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Rain tonight changing to snow Tuesday; much colder Tuesday.

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CHINA FEARS JAPAN DRIVE ON TIENSIN

Defenders Mass Forces to
Block Threatened Move
From Great Wall.

BOMBING PLANES ACTIVE

Shanhaikwan Area Remains
Quiet, Say Reports
to Peiping.

BY HERBERT R. EKINS
United Press Staff Correspondent

PEIPING, Jan. 16.—Chinese officials feared yesterday that the Japanese were planning an advance from the Great Wall toward Tientsin, although the Shanhaikwan area was quiet, and there was little activity outside the wall.

The fears were based on reports from General Ho Chu Kuo, commander of the Chinese garrison at Shanhaikwan.

Heavy Chinese concentrations were reported along the 100-mile railway from Tientsin to Shanhaikwan.

Japanese were concentrating at Suiching and Chinching, and it was believed here that the Japanese would attempt to drive the Chinese to the Tientsin side of the Lan river.

Outside the great wall, the Japanese accepted the challenge of General Fen Chan Hui's "big swords," who harassed the the Nipponese troops last week, and claimed to have checked their advance into Jehol province.

Manchukuo troops protected the Japanese rear, while Japanese forces launched counter-attacks at strategic points outside the great wall, including Kailu and Tungliao.

Skirmishes, but no important engagements, were reported between Chinese and Manchukuo patrols from Chiomenkuo, the ninth gate pass, to Shuhmenchuan, the tenth gate.

Japanese airplanes resumed bombing in the Kailu sector, reports here said, but inflicted little damage.

Chinese Prepare for War
BY WILLIAM PHILIP SIMMS
Scripps-Howard Foreign Editor

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—Coincident with rumors that the League of Nations, whose committee of nineteen meets today at Geneva, is preparing to whitewash Japan's annexation of Manchuria, the writer has direct news of startling developments in China.

Disillusioned and embittered by what they believe to be the camouflaged plan of some of the great powers to give Japan free rein north of the Great Wall, if not farther south, the Chinese are said to be preparing for war on a major scale.

Driven from Mukden sixteen months ago by the Japanese army, and now threatened by a new drive against Jehol and Inner Mongolia, the "young marshal" Chang Hsueh-Liang, now war lord of Peiping, has vowed to give his life, if need be, in defending China against further encroachment.

Give Up Hope in League

This information comes from sources close to the young marshal and, doubtless, with private corroborative cables from Tientsin, Nanking and Shanghai.

Having abandoned practically the last shred of hope that the white man's much vaunted peace machine would protect their territory from deliberate aggression, China is pictured as uniting to defend itself, cost what it may.

A repetition of what happened at Shanghai when the ill-equipped Chinese army successfully defended the city against far superior forces, is to be expected if the Japanese drive into Jehol continues.

The Chinese claim to have information that the Japanese have 60,000 troops within striking distance of Jehol. The Chinese forces in that region are estimated at between 100,000 and 120,000, but they are less well equipped.

Drive Westward

The plan of the Japanese general staff is said to be to drive a wedge westward along the Great Wall in a movement converging on Jehol, capital of the province, from the direction of Chinching, Suiching and Shanhaikwan.

And thus cutting the Chinese forces in two, the plan would be to prevent reinforcements coming up from the south while the Japanese "mopped up" the terrain to the north.

Against the consummation of this scheme, the writer is informed, the Chinese are ready to fight to the last. The bankers, merchants and other guilds are said to be organizing to defend their country in what they believe to be the greatest peril in its thousands of years of history.

Women are said to be taking part, and money is flowing into the war chest, even from the humblest coolies.

Pneumonia

Midwinter finds pneumonia taking its tragic toll—the fatalities mounting higher in some localities than in years. By a proper understanding of this disease, the public can be of inestimable help in curbing its spread and in assisting back to health those who are stricken.

To this end, Dr. Morris Fishbein, writer of NEA Service's daily health articles, has written a series of five articles dealing with pneumonia. The first will appear on the editorial page of The Times on Tuesday.

France Pacifist-Minded, but Armed Forces Are World's Best Equipped

Protected by Chain of Most Formidable Forts in Human History, Yet Spirit of Peace Reigns in Thoughts of People.

