

GREATEST ATTENDANCE EVER IS AT THE OPENING SESSION OF THE MONTANA PIONEERS

Over Five Hundred of the State's Trailblazers and Their Sons and Daughters Are Royally Welcomed to Deer Lodge, "The Little Village, on the Trail to Bear"—Reminiscences Are Popular.

Deer Lodge, Aug. 20.—(Staff Correspondence.)—The pioneers of Montana tonight own the city which sprang into life after the first discovery of gold in the state over 50 years ago.

It is the greatest gathering in the history of the society and the 1912 meeting, the 50th anniversary of the settlement of the city of Deer Lodge, promises to be the most significant which the pioneers will ever hold.

The opening meeting was held at the Milwaukee hall at 3 p. m. In the absence of President Rod D. Leggat of Butte of the society, who was unavoidably detained, M. H. Lott of Twin Bridges, vice president at large, presided.

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POLICE LIEUTENANT BECKER.

EFFORT TO DISBAR LIEUTENANT BECKER FRISCO LAWYER MAKES WAR

INTERNATIONAL LAW ASSOCIATION RESCINDS SELECTION OF SAN JOSE IN OCTOBER.

San Francisco, Aug. 20.—Because the San Francisco Bar association is seeking to have Charles E. George, an attorney, disbarred from practice in this state, on a charge of having fraudulently obtained his certificate, the International Law association and Medical-Legal society of New York, has written a letter to the bar association which states in part:

That, because of the insult offered our honored trustee, Charles E. George, in whom we have full faith, and whose moral worth is unimpeachable, this organization rescinds the resolution fixing San Jose, Cal., as the place of our annual convention, October 6-10.

George figured in a bigamy case several weeks ago, the evidence in which was characterized by Judge Munroe, who sat in the case, as "a disgraceful mass of rotten perjury."

Spite Work.

Curtis Lindley, president of the San Francisco Bar association, said today that the action of the New York organization asserts that it has sufficient evidence to disbar George. This evidence shows, it is said, that in the district court of northern Illinois George was found guilty on April 11, 1906, of a felony and sentenced to 12 months in the house of correction and that in Massachusetts he was indicted September 21, 1905, for using the mails to defraud, was convicted on September 29, and sentenced to imprisonment in the house of correction at Boston for a period of 12 months.

George's case is to come up August 26 before the district court of appeals.

ELEPHANT BREAKS LOOSE.

Chicago, Aug. 20.—An elephant, crazed, it is said, by the failure of its keeper to give it water, broke its chain and broke from a wild west show in Englewood, a suburb, today. Hundreds of persons were terrorized by the maddened animal, which in its flight smashed fences, uprooted trees and overturned one or two small buildings. Police sent in wagons to capture the elephant were forced to climb trees. Showmen finally coaxed it into a corner and shackled it.

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GOOD SESSION IS OPENING DAY'S

METHODISTS OF MONTANA MEET IN TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

INFORMAL TALKS GIVEN

First of Week's Sessions Is an Informal Social Meeting at Which Dr. Craighoad, Dr. Wilson, Dr. Mills, J. H. Inch and Bishop Lucecek Speak Briefly, but Interestingly.

TODAY'S PROGRAM.

9:00 a. m.—Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, followed by the organization of the conference. Memorial services, J. W. Tait, chairman. Reports of district superintendents. 12:00 noon—Records. 2:00 p. m.—Statistical session. 3:00 p. m.—Temperance anniversary, George D. Wolfe, chairman; Harvey G. Purbay and Clarence True Wilson, speakers. 7:45 p. m.—Song service. Anniversary of board of Sunday schools, Dr. Trennery of Wisconsin, chairman.

The music at the evening meetings is one of the most enjoyable features of the conference. The splendid pipe organ and the choir, which has been admirably drilled by George McAllister, furnish splendid musical numbers. The program for this evening is as follows: Anthem—"Arise, Shine" (H. W. Porter), choir. Solo—"Glory to Thee" (C. Gounod), R. G. Bailly. Anthem—"There's a Wideness in God's Mercy" (T. D. Williams), choir. Mrs. E. W. Schutte will play a selection on the pipe organ. The song service begins promptly at 7:45.

A crowd, so large that it comfortably filled the splendid building, gathered at the new Methodist church last night for an informal welcoming meeting, introductory to the twenty-second annual session of the Methodist conference of Montana. It was a remarkable meeting, characterized by a sincere and enthusiastic feeling of good fellowship, marked by inspiring talks and hearty welcomes. Nearly all of the delegates who are to take part in the deliberations of the conference during the week were present at the meeting last evening and all had opportunity of becoming thoroughly acquainted, one with the other. And it was an opportunity which none overlooked.

The meeting last evening had no connection with the conference proper except as a social session at which delegates and visitors might mingle with freedom and prepare for a satisfactory discussion of conference affairs during the week. Church matters were discussed only indirectly; in fact, political matters and subjects of general social import figured far more prominently in the discussions of the evening than any matters of church policy or doctrine.

Song Service.

The meeting last night opened with a song service by the Methodist choir.

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LONG CAREER OF USEFULNESS OF GENERAL WILLIAM BOOTH CLOSURES AFTER A BRAVE FIGHT



GENERAL WILLIAM BOOTH.

FIVE HUNDRED MEN ARE SLAUGHTERED IN NICARAGUA

PRISONERS OF WAR AT LEON ARE SHOT DOWN BY REBELS WITHOUT TRIAL.

