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SEEKING SHARE OF CHINA'S BUSINESS

Association Tries to Further Interests of Americans.

OPPORTUNITIES ARE WIDE.

Attempts to Impress State Department at Washington With the Necessity For Instant Action in Order That Americans May Share Profits—Other Nations Have Acted.

Peking, China.—The Americans of North China have formed a society under the style of the American Association of North China to foster the interests of American commerce.

They want a commercial attache to be assigned to duties of investigation throughout China following the practice of other nations, which keep a lively propaganda campaign afoot on behalf of their nationals and they are appealing to the American state department to appoint such an official.

Foremost among those who recognize the need for activity is the new minister, Paul Reinsch. Dr. Reinsch brings to his office a keen perception of the tremendous possibilities which await intelligent effort in this field and a desire to see the American flag holding its own if not topping the bunting of other nations.

Careful investigations have shown him that Americans have great opportunities for a market which is not only valuable but which it is also necessary to cultivate now in order to have it developed when the opening of the Panama canal will cause the westward drift of trade to become more and more pronounced.

The association, if it develops along the lines the founders have in view, will be a prod for the government. It will vigilantly protect American inter-



DR. PAUL REINSCH

ests, advise the administration upon conditions and suggest action best calculated to keep American commerce moving with an upward tendency rather than stagnating or slipping backward.

The first desire, therefore, is for the appointment of a commercial attache, whose duty it will be to report constantly upon commercial conditions, journey to various centers and make compilations which will be of material benefit to those engaged or who wish to engage in operations in this part of the world.

The consuls at many ports already contribute valuable aid in this direction through their commercial reports, but a consul is restricted in his sphere. The commercial attache would have more of a roving commission, and his information could be first hand. Other nations have such officials constantly on the lookout for new avenues.

As a matter of fact, this proposal is not new. It was being investigated by the previous administration and the probability is that a commercial attache would have been at work in China had there been no change. That it is a desirable one is obvious.

China is the largest market in the world that is in process of development. Railway communication is being pushed ahead vigorously. Within the past year the government signed agreements with foreign financiers for the construction of more mileage than has been allotted in the past thirty-eight years.

Every other nation is striving energetically to lay foundations for commercial development, while America, the logical supplier, is idle. Americans in China appreciate this to the full, and the formation of the North China Association is their answer to the question as to what they are doing to try to make the home land understand that there is a magnificent market awaiting exploitation, but which will not be permitted to await much longer. Other nations are wide awake and are securing the plums as fast as they can gather them.

She Wins Haircut and Shave.
Ortley, N. D.—At a recent farmers' institute here business men offered prizes for various exhibits. The prize further offered a dollar bottle of shampoo liquid for the best exhibit of papers and a shave and haircut for the second best. Mrs. J. French won the second prize.

Dazed the Crank.
David P. Barrows, while acting president of the University of California, one day received a queer visitor. Lean and terribly earnest, the man broke into Barrows' study.

"I am the prophet Micah," he announced, "and I have a need for your service. The world is soon to come to an end. Could you not spread the tidings through the university?"

Dr. Barrows shook his visitor by the hand, collected his thoughts and replied: "I believe that at no time was there such a crying need for prophets. But, unfortunately, prophesying is an art with which I am unfamiliar. I am not even in close sympathy with it and, as I am unable to comprehend what you have accomplished, I confess inability to participate as a prognosticator."

Whether it was the unexpected reply or the quick fire of so many words that dazed the visitor will never be known. Certain it is the man backed to the door and uttered the inadequate reply, "Yes."—San Francisco Chronicle.

Gentlemen of Leisure.
One of the upper ten thousand, once visiting America, accepted the hospitality of a gentleman in New York. When taking farewell of his host the latter asked him what he thought of the American people.

"Well," answered the nobleman, "I like them immensely, but I miss something."

"What is that?" asked the Yankee.

"I miss the aristocracy," replied the Englishman.

"What are they?" naively asked his host.

"The aristocracy," said the nobleman in a somewhat surprised tone of voice. "Why, they are people who do nothing, you know; whose fathers did nothing, you know; whose grandfathers did nothing, you know—in fact, the aristocracy!"

Here he was interrupted by the American, who chimed in with, "Oh, we've plenty of them over here, but we don't call them aristocracy—we call them tramps."—Exchange.

Washington's Only Joke.
The only admirable quality in which Washington was deficient was humor. One of the very few jests he ever made—perhaps the only one—has descended to posterity on the authority of his aid-de-camp, Colonel Humphreys.

