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THE THREE-POWER PACE AND THE VORLD OF TOMORROW BY TOSHIO SHIRATORI

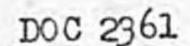
In point of importance to the future of mankind, the Japanese-German-Italian treaty concluded in Berlin on September 27 must be considered of epoch-making significance. As clearly stated in the preamble, the three signatory Powers intend by this treaty to set up a permanent world peace by enabling all the nations to take their proper places under the sun and thereby translating into fact the principle of co-existence and common presperity among them.

Peace is a natural desire of mankind and for its fulfillment repeated attempts have been made ever since the dawn of history. No religion worth the name has ever failed to profess as its primary object the realization of peace and tranquility among men. There is, for example, a Biblical teachin , intended, no doubt, to work out the salvation of man, "Render unto Caesar the things that are Caesaris, and unto God the things that are God's." It has become clear, however, by what has transpired since that no salvation of man, with human nature as it is, can be accomplished by such methods as the Scripture enjoins us, making as it does a distinction between what is God's and what is Caesar's and separating as it does flesh and spirit and substance and mind from each other. Not only that, but it has become increasingly clear that the course of international politics, based upon the principle of rendering unto Caesar what is Caesar's, has developed into sheer materialism, allowing the strong to prey upon the weak in denial of God's injunctions of justice and fraternal love for mankind. It is clear that such a system can produce nothing other than confusion and conflict in the world. In view of these failures in the past, Japan, Germany and Italy have come out to solve this all-important problem confronting mankind by an entirely new and hitherto untried means. Herein lies the fundamental idea which has motivated the conclusion of the tripartite treaty.

The new world order, to which reference is made in the treaty, has been conveived with such a notive. But as things stand todal, with armed struggles raging in Europe and Asia, it would not be quite reasonable to expect the intentions of the signatory Powers to be evaluated readily at their full and proper significance by other Powers. This is especially true when many of them are either directly or indirectly involved in these struggles and are either aroused with feelings of hostility and hatred or are experiencing extreme uneasiness over their own future. Considering moreover the fact that the great historic change which is now taking place under our eyes requires of many Powers the abandonment of views of a world and life to which they have been accustomed for past centuries, it obviously would take a considerable time for the real meaning of the new world order to be generally understood and much more accepted. This means that the interim years which will intervene between now and the time when the fullest

significance of the instrument will be understood can by no means be peaceful ones. Most probably, therefore, a long period of perseverance and strenuous endeavour is in store for the three signatory Powers, which will do well to be fully prepared to meet adequately these eventualities.

Despite this fact, Japan, Germany and Italy are far from being eager to welcome a new struggle. Japan, for instance, has for the past three years of the China affair consistently demanded that China reconsider her attitude, understand Japan's real intentions, grasp fully the spirit of the new times and take advantage of it. In Jurope, too, the leaders of Germany and Italy have since before the outbreak of the present war, continued to make Great Britain and France proposals for a similar peaceful understanding. Unfortunately, the opposition and entagonism between the new and old idealogics in both the East and the West was so profound as to render it essentially impossible to find a middle course of reconciliation, the result being the continued life or death struggle between them which we witness today. The issue of the wars in Europe as well as in Asia is clear beyond doubt; and the sooner the final submission of the vanquished comes, the less will be the trabulation of mankind. The present wers in the East and West are fundamentally different in character from those of the past. Although they entail a tremendous amount of destruction, their primary object is construction, as witnessed in the gradual emergency of a new order out of the ruins, and reconstruction where destruction has taken place. The three victorious nations, despite their immense sacrifices incurred in weging war, are steadily growing in power both materially and spiritually. This has been made possible due to the real strength of those Who create, not destroy. But to those who hold to conventional ideas, who are prone to judge everything in terms of meterials and figures, this would seem quite fantastic. In fact, it is for this reason that there are a number of people who have not yet awakened to the reality of the situation which is looking straight in their faces. This testifies incidentally to the great difficulty with which the hard crust of conventionalism can be broken through. This type of people fail to discover where the real source of strength and power which Japan, Garmany and Italy are at present displaying lies. Clapping eyes on only the superficialities, they seem to be entirely ignorant of the great fact that the principle for which the three Powers stand cannot be overcome by mere material strength. Blissful in their ignorance, they continue their stubborn resistance against the three Powers in the hope of conquering the new order or at least of prolonging the tenure of life of the old one. But theirs is a vain effort. To protect what is naturally doomed to downfall in a historical process is nothing short of tragic. In truth, it is because of the existence of many such people that Japan, Germany and Italy have found it necessary to enter into this treaty. In this respect the treaty is bound to wield immense power and influence, and no doubt constitutes a menace in no small measure to those who cling to the old order of things. This may be called



the negative side of the treaty. The true purpose of the tripartite treaty, however, lies in its positive side. To contribute toward the construction of a new world order is the primary object which the three Powers desire to establish under the pact; and it is solely in consideration of its operation in such a positive sense that the writer emphasized at the outset of this article the importance of this treaty from the viewpoint of world history.

what, then, is the new order which Japan, Germany and Italy intend to bring about, first in their respective spheres and ultimately throughout the world, as stipulated in the instrument? To give a clear-cut answer to this question is difficult at the present stage; but in view of the fact that the three powers, discarding the ideologies of individualism and democracy, have adopted the principle of dealing with human society from the totalitarian point of view, the character of the new order to be created under their leadership must for the most part be clearly perceived.

