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U. S. TO INSIST ON OPEN DOOR; WAR FEARS RISE

Washington to Demand That Japanese Keep
Troops Out of Foreign Quarter
in Shanghai Strife.

ECONOMIC BOYCOTT IS DISCUSSED
Nation's Leaders Feel That Greatest Crisis
Since World Conflict Is Faced
in Far East.

(Inside story of Manchurian conquest revealed by Washington story
on Page One, Section Two.)

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WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—The United States is insistent that Japan shall not spread her occupation of Shanghai into the international settlement there, blockade the ports or otherwise interfere with international trade.

This position was made known today here as dark news of threatening warfare came from the far east.

The United States, it is understood, does not protest Japan's right under international law to land forces in the native city of Shanghai if its citizens' lives and property are menaced.

There were no indications that the United States would take any action as the result of Japan's occupation.

Press dispatches from the trouble zone were so full of foreboding; that officials, working gravely under great tension, spoke with extreme caution.

Serious Crisis Faced

There was a feeling among many that a new crisis, possibly the most threatening since the World war, impended.

Press dispatches hourly reported landing of more Japanese marines at Shanghai, announcement by Japanese authorities that they had shelled the forts of Woosung, near Shanghai, and finally Japanese occupation of the native section of Shanghai, with savage fighting.

Officials had no information that Japanese forces intended to occupy the international settlement, or to interfere with international trade.

Nevertheless, the United States was somewhat disturbed over the possibility that military action in the native quarter might spread to the international settlement or in some way endanger foreign lives.

People of many nations are interspersed throughout the entire port of Shanghai. Few parts of the city are inhabited exclusively by Chinese.

Worked for Peace

Pursuing a peaceful course, the United States has, from the start of the Manchurian trouble, sought to impress upon Japan the wisdom of keeping within the Kellogg anti-war pact and the nine-power treaty, which guarantees the territorial integrity of China.

But almost daily Japan has advanced her forces. She has occupied all of Manchuria, a vast area comparable to the American middle-west, an invaluable source of food, fertilizer, minerals and trade, which Japan regards as necessary to her national existence.

Now she is striking at the heart of China proper. Shanghai is the New York of China, its commercial metropolis, and the gateway to the vast interior. Beyond, up the river, lies Nanking, the capital.

Thus Japan today stands ready to close her grasp around the two vital spots of the huge, chaotic, seething nation which constitutes one of the tremendous potential markets of the world, and lies at the moment an easy prey to any sword.

Pressure May Be Applied

On the other side are the major world powers, particularly the United States, the champion for a third of a century of the "open door policy." It is almost second to the Monroe doctrine as a foundation stone of American policy.

Its purpose is to protect weak China from grasping hands and preserve it as a free trading area for the world.

The United States is discussing with Great Britain the possibility of economic pressure to check Japan's threatened assault. Great Britain, apparently, is reluctant to act.

This pressure might take one of several forms. A shutting off of purchases, America being one of Japan's best customers, might be one. It might take the form of an embargo on exports, for Japan would have to look to the United States for purchase of many supplies in event of protracted and large-scale military operations.

Might Halt Credit

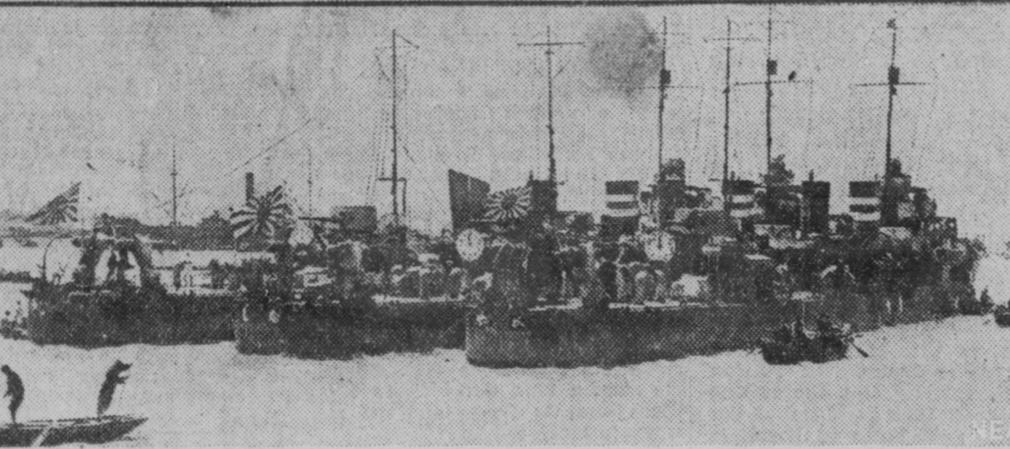
It also might invoke shutting off of credit. Japan, recently forced to abandon the gold standard, must have outside financial aid to maintain any such pace of expenditure as a vast war would call for.

