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JAPAN AND THE HOBSON BUGABOO

Ever since the spectacular gentleman from Georgia, Congressman Richard Pearson Hobson had his hallow'en vision of an aggressive and grasping Japan, and shook his newly hollowed pumpkin with its penny-dip light over the country frightening the scary ones so badly they could not sleep of nights for fear the Japanese bugaboo would get them, there have been some that on every occasion see the dread Hobson vision materializing and want to seek cover.

The truth is Japan is a wisely governed country, and its people devoted to the victories of peace rather than of war. They are good fighters, but they are not quarrelsome and are not hunting trouble. The people know, as does the Mikado and the wise statesmen with whom he has surrounded himself, that Japan's future lies not in the conquests of war but in the industries of peace.

Her's is an industrious, thrifty people; a race but a century ago in a condition of semi-barbarism, and isolated from the world. It was America that broke down the bars with which the Japanese surrounded their country and brought them in touch with the world. In the hundred years since they have made astounding progress, and taken rank as a world power.

This has been done not by aggression and conquest but by the arts of peace. In all that time Japan has had fewer wars than almost any nation; that with Russia in 1904 being the principal one. If she had wanted to indulge in a war of expansion the decadent condition of Spain and the tempting bait of the Philippines would have lured her into war to acquire them long ago.

Just now there are those who fear Japan will interfere between Mexico and this country. They overlook the fact that it would be the most utter madness for Japan to deliberately go to war with this country over any question, let alone one in which she has no interest.

They overlook the still more important fact that if Japan was looking for worlds to conquer she has at her doors a vast country, which while containing nearly one-third of the population of the world is practically defenseless.

That she is seeking an outlet for trade with this big, helpless neighbor is true. That she may sometime be forced to intervene in China just as we are about to do in Mexico is also true. The conditions may become similar. But it can be set down as a fact that if over-crowding of her territory causes her to seek an outlet for her congested population that that outlet will be in Asia, not in the Americas.

True Mexico is about the only country on the Western hemisphere that would permit her any liberties, and this only on account of dislike for Americans. At the same time if she sought a hold on the western continents she would not have to fight the United States alone but pan-America.

Besides, Japan most nearly stands for the same things in the Orient that the United States stands for in the Occident. She wants peace for herself and her neighbors, the opportunity to develop and become prosperous, to be a happy and contented people at peace with all the world. On top of this she is struggling with a tremendous load of debt which she is trying to reduce rather than increase, and war with any nation, no matter what the result, would mean increased obligations, a doubling of the load she is already carrying. Still on top of all this Japan has shown herself a strict observer of her duties to the world, she holds her promises sacred, and she has a high conception of national honor and a keen desire to keep her reputation unsullied among the nations. If the scary ones could get it into their minds that Japan has about as sinister designs on this country as we have on Japan, their sleep might not be so badly disturbed.

W. J. Bryan told 10,000 persons attending the opening of the chautauqua at Shawnee, Oklahoma, yesterday, that "if we have to take Mexico, it will be in the performance of a solemn duty to humanity." At last he has said something which our big neighbor, the Oregonian, can heartily indorse.

Now some of those who were shouting loudest against Wilson's policy in refusing to interfere in Mexico are also loudly announcing that the ordering of troops to Mexico is for political purposes only. It is pretty hard to suit some people, especially if they are determined not to be suited. As a matter of fact if Wilson would insist on war on Mexico at once he would be doing the politic thing and the one that would bring him the most votes. Instead he is still hoping that war may be averted and that not one of the brave young fellows who are gathering in obedience to his call will lose his life thereby. In taking this course he is doing the unpopular thing and instead of gaining votes thereby is losing them. It is indeed fortunate for the country that it has for president a man who puts human life above personal ambition, and who prefers defeat at the polls next November to the widowing of one woman or the making childless one American mother.

