

DOMINIONS MAY BE HEARD FROM IN JAP TREATY

Anglo-Japanese Treaty Will Probably be Renewed as it is.

ANTIPODES OPINION

Determination That Australia Shall Remain a "White Man's Country."

London, May 15.—The Anglo-Japanese treaty will in all probability be renewed shortly without material change. It will expire on July 20, 1921, but under its terms either Government must give notice on July 20 next as to whether it wishes to continue or terminate it. Very little doubt is entertained in well-informed circles here that England will renew it, as it is understood Japan is anxious to do so.

The treaty has become one of the settled features of British policy, and as it has worked well in the past, will be continued almost as a matter of routine. Certain changes will be necessary in order to make the instrument conform with the Treaty of Versailles and special interest attaches to this in that it will be the first agreement of first class importance to be communicated to the League of Nations.

As regards Anglo-American relations, it was pointed out today that the present treaty specifically relieves either party from obligation to go to war with any state with which it has an arbitration treaty, and as England and the United States are signatories of the Peace Commission's treaty of September, 1914, it is clear that neither England nor Australia could ever ask England to side with her against America. An argument put forward in certain American newspapers that the failure of the senate to ratify, earlier, the arbitration treaty with England, has deprived the safeguard inserted in the Anglo-Japanese agreement of all effect, is therefore not considered by experts here to be well founded.

The dominions, particularly Australia, may, however, make their voices heard in the new Japanese deal. W. A. Watt, treasurer of the Australian Commonwealth, in a speech last night said Australia would want the right to be considered in the negotiations. The points she might bring up are given tonight in the Pall Mall Gazette, as the attitude of Japan towards the return of Kiauchow, the extraordinary Japanese immigration now in progress into the New Hebrides, and other islands in the Australian waters, and the necessity of formal Japanese recognition of the policy of a "white" Australia.

Exclusion of Japs. London, May 15.—The question whether there is to be a continuation of the Anglo-Japanese alliance is being broached before the British public by the presence of W. A. Watt, treasurer of the Australian Commonwealth, in England. Mr. Watt arrived in London this week and has given out a number of interviews in which he urged close co-operation between Great Britain and her dominions with regard to foreign policies and emphasized Australia's determination to remain a "white man's country."

At a dinner given in his honor which was attended by Viscount Milner, Secretary of State for the Colonies, and numerous other men in public life, Mr. Watt in an address said: "The dominant position in the world has been that in southeastern Asia five hundred million colored people and the Australian people say that whatever can be done to keep our country for such as the British and their children should be done. We know that we could not repel an armed assault by the great yellow or brown nations, but we believe that in the fullness of time the statesmen of the Empire will understand our attitude and assist us to enforce it."

"If there are conventions in the near future between the Empire of the Mikado and the British Government, the Australian people want their views registered before the responsible thinkers in the home of our Empire."

GOETHALS OFFERED TO REBUILD FRANCE

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Claimed Reason Offer Was Turned Down Was Fear of Giving Importance to Labor Organization.

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Paris, May 18.—The committee of the General Federation of Labor called last week to the effect that American capitalists had offered, through the French labor delegates in America, sufficient funds to rebuild the devastated regions of France, now is looking as a serious "affair" in French politics.

Until today not a single Paris newspaper had paid the slightest attention to that important announcement, but now Gustave Tery's violently anti-American L'Oeuvre, of all papers, goes after the government in the strongest terms for not having accepted the American offer and gives striking details of the character of the offer. L'Oeuvre, apparently has gone thoroughly into the subject and declares that the offer was made by General Goethals, heading a group of American business men that the sum offered was 20,000,000,000 francs (normally, \$14,000,000,000), or more if needed, and that the portraiture in America were made with M. Jouhaux himself, when the French labor chief was in Washington as France's delegate to the national labor conference, of which he also was vice-president. General Goethals is quoted as saying at the time the offer was made: "We have absolute confidence in the ability of France to come back and in the workmen of your country. We have little confidence in your politicians and none at all in your business men. It is necessary, however, that France live. The world, and particularly America, has need of it. Therefore we agree to place this money in the hands of the French Government. We charge ourselves with the reconstruction of the devastated regions. But where a house is so badly damaged it is not sufficient to replace the roof only. It is necessary to re-establish the foundations. We refer to the foundations of your economic prosperity. You have ports and canals. We have confidence in the French workmen and appreciate his qualities. Ask that our engineers be placed on the committee because we think you would profit from their counsel."

"If \$100,000,000 is not enough we will raise more."

"Do not think that in this offer we are purely philanthropists or sentimentalists. We are business men confident that our money will come back. For America France is an ideal handling place on the west of Europe, the harbor boom extending from the old continent to receive vessels and merchandise coming across the Atlantic. Investigation here has brought from the present minister of reconstruction, M. Oger, a denial that he ever has heard of the offer while M. Jonhaux, at present confined to his bed by illness, is unable to furnish further details. Labor officials at headquarters today said the offer was made during the premiership of M. Clemenceau.

The officials insist that while the government made the excuse, in effect, that the American offer was not backed by sufficient authority, the real reason was governmental fear of doing anything that would give importance to the labor organization.

I have just had a talk with Professor Luzzo Brentano. This famous scholar and publicist I found living in a stable behind a block of flats which he owns.

"Here," said the professor laughing, as he waved his hand around his study, which is whitewashed and furnished in workaday style, "two horses used to be stabled. Next door, which is my library, there once lived three horses, and by bedroom upstairs was once a hayloft."

Professor Brentano explained that he had given up his flat to live in the country during the winter. Returning recently he found he was not allowed to occupy his own flats as the city council, which is mainly composed of Independent Socialists, had enforced the Communistic housing laws, which were introduced under the short-lived Red government and sternly decreed who should live in vacant houses, without taking the slightest notice of the wishes or needs of the owners. So there was nothing for the Professor to do but to live in his stable.

BAVARIA ANXIOUS TO AVOID TROUBLE WITH SOCIALISTS

Prime Minister Kahn Maintains That Citizen Guards Are Necessary.

BRENTANO'S EXPERIENCE

Famous Publicist Compelled by Communist Housing Laws to Live in Stable.

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Munich, May 6.—Herr von Kahn, the Bavarian Prime Minister, made a statement to me today regarding the question of the citizen guards (einwohnerwehr) and the general situation in Bavaria.

"May I say," he began, "that I am the official who first suggested the calling of such forces as the einwohnerwehr into existence? It was really born of our bitter need. We, in Bavaria, really know what Communism and terrorism are and such a force is absolutely necessary to stand between us and disorder. I should like to emphasize the fact that we have preserved and will preserve the democratic character of the force."

"As to any einwohnerwehr menace to other countries, I hope the Entente will see that it is a necessary force for the preservation of order, without which we cannot hope to rebuild the country."

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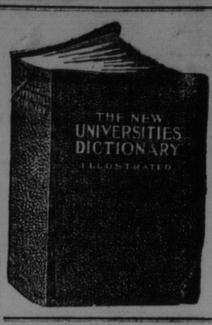
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