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PREPAREDNESS ADVOCATED BY SEC. WEEKS

Lexington, June 20.—Secretary Weeks, speaking to the graduating class of the Virginia Military Institute, hailed as "good sign" the increasing number of military schools in the country. The increase, he said, must be "a great satisfaction to those believing in an adequate military preparedness."

STUDENTS OF THE PEKING UNIVERSITY START ANTI- CHRISTIAN MOVEMENT

Amoy, China, June 19.—The religious world of the Far East is stirred by an anti-Christian movement which started early in May among the students of Peking University, and is now rapidly spreading among the students of private and government schools throughout the country. These young people term Christianity a superstition and harmful to the people, taking away reverence for ancestors and freedom of thought and action.

The new movement has begun an energetic propaganda, which in turn has brought Christian leaders to the front, many of whom look upon the movement with grave misgivings, not knowing what will be the outcome. Others think it is simply the result of a desire to "get something, and that the best means of defeating it is to ignore it."

Conditions provoking the organization of such a movement are said by Christian leaders to be the rapid progress of Christianity in China, taken together with much talk and advertising of the recent World's Christian Student Conference and other conferences of a like nature held in this country. The students are declared to be unconscious tools in the hands of leaders who are seeking favorable conditions for the breaking up of organized society and the working of Communist ideas.

The leaders of this anti-Christian movement are Dr. Tsai Yan-ping, Chancellor of the Peking National University; Wang Chaoming, Secretary to Dr. Sun Yat-sen, and Chen Tu-siu, who is a Socialist. Sub-organizations will no doubt spring up. A Free Love Society has already been formed among the students of Amoy University.

Considering the possibility of an anti-foreign movement resulting, the local Consular bodies have taken up the matter with the Commissioner of Foreign Affairs who, however, pronounces himself unable to give any promise of protection in case of persecution. Already in a few places minor outbreaks of a hostile nature against mission work have been reported, in spite of the claim by leaders of the movement that the purpose is to be nothing more than passive resistance.

R. R. WORKERS PERFECT SEMI- POLITICAL ORGANIZATION

Raleigh, June 20.—Representatives of the shop crafts and other railroad unions met here today to perfect a semi-political organization which will gather information regarding the records of candidates for office.

Confederate Reunion Officially Opened

(By Associated Press)

RICHMOND, VA., June 20.—Surrounded by traditions of the Old South the veterans of the confederate armies officially opened their annual reunion here today.

The convention was called to order by General William B. Freeman, commander of the Virginia Division, and General Julian S. Carr, commander-in-chief later took the chair. The session was given over to speech making.

WATER POWER OF FALLS OF JORDAN TO BE DEVELOPED

Jerusalem, June 20.—Much of the material that is to be used in the work of developing the hydraulic power of the falls of the Jordan, near the Sea of Galilee, will be acquired from German firms. Their prices are said to be one-half those of British houses, and considerably below those of American bidders.

The plan includes the construction of a dam on the Jordan River at the point where it issues from the Sea of Galilee; a large storage reservoir; irrigation canals, and the installation of electric generating stations. American-Jewish organizations are said to be largely interested in the project.

The contract has been awarded to Pinhas Rutenberg, a Russian engineer, by the British government. Mr. Rutenberg is now in the United States seeking financial support for the project. The work will involve an expenditure of 10,000,000 and the employment of 8,000 men. The Russian contractor also will undertake to draw electric power from the Auja River to light the ancient city of Jaffa and the communities of Tel Aviv, Ramleh and Petach Tikvah. He is allowed two years in which to raise the capital and start operations.

SCOTLAND TO DEVELOP ITS WATER POWER

London, June 19.—Scotland is waking up to the fact that its lakes and waterfalls may be made to serve other purposes than providing scenic attraction for tourists. As proof of this the "Grampian Electricity Bill" has been given a second reading in the House of Commons.

The company is empowered to collect and use the waters of 15 lochs and 99 small lakes, rivers and streams, over an area of 417 square miles.

The waters proposed to be utilized are estimated to be capable of generating 56,000 horsepower to supply electricity in the counties of Perth, Kinross and Forfar and districts in four other counties. The capital is placed at 4,500,000.

That any of the beautiful lakes and falls of "Caledonia, stern and wild" should be used to get the wheels of industry spinning many in Scotland regard almost as sacrilegious desecration. And that opinion is shared by not a few Americans who are accustomed to visit Scotland annually.

But the promoters declare that the preservation of the natural beauties of Scotland is expressly provided for by the terms of the bill. And they add that when the hum of the electrically-driven wheels of industry are heard in the land, and dividends begin to come in, the cry of "desecration" will be silenced.

