

JAPAN YET TO BE MASTER OF QUARTER OF HUMAN RACE

Complete Conquest and Inexorable Control of China Foreseen — United States and Britain Look on Inactively While Program Is in Progress.

(By David Lloyd George, Former Prime Minister of Great Britain)

LONDON, England, March 4—The report that Japan is now engaged in pressing upon China negotiations for a large Japanese loan, with the possible effect of linking Chinese currency to the yen, is but another straw that shows which way the breeze is blowing on the far side of the Pacific. It is a breeze which intends to become a trade wind unless, in the meantime, it develops into a typhoon.

Evidence which no intelligent man could ignore has, for years past, been accumulating to show that Japan is setting before herself the definite aim of establishing a full hegemony over her vast neighbor, China.

The "twenty-one demands" which she forced on China in 1915, when the Western world was distracted by the Great War, hinted plainly enough at her objective.

For a time she was held in check by sturdy co-operation of the United States, and Britain, which brought about the Washington treaty of 1922, establishing the "open door" in China, the authority of China in Manchuria, and the limitation of the Japanese navy.

But this action succeeded only in making Japan postpone her policy, not to abandon it.

Manchuria And Shanghai

In 1931, profiting by the financial distraction of Europe and America, she began her conquest of Manchuria and the next year she made her raid on Shanghai—a too premature adventure from which she found it necessary to withdraw.

Since then she has consolidated her position in Manchuria and added the Province of Jehol to her collection. Recently she has begun a further move against Inner Mongolia.

But while such military penetration and annexation of the fringe of the old Chinese Empire was an effective opening for her campaign, Japan could not hope for military measures alone to extend her dominion over the whole vast extent of China proper. For this a more persuasive strategy was wanted and is being adopted.

China Left Without Friends

Her previous aggressions have gone far to convince China that it can look for no practical help against Japan from any of its nominal friends.

Japan is now convinced that the League of Nations may pass resolutions but will do nothing further. She has also come to the conclusion that the United States and Britain will stand aside and watch inactively her ruthless forward march.

It is not to be wondered at that some of China's leading statesmen are swinging around to the view that they had better resign themselves willingly to domination by Japan and make such terms as they can with her.

Surrender Coming For Dragon

Reports of the latest negotiations between the two countries and of the prospective loan indicate that such an alliance is now well above the horizon. There may be setbacks and struggles, writhings and revolts of the loose-limbed Chinese dragon under the driv-

ing spear of the Samurai. But steadily, remorselessly, the Japanese will press their points home until there is a final surrender and acquiescence on the part of their gigantic but helpless and friendless prey.

Western Influences Steadily Ousted

China, it may be anticipated, will gradually yield herself to closer and closer Japanese control, financial, political, and administrative. Western advisers and Western influences will be steadily ousted by the Japanese until the story of Manchuoukuo has been re-enacted in the vast Chinese commonwealth.

Such development may not be in the best interests of China. It may not be in the best interests of the world as a whole. But unless some unforeseen circumstance occurs to interfere, it is a development as inevitable as the rising of the sun; it would be childish folly for us to shut our eyes to the fact, however unwelcome we may deem it.

Within a measurable period of time we have to expect accomplishment by Japan of a huge Eastern Asiatic Empire with a population of more than 500,000,000—upwards of a quarter of the whole human race—a bigger and far more compact empire than the world has ever known, yet ruled by an energetic, militant, efficient, and ambitious race, intensely patriotic and quite inexorable where their country's interests are involved.

Whether that vast new empire will be a boon or a curse to the world at large, we must face the fact that its establishment is more than a probability; and its coming will profoundly affect the future of humanity.

China has infinite possibilities. It is populated by an industrious, patient, and highly intelligent people. All they need, is unity, organization and a fair start.

Japan Will Close the Open Door

The commercial repercussions of the Japanese penetration of Eastern Asia can be easily forecast.

For many years China has furnished a highly valuable market for the products of western manufacturing nations. A slight rise in the purchasing power of the population of 500,000,000 is equal to discovery of a rich new market for all the products of industry.