From the time of encient Greece down to the modern age, Western civilization has undergone various changes in form, but the basis upon thich it has developed has consistently been the individualistic view of the world. It was the movement for Kultur staged in various fields of activity by the German people with the rise of Prussia to power which revolted for the first time against this conception of civilization. Yet because of the structures of her state and society as well as the thoughts of her people not yet being entirely free from liberalism and individualism. Germany was ultimately defeated in the last European War, and the German term Kultur was accordingly made the butt of ridicule and contempt by the conquerors. By its subsequent development, however, Kultur Kampf has proved that, though its steps may be temporarily interrupted, it is after all in line with the inevitable course of progress which mankind is destined to take. The totalitarian movement, started by the Fascist Revolution in Italy and now about to reach its zenith in the National Socialist Revolution in Germany, is spreading like a prairie fire, leaving no room for doubt that the world of tomorrow will be thoroughly permeated with this new concept of world and man.

The writer understands the totalitarian movement to mean, in the west, a return to that simple but virile human instinct which characterized the German and Latin peoples of more than a thousand years ago. Simultaneously with the appearance of such a movement in Germany and Italy, there also arose in Japan a similar movement for going back to the intrinsically Japanese way of ancient days. In Japan, however, no such drastic change as warrants being called revolutionary was necessary, as was the case in Germany and Italy. For Japan's polity has since the foundation of the Empire been established and maintained upon a permanent and unchanging basis, and the pure and unadulterated totalitarianism embodying the unity of sovereign and subjects as one organic body has always been the

immutable faith of the Japanese people. But it would be untrue to say that the evils of liberalistic civilization have not for the past half-century poisoned her ancient tradition. Indeed, the accumulation of its harmful influences had become so intolerably large in both internal and foreign affairs that at last the nation revolted and its dissatisfaction found expression in the form of the Manchurian incident of 1931. This incident meant the bursting out of the thitherto suppressed healthy, racial instinct of the nation, in challenge externally of unjust conditions long forced upon mankind by the democratic Powers and internally of all alien ideas and thoughts grafted upon the people. It called for a re-examination and a return to what is really Japanese in politics, economics and indeed in all activities of the people. The characteristics of this movement in Japan have become even more accontuated in the current China affair, in which the classic expression, Hakko Ichiu, has been adopted as the national slogan, and the ultimate object of the affair, in consonance with the spirit of the slogan, is to be the establishment of a new order in Fast Asia. The controversies of the past ten years in the Far East, therefore, may well be called the racial revivalist-reform movement of the Japanese people, chief obstacles to which having been offered by the machinations of the democratic Fowers who have clung to the old order as the best purveyor of their own interests. The war in Asia can thus be regarded as essentially a conflict between the view of the world as represented by these democratic Powers and the Kohdo spirit which has consistently been protected and fostered by the Japanese nation since the foundation of the Empire. Since the current var in Europe is, fundamentally speaking, a struggle between two different ideologies and a clash between old and new civilizations, it may safely be said that in this sense the wars in the Fast and West are essen-

Unless one views the present wars in the above light and takes into tially the same. consideration the fact that the so-called new order movement is ultimately an ideological and cultural movement for a return to man's innate character. one will never be able to understand correctly the real nature of the new world order of tomorrow which is to be established through Japanese-German-

Before a new world order is fully established, there must first of all Italian co-operation. be effected a radical change in the thought of the people in general. In other words, the mental habit must be broken which has for past centuries controlled mankind. Everything requires reappraisal, and even the essential qualities of God and man must necessarily be re-examined. In this process many a dogma and prejudice will have to be wiped out, for in order to achieve the contemplated change, such things as freedom and equality of individuels, the inherent rights of men, the absolute sovereignty of a state and the right of self-determination of the people must be viewed from a completely different angle from that of the past. In the new world, DOC 2361 Page 5

many things which formerly were highly evaluated as making this earthly life worth living may lose their value, for it must be emphasized that the very things which the old forces in the world have specially prized constitute the sources of injustice, irrationality, tyranny, and exploitation. It is not expected, of course, that such a tramendous reformation which has no parallel in world history can be accomplished in a brief space of time. But now the trend of the age is definitely in that direction. Not only that, but the construction of a new order is in fact already progressing over wide areas of Asia and Europe and promises to be greatly accelerated hereafter.

In view of this epoch-making movement now under way in Europe and Asia, there should be no doubt as to the reasons for the birth of the treaty among Japan, Germany and Italy or as to the duty with which it has been charged.

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Given under my hand this 5th day of September, 1946.