WOMAN IN CLOSE CONTEST FOR THE U. S. SENATE

St. Paul, Minn., June 20.—With the outcome of the Major Republican contests apparently determined, interest in the Minnesota primary turned today to the race Mrs. Anna Dickey Olsen made for the Democratic Senatorial nomination.

Available reports showed her in a nip and tuck contest with Thomas J. Meighan.

Why Suffer Losses From Hog Cholera?

In two sections around Scotland Neck hog cholera is raging. It has completely wiped out one herd of thirty-four head and is in another adjoining herd. This second herd was inspected this morning and all the hogs were found infected. It is only a matter of a few days until they will be dead. Why not make arrangements to have your herd inoculated immediately? The hog cholera serum is a preventive and not a cure and if your hogs are attended to before they become sick, you need not have any worry about cholera.

Dr. F. D. Owen of the U. S. Department of Agriculture is in Scotland Neck for a few days to assist with the hog cholera work and now is the time to have this work done.

Hog cholera inoculation is not an experiment but it is an absolute preventative and it is the height of folly to allow your hogs to go without this treatment. This treatment is given without cost to the grower for the services of the agricultural agent and any veterinarian that the government might send down here and the only cost that will accrue will be the cost of the serum and virus that is used in the herd. This cost will be from about forty cents for suckling pigs to about a dollar and forty cents for the largest hogs in the county.

Make your arrangements to have this work done thru the agricultural agent at Scotland Neck.

C. E. LITTLEJOHN,
Agricultural Agent.

WEATHER REPORT

For North Carolina: Cloudy, with local showers tonight or Wednesday. No change in temperature. Gentle variable winds.

MAP OF EUROPE CONSTANT PUZZLE

Belgrade, Yugoslavia, June 19.—The map of Europe was so badly cut up by the peace-makers at Paris that it is still a constant puzzle to many people, especially Americans. The geography of the new Baltic republics and the countries in the Balkans and Near East seems to be particularly obscure. European postal authorities find that Americans often confuse Serbia with Siberia, Rumania with Armenia, Yugoslavia with Czechoslovakia, Bucharest with Budapest, Bulgaria with Bavaria, and so on.

"People in the United States show that most lamentable lack of knowledge of this part of the world," a prominent American diplomat in the Balkans said recently to the correspondent. Not two persons in 10 can locate the Balkan countries accurately. And I am sorry to say our own government officials often show distressing ignorance. Not long ago the American consular chief in Belgrade received an official seal from the State Department, the steel die of which read "Jugoslavakia."

American Buildings In Canton, China Struck By Shells

(By Associated Press)

Peking, June 20.—Three American buildings in Canton were struck by shells during Sunday's bombardment of the city by the gunboats of Sun Yat Sen, who has been trying futilely to recapture his stronghold.

Jacob Schurman, the American minister, has asked Rear Admiral Strauss to rush protection to Canton, and American gunboats are expected to proceed there.

SWEDEN TO GIVE EDUCATIONAL ADVANTAGES TO EVERY CHILD

Stockholm, June 19.—Sweden's educational system today faces reorganization the purpose of which is to place full educational advantages within close reach of every child in the land irrespective of the child's social standing in the community.

Under the new plan all of Sweden's public schools, from the elementary grades to the universities, will be co-educational. At present only the elementary schools and the universities receive both sexes. The Swedish School Commission purposes to open the "realskola" and the "gymnasium" to girls as well as boys. An important change will be the elimination of several subjects as compulsory and the concentration of individual students on a smaller group of subjects, logically related to the occupation or profession which most interests them. Students will be permitted to start specializing much earlier than at present.

It is now proposed that virtually the whole educational work of the country, with the exception of a few private schools be taken over by the state. Tuition fees will be practically eliminated, and students will not be encumbered by the study of non-essential subjects. The estimated cost of the new system will be about \$1,000,000 a year more than at present.

It is proposed also to establish a school, new to the Swedish system of education, to be known as "lyceum" which in seven years will take a pupil directly from the elementary school to matriculation for the universities.

Among the languages offered under the new plan will be Latin and Greek and three modern languages in addition to Swedish, namely, English, French and German.

MANY FORGERIES OF EGYPTIAN ANTIQUES

London, June 20.—"The manufacture of antiquities is carried forward on such an extensive scale in Egypt, particularly at Cairo that it now has a place in reports on the industries of the country," says Professor Flinders Petrie, the famous Egyptian archaeologist in an interview in the Daily Chronicle.

The forgeries of Egyptian antiquities are often so well executed, he states, that even the most experienced collectors are deceived by them. Large sums of money have been paid for articles that were considered genuine treasures but have now been pronounced spurious or of doubtful origin. So strong is the suspicion concerning the authenticity of scarabs and various bronze and gold ornaments and other articles alleged to have been found in Egypt that many collectors are afraid to risk buying them, and in an excess of caution often turn down antiquities that are undoubtedly genuine. Thus the forgeries have largely ruined the market for Egyptian historical treasures.