Colonel Roosevelt was interviewed Tuesday by a representative of Mr. Hughes and also by two progressives urging him, so it is said, to accept the nomination and make the race as a progressive. It is said the Colonel refused to commit himself, and he will probably continue to do so until officially notified of his nomination. Then he will have to get off the fence, and of course will. It seems likely though that his course will not be known until that time. It is understood that when Senator Lodge visited him yesterday in the interest of Hughes that he was equally non-committal though Lodge gave the impression that the Colonel would finally indorse, and work for Hughes.

The Mexican papers recently informed their readers that when General Ricaut ordered General Pershing to retire with his army, or he would be attacked, that he consented to leave at once and agreed to leave his munitions and equipment as a prize for Ricaut for allowing him to depart with his life. Is it any wonder that banditry prevails where such stories as that will be taken as the truth? Is it any wonder the poor devils of peons can be persuaded into attacking the Americans when they are made to believe that is the kind of enemies they are going to meet?

The cargo of the stranded Bear was being removed from her hold yesterday and it was the intention to make an attempt to float her late yesterday afternoon. Her wrecking is very similar to the general run of automobile accidents. She was in a hurry, cut in close to the shore to save time and skidded with the usual disastrous results. She has lots of time now and her officers are in no hurry.

Ten young lawyers in Company M. If that does not start the Mexicans for the mesal and frioles or some other kind of tall timber it will be because the Greasers had never been in the clutches of the legal fraternity. The legal lore in the company will make it certain the boys will see to it that the "corpus delicti" is always at hand when the trial comes off.

The Drexel divorce case was rather complicated in some ways. It was brought by his wife in London against her husband who is an American but residing in Paris. There are no complications about the decision, however, for the court says he must pay his ex-wife \$50,000 a year.

At Oakland recently, four men and one woman, all Mexicans, were arrested and jailed on a charge of murdering another Mexican. At the same time Uncle Sam is preparing to kill them by the thousands if necessary, and there will be no arrests on account of it, either.

Judging from the description of the near delirium tremens condition of some of the soakers who get arrested in Portland and find their way before Judge Langguth, it might be possible for a real sleuth to account for the loss of the city's 800 gallons of gasoline.

Whatever condition of preparedness the balance of the country is in, the Mexican imbroglio has demonstrated that the railroads are prepared for anything that may be required of them. It is something of which the whole country should be proud.

The Salem Commercial Club is Chesterfieldian in its politeness. It gravely apologized to Superintendent Campbell for speaking disrespectfully of the Southern Pacific depot. Can urbanity go further?

A dispatch yesterday carried the alarming statement that the Mexican navy was concentrating off the southeast coast of Mexico. This may necessitate the calling out of the Salem Canoe Club.

Colonel Roosevelt, "a prominent republican" claims, will announce his support of Hughes in a letter soon. A rather weak crutch for the ex-justice, since it strangled its little child.

Insurance companies evidently think there is danger to life in Mexico. They have raised the rate on militiamen going across the border, demanding an extra \$30 premium.

The situation in Mexico, is assuming real warlike proportions; it has reached the "deleted by the censor" stage.

Plan to Open the Playgrounds Monday

E. T. Moore and Chas. H. Jones, members of the committee of the Playground association who have had in charge the matter of raising funds for the maintenance of a public playground in Salem this summer, are meeting with success in their efforts and plan to have the grounds open for the children by next Monday.

Besides the financial co-operation of many of the citizens and parents, several generous people have given the use of pieces of apparatus. Arthur Moore presented the committee with a merry-go-round of the home kind which all children like and David Eyre has loaned one of the slides from his home playground.

There will be an entrance to the playground on South Winter street and also steps leading from the Church street bridge down to the ground.

It is the intention of the committee and directors to have separate play space for the boys and girls and the very small children will have a corner of their own, with sand piles and swings for their use only. The plentiful shade trees will make it possible to have most of the apparatus in the shade and the sliding pool for the smaller children will be completely shaded which will make it the most attractive place of its kind in any playground in Oregon.

BEGIN HOT WATER DRINKING IF YOU DON'T FEEL RIGHT

Says glass of hot water with phosphate before breakfast washes out poisons.

