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Partly cloudy tonight and tomorrow; rising temperature.

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WICKED TURKESTAN PAWN OF NATIONS IN FORLORN CHINA

Great Britain, Russia, China and Japan Vie
for Strategic Positions in the
'Country God Forgot.'

PEOPLE TERMED FIENDS INCARNATE

Nippon Seeks Foothold to Outflank the Reds;
to England Repulsive Terrain Holds
Key to Defense of India.

William Philip Simms, famed Scripps-Howard foreign affairs expert, begins his trip around the world this week, when NEA Service newspapers, Simms' first series on Japan was recently presented in this newspaper. This second series is of unusual timeliness in view of Japan's new sharp order to all other countries that they must stop interfering in Chinese affairs.

BY WILLIAM PHILIP SIMMS
Scripps-Howard Foreign Editor
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PEIPING, April 21.—At best, the inhabitants of Sinkiang—Chinese Turkestan, "the country God forgot"—are perhaps the most primitive people in Asia, if not on the globe. At worst, they are fiends incarnate.

Mohammedans for the most part, they naturally hate Christians and when not busy slaughtering "infidels" they turn on one another.

None of the tortures which thousands of years of experience have taught them have they forgotten, and every now and then they invent some new ones.

Recently a sausages caravan was captured by a band of these people. For two weeks the caravan leader was systematically starved while his captors roasted toothsome morsels of lamb and mutton over the coals where he could see and smell them. Then he was crucified and strips of flesh, cut from his living body, were offered to him to eat.

Flout Chinese Control

These people are not Chinese. They are no more Chinese than the headhunters of Borneo are British. Only nominally are they under the Chinese flag, and the government at Nanking would gladly get at and pacify them if it only could.

But it can't, and thereby hangs the theme of this story.

Here, in the very heart of Central Asia, a spot so far away that the average man scarcely dreams of its existence, and which God seems almost to have forgotten, is one of the principal stages upon which is being worked out the fate of the continent.

Next to it, on the south, is Tibet—"God Land," the lamas call it—up on the roof of the world, a tableland 12,000 feet high, a shelf on the side of the Himalayas, loftiest mountains on earth.

Cold and Heat Intense

Bordering it on the west is Russia-Turkestan, with its glorious cities of Samarkand, Bokhara, Kulja, Khotan, Tashkent, and Kashgar, bosom of the empire of Tamerlane, the Magnificent.

Mostly deserts and oases, Central Asia, nevertheless, is crossed by great rivers, one of them almost as long as the Mississippi. But, strangely enough, most of them just meander out and lose themselves in the burning sands.

Winters are so cold that an early Russian expedition was practically wiped out by blizzards while trying to negotiate one of the deserts. Of 10,000 camels and 7,000 men, only a thousand each came back alive.

Another expedition reported a temperature so hot in May that at 10 a. m. the thermometer registered 149 degrees Fahrenheit. At noon the thermometer exploded, ceasing to register.

Four Nations Maneuver

In this hellish but historic region, four nations vie for position—Great Britain, Russia, Japan and China.

For China, it simply represents a forlorn hope to gain control over territory which geographies mark as hers.

For Japan, it is a far-reaching effort to outflank her traditional enemy, Russia.

For Britain the motive is India. Britain fears that if Russia should ever assert herself in that vicinity, India might be lost to the empire. Time and again Britain and Czarist Russia were on the rugged edge of war over the mountain passes along India's northern frontiers.

For Russia, a foothold in Central Asia is necessary to maintain some semblance of balance between the lion and the bear.

Threat Over India

Russia does not want India. Fifty years ago the czar's foreign minister at St. Petersburg remarked in his instructions to the Russian ambassador in London:

"Our position in Turkestan is purely defensive, considering that we have neither the intention to menace nor any interest in menacing England in India. But it gives us a base for operations which if required can become an offensive one."

The meaning of this is clear. Great Britain has many ways of getting at Russia in Europe, while Russia can not get back at Britain. A strong position in Central Asia to some extent remedies this situation.

Czarist Russia frankly intended that London should understand that if Britain took too much pressure to bear on her in Europe, she, Russia, had a means of bringing counter pressure to bear against Britain in India.

There is no reason to believe that Soviet Russian policy has materially

Johnson Condemned by Mrs. Pinchot in Strike Meeting Here

General Not Enforcing NRA, Wife of Pennsylvania Governor Charges; Company Unions Are Flayed:

The Times Is Praised.

Condemnation of General Hugh S. Johnson for failure to enforce NRA coupled with an attack on the company union formed the highlights of an address last night of Mrs. Gifford Pinchot, wife of Pennsylvania's governor, at a mass meeting in the national guard armory building.

The meeting was a sympathy session sponsored by the Central Labor Union, Indiana State Federation of Labor and railroad brotherhoods on behalf of the striking workers in three Indianapolis hosiery mills.

CHURCH HONORS BISHOP TUESDAY

Archbishop McNicholas to
Officiate; K. of C. to
Form Guard.

Installation of Bishop Joseph Elmer Ritter as bishop of the diocese of Indianapolis will take place Tuesday morning in the SS. Peter and Paul cathedral with the Most Reverend John T. McNicholas, O. P., S. T. M., archbishop of Cincinnati, presiding.

The celebrant of the pontifical mass will be the Most Reverend Alphonse Smith, D. D., bishop of Nashville, Tenn., native of Indiana.

Members of the Knights of Columbus, in charge of James F. Lynch, marshal, will attend the ceremonies as an escort of honor to Bishop Ritter.

A liturgical choir of 150 male voices selected from the choirs of ten local churches will assist the Schola Cantorum and the clergy choir.

Assisting at the mass will be assistant priest, the Right Rev. R. N. Riel, pastor of the St. Phillips church; deacon, the Rev. Cornelius Bolser, pastor of St. John's church, Vincennes; subdeacon, the Rev. John T. O'Hare, pastor of St. Simon's church, Washington, Ind.

The assistant priest at the throne will be the Rev. Maurice O'Connor, pastor of the St. Joan of Arc church deacons of honor, the Rev. William P. Garity, pastor of St. Vincent's Paul church, Bedford, and the Rev. Herman Gadlage, pastor of the St. Maurice church, Greenburg; notarius, the Rev. Joseph E. Hamill, Ph. D., protonotary apostole.

The chancery to Bishop Ritter will be the Rev. Francis Schaub, pastor of the Immaculate Conception church, Rushville, and the Rev. Charles Duffy, pastor of Little Flower church of this city.

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"You are to be congratulated on having a newspaper like The Indianapolis Times. It is not afraid to speak the truth," she said.

Mrs. Pinchot left Indianapolis immediately after the meeting for Erie, Pa., where she will address labor audiences today.

Other speakers last night were William Smith, Philadelphia, general secretary of the American Federation of Full Fashioned Hosiery Workers; Joe Galloway, president of the local union; John E. Smith, Indianapolis Central Labor Union president; Claude M. Baker, San Francisco; vice-president of the International Typographical Union, and Paul W. Fuller, Washington, educational director for the American Federation of Labor.

Mr. Perry O'Neal Will Speak on Plan for Community Lots.

DOUMERGUE TAKES AIR TO REQUEST SUPPORT

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