

CHINA CONFRONTED WITH BANKRUPTCY

Need of Aid in Reconstructing Her Finances Shown by Kawakami

VAST DEFICIT PILING UP
Even With Revised Tariff and Consortium the Task Would Be Herculean.

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A week ago I advocated the revision of the customs tariff of China and ventured the prediction that America might assume leadership in obtaining this revision. I had reason to believe Japan was in favor of revising the Chinese tariff so as to relieve the financial straits of the Government at Peking, but that she hesitated to proffer such a proposal because of her delicate diplomatic relations with China. America, I thought, was the only logical country to take the initiative.

The above prediction has come true in the presentation by Senator Underwood of an American plan for the restoration of tariff autonomy to China. The next movement America may make is to propose the inclusion or admission of Chinese banking interests in the international financial consortium organized in 1919 under the leadership of Mr. Thomas Lamont.

The third step America may take for the alleviation of China's financial predicament is to ask other Powers to cancel the balance of the Boxer indemnity. In all these proposals America may count upon Japan's hearty cooperation.

Herculean Task to Perform.
Supposing all such favorable measures were adopted for China through the good will of the nations represented at this conference, it would still be a Herculean task to put her finances upon sound base.

Let us consider China's national loans. Under the old imperial regime the indebtedness of the Chinese Government was small as compared with what it is to-day. Up to 1900 the indebtedness amounted to \$275,000, while by 1910 it had increased to roughly \$400,000,000. That was the position at the time the republic was set up, soon after which China's indebtedness was again increased by an international loan (reorganization loan) of \$125,000,000. The foreign debt had by 1914 grown to \$350,000,000, and at the present rate of exchange, it is estimated that since the establishment of the republic in 1911 China has been borrowing at the rate of \$50,000,000 gold every year.

According to the China Year Book for 1920-21 China's domestic and foreign loans amount to a billion dollars gold at the present rate of exchange. It is estimated that since the establishment of the republic in 1911 China has been borrowing at the rate of \$50,000,000 gold every year.

The balance sheets of the Central Government of China shows enormous deficit. When Mr. Lamont was in Peking in April, 1920, Premier Chun told him that the monthly administrative expenditure of the Peking government was \$15,000,000 Mexican as against an income of \$8,000,000. Here was a clear deficit of \$7,000,000 every month. The China Year Book estimates the deficit for last year at \$9,000,000 Mexican a month.

Salaries in Arrears.
In such circumstances the salaries of officials are always in arrears. Many officials receive no pay for five to ten months. Chinese custom requires the payment by all means of salaries of officials and allowances of soldiers before the autumn festival which this year fell on September 16. At that time salaries and allowances in arrears amounted to \$25,000,000 Mexican. To tide over this difficulty the Peking government appealed to the Association of Chinese Banks, and seems to have succeeded to raise at least part of the sum needed.

On July 20, this year, the Chinese Government issued a domestic loan act and tried to raise \$20,000,000 by the aid of native bankers. But the security offered was not satisfactory and the Chinese bankers have not taken action. This is clear evidence that the Chinese Government has lost credit even among native bankers.

The chaotic condition of China's financial affairs may be judged from the fact that Gen. Wu Peifu, unable to get the necessary fund to maintain his army from the Central Government, has arbitrarily seized the receipts of the southern section of the Peking-Hankow Railway, a Government line.

Another instance: Up to July, 1921, the Treasury owed the office of the President \$2,700,000. After repeated requests the President's office received a check for only \$50,000, but the Bank of China refused to honor it.

On August 26, this year, the Army Department claimed the payment of \$77,800,000, which has been in arrears for two years. Needless to say this has never been paid.

Only Secure Income.
The only secure income of the Chinese Government is the surplus of receipts from the customs tariff and the Salt Gabelle—that is, the sum left after paying interest on various foreign loans.

Now the foreign loans secured by the tariff and Salt Gabelle reached the enormous sum of \$1,130,000,000. Annual interest on these loans amounts to some \$70,000,000, which must be paid from receipts from the customs tariff and the Salt Gabelle.

Up to 1916 there was no surplus from these receipts, but every penny was paid for interest upon foreign loans. From 1917 to 1920, mainly due to abnormal inflation of the value of silver, customs receipts increased phenomenally. The application of the new tariff in August, 1921, also contributed to the enhancement of the customs revenue. The result was that during those four years surplus from the customs receipts ranged from \$8,711,000 to \$21,000,000. This was what relieved China considerably during the last few years. The postponement of the Boxer indemnity for five years from 1918 has also relieved the situation.

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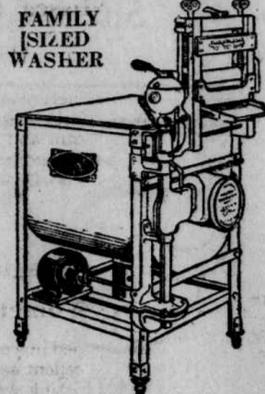
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