If you wake up with a bad taste, bad breath and tongue is coated; if your head is dull or aching; if what you eat sours and forms gas and acid in stomach, or you are bilious, constipated, nervous, sallow and can't get feeling right, begin inside bathing. Drink before breakfast, a glass of real hot water with a teaspoonful of limestone phosphate in it. This will flush the poisons and toxins from stomach, liver, kidneys and bowels and cleanse, sweeten and purify the entire alimentary tract. Do your inside bathing immediately upon arising in the morning to wash out of the system all the previous day's poisonous waste, gases and sour bile before putting more food into the stomach.

To feel like young folks feel: like you felt before your blood, nerves and muscles become loaded with body impurities, get from your pharmacist a quarter pound of limestone phosphate which is inexpensive and almost tasteless, except for a sourish twinge which is not unpleasant.

Just as soap and hot water act on the skin, cleansing, sweetening and freshening, so hot water and limestone phosphate act on the stomach, liver, kidneys and bowels. Men and women who are usually constipated, bilious, headache or have any stomach disorder should begin this inside bathing before breakfast. They are assured they will become real cranks on the subject shortly.

Longshoremens Strike May Be Renewed Today

San Francisco, June 22.—Longshoremens at every point on the Pacific coast quit work between the hours of 10 and 11 a. m. today to honor the memory of Thomas Olson, striking picket, who was shot Sunday. It is alleged he was killed by non-union negro laborers.

Four thousand San Francisco stevedores crowded into the church where a solemn high requiem mass was celebrated.

As a result of the killing of Olson, the longshoremens have informed the ship owners that the strike along the entire coast will be declared in full force again unless all non-union stevedores are dispersed before five o'clock this afternoon. Many of these non-unionists are kept on barges moored near the wharves.

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there is no distinctive garb for any Mexican forces. The troops generally wear the same kind of khaki clothes worn by the working men all over the country.

"While full information is not at hand, reports of anti-American demonstrations in other parts of Mexico probably have been greatly exaggerated by the American press. There have been two days of patriotic manifestations in Mexico City without the molestation of any person or building."

It was expected that a special train carrying Americans to Vera Cruz would depart some time today. It was learned, however, that many Americans are en route here from other places and cannot arrive in time. For that reason the train probably will be held another day. Officials declare positively that there is no reason for the departure of Americans. They have promised that they will be protected under the same guarantees given Americans and all foreigners of Toluca.

There were no further manifestations in the capital last night. The city is calm.

General Obregon's version of the Carrizal clash was that the American force

"tried to occupy the station of Carrizal on the Mexican Central railroad and General Trevino ordered it to be attacked."

Obregon quoted from a report made by Trevino, that he (Trevino) had been informed the fight began early in the morning, the Carrizal troops attacking the Americans in response to orders.

"I have just been informed the American forces were repulsed," Trevino's report declared. A second dispatch from Trevino, issued by Obregon, said: "The Americans' interpreter was captured. He confessed that the American leader was responsible for the conflict."

How You Can Quickly Remove Hairy Growths (Aids to Beauty)

A well known beauty specialist advises this treatment for the removal of hair from the face. Mix into a paste some powdered delatone and water, apply to hairy surface and after about 2 minutes rub off, wash the skin and every trace of hair vanishes. This method is quick and entirely safe. To avoid disappointment, however, it is well to make certain you get genuine delatone.



HIRED HELP

If you should have in your employ a useless sort of man or boy, and you're convinced he won't improve, but plug along the same old groove, just take him by the shoulder-blade, and tell him, quietly, to fade. Don't jaw or argue by the day, but shoo the worthless wight away. If you would make your business win, you'll hire the man behind the grin, who finds a pleasure in his work, and strives to be the model clerk. You must have teamwork in your shop, or you will hear some object drop, and you can't work that splendid scheme, unless all hands are full of steam. One lazy grouch around your place, one frost with gloom upon his face, one kicker who is always sore, will give his microbes to a score, and by his anarchist harangue, will chill the spirit of the gang. So when he makes his maudlin moan, just take him by the collarbone, and push him gently from your door, and tell him to return no more.

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