Hence, has come the carefully guarded policy of the "open door" to preserve for us all equality of opportunities there.

But when once China passes under the hegemony of Japan, it will be good-bye to the "open door" and to the once valuable Chinese markets.

Will Japan maintain the "open door" there? Nominally? Yes. In effect—no.

She is completely sentimental and she will want to keep the market for her rapidly growing industries. Nay, more: with the territorial strength and the scale of production her manufacturers will achieve inside this immense territory, she will be able to invade every other market, particularly in Middle Asia, Africa, Central and South America, Australia, and the South Seas.

Already she is making considerable commercial headway in these regions. When the resources and potentialities of China are at her disposal, she will be incalculably more formidable.

In the sphere of international politics, the prospects is no less lowering.

The Japanese as I have said, are a militant race. Their Navy, and Army are not servants of the State, but the most important and, influential part of the Government itself—civilian statesmen, being by comparison subordinate and inferior, alike in effective control and popular regard.

Japan Invulnerable At Home; Strong Abroad

Army authorities have already taken charge of the Asiatic campaign. The Navy has now compelled the Government to tear up the Washington naval pact and declare for full naval parity. It is determined to secure quite invincible naval supremacy in the Asiatic half of the Pacific Ocean.

General Smuts has repeatedly warned us of the prospect. He is no alarmist, but a calm perspicacious observer and is accustomed with steady eyes to look realities in the face.

Ere long we may expect to see in Eastern Asia an immense Mongolian empire, led by an combative race with far-reaching ambitions and so armed as to be practically invulnerable at home and capable of dangerous offensive action in support of their claims for status of commerce or territory.

The most serious demand on statesmanship today—far more serious than less glamorous than some of the European issues which distract our attention—is for wise, farsighted and unflattering policy in regard to the Far East.

The present situation has been allowed to develop largely through our slackness and lack of vision and decision. The whole world is affected, but three states are most especially concerned in it—Russia, whose frontiers are concurrent on the land with those of Japan's present and prospective territories on the mainland of Asia; the United States, which fronts Japan across the Pacific, and the British Commonwealth whose Australian and Asian dominions lie south of the danger zone.

Russia's problems are her own and she, in any case, at the moment holds too dogmatically aloof from non-Communist countries for real co-operation to be easy.

But America and Britain, the two biggest naval powers, who both confront Japan across the sea and are both deeply interested in the Chinese market, ought to consider it a matter of vital urgency to achieve and maintain a joint policy in their dealings with this Far Eastern problem.

There can be no question of repressing Japan or damming back her natural development. She has a right to live and to grow. Whether she is justified in seizing Dominion of China is another question—though the point is rapidly being reached when that question may not be worth the asking.

We have all been fatally slack in facing that issue. The League of Nations could agree on no effective action on Manchuoukuo. Britain and America sang antiphonally, but never in unison on that theme. Every loan which report says is being pressed on China by Japan was refused to China by Britain and America.

And while we lectured Japan at Geneva, and then looked the other way, Japan pursued her quiet purposeful way.

But whatever the ultimate relation of China and Japan may prove, its very first importance is that the other great Pacific powers, the United States and the British Commonwealth, should frame a common policy and adopt and maintain an agreed attitude of statesmanship in dealing with the issue.

Can Achieve Nothing Single-Handed!

It should be our aim to secure a settlement in the Far East which will be in the best interest of all parties—of Japan and China as well as America and Britain and that other nations which do business there. We want to maintain the "open door", ensure the peaceful development of China, and eliminate all perils of future conflicts or aggressions.

Such results won't come of themselves; they must be worked for. And neither Britain nor America can work for them single-handed with the slightest hope of doing anything effective.

UPP. MAUGERVILLE

Upper Maugerville, March 4—Walter Fraser, teacher at District No. 1, spent the week end at his home in Devon.

Lloyd Powers, three year old son of Mr. and Mrs. George Powers, had the misfortune to fall last week and break his arm. He was taken to Fredericton, where he received medical attention and is now convalescing at his home.

