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HARMONY IN JAPAN

While Japan is having its difficulties with China and Soviet Russia, difficulties that periodically culminate in armed clashes which threaten to develop into general warfare until wiser counsel prevails, at home the nation is enjoying harmony such as has not been experienced for some time, according to Frank H. Hedges, an experienced and unbiased journalist stationed at Tokyo.

Of course, it is extremely early in the life of the new Government to make predictions, but the fact that, at the moment, militarists, bureaucrats, party leaders and the press are united in their support of the Government gives grounds for belief that Japan at least is attempting to bring about an adjustment in her internal affairs that will make for improvement in the lives of her people.

Japan has not forgotten the tremendous task with which it was confronted when the feudal system was overthrown in 1871 and the then medieval nation was suddenly precipitated into the modern world. It was then necessary to create a "New Japan" in accordance with the times if the empire was to survive.

Just what is to be done has not been determined, and is not likely to be decided upon all at once. Broadly speaking, reforms are to be introduced in government structure, in economics and finance, and in the army and navy.

PEACE IN INDUSTRY

While governments on this continent, particularly in the United States, have been attempting to find a solution to the pressing problem of relations between labor and employers, considerable interest has attached to the British Trade Disputes Act, regarded by many as a model solution to that type of problem.

No serious efforts have been made to amend the legislation in the course of its ten years of operation. In practice, labor has found the act broad enough to permit such strikes as seemed necessary, and these have occurred in the textile and coal industries as well as in other fields, including that of London transportation.

CALLING FOR TRADE

"Canada Calling" is the slogan adopted by the Department of Trade and Commerce in its advertising campaign in Great Britain. For some little time the Old Country has heard "Canada Calling"—calling attention to her manufactured and agricultural products, not in the nature of a sentimental appeal, but with strong and sound reasons given as to why Canadian goods should be purchased on a purely quality and economy basis.

backed by statistics and authoritative information. The selling methods being used are those which are employed successfully throughout the world of business, and there is no reason to believe they should not be used by a Government as they have been successful when employed by private business.

Trade commissioners report that the campaign has been attended by a very substantial measure of success. At the same time they sound a call to Canadian exporters to play their important part in maintaining an adequate and continuous supply of products of uniform quality.

ONE MORE LINK

When Great Britain conceived a world-wide system of air navigation which would link every part of the British Commonwealth of Nations by airports established on her own soil, she set her hand to a tremendous task—one which today is nearing complete fulfillment.

At present there are established and scheduled air services between the Motherland and India, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, and much of Europe and Asia. Canada, the next link, is dropping into the slot prepared for her as neatly as would any relevant piece in a jigsaw puzzle.

When any one has offended me, I try to raise my soul so high that the offence can not reach it. —Descartes.

The Weather

Meteorological Office, Victoria, B.C., at 7:00 p.m., July 9, 1937.

SYNOPSIS OF WEATHER CONDITIONS

Pressure remains relatively high over Vancouver Island, while fine, moderately warm weather prevails on the Coast, and high temperature continues in the Okanagan and Kootenay districts, causing a dangerous forest fire hazard.

PRECIPITATION AND TEMPERATURES

Table with columns for location, precipitation (inches), and temperature (min, max). Locations include Victoria, Nanaimo, Vancouver, Kamloops, Prince George, Esquimalt, etc.

FRIDAY

Minimum 51, Maximum 72, Average 62, Minimum on the grass 47.

5:00 P.M. WEATHER REPORTS

Victoria—Barometer, 30.08; wind, SW, 20 miles, clear.
Vancouver—Barometer, 30.08; wind, SW, 4 miles, clear.
Kamloops—Barometer, 29.90; wind, W, 4 miles, cloudy.

Parsons to Marry Student Day Girls

ST. CHARLES, Mo., July 9 (AP)—Marriage licences were issued here yesterday to two Saskatchewan ministers who are sisters in a double ceremony Sunday.

Note and Comment

By Sandham Graves

Wickham Steed, former editor of The Times, London, writing recently in The New York Times, gave it as his opinion that, while all the elements of an international conflagration are present today in Europe, war is not inevitable and will once more be avoided.

Softball Gossip

Hats off to Manager Bert Simpson and his Painter's Bruins softballers. The boys certainly have what it takes to win ball games.

Letters to the Editor

No letter to the Editor will be inserted unless it is signed and accompanied by a return address. No letter should exceed 100 words in length.

A DOUBLE TRAGEDY

Sir,—The Courtenay River tragedy in which two children lost their lives quite recently is one of those, to the human mind, unfathomable mysteries allowed by an Almighty God to overtake His creatures.

Glancing Over Sport

Sport writers in New York belittled this Australia fighter, Alf Blatch, up to the clouds and back again. He was supposed to arrive in the U.S. with a record a mile long, so they tossed him in against Henry Armstrong, colored sensation, for a starter.

Jonathan Went Trucking

Friend Jonathan vows that he will never borrow a truck again. During the week he secured the loan of a heavy vehicle to indulge in a bit of country hauling.

FIFTY YEARS AGO TODAY

(From The Daily Colonist of July 10, 1887)

Local Briefs—The steamer Barbara Bonavia brought from the northern coasters 1,000 cases of wheat to the Victoria market. The steamer's cargo is being stored in the Victoria grain elevator.

Eastern manufacturers are advertising a "death-ray" machine for the extermination of mosquitoes.

Alerted by the too-rapid growth of crime since this continent's credit grants in Eastern parts of the continent are emphasizing the necessity for personal thrift on the part of the people.

War in U.S.A.

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The Observation Car

By The Editorial Staff

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▲ 10 7 5 4 3
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East

▲ Q J 6 3
▲ Q T 9
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▲ K J 5

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Cranleigh House School

FOR BOYS. The Oak Bay Day School. Preparatory and High. C. V. MILTON. Cadboro Bay Road. 8 B.U.I.

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