

EXPANSION SEEN IMPERATIVE TO JAPAN'S FUTURE

Crowded Population Now Facing Problem of Starvation.

BY WILLIAM PHILIP SIMMS

Scraps-Howard Foreign Editor

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—Japanese annexation of Manchuria and eastern Mongolia, by peace, if possible, by war, if necessary, is merely a matter of time.

Only one thing can stop Japan from eventually taking over this region. That is a decisive defeat on the field of battle, either at the hands of the Chinese, the Russians or a coalition of powers.

And the one thing that can prevent bloodshed, sooner or later, over this corner of Asia is a general recognition of what Japan calls her right to make room for her expanding race, plus a peaceable agreement of some sort or other enabling her to do so.

Here is the case for Japan as explained by Yosuke Matsuo, former vice-president of the South Manchurian Railway, probably the greatest living Japanese authority on China.

Expand or Starve

Japan proper has only 172,000 square miles of territory. The single state of Texas has more than that by enough to make three states as big as New York, Maryland and Ohio.

Four-fifths of the islands are so mountainous that they won't grow anything but trees. The tillable soil would not cover a state as large as Indiana. Yet Japan must support 65,000,000 people as against Indiana's 3,000,000. In another generation Japan will number 85,000,000.

Unable to grow enough food stuffs to support her population Japan must expand or starve. Unable to produce enough raw materials to supply her industries, she must branch out or see her vital industries go bankrupt.

Claim Manchuria

But in what direction can Japan expand? There is no unclaimed territory. Korea, annexed from China 20 years ago, is already crowded. Japanese immigration is either limited by foreign powers or altogether barred, as in the United States.

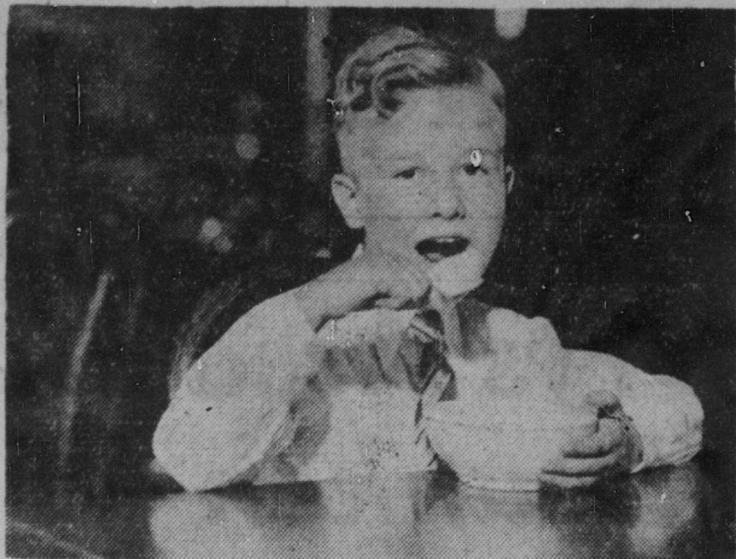
Manchuria and adjacent territory, then, seems to be the one possible outlet. Close to Japan proper it has the advantage, also, of being easy to defend in the event of war. Besides, in Japanese opinion, they have as much of a claim on Manchuria today as the Chinese. But for them, they assert, Manchuria would now belong to Russia. It was not the Chinese, but the Japanese, who went to war and drove the Russians from the country at a cost of 100,000 lives.

Whether the Japanese will be satisfied with Manchuria remains to be seen. If she has to fight Russia again, victory would leave not only Manchuria and eastern Mongolia in her hands but the maritime provinces of Siberia—belonging to Russia—as well.

College Girl Has Mail Route

COLUMBUS, O., Sept. 25.—Miss Frances Smith expects to get an education through the mails, but not from a correspondence course. She carries letters on a rural route near here to pay her expenses at Ohio State university, working by permission as a substitute for her father.

No Hunger Strike Here



Bowls of milk toast, lots of fresh air, and a big noon lunch round out cheeks and strengthen bodies at the Theodore Potter Fresh Air school, 1601 East Tenth street.

The school's enrollment for this year is 117, against about ninety pupils for 1930.

Upper photo—Jack Harp, 7, of 705 North Chester street, getting

his "milk toast" at the daily 9 a. m. luncheon. At noon Jack will add more weight with a school home-cooked dinner.

Lower photo—These fetid days many classes in the school have turned to the lawns and trees for study spots. Rose Ann Gavin, 10, of 2239 North Drexel avenue, is spending her rest period on a sandy cot.

LAVAL VISIT TO U. S. ASSURED; SAILS OCT. 16

French Cabinet Votes to Accept Invitation for Call on Hoover.

BY RALPH HEINZEN

United Press Staff Correspondent PARIS, Sept. 25.—The cabinet today approved the visit of Premier Pierre Laval to Washington.

The premier will sail on the liner Ile De France, Oct. 16. Official acceptance of the invitation to visit President Hoover will be handed to United States Ambassador Walter E. Edge today.

A visit with German statesmen in Berlin this week will precede the voyage to the United States.

The premier will be accompanied to Berlin by Foreign Minister Aristide Briand. The statesmen made it clear that the first visit of this nature to Germany since 1914 would

be made solely in the interests of good will. They will leave Paris Saturday.

Laval and Briand were not disturbed by reports from Germany that elaborate precautions were being made for their safety. They will be accompanied by five aids and a bodyguard of one police commissaire and three detectives.

The cargo of good will taken to Berlin will include several concrete proposals for co-operation between France and Germany.

BRUENING VISIT LIKELY

Possibility of Call on U. S. Is Discussed at Geneva.

By United Press

GENEVA, Sept. 25.—The possibility of a visit by Chancellor Heinrich Bruening of Germany to President Hoover in mid-November, after the visit of the French premier to Washington, was discussed privately among German officials attending the league meeting today.

Although not yet discussed between Germany and United States representatives, some responsible German officials believed the Wilhelmstrasse would receive an invitation from President Hoover favorably.

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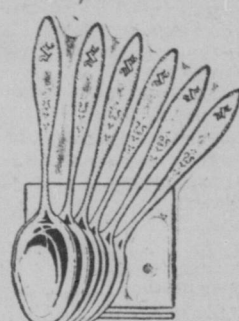
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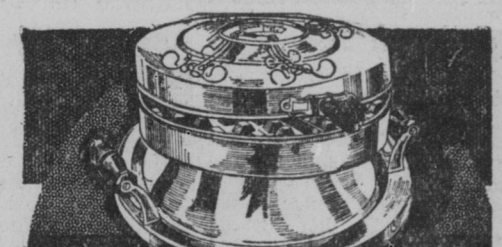


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REVOLT FLARES IN ZION CITY

Cult Heads Quarrel Before 1,000 in Church.

By United Press

ZION CITY, Ill., Sept. 25.—Open rebellion against the man who contends the world is flat has flared in Zion City with the result Wilbur Voliva has threatened to abolish several municipal jobs.

Deacon Theodore Forby, municipal judge in the city where it is a criminal offense to smoke a cigaret or swear in public, led a rebellion Thursday night in the Zion tabernacle.

Voliva and Forby disagreed several months ago, after Forby attended meetings of the British Israel cult which Voliva dislikes, Thursday night.

They quarreled while a congregation of 1,000 persons listened. The exchange became bitter, with Forby threatening to have Voliva "sent to jail" and Voliva retorting that he would dissolve the municipal court "and maybe some others."

Voliva ended the argument by pronouncing benediction, then called for a vote of confidence. Many voted for him, while many others expressed favor of Forby by not voting.

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