Congress felt grave apprehension over the situation. Representative Morton Hull (Rep., Ill.) recently introduced a bill empowering the President to declare an embargo as a means of exerting economic pressure on a recalcitrant nation. He told the United Press today he would not press this measure unless the administration desired.

"I don't intend to press it unless the state department or the President indicates some desire for action," he said. "I believe they are reluctant to go into the matter at this time."

Discussion of such possible action already has brought from Japan

Invaders Patrol Chinese City



With the spotlight of the far eastern crisis shifted to Shanghai, Japanese marines are shown in the upper photo as they appear patrolling the streets of the Chinese city. These forces were augmented today with 1,000 fresh troops landed from Japanese warships to reinforce Tokyo's decision to seize the Chinese districts of the city. The lower picture shows Japanese cruisers anchored in the Whangpoo river off Shanghai.

LEWIS DEFENDS UNION POLICIES

President of Miners Stirs
Meeting With Speech.

Heavy artillery of the president John L. Lewis administration of the United Mine Workers of America was turned upon the insurgents at today's session of the thirty-second convention.

Led by the president, five delegates and officials rose to defend the Lewis administration and its wage scale policy.

None denied the figure furnished by John Hindmarsh of Springfield, Ill., veteran leader, to show that under the Lewis administration the membership of the union fell from 400,000 in 1921 to 163,000, as of the last reports.

There was no recurrence of theistic outbreak which featured the Wednesday afternoon attacks and caused a near-riot.

King did not seem overawed in the slightest degree.

There was wide divergence of opinion as to desirability of such action. Senators who disagree with the Hoover-Stimson Manchurian policy were reluctant to express their opposition today, explaining they felt it might embarrass the administration at a critical moment.

PIN IN BABY'S LUNG

Two Operations Fail to Remove Obstruction.

Hope Grows for Disposal of Long Pending Litigation.

An 18-month-old baby is in a critical condition at Methodist hospital today following two unsuccessful operations to remove a safety pin from his lung, it was learned.

The child is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Baughman of Brooklyn, Ind.

According to the mother, Mrs. Bessie Baughman, the pin was lodged in the lung for six weeks before the parents became alarmed at the child's loss of voice.

Baughman, a salesman for the Perfection Paint Company here, brought the child to the hospital Saturday night. An operation was performed then, and was followed by another Wednesday night. Both were unsuccessful, physicians said.

Mrs. Baughman said the child may be rushed by plane to Philadelphia hospital, if his condition does not improve.

Hourly Temperatures

6 a. m. 36 10 a. m. 44
7 a. m. 37 11 a. m. 47
8 a. m. 38 12 (noon) 48
9 a. m. 40 1 p. m. 50

FAINT TAPPING HEARD; REVIVES HOPE FOR SUB

(Pictures on Page 1, Section 2)
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PORTLAND, England, Jan. 28.—The destroyer Thruster, searching for the missing submarine M-2, has detected slight tappings below the surface of the channel, the captain of the Portland dock yard announced today.

The announcement, previously denied, gave rise to hope that the submarine had been located and perhaps there was life aboard.

The destroyer Sabre reported at 1:40 p. m., when it dropped anchor in the channel, that a quantity of oil rose to the surface.

It was thought possible some one alive on the M-2 had heard the noise of the dropping anchor and had released oil in an attempt to show the submarine's position.

The Thruster reported the tappings to the submarine mother ship Titania.

Divers were descending to the spot this afternoon two and one-half miles off Abbotbury.

As the gray dawn broke over the channel today, the rescue fleet redoubled its frantic efforts of the

night, reinforced by mine sweepers and other craft, forced to suspend by darkness.

Hope for finding any of the men was almost gone.

If the submarine is intact, the air is not yet exhausted, but none of the men appeared to have reached the surface by using their "safety lungs," so it seemed they must be dead.

As my launch reached the spot, I saw that search had been feverishly intensified.

Trim mine sweepers glided before me and resumed their dragging operations. Carefully their crews directed nets over the bottom of the sea. Occasionally they halted as the sweeps touched some hidden bulk.

But each contact proved to be one of the relics of Dead Man's bay, the scene of a thousand ships' graves. In their midst, naval experts feared, the M-2 was resting.

I saw divers fully robed and ready to risk their lives by descending into the dangerous channel.

They stood by, prepared to identify any object that the sweepers might encounter in their blind and persistent groping in the ship's graveyard.

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