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JAPS DISLIKE
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Movement to End Era of Guns and Ships Is Not Gaining Ground

POLES FURNISH LESSON Hundreds of Refugees From Russia "Convert" Some Former Militarists

TOKIO, April 26.—The movement among business men in Southern Japan for armament curtailment, the strength of which is understood to have created perturbation in army and naval circles, is also finding vigorous expression in Tokyo through the leadership of Rihsei Hyuga, managing director of the Oriental Star Manufacturing Co., a man of progressive and liberal ideas.

Mr. Hyuga has astonished the Japanese people by publishing a paid advertisement in the leading metropolitan dailies labelling militarism and excessive armaments as Japan's greatest folly. The letter is really an indictment of Prince Yamagata, head of the military party, to whom it is addressed. The writer contends that foreign prejudices against Japan are due to the belief abroad that "hide-bound militarists like you interfere with the affairs of the nation." He continues:

Put Aside Sabre "If you sincerely wish to see yourself loved and revered you should put aside your sabre. If Japan wishes to see herself liked by other nations, the only way is to cut down armaments." Mr. Hyuga declared that the United States was determined to reduce prices at home and to promote exports and that meant a serious menace to Japanese industry and commerce. Yet the government had taken no counter-measures and was strangling industry by expending the national funds for battleships.

Mr. Hyuga, like the former Minister Yukio Ozaki and Sanji Muto, the foremost industrial leader of Osaka, is attracting national attention in the disarmament campaign which is noticeably gathering force. He has been twice to the United States and speaks English easily.

Fewer Dreadnaughts "What Japan needs is fewer dreadnaughts and more education," he said to the correspondent. "Do you realize," he went on, "that 83 per cent. of the boys who want to study in our middle schools, which correspond to your upper grammar school grades, are unable to do so because there is no room and that in the higher schools conditions are even worse? How can Japan hope to enter into commercial competition with the people of the West when her teeming new generations are not, and cannot be, sufficiently educated? This is so fundamental a truth that it is scarcely worth dwelling upon, yet Japan is ignoring it, hoping to succeed without the essential fundamentals.

"Do you know why universal suffrage would not, perhaps, solve the problem? It is because our people are not educated up to the responsibilities of suffrage. And our elected Diet does not represent the will of the people.

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MRS. PANKHURST SPEAKS
HER MIND ON BOLSHEVISM

TORONTO, April 23.—"You can compare Bolshevism to a disease of an infectious kind, and it has run its course. You can shorten its course—and that is what we have been trying to do, but it will run through all its phases." Such was the diagnosis of the "Red" case made by Mrs. Pankhurst just after her arrival in Toronto from New York, after having concluded a lecture tour in the United States, during which she dealt with the evils of the Bolshevik movement.

"No, it will not wreck society," said Mrs. Pankhurst in reply to an inquiry as to the extent of the menace.

The present state of unrest, which due to some extent to after-war lack of employment, had back of it all the international movement which we call Bolshevism, and which has taken advantage of the unsettled times to further its own cause.

"I feel that the subject upon which I am to speak here," continued Mrs. Pankhurst, who has this time come to Canada to lecture under the auspices of the Canadian National Council for Combating Venereal Diseases, "is very closely related to Bolshevism. I think that sex diseases, from which come sex promiscuity, have a very subtle effect on the brain. If you can get a healthy race—a well-balanced race, physically and mentally, mental and moral diseases will disappear. But you cannot have healthy minds in sick bodies."

It was because of the pressing need for an equal moral standard that women first entered the struggle for life in public life.

"One of the main causes of militarism," said Mrs. Pankhurst, "was that we felt we could not delay the

gunboats away. I think you would do the same if you only saw these Polish children yourself."

"Papa told me our people are building very big battleships. I asked him why they make them now that the Kaiser is no more. But here papa cannot make me understand. Only he says America started building them and Japan must do the same. I think this is very foolish, as the guns sometimes go off by mistake and kill lots of people. Is it no better not to have them built?"