General Washington rather prided himself on his riding, so the colonel one day when they were out hunting together dared him to follow over one particular hedge. The challenge was accepted, and Humphreys led the way. He took the leap boldly, but to his consternation found that he had mistaken the spot and was sunk up to his horse's girth in a quagmire. The general either knew the ground better or had suspected something, for, following at an easy pace, he reined up at the hedge and, looking over at his engulfed aid, exclaimed, "No, no, colonel, you are too deep for me!"

Massaged With Nettles.
Nettles are said to be an almost certain proof that man has lived on the spot. One British species, the so called Roman nettle, is said to be found only where the Romans have been. Coles, the seventeenth century herbalist, explains, "It grows both at the town of Lidde, by Romney, and in the streets of the town of Romney, in Kent, where Julius Caesar landed, with his soldiers, and abode there a certain time, and for the growing of it in that place it is reported that the soldiers brought some of the seeds with them and sowed it there for their use to rub and chafe their limbs when through extrem cold they should be stiff and benumbed, being told before they came from home that the climate of Britain was so extrem cold it was not to be endured without some friction."

Tale of the Iron Duke.
The Duke of Wellington, if he did not confer commissions in the army upon little boys, went one better in the way of promise. It is Grant Duff who tells the tale in his diary. "Dined with the Spencer Walpoles. She told a story of playing as a child in the gardens of Apsley house. The old duke came out, and the children stood in a row while he passed. He stopped and said to one of them: 'You are a very nice little fellow. When you are old enough I will give you a commission in the guards.' 'But I am a girl, Mr. Dook,' said the child."

Not a Magnet.
"Let me sing the old songs in your parlor," hisped the girl who thought she was a prima donna.

"Please don't," begged the landlady.

"But your boarders will be carried away by my singing."

"That's just the trouble. The last time you sang they were carried over to the next boarding house."—National Monthly.

Poured.
"I have poured every day this week at some function or other," remarked the vivacious girl.

"Well, well!" murmured the old gentleman who overheard her. "Now I know what is meant by the term 'a reigning belle.'"—St. Louis Republic.

Frank About It.
Shoe Store Salesman—What size would you like, madam. Miss Larjun—'I'd like a No. 2, but there's no use talking about that. You may as well show me your No. 5's.—London Telegraph.

No Recall For Him.
Mike—Do you believe in the recall of judges, Pat? Pat—That I do not. The last time I was up before his honor he said: "I recall that fine, sixty days." I'm agin the recall of judges.—Life.

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N. Elizabeth Monroe, Plaintiff, vs. Charles O. Monroe, Defendant.

To Charles O. Monroe, the above named defendant:

IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON: You are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled suit, within six weeks from the date of the first publication of this summons, to-wit: within six weeks from the 17th day of April, 1914, and if you fail to appear and answer on or before the 29th of May, 1914, that date being the last day of the time prescribed in the order of publication, the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief asked for in the complaint filed in this cause, a succinct statement of which is: a decree for absolute divorce, giving the custody of minor child to plaintiff, and for an order directing defendant to pay to the Clerk of the Court for Plaintiff's use in the maintenance and education of said child, the sum of \$35 per month during the minority of such child, costs and disbursements, and such further relief as the Court deem proper to grant.

This summons is published by order of the Honorable John F. Hall, Judge of the County Court of the State of Oregon, in and for the County of Coos said order being dated April 16th, 1914.

C. R. WADE, Plaintiff's Attorney.

BISHOP MARTIN
(Continued from first page and were served with breakfast.

Thanks were given to the Lord, the monks left the room and the Abbott of the monastery welcomed the and after a conversation desired Martin to become a monk. Martin agreed after delivering his message to return.

Good to his promises, he returned, accepted the blessing of the Abbott and became a faithful servant of the Lord.

Many good deeds he did to help the poor and those in need, sat up with the sick and dying, refreshing and strengthening the weary and sick at heart. His name soon was carried from one place to another until the Emperor Constantine heard of the good man.

The Emperor commanded him to see him

At the assembly of great nobles

and their ladies, gathered in a room decorated with arms and busts and furnished in greatest luxury, Martin the poor monk entered dressed in his and his naked feet, his head bare, in his hands a small stick in the form of a cross.

Before the emperor he knelt, he commanded, "Arise monk, thy good deeds have pleased me, from now on you shall be the Bishop of the District."

Martin arose, he delivered at once this "Gratias" in song and prayer and emperor, knights and nobles around him knelt to accept his blessing.

Can you, the reader find a moral in this legend.

Whom do you worship, God or Mammon.

It is reported that Mr. Davidson of Langlois, who was the successful bidder on the mail contract between Bandon and Port Orford, has rented the Masterson residence in town and will open it up into a hotel in the near future.—Port Orford Tribune.

In a communication from W. H. Meridith of Port Orford, candidate for congress on the democratic ticket he informs us that prospects are looking brighter every day and he expects to win the nomination at the primaries in May with a good safe majority.

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