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Are We Going to War?

SOME time ago this column predicted that, in this far eastern crisis, history would repeat itself. In spite of this country's overwhelming determination to keep out of war, Japan we prophesied would soon be playing the role, Germany played, when the Kaiser's battle-grey legions, marched through Belgium. And that if the Chino-Jap war lasted for three years, Uncle Sam would be in that war, by 1940, as it was in the world war by 1917.

IN the light of present developments, that prediction appears conservative. The popular feeling against Japan today, is fully as intense, and far more universal, than it was against Germany in 1914. If Japan HAS any friends or defenders in this country, they have not to date become vocal. In 1914, President Wilson's first official cognizance, of the war in Europe was to demand a strict neutrality in word and deed. The man in the street soon interpreted this executive order, with characteristic Yankee humor and realism. "Sure I am neutral" quoth he, "I don't care who kicks Germany!"

WHEN Japan started its armed invasion of China, this country had, and still has, a strict neutrality law, binding itself to aid no country at war, and to confine its efforts to prevent war, to "peaceable procedure only." But what do we see now? The President of the United States urging world wide action against Japan, and the state department formally condemning the Japanese invasion of China. Today a boycott against Japan is being seriously discussed in Washington.

Could such action be interpreted as adopting "peaceable procedure only? Boycotting a nation at war, has never been so accepted. According to press dispatches from Washington today, the United States could not join in such a boycott, until the neutrality act had been amended. Have no fear. If President Roosevelt calls a special session of congress, it will be. And so we tumble along, willy-nilly toward another foreign war! Not that there is any declaration of war against Japan in the cards at the present writing. Far from it. But let the Chino-Jap conflict continue three years more, until Japan, a powerful and war like nation, has conquered China, and enraged at America's hostility, turns a vengeful and predatory eye, toward the Philippines, Hawaii, and the inadequately protected shore line of the richest country in the world!

THEN where would we be, ladies and gentlemen? We would be PRECISELY where we feared we would be in 1917, if we didn't join the allies, and with every resource at our command, render a German victory impossible. There was a great deal of oratory about fighting to make this country safe for democracy, but the real mainspring of our militant effort, was to protect this country, from a victorious Germany.

Have you forgotten the popular argument at that time? "Let the Kaiser win in Europe, and where would we be? With Europe at his feet, Uncle Sam would be his next victim, with his back to the wall, and no ally to call upon!" Fantastic, absurd? In the cool perspective of over two decades, that may be the verdict, but it certainly wasn't the verdict in 1917. And it won't be the verdict in 1940, if it takes Nippon that long to get what she wants in the Far East.

FOR when war is concerned, it isn't what is TRUE, it is what the people BELIEVE to be true, that matters. It may give us comfort to blame the wicked munition makers, for whipping the people of a country into a war frenzy, but give the people a set of circumstances that will arouse hate and fear, add to that the inevitable mob spirit, and the munition makers need do nothing but stand pat, go over to a night-and-day shift, and shovel in their profits.

Those circumstances existed in 1917, they exist potentially today, and it takes no seventh son of a seventh son, to see that the seeds now being sown will bear the inevitable harvest, unless in some way peace in the Far East is soon restored.

THAT is undoubtedly why the Roosevelt administration has taken such drastic and unexpected action. But, as previously stated, words will never halt Japan, neither will speeches nor pious resolutions. If any doubt remained, Japan removed it yesterday by its defiance of the nine-power conference, before it has convened. However,—also as before stated—Japan could be halted, if the world powers,—all of them—joined together against Japan, in a hard and fast trade boycott,—neither selling to her nor buying from her, until she called back the dogs of war.

We were interested to see that no less a personage than Senator Key Pittman of Nevada, chairman of the senate foreign relations committee, entirely agrees with the Medford Mail Tribune (ahem!)

We quote a Reno dispatch: The chairman of the senate foreign affairs committee, Senator Key Pittman, said today that Japan's invasion of China could be stopped in 30 days without the firing of a single shot if other nations would ostracize Japan. He recommended that the "civilized governments" refuse to have any commercial or credit relations with Japan. Said he: "Such action is more powerful than the army or navy of the United States. No government can conduct war under such ostracism."