This is the first of five articles by Richard McMillan of the United Press' European staff discussing why Europe doesn't disarm.

BY RICHARD D. McMILLAN
United Press Staff Correspondent

PARIS, Jan. 16.—France is the most pacifist-minded nation in the world today, yet at the present time she has the best-equipped army in Europe and the most formidable chain of fortresses—bristling with gun and bayonet—in human history.

She has just placed an order to build the last word in naval death-dealing weapons, the 23,300 tons pocket-battleship Dunkerque.

This apparent contradiction toward disarmament, so puzzling to the foreign mind, is quite simple and understandable to every Frenchman.

"The world we are piling up in the Bank of France will be used to fight Germany," Frenchman who had fought and been wounded in the World war, told me. "But neither we nor any one else in the country wants to be at war again with the hereditary foe across the northeast frontier."

Why, then, does the republic go on training and preparing for war?

It would be more accurate to say that France is preparing for the possibility of war.

France emerged from the World war blood-drenched but satisfied.

She had defeated her old enemy,

snatched back the lost provinces of Alsace-Lorraine, secured her share of the spoils of the German colonies, whereby she became the second biggest Empire in the world.

Her devastated region, razed to the ground by four years of warfare, has been rebuilt in modern style and Germany has had to pay the bill.

German money, too, paid for the destruction of the coal mines and factories in the north, all now

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PLAN TO SAVE WORLD OFFERED

Sweeping Proposals Made
to People of Nations by
Committee of 20.

By United Press

CHICAGO, Jan. 16.—A plan designed to save the world from economic ruin was submitted today by a committee of twenty prominent men for approval of the peoples of the hated classes."

20-DEGREE DROP OF MERCURY FORECAST

Light Snow Tuesday Also
on Weather Program.

Drop of about 20 degrees in temperature Tuesday is forecast for the city by the weather bureau. The mercury will drop to the twentieth.

Accompanied by rain which may change to snow flurries by Tuesday, an area of wintry weather is approaching the central west from Canada where thermometers are reading far below zero.

Unsettled weather with rain is scheduled for tonight, after which the mercury drop will bring light snow, it was forecast.

Condemned to Crochet

G. O. P. Minority Wails Over Sad Fate; No Free
Theater Tickets, So They Must Knit.

Charges that the Republican minority in the house of representatives has been neglected in the distribution of free theater tickets and has to sit in lonely hotel rooms, knitting, were flung on the house floor today, when Representative H. E. Evans, minority leader, offered a "privileged communication."

Evans, reading in grave tones while his contemporaries were doubled in their seats in laughter, asserted the nine Republicans have been slighted, neglected and forgotten in distribution of theater tickets.

"We of the minority," said Evans, "have plenty of time to amuse ourselves, while you of the majority are working out the bills to fulfill our platform pledges."

"On the other hand, we, the forgotten men, will be forced to sit in our hotel rooms and knit, while you of the party of Jefferson and Wilson can go gallivanting to the theaters as free and independent citizens."

"All of you, our friends, have received little pasteboard cards in your own names and rights, with the restriction not soon on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, when, perhaps, all good Democrats should be at home with their families."

"We are sad, blue, depressed and chagrined that we will not be able to associate with you in the seat of the entertainment of the drama, the melodrama and the comedy."

"We hold malice toward no man and have charity for all, and we respectfully extend to you our gratitude, and are proud of the fact that you have been remembered. We congratulate you on your good luck."

"However, we ask that we have your sympathy and condolence and toward the end of the session, when you are tired and worn out with your duties and arduous tasks, or when you have tired of shows and parades, tinsel and song, we plead with your majority and will be very grateful to you of the ninety, while

we are but nine, if you only will lend us enough passes that we can see at least one good show before we go home, and yours be the pleasure and glory forever, amen."

A majority member then satirically introduced a house motion for the appropriation of \$15 for the purchase of yarn, that the minority may keep up with its knitting.

Speaker Earl Crawford ruled the "motion" must lose, because it was not a joint motion.

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A steady stream of such communications has been pouring into congressional offices for months.