BABE RUTH AGAIN ON THE CARPET

CHICAGO, ILL., June 20.—Babe Ruth faces suspension or fine as a result of his conduct in the New York-Chicago game yesterday, when he was banished from the game in the eighth inning for disputing a decision.

President Johnson, of the American League, said today that the action he would take depended upon the report of Umpire Dineen.

VERA CRUZ CONSIDERS SECEDING FROM MEXICO

Veracruz, June 19.—A proposal that the state of Vera Cruz secede from the republic of Mexico has been made in the legislature of that state by certain radical groups which claim that they are not adequately or justly represented in the national congress.

A resolution demanding secession has been presented to the legislature, demanding that in the forthcoming elections a number of radicals be permitted to stand for the national chamber of deputies despite a federal ruling that they are ineligible because of a number of technical reasons. It is not believed that the resolution will pass.

FACTORY AND OFFICE GIRLS BEGIN WEEK OF CAMPUS LIFE AT VASSAR

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., June 19.—One thousand girls from factories and offices in six states today began a week of campus life as guests of Vassar, the oldest women's college.

Lantern fetes by the lake, basket ball games, hoop rolling, and a "Pageant of Woman's Opportunity" will give collegiate color to this first gathering of representative industrial and academic workers.

The occasion for this meeting of working girls and students is the annual convention of the National League of Girls' Clubs, a federation of societies whose members number 100,000.

Henry Noble MacCracken, president of Vassar, in his address of welcome said:

"The democracy of the curriculum is the unique achievement of the American college. We recognize no royal road to learning. It remains for us to break with one more barrier of the academic tradition—the barrier that separates those reared in the atmosphere of college from those in the great industrial heart of America."

"By means of just such organizations the National League of Girls' Clubs it will be possible suggest that college life in America is not exclusive, but inclusive. It is Vassar's aim to share with you in these days a taste of the best that is in college spirit, and we bid you welcome to your own feast. It was an ancient custom that every guest brought his food with him to the castle of the host; so you bring to our college campus the joyous spirit of living well together that you have achieved in your club organizations."

"That is all there is in college spirit, and we know that you have learned its lesson so that it will be easy for you to extend the same spirit to the groups from all these cities here today. Our students and officers who will live with you here this week will, I know, learn much from you. Out of such contracts we shall build better colleges."

Girls from Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, Ohio, Pennsylvania and New York are attending the convention.

REPUBLICANS ATTACK FORD'S OFFER FOR MUSCLE SHOALS

Washington, June 20.—Henry Ford's offer for Muscle Shoals was attacked today in a report to the House prepared by Representative Kearns, Republican, and signed by several other Republican members of the committee.

The report declared dissatisfaction with the opinions already presented by other members of the committee, and announced that the signers determined to "tell the people the real about Muscle Shoals and called Ford offer."

R. R. Workers Are Organizing

(By Maxwell Gorman)

Raleigh, June 20.—If plans materialize as hoped for by the promoters, there will be an organization of railroad workers (most of whom are not directly affiliated with the Federation of Labor of which Mr. Gompers is the head) effected in North Carolina very soon, the beginnings of which are on tap as these lines are written.

According to some information handed out in Raleigh today, the aim is to launch a state convention through a meeting of representatives of rail workers in Raleigh this week, the convention to take in hand the job of perfecting a state organization—chiefly for "political purposes." That is to say, not as a separate party, but to act concertedly so as to make its strength felt within the political party it affiliates with.

FRENCH PEOPLE READ AMERICAN LITERATURE

Paris, June 19.—The American library in Paris, with 30,000 American volumes on its shelves and its tables covered with American magazines and newspapers, draws 33 percent of its reading room attendance from French people. It is rapidly becoming the chief connecting link between the literary interests of France and the United States and during the two years of its existence it has greatly stimulated French interest in things American.

At the beginning of 1922 the library funds amounted to 674,000 francs, and it is intended to spend much of this in enlarging existing facilities. A branch in the Latin quarter is planned, and others are contemplated.

The library is used by French Ministers and many of the best-known French literary, scientific and professional men. It receives dozens of requests a week for information about America. Recently a French architect asked for all available information about skyscrapers, and several literary men came for help in writing biographies of Henry Ford and Secretary Hughes.

COTTON MARKET TODAY'S MARKET

JULY	22.81
OCTOBER	22.81
DECEMBER	22.61
JANUARY	22.49
MARCH	22.35
YESTERDAY'S MARKET	
JULY	22.76
OCTOBER	22.70
DECEMBER	22.49
JANUARY	22.34
MARCH	22.22