That sound easy doesn't it! And reasonable too, for while that would cost a few hundred millions, a general war,—which as we see it is the only alternative,—would cost hundreds of billions, and millions of human lives as well.

But will such a boycott ever be declared? Not more than one chance in a million. And let one industrial nation, properly equipped with shipping facilities stay out, and such a boycott would be ineffective, as far as Japan is concerned. For if she means what she says she is going on with the war in China, REGARDLESS.

And so long as she can get adequate war supplies from abroad, she can do this without normal foreign trade and without credit from abroad. A nation determined to fight doesn't need money, as long as it has a printing press, an adequate food supply, and there is no uprising at home.

AND here we come to the one ray of sunshine in the surrounding gloom as far as the Far Eastern crisis is concerned. Not the crushing or checking of Japan from without, but the break-up of Japan from within.

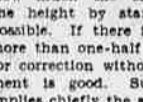
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By William Brady, M. D.

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CORRECTION OF SPINAL CURVATURE

The other day we told of the importance of muscular insufficiency as a cause of spinal curvature. If a boy or girl developing spinal curvature is not properly treated more or less fixed deformity is inevitable as the child grows up. To estimate in a given case whether the curvature is still mainly functional, measure the height, as the child stands in the usual position. Then see how much the child can increase the height by standing as tall as possible. If there is a difference of more than one-half inch the outlook for correction without surgical treatment is good. Surgical treatment implies chiefly the application of cast or brace and special corrective exercises to be prescribed and supervised by the physician or orthopedic surgeon in each individual case.



Dr. William Brady

The first step in the correction of functional curvature, which is due almost wholly to muscular insufficiency, is a thorough health examination, including, of course, careful consideration of the child's general hygiene, diet, hours of study, hours of play. Nutritional deficiency is a common factor of muscular weakness or insufficiency and the fatigue and strain to which the malnourished individual is subjected. This does not mean that the individual does not eat enough to eat. Rather it means that the diet is deficient in one or more essentials of optimal nutrition. There may be a lack of iron, of iodine, of phosphorus, of calcium. Most frequently, I believe, the growing child suffers from deficiency of vitamins, particularly vitamins D, B and G. Even if the diet provides adequate amounts of phosphorus, calcium and iron, it is still necessary that the daily intake of vitamins D, B and G be more generous than ordinary foods can provide, in order to insure normal assimilation and utilization of these elements in metabolism, growth, etc. An effective, agreeable and economical way to supplement the diet with these vitamins is the eating of a dozen, more or less, irradiated yeast tablets daily. Not ordinary yeast, which ferments and is relatively poor in vitamins, but a selected strain of yeast which is rich in ergosterol. This does not ferment

about the same time Owen Wister was reaching his 77th birthday, there was news of the passing of the last of the Dalton boys—Emmett Dalton. And the last of the outlaw horsemen in our western legendary. I have visited Coffeyville, Kansas, where the Dalton boys rode and where Emmett as James was called, was shot trying to rob a bank. The Dalton and James boys were our heroes in the kid days in Missouri. My birthplace is only a short drive from Liberty, Mo., where Frank and Jesse James lived. I never saw Jesse, but as a reporter I once interviewed his son who was running a pawnshop in Kansas City. But I met Frank James, Jesse's brother, many times. He was a friend of my father and always stayed at the latter's hotel. There was one summer evening when I sat on his lap in garbaged awe while he yarned with my Dad. My top in boyhood idols, however, was Boone, the hypnotist, who drove

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NEW YORK Day by Day

NEW YORK, Oct. 8. — Thoughts while strolling: Lillian Gish with one of those wide-tied under-the-chin hats. Very Glad-hat! No. 1 seller of success. Dale Carnegie. G. M. A. Dizzy Dean, valued at \$100,000 a year ago, can now be bought for a marble and a skipping rope.



Frederick the male milliners, with the Dorothy Parker flair for snappy talk. Those taxi driver brawls that turn the air blue mean nothing just their way of relieving the monotony.

What became of Rexford Guy Taggart? Or did you care? Not many can get angrier in print than Gen. Hugh Johnson. The hearty old Roman of West 46th Street—Jim Moore, of the restaurants. Katharine Cornell hasn't looked a day older for the past ten years.