Sensational cases, like the so-called "mob scene" in Iowa, the farm picketing in the middle west, the tax sales in Mississippi, Virginia and elsewhere, have been reported more widely.

But behind those are simple, stark descriptions of distress among debt-burdened farmers, who can pay

'SLUSH FUND' CHARGE HITS MINE OWNERS

Large Sum Raised 'For Use
During Session,' State
Legislator Says.

FIGHT ON SAFETY BILL

Attempt to Kill Measure by
Stalling Laid to
Opposition.

Indiana coal operators have authorized a large fund "to be used while the legislature is in session," Representative William H. Lee (Dem., Princeton), chairman of the house of representatives mines and mining committee, charged today on the floor.

He made the allegation during a heated controversy over an alleged attempt to kill a mine bill by "stalling."

Fight over the measure flared when it was handed down by Speaker Earl Crawford for second reading, and Representative John F. Ryan (Dem., Terre Haute) moved it made a special order of business for Wednesday.

Immediately, there was a motion to kill Ryan's motion, but he was sustained by a standing vote. Ryan then explained that many members had not had time to read the bill and, therefore, could not vote on it intelligently.

Sees No Need of Hurry

"I don't see any rush about this bill," Ryan asserted.

"I belong, and have for years, to a labor organization, but it isn't fair to the coal operators of the state to rush this bill through. They're big taxpayers and they're entitled to be heard."

The veteran Representative Sam Benz (Dem., English) supported Ryan's charge that a couple of days' consideration of the bill by members wouldn't be asking too much.

Lee then was recognized and asserted: "This is an effort to stall this bill, just like there was in 1931. Some people are trying to kill the bill by stalling."

"I resent that," shouted Ryan, getting to his feet. "It's a matter of justice, not stalling."

Slush Fund Intimidated

Lee charged further that Ryan left the house chamber when he learned the bill was coming up in committee, and telephoned the information to Terre Haute.

"One Indiana coal company," Lee asserted, "has authorized an assessment of one-half of a percent a ton for three months, the money to be used while the legislature is in session." The coal operators are willing to spend \$5,000 in influencing legislation, but not a thousand dollars for miners' safety."

The controversial measure amends the 1923 law to prohibit blasting in mines while miners are working in tunnels. It also prohibits more than ten men from working in mines having only one entrance, provided more than 5,000 cubic yards have been excavated, and requires telephone communication with the surface not less than 500 feet from the entrance.

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Daisy and a younger sister, wards of the state, were placed in the home of Lundy Beechem here about a year ago. Previously they were cared for at the state public school at Sparta.

About ten days ago Daisy contracted a cold and was treated with home remedies. Late Monday she started to sneeze, and except for intervals, when drugs provide relief, she has sneezed constantly since. She was taken to St. Joseph's hospital Jan. 10.

The sneezes were less violent today. Dr. Henske reported, but otherwise there was no change in the girl's condition. Her heart action has been erratic and her temperature slightly above normal, the doctor said.

In an effort to distract her attention through conversation, Daisy's teacher was called to the hospital, but the sneezes continued.

Production of garments increased from 2,700 to 4,000 last week.

Mrs. William H. Coleman, chairman of the local Red Cross volunteer work, explained the garments are not distributed from the Red Cross workshop at 110 South Meridian street, but through organized relief agencies.

Bonus Supporters to Meet

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—House supporters of immediate payment of the \$2,000,000,000 cash soldiers' bonus announced a meeting had been arranged for this afternoon to map a legislative program.

WICHITA FALLS, Wis., Jan. 16.—Sneezes which have racked the throat of Daisy Jost, 15, for a week, continued today at the rate of nearly three every minute.

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Without warning, the man struck at Gray with a heavy object. Gray lost his balance and plunged to the ground.

Physicians said Gray's fingers and toes were lacerated and raw from crawling.

Filibustering Huey Long Refuses to Yield Floor for Dry Birthday Talk

Tells Senator Sheppard to
Wait, and Deliver
"Death Eulogy."

BY LYLE C. WILSON
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WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—The filibuster bloc, headed by Senator Huey Long (Dem., La.), entrenched itself for another session of obstructionist tactics today when the session convened.

Long, who had the floor, resisted every attempt to permit other members to speak.

Among those