

## Lord Attlee Stresses World Roles For Britain, Japan in Kyoto Speech

Britain's postwar relinquishment of her colonies does not mean her senility, Lord Attlee told a Kyoto audience on Wednesday evening.

Britain still is full of vitality but wants to use it for service to mankind, the former British Prime Minister said in a 40-minute speech.

Lord Attlee was speaking on "Great Britain and Japan" at a public lecture meeting held in the Kyoto Kaikan Hall under the sponsorship of the Asahi Shimbun.

Britain was a great imperial power in the days of imperialism, with a navy which was tremendous power.

"All that imperialism has gone," Lord Attlee said, adding, "We have the same process going on in Africa."

Japan once had a great dream of forming a great empire in East Asia, the speaker noted.

The two countries have much in common. Both are island nations and independent. Britain is a European nation but not in continental Europe any more than Japan, an Asian nation, is in continental Asia.

Japan and Britain are technically advanced nations and have many things to contribute to world civilization. "We must do team work" to strengthen distant peoples, Lord Attlee said.

He said he finds for Britain the role of serving as a bridge between Europe on the one hand and America and Africa on the other.

Similarly, he said, Japan has the role of acting as a link between Asia on the one hand and Europe and America on the other.

Japan and Britain are industrial powers but small nations without enough resources to live on and, therefore, need contacts with the outside world.

Lord Attlee recalled the former Anglo-Japanese Alliance but said he no longer desired any bilateral alliance. Instead, he urged that each nation should try and see the good points in the other.

This requires constant mutual contact, which cannot be achieved



A total of 155 foreign delegates arrived in Kyoto by super-express train from Tokyo on Wednesday afternoon to attend the two-day Kyoto meeting of the 11th Congress of the World Association of World Federalists.

The meeting opened this morning at the Kyoto.

The foreign delegates were welcomed at Kyoto Station by about 200 Japanese delegates and officials of the congress.

Boy and Girl Scouts were

lined up in front of the station and formed an arch with their staffs, under which the visitors emerged from the station.

The foreign delegates are staying at the Kyoto International Hotel.

This morning's opening session was addressed by Dr. Hideki Yukawa, president of the WAWF; E. L. Malahieu, WAWF secretary-general; Kyoto Gov. Torazo Ninagawa and others.

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ed merely by an exchange of visits by Prime Ministers. It calls for contact between peoples. For this reason, Lord Attlee said, he was happy to be in Japan.

There could be no neutrals in an atomic war, Lord Attlee said. Nuclear bombs make no discrimination between neutrals and combatants.

Lord Attlee, a former soldier with a record of fighting in war, said the idea of absolute sovereignty is now out-of-date. So is the accumulation of weapons.

"To build a one world, we have to give up the idea of

ruling other peoples," he said the British Labor Government gave freedom to India, Pakistan, Ceylon and Burma in the early postwar years. The British Conservative Government is giving freedom to other nations of Asia and also nations of Africa.

Lord Attlee said the future the world depends on the success of the World Federation and urged that nations of the world think internationally.

He concluded by expressing the hope that Japan and Britain would work hand in hand for the good of the world.

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