

\$10,000,000 WARLIKE FORTS ASKED OF CONGRESS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—Major General W. D. Duvall, assistant chief of staff of the United States army, in a special request to congress has asked for an appropriation of \$10,000,000 for the purchase of arms and equipment for an army of 250,000 men.

This request was strongly endorsed by Major-General Franklin Bell, chief of staff and Robert Shaw Oliver, assistant secretary of war.

The request provides for an expenditure of \$2,500,000 a year for four years.

The equipment purchased is to be stored in New York, San Francisco, and Philadelphia. It consists of uniforms, blankets, mess gear and other articles for field service.

The most remarkable thing about the request is that it uses the expression "such equipment to be used in time of war."

The maximum provisional strength of the army is only 100,000 men, although only 35,000 men are now in service.

The request provides for an army at most five times the size of the enlisted strength today.

General Duvall, General Bell and Secretary Oliver will not discuss the emergency measure, but its significance is widely commented on.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—Japan is creating a great naval base on the island of Formosa. Great guns are being mounted, ammunition magazines of enormous capacity filled to overflowing, thousands of tons of coal are being stored, with the requisite lighters for handling it alongside.

Warships in attendance; great commissariat stores are being rushed there; and a garrison of unusual size is being assembled. This has been known to the Far East.

In many harbors of Formosa artificial islands are being erected and huge guns mounted on them.

Formosa is within forty-eight hours' steaming from the Philippines. It will be possibly termed the key to the Far East.

The great military, feverish haste and magnitude of operation with which Formosa is being equipped has caused apprehension in administration circles.

WARLIKE ACTIVITY PUZZLING

Accepting the assertions of friendliness by Japan, the United States authorities are puzzled by the intense and warlike activity of the island kingdom.

Formosa, in case of war, would be an ideal base for Japan. It would afford a harbor for transports, a base for coal and supplies and a point from which to throw troops into the Philippines.

While many actual figures are lacking it is known that Formosa is being converted into a second Gibraltar; that thousands of troops are being conveyed to the island by transports; that the commissariat supplies there or en route would care for a great army, and that the ammunition supplies being provided would replenish warships and an army, as well, for a time of war.

For the last four years, on orders from the Tokio government, no foreign engineers have been admitted to Formosa.

The war department admits that it is representative of the U. S. govt. is allowed at any military point from which he could make a single observation of Japanese fortifications, and especially are they prohibited from visiting the arsenal, the torpedo arsenal or the ship yards, where the Japanese are now building two "dreadnaughts" and six auxiliary vessels of a new type.

ISLAND AN IDEAL BASE

Formosa is, in expert opinion, an ideal base of operation for the Japanese against any enemy attacking their own country proper or in the event that should Japan herself at any time find it necessary to make a descent on the Philippines.

Formosa is the one possession of Japan that can be self-sufficient in the day of coal. It has large coal mines and this is asserted have been put in operation with the result that at the port of Keelung, nearest to the mine, there are now as many tons of coal as the United States has afloat for her battleship fleet. That is to say 135,000 tons.

Some experts report the Japanese supply at Keelung, Formosa, alone at 160,000 tons. It affords a safe retreat under formidable guns for the Japanese fleet and at the same time enables the fleet to be nearer the Philippines than at Nagasaki or Kobe.

Japan could not attempt to attack the guns in the inlets and on the recently created artificial islands, a whole fleet of transports. It is the last consideration which has made the deepest impression on the board of strategy here. It is a manifest that if the English, French, German or American fleet should attempt to attack the island, it is manifest that they are the guns that would be sent with a fleet of transports if a landing were to be made by Japan.

Of these two classes of guns it is noted that there are now in Formosa in the neighborhood of one hundred and eighty.

Every port of Formosa has been fortified strongly with modern guns and so far as observations have been made, it is said, the "coast defence guns" are very

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND'S CASE FOR A TUNNEL

By J. L. B. MCCREADY

(Toronto Globe)

Prince Edward Island's winter isolation is as old as her history. During about five months of the average winter ordinary navigation across the Straits of Northumberland is impossible.

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The Bank of New Brunswick

GENERAL STATEMENT, 31 DECEMBER, 1907

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

Balance at Credit on 31st December, 1906, .....

Profits for the year ended 31st December, 1907, after deducting charges of management and interest due depositors, and after making full provision for all bad and doubtful debts and for rebate on bills under discount, .....

Dividends (at the rate of 12 per cent per annum) .....

Rest account .....

Contribution to Pension Fund, .....

Written off Bank Premises, .....

Balance carried forward, .....

REST ACCOUNT.

Balance on 31st December, 1906, .....

Premium on New Stock, .....

Transferred from Profit and Loss Account, .....

LIABILITIES.

Notes of the Bank in Circulation, .....

Deposits not bearing interest, .....

Deposits bearing interest, .....

Balances due to other Banks, .....

Other liabilities, not included under foregoing heads, .....

Capital Stock, .....

Reserve, .....

Quarterly Dividend (Payable 2 Jan., 1908), .....

Balance Profit and Loss Account, .....

ASSETS.

Specie, .....

Domestic Notes, .....

Deposits with Government for Security of Note Circulation, .....

Notes and Cheques of other Banks, .....

Balances due by other Banks, .....

Railway and other Bonds, Debentures and Stocks, .....

Call and Short Loans Secured by Stocks and Bonds, .....

Current Loans and Discounts, .....

Overdue Debts (estimated loss provided for), .....

Bank Premises, .....

Other Assets, not included under foregoing heads, .....

Total Assets, .....

Total Liabilities, .....

By R. KESSEY, General Manager.

We hereby certify that we have verified by personal examination, or by certificate of the Cash, Securities and Accounts with other Banks, that we have examined the Head Office books and the certified Branch returns, and that in our opinion the foregoing Balance Sheet is a true and correct statement of the Bank's condition at 31 December, 1907.

RIDDELL, STEAD, GRAHAM & HUTCHISON, Chartered Accountants.

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