"If you think just as I do, will you ask all the boys of your class if they think the same way and if they do, will you tell your mamma that you do not want new battleships? Then your mamma will talk to your President and he will stop it all, and Japan will help, too, and the whole world will be lovely and peaceful."

GILEAD

Gilead.—The progress of spring seeding here which had gotten well under way during last week has been checked for a day or two owing to the severe ice and snow storm of last Saturday. The air today, although somewhat cooler, is much clearer and the indications are that the fields will soon be dry again.

Quite a number of the people from this vicinity attended the funeral of the late Daniel Poucher on Saturday last, also of the late Stanley R. Cole, on Sunday last. Both of the families bereaved have the sympathy of this entire community in their sad affliction.

Temperance workers and everybody who made the sacrifice of travelling over the muddy roads on Monday in order that they might support the cause are jubilant over the result of the referendum vote.

Our cheese factory has reopened this week for the season, with Mr. Bruce Way again in charge as cheese makers.

Rev. Mr. Farnsworth, of Oshawa, occupied the pulpit in the Methodist church here on Sunday last.

Mr. Wilmut Clare's mother stayed a few days last week at his home, but has returned to her home in Tweed.

Mr. James Huffman and his mother, Mrs. R. Huffman, called on relatives in Napanee and Deseronto on Thursday last.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Sheffield called on Mr. William Emmerson and family last Sunday evening.

Mr. Wilfred Clare is sporting a new car these days.

The Woman's M. S. of this place has been reorganized with Mrs. T. Coulter as President.

DEED

CONGERS.—In Edmonton General Hospital, on Friday, 8th April, 1921, Lily Burn, beloved wife of Edwin D. Conger, of Phillips, Alberta.

FORD.—In Thirrow on Thursday, April 21st, Albert Ford, aged 67 years.

Austin Moran and T. Hogan, of the carriers of 100 cases of whiskey destined for Windsor, were each fined \$1,000 and costs of six months in jail.

Welsh and Midland Centres in Old Country Feel Strike Loss Keenly

U.S. IS GAINER All the Big Mining Towns Have Thousands Idle Outside Strikers

LONDON, April 25.—The two express trains, Capital and Labor, which were just about to dash into collision a week ago, are still approaching each other on the same rails. They are, however, a mile, instead of a few yards, apart.

Lloyd George is making full use of the breathing time which the private members of Parliament secured by their dramatic intervention on April 14. The conferences under the Premier's presidency have been resumed. The more moderate men among the Triple Alliance leaders, and the more enlightened men among the coal owners, are not without hope of a permanent and friendly settlement.

Miners throughout the country, by an overwhelming majority, insist on the national pool of wages, which neither the Government nor the owner's will grant. Some of them have been burning the effigy of J. H. Thomas as a traitor to the miners.

The Lanark miners sent their delegates to London with orders to "get out full terms or come back home." The problem is to find a method of helping the poorer mines to pay a living wage to the lowest grade workers, without penalizing the taxpayer and encouraging nationalization.

Meanwhile industrial England is sorely tried. Londoners are paying ninety shillings per ton for coal, of which each household is allowed only half a hundredweight weekly. The railway services are being drastically curtailed. How far-reaching is the industrial paralysis, the following shows:

Cardiff is spoken of as a "dead city." South Wales has 100,000 unemployed, apart from 250,000 miners; Glasgow has 50,000 registered unemployed, and steel works are shutting down daily; Bristol has 42,000 unemployed or men on short time, while Sheffield has 40,000 out of 130,000 unemployed through the scarcity of fuel; Birmingham has every trade in a state of wreck, while the Black Country generally has had nearly all its blast furnaces closed for a fortnight; Hull has 150 vessels laid up, while Nottingham has 30,000 men either out or on short hours, just when trade was looking up; Tyneside has 35,000 unemployed, and the boot machinery shops of Leicester are all shut down until mining re-starts, so that 25,000 men are wholly or partly out of work.

Meanwhile American and Canadian coal is coming in, and even German coal is being offered at Cardiff at 35s. 6d. per ton.

Sir Philip Lloyd-Graeme, Director of Overseas Trade says: "British coal is gradually losing its hold on the world's markets through the competition of other countries, particularly America."

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