

URGENT NEED OF A NAVY IN CHINA

Government Turns From Suggestions of a Navy With Crafty Look, but Work of Establishing Big Army Goes On.

Foreign nations have practically secured possession of so much territory by reason of railroads owned and operated by them, and by making loans to China for the building of railroads with provisions highly in favor of themselves, that when the United States offered to loan the Chinese government money without "a string," great consternation prevailed among the foreign nations. Tomorrow Mr. Haskin will tell of the railroad conditions in Cathay and what China is doing to prevent the complete dismemberment of the empire by foreign railroad builders.

By Frederic J. Haskin.
Washington, Sept. 13.—The question whether or not there is a possibility of a military renaissance in China is one of absorbing interest to the student of world politics, in whatever nation he may live and from whatever angle he may look upon the problem. There are those who hope to see China develop an efficient military and naval prowess to recover its rights and maintain its integrity with full restitution of independence and with full acknowledgment of responsibility to international law. There are others who fear the day when China shall arm its millions with modern military equipment and knowledge, who dread the imminence of the "Yellow Peril." There is only one considerable nation on earth which apparently doesn't care a continental about the latter and that nation is—China.

Will Establish Great Army.
Yet there is an increasing solicitude upon the part of the Chinese government regarding military affairs which is a highly important feature of the present situation in the far east. The navy is being slighted for excellent reasons. In this era of dreadnaught building even the strongest and wealthiest of nations are put to their wits and to devise means to meet the terrible strain imposed upon the public purse by the insatiable maw of the navy. Ship builders and gun makers have sung softly at Peking, retailing promises of mighty fleets to be had for song on long time "ticks," but their handshakes have been wavered.

Do Not Want Navy—Yet.
The attitude of the Chinese throne on the navy question was clearly outlined to a diplomatist in Peking recently. The king and his advisers argue after this fashion: "If we should add to our country's debt by engaging to build a powerful navy it would be certain that we would have to keep the debt, but could we keep the ships? We can't get a full navy built and finished all at the same time. If we begin gradually everything would go along until our navy reached a respectable but not formidable size. Then what would happen? Japan would simply start a war and take our ships away from us."

just as it did in 1894. Japan wouldn't wait until our navy was anything like as big as its navy, but only until it was big enough to throw us upon our own resources for defense.

But an Army Is Needed.
But the army is an entirely different matter. The Chinese government realizes that it cannot extend its authority into the provinces and cement the solidarity of the nation without an army sufficiently large to cope with internal disorders and give pause to the considerations of an intending invader. Once the barrier thrown around the Chinese coast by the mutual jealousy of great powers is broken down, then the Chinese must depend upon their own army for the protection of the interior.

Requirements of a Soldier.
To enlist in the modern army, a Chinese man must be between the ages of 16 and 25, at least 5 feet 4 inches tall in the southern provinces and 5 feet 8 inches in the northern part of the empire, and he must be able to lift above his head a weight of 133 pounds. Furthermore, he must be of good character, from a good family and free of the vice of opium smoking. He is enlisted for three years, and is promised pay of taels 4.50 a month, a little less than \$3 American money. One tael is deducted each month and sent to the magistrate of the soldier's home village to be paid to the soldier's family. His family also enjoys certain immunities of taxation in his active service. After three years with the regulars, the soldier goes into the first reserves. He goes home, draws half pay and is required to devote two weeks to drill twice a year. Afterward he goes into the second reserves with still further reduction in pay and fewer requirements as to drilling. This theory of organization is excellent, and if the soldiers are paid regularly and if there is no reason why China will not have, in a few years, a well drilled and well equipped regular army backed by a reserve force of veterans.

New Army Up to Date.
In fact, the Chinese army on paper is up to date in every respect. How far fact differs from theory is a much mooted question. Foreign military officers who witnessed the maneuvers of 12,000 troops recently were surprised into unmitigated praise of the discipline and personnel of the army. There is not one foreign military officer in China who scoffs at the ability of the Chinese to organize a formidable army.

SEES RICH RESOURCES OF THE GREAT NORTHWEST

Los Angeles Councilman Amazed at Natural Resources.

Portland is destined to be the greatest inland city of America. The possibilities of this great northwestern country are beyond the imagination. Its resources are staggering to the average mind. And Portland is the natural outlet for abundant streams of wealth that will flow in constantly increasing quantities in this halcyon land. I have just completed a tour of the coast from Los Angeles to Vancouver, B. C., and the observations I have made have amazed me.

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AMERICAN BANKERS' ANNUAL CONVENTION

Chicago, Sept. 13.—The influx of leading bankers of the United States coming to this city to attend the thirty-fifth annual convention of the American Bankers' association, began in earnest today, and by tomorrow morning it is expected all of the delegates will have arrived. The leading hotels are thronged with the visitors, and it is estimated the visiting bankers and their ladies will number close to 5000.

AUTOMOBILE TRIP FOR MAN OF 97

Pendleton, Or., Sept. 13.—Though nearing the 97th anniversary of his birth, Captain James Blakely, whose home is in Brownsville, has just made the trip from Pendleton to Joseph, in Walla Walla county, by automobile, a journey never before attempted by a man of his years and a feat which will probably never be duplicated.

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CANDY, ICE CREAM, SODA EXHIBITION

New York, Sept. 13.—If the golden Diana who graces the top of the Madison Square building were to descend into the big amphitheatre this week to watch the exhibition which was opened there today in the interest of the candy, ice cream and soda water trades, the exhibition is the first large affair of the kind to be held in this country. Leading bakers and confectioners from all over America, and even from far off Russia, are on hand to demonstrate the efficiency and possibilities of modern art in making bread, cake, ice cream and candy. One of the attractive exhibits is a bakery in full operation.

ONTARIO SCHOOLS OPEN AUSPICIOUSLY

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Ontario, Ont., Sept. 13.—The city schools in Ontario opened this morning with a very full attendance. Many of the new buildings are being opened from the surrounding country and for a long distance in the interior to send their children to school here, and a large number of newcomers from various points who have been attracted here by the growing prosperity of this locality will send children to the school. The new assistant in the high school is J. J. Beatty, a graduate of the Oregon Agricultural college. The seventh grade will be taught by Miss Louise Riddle, who taught last year in Salinas, Okla. She received her training at Pratt institute, Brooklyn.

Sandy Grange Meeting

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Saengerfest at Missoula

Missoula, Mont., Sept. 13.—Missoula is entertaining for two days the first state saengerfest ever held in Montana. The contestants include choral organizations of Butte, Helena, Anaconda and several other cities.

Many a Good Cook's Reputation Comes From the Flavoring She Uses.

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