Top among the popular music radio orchestras: Meredith Wilson's. Gals with those paper leis. A study in calm—Joseph P. Kennedy. Floyd Gibbons does a walk along the streets—he breezes. And Jules Glensner pines as though just fired out of a cannon.

Those hesitating ladies along the sidewalks that Grandma used to call "soiled doves" and Grandpa called "rips." Who remembers when all the Childs restaurants looked precisely alike? Singers come and go but Lawrence Tibbett is still in there pitching.

Barraty: There has been oodles of deserved criticism lately for bar associations and their alleged shielding of crooked shysters. There are not many whose lives are cast in the Broadway section who do not know a shake-down lawyer or so. Rascals who live by prompting cabaret and show girls in the art of blackmailing occasional philanthropists on their nights out. The conscientious guide is said to garner several millions, despite the passing of the anti-heart-balm law some time ago. Respect for law is difficult without respect for its practitioners, and certainly there are a number roaming the town who should be behind the bars.

Owen Wister recently passed his 77th birthday, hale and hearty, in Wyoming. Few know the man so identified with the rugged plains of the west was originally an effete easterner. His first trip west was in 1885 for his health, after graduating from Harvard with first honors in, of all things, music. He lived for a time on a ranch 20 miles from what is now Casper. It was here and other places in that vicinity he developed his famous story, The Virginian. He is still a Harvard trustee and writes occasionally for Harper's.

blindfold through the streets wearing a gold suit to find the hidden key, and who put his subject to sleep in the drug store window 48 hours before he awakened him on the stage of the opera house. I tossed off my first whiskey neat over the bar with Boone, while interviewing him for our local daily. While talking to him I began to feel light-headed and floaty and I thought he had given me the eye and did I get away in a hurry! A block or so down the street it came upon me all of a sudden that I was mildly sloshed. (Copyright, 1937, McNaught Syndicate)

Comment on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT, departing from his prepared address at Chicago, reads the riot act to "war-inclined nations" (obviously referring to Japan, Germany and Italy) and calls upon the other nations of the earth for "concerted action for restoration of universal peace." His speech created a sensation around the world.

AMERICA'S policy, the President said at Chicago, should be to join in a concerted effort by peace-loving nations to quarantine warlike nations. "When an epidemic of physical disease starts to spread," he declared, "the community joins in a quarantine of the patients in order to protect the health of the community against the spread of disease."

WHAT he means to infer is that when war threatens to spread the nations of the world should join together to SUPPRESS THE WAR.

IT is a resounding declaration of a new policy, delivered with the President's customary fondness for dramatic surprise. But let's not forget this sober second thought: War-mad nations can't be quarantined with words. It will have to be done, if it is done, WITH GUNS.

WHEN we quarantine a house in the papers, we send the police. And the police ARE ARMED. If we join in a "quarantine" of war-inclined nations, we will have to send SOLDIERS. Otherwise the concerted action the President speaks of will be as ineffective as the unarmed league of nations has been.

THE nations that don't want war are those that already have theirs and want to keep what they have. The nations that DO want war are the HAVE-NOTS. Before we join with the have-nots for the suppression of the have-nots, we should understand very clearly that what we are doing will lead us sooner or later INTO A FIGHT.

Flight 'o Time

Medford and Jackson County history from the files of the Mail Tribune 10 and 20 years ago

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY October 8, 1927 (It was Saturday) New York Yankees defeat Pitts-

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burgh four games straight, to win world series. Wild pitch by Miljus in ninth, lets in winning run. Score 4 to 3. Idaho and Oregon play scoreless tie. State gains in population, and now has more than million souls in boundaries. Bowling pair fined \$1000, and given 90 days in jail. Dr. F. G. Thayer leaves this week to take a post graduate course at Tulane university and will return in April. Money return from pears to set record. TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY October 8, 1917 (It was Monday) Rain causes postponement of the third game of the world series.

Klamath Falls planing mill destroyed by fire of unknown origin, loss heavy. War tax boosts price of tobacco. Five-cent cigars now selling for 10c, two for a quarter. Largest forest fire of season now raging on Elk creek. Rain badly needed for fall plowing and seeding. Allied attack at Ypres gains control of all high ground.

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