards in the world. An inquiry into the means by which this has been achieved and a study of its best features can not fail to have valuable lessons even for the most ardent advocate of unionized labor or democratic principles.

In relation to the unfortunate choice of Bedatix as the Duke's American spokesman, the Duke of Windsor was guided by that loyalty to old friends which has always been one of his most outstanding characteristics.

His retention of an advertising agency to govern the statements and publicity during his tour was to assure him of full enjoyment of his leisure time and the services of American publicity men who understood the American mind and would stand as a buffer between him and the pitiless glare of tabloid publicity.

H. M. PAINT.

TOWN PLANNING

On other blocks certain types of business will be allowed, while the commencing of other types will be restricted. In all it is stated that the main purpose of zoning is to restrict building and the establishment of businesses or industries in sections where they would be detrimental or nuisances to the general welfare and improvement of the city.

The city will not be divided permanently into residential, industrial and other districts for possibly many years, since this is a work that cannot be completed other than by a series of short steps over a long period of time. In the meanwhile, instead of dividing the city into a small number of districts, the blocks must be considered separately and each block of each street considered a separate unit.

A Town Planning Commission is just what Fredericton needs. If we had had this scheme years ago the condition which we have in certain parts of English Settlement would not exist today.

It would be nice if the Town Planning Commission could only have power to tear down the present subway and rebuild a different one, more in keeping with the dignity and surroundings of our Capital City. Perhaps even yet this commission may be able to do something to remedy the blot which was placed on this city by the C.N.R. engineers with the apparent approval of our own city officials who should have protected our interests. Are we going to let this subway remain as it is?

Yours truly,

FOR CITY BETTERMENT.

Fredericton N. B., Oct. 6, 1937.

Editor Daily Mail.

City.

Dear Sir:

All up to date communities recognize the value and growing need of an intelligent and careful Town Planning scheme. In many places there are town planning commissions vested with more or less authority to decide what types of buildings and what kinds of business may be carried on in any given area. This scheme is one of the best yet devised in connection with town affairs even whilst the average small town does not feel like surrendering its individual freedom and whilst one will find individuals or corporations even in the larger communities who are loath to give up what they imagine is their rights for the common good.

The greatest service to the general public is what all must consider above what is imaginary individual interest, or company interest. According to those who have charge of the Town Planning Scheme in this city, a map of the city has been drawn up by the three committees on zoning appointed by the commission, segregating the city into different zones. This plan is not ready for the public yet because there will no doubt be many changes before it is finally settled.

In the plan, every block within the city has been considered and set aside for different purposes. Some blocks will be for the erection of residential buildings only. The type of building will also be specified so that the value of any property may not be lessened by the erection of certain types of structures on adjoining lots.

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"The human race is, after all, one great family, closely related in kinship and destined to the same eternity. Each of us, whether white, black, yellow or brown, is predestined to a short existence and the spirit of brotherhood should direct us to live in harmony one with another so that each may have his full share of the bounty nature has provided.

"Let us not be beguiled by those who would give glamor and romance to the arts of war. Let us rather penetrate that shallow exterior and consider the horrible slaughter of fellow beings, the anguish and despair, the wilful destruction of material things which should be employed to bring comfort and happiness. There is no winner in war. Everybody loses. Let us grasp that significant fact and let us, as Britishers, play our full part to the end that the doctrine of the Nazarene may find full effect—peace and good-will among all states and people."

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