Minnie Harding, senior student at the F. H. S. is confined to her home with a severe cold.

Shirley Anne Forrest has been suffering for the past day or two with a cold.

Clarence Harding and family, who have been residing in Fredericton for the past four months, have returned to their old home here.

Mrs. Patrick Forrest was in Fredericton on Saturday.

Helen Powers and Muriel McFarren have returned home after visiting friends in Fredericton.

Mrs. Bailey was calling on Miss Mabel Stapley on Friday.

Mrs. Emily McKeen was calling on Mrs. William Powers on Friday.

Charles Dryden is confined to his home with influenza.

Queenie Forrest was calling on Miss Mabel Stapley recently.

Muriel McFarren was calling on Miss Helen Powers on Friday.

Among those who were in town over the week end were Mrs. Chas. Dryden, Helen Powers, Muriel McFarren, Mrs. Forrest, Clarence Harding and James Flitton.

Our roads are being ploughed out after the recent storms.

NASHWAAK BRIDGE

Nashwaak Bridge, March 4—Mrs. Mary A. True, who has been ill for some time, is slowly recovering.

Mr. David Rice, of Fredericton, is visiting friends here at present.

Miss Dorothy Hickson spent the week end with her sister, Miss Verna Hickson, our teacher.

The many friends of Mrs. Katherine Johnston will regret to hear that she is on the sick list.

Pat McGivney, the young son of Mr. and Mrs. Curless McGivney, met with a bad accident on Saturday when he was struck on the head by a falling tree. He was taken to the hospital where it was found necessary to take a number of stitches in the cut.

Miss Gracie Fraser spent Saturday evening the guest of Miss Edythe Forbes.

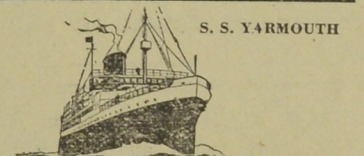
Mr. Turney Manzer who has been ill with stomach trouble is slowly recovering.

Misses Verna and Dorothy Hickson spent Saturday afternoon and evening the guests of Miss Della Fairley.

Our two communities, working in real co-operation, can effectually bring the influence of the western world to bear on settlement of the Eastern problem. Together, we can ensure that the development of Japan and of China shall form an harmonious element in world progress.

If we neglect our responsibility, there is prospect of a closed and hardened Eastern front which will cleave the world in two for generations and may result in immeasurable suffering and calamity for the human race.

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PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that under and by virtue of the provisions of The Property Act, and under and by virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Indenture of Leasehold Mortgage, bearing date the Twenty-fourth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-four, made between the said John D. H. MURRAY, of the City of Fredericton in the County of York and Province of New Brunswick, Labourer, and HAZEL MURRAY, his wife, of the one part, and RAINSFORD W. FOSTER, of the Town of Devon in the County of York and Province of New Brunswick, Esquire, of the other part, and duly recorded in York County Records in Book 193, pages 670-673, under official number 77036, the 25th day of November, 1924, there will, for the purpose of obtaining payment of the moneys secured by the said Indenture of Leasehold Mortgage, default having been made in the payment thereof contrary to the provisions of the said Indenture of Leasehold Mortgage, be sold at Public Auction in front of the Post Office in the City of Fredericton, in the County of York, on Saturday, the Ninth day of March, 1935, at the hour of twelve o'clock Noon, the lands and premises mentioned and described in the said Indenture of Leasehold Mortgage as follows:

"ALL that certain lot of land situate in the City of Fredericton in the County of York bounded and described as follows: Commencing on the southwesterly side of Victoria Street at a point distant 188 feet from the point of intersection of the Northwesterly side of the Northwesterly side line of said Lot Four (4) of a distance of 150 feet to a reserved right-of-way, thence Northwesterly along said reserved right-of-way 47 feet, thence at right angles Northwesterly 15 feet to Victoria Street, and thence Southeasterly along Victoria Street 47 feet to the place of beginning, being known as Lot Number Five (5) in Block "F" in plan of survey of Campbell lands made by Baird and Howie."

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Dated this First day of February, A.D. 1935.

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