/s/ Katsuji Inahara Kat suji INAHARA

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/s/ John R. Pritchard Captain, Infantry Summary Court

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THE THREE-POWER PACT AND THE WORLD OF TONORROW

By Toshio SHIRATORI

What, then, is the new order which Japan, Germany and Italy intend to bring about, first in their respective spheres and ultimately throughout the world, as stipulated in the instrument? To give a clear-cut answer to this question is difficult at the present stage; but in view of the fact that the three Powers, discarding the ideologies of individualism and democracy, have adopted the principle of dealing with human society from the totalitarian point of view, the character of the new order to be created under their leadership must for the most part be clearly perceived.

From the time of ancient Greece down to the modern age, Western civilization has undergone various changes in form, but the basis upon which it has developed has consistently been the individualistic view of theworld. It was the movement for Kultur staged in various fields of activity by the German people with the rise of Frussia to power which revolted for the first time against this conception of civilization. Yet because of the structures of her state and society as well as the thoughts of her people not yet being entirely free from liberalism and individualism, Germany was ultimately defeated in the last European War, and the German term Kultur was accordingly made the butt of ridicule and contempt by the conquerors. By its subsequent development, however, Kultur Kampf has proved that, though its steps may be temporarily interrupted, it is after all in line with the inevitable course of progress which mankind is destined to take. The totalitarian movement, started by the Fascist Revolution in Italy and now about to reach its zenith in the National Socialist Revolution in Germany, is spreading like a prairie fire, leaving no room for doubt that the world of tomorrow will be theroughly permeated with this new concept of world and man.

The writer understands the totalitarian movement to mean, in the West, a return to that simple but virile human instinct which characterized the German and Latin peoples of more than a thousand years ago. Simultaneously with the appearance of such a movement in Germany and Italy, there also arose in Japan a similar movement for going back to the intrinsically Japanese way of ancient days. In Japan, however, no such drastic change as warrants being called revolutionary was necessary, as was the case in Germany and Italy. For Japan's polity has since the foundation of the Empire been established and maintained upon a permanent and unchanging basis, and the pure and unadulterated totalitarianism embodying the unity of sovereign and subjects as one organic body has always been the immutable faith of the Japanese people. But it would be untrue to say that the evils of liberalistic civilization have not for the past half-century poisoned her ancient tradition. Indeed, the accumulation of its harmful influences had become so intelerably large in both internal and foreign affairs that at last the nation revolted and its dissatisfaction found expression in the form of the Manchurian incident of 1931. This incident meant the bursting out of the thitherto suppressed healthy, racial instinct of the nation, in challenge externally of unjust conditions long forced upon mankind by the democratic Powers and internally of all alien ideas and thoughts grafted upon the people. It called for a re-examination and a return to what is really Japanese in politics, economics and indeed in all activities of the people. The characteristics of this movement in Japan have become even more accentuated in the current China affair, in which

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the classic expression. Hakke Ichiu, has been adopted as the national slegan, and the ultimate object of the affair, in consenance with the spirit of the slegan, is to be the establishment of a new order in East Asia. The controversies of the past ten years in the Far East, therefore, may well be called the racial revivalist-reform movement of the Japanese people, chief obstacles to which having been offered by the machinations of the democratic Powers who have clung to the old order as the best purveyor of their own interests. The war in Asia can thus be regarded as essentially a conflict between the view of the world as represented by these democratic Powers and the Kehde spirit which has consistently been pretected and fostered by the Japanese nation since the foundation of the Empire. Since the current war in Europe is, fundamentally speaking, a struggle between two different ideologies and a clash between old and new civilisations, it may safely be said that in this sense the wars in the East and West are essentially the same.

Unless one views the present wars in the above light and takes into consideration the fact that the so-called new order movement is ultimately an ideological and cultural movement for a return to man's innate character, one will never be able to understand correctly the real nature of the new world order of tomorrow which is to be established through Japanese-German-Utalian co-operation.

Before a new world order is fully established, there must first of all be effected a radical change in the thought of the people in general. In other words, the mental habit must be broken which has for past centuries controlled mankind. Everything requires reappraisal, and even the essential qualities of God and man must necessarily be re-examined. In this process many a dogma and prejudice will have to be wiped out, for in order to achieve the contemplated change, such things as freedom and equality of individuals, the inherent rights of man, the absolute sovereignty of a state and the right of self-determination of the people must be viewed from a completely different angle from that of the past. In the new world, many things which formerly were highly evaluated as making this earthly life worth living may lose their value, for it must be emphasized that the very things which the old forces in the world have specially prized constitute the courses of injustice, irrationality, tyranny, and exploitation. It is not expected, of course, that such a tremendous reformation which has no parallel in world history can be accomplished in a brief space of time. But now the trend of the age is definitely in that direction. Not only that, but the construction of a new order is in fact already progressing over wide areas of Asia and Europe and promises to be greatly accelerated hereafter.

In view of this epoch-making movement now under way in Europe and Asia, there should be no doubt as to the reasons for the birth of the treaty among Japan, Germany and Italy or as to the duty with which it has been charged.