Managua, Nicaragua, Aug. 18.—(Sunday, delayed in transmission.)—Nearly the entire detachment of 500 Nicaraguan troops comprising the garrison of the city of Leon, to the north of Managua, was massacred by a force of insurgents last night, according to reports which reached the capital today.

News was received on Friday by the government that the liberals at Leon had risen in revolt and General Chomorra dispatched troops to suppress the movement and to reinforce the garrison of the city.

The government troops, on reaching Leon, camped on the plaza in the center of the town. The insurgents, who greatly outnumbered the government force, attacked the city Saturday and after a fierce engagement the garrison surrendered. Instead of holding their captives prisoners of war, it is reported that the rebels slaughtered them. Out of a force of 500 all except 70 were killed.

After the repulse of the insurgents last Wednesday night after a four days' battle at Managua, in which American marines and bluejackets played a prominent part as defenders of the capital, the insurgents retired, ostensibly to their headquarters at Masaya.

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WARSHIP MEASURE IS UP TO TAFT

BILL HAS PASSED CONGRESS PROVIDING FOR ONE EXPENSIVE VESSEL AND OTHERS.

Washington, Aug. 20.—By a vote of 151 to 50 the house adopted today the conference report on the naval appropriation bill. The measure, which will now go to the president, provides for one battleship and a number of submarines, colliers and auxiliary vessels. Thirteen members opposed to the battleship program voted "present."

The bill as it goes to the president carries \$123,220,797, an increase of approximately \$4,600,000 over the measure as it passed the house.

Secretary Meyer philosophically accepted today the one battleship program of congress and has named the projected new monster the "Pennsylvania." The armored cruiser of that name will be re-christened, "Harrisburg," or given the name of some other city.

Net Such a Terror.

The secretary said that notwithstanding all the talk in congress about a terror of the seas, the new vessel will be of normal development and if she is larger than any battleship afloat it will be no more than could be said of every one of the big ships launched and commanded since he has been secretary of the navy. This is in accordance with the harmonious system of development which the naval constructors have followed for years.

The new ship will be 630 feet long, of about 31,000 tons, with 12 14-inch guns and exceptionally heavy armor.

Secretary Meyer said tonight: "Due to the force of house sentiment on the battleship question as demonstrated in the press, irrespective of party, the Democrats at the last moment receded from their no-battleship program. Freedom of action was allowed each member if he wished to vote for no battleship, but permission was not granted to vote for more than one, thus preventing members from voting according to the dictates of their conscience."

The action taken this year will call for an appropriation of three battleships at the next session of congress, if the efficiency of the fleet and the present policy of two battleships a year, accepted throughout the country, is to be maintained.

MATHES TO THE ATHLETICS.

Chicago, Aug. 20.—Among the releases published from American League headquarters today, was: To Philadelphia, by Butte, infielder Mathes.

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Commander-in-Chief of the Salvation Army Succumbs to Death Angel After Heroic Struggle of Over Three Months --- Surrounded by His Family, the Aged Philanthropist Breathes His Last.

London, Aug. 20.—General William Booth, commander-in-chief of the Salvation Army, died at 10:30 o'clock tonight. He was born at Nottingham in 1829.

The veteran Salvation Army leader was unconscious for 48 hours before his death. The medical bulletins had not revealed the seriousness of the general's condition, which for a week, it now is admitted, was hopeless. General Booth underwent an operation 12 weeks ago for the removal of a cataract from his left eye. For two days after the operation indications gave hope of his recovery. Septic poisoning then set in and from that time, with the exception of occasional rallies, the patient's health steadily declined. The general recognized that the end was near and often spoke of his work as being finished.

Throughout the commander-in-chief's illness his son, Bramwell Booth, chief of staff of the army, and Mrs. Bramwell Booth gave their unremitting attentions to him.

At the Bedside.

The aged evangelist died at his residence, the Rockstone, Hadleywood, 87 miles from London, where he had been confined to his bed since the operation. At the bedside when the end came were Mr. and Mrs. Bramwell Booth and their daughter and son, Adjutant Catherine Booth and Sergeant Bernard Booth; the general's youngest daughter, Commissioner Mrs. Booth-Hethered, and Commissioner Howard, Colonel Kitching and Dr. Wardlaw Milne.

Public interest now centers in the question of a successor to the late commander. Under the constitution of the Salvation Army, the general nominates his successor. This General Booth did several years ago, placing the name in a sealed envelope which was deposited with the Salvation Army's lawyers with instructions that it should not be opened until after his death.

Though nobody knows what name the envelope contains, the general believed in the army is that it will prove to be Bramwell Booth, who for 30 years has been his chief of staff.

Where General Booth will be buried has not been decided. While every English member of the Salvation Army is convinced that no man was more worthy of interment in Westminster Abbey, it is not expected this honor will be awarded to General Booth by the abbey authorities. It is the general belief that the commander-in-chief's last resting place will be alongside that of his wife, who 21 years ago was buried in Abney Park, Stoke Newington.

WALTER BROWN QUILTS.

Cleveland, Aug. 20.—After conferences yesterday at Cleveland and Elyria, Walter F. Brown of Toledo, formerly republican national committeeman from Ohio, and chairman of the state committee, and L. C. Elyria, spoken of as likely to be the progressive nominee for governor, gave out letters formally declaring their abandonment of the republican party and their allegiance to the progressives.

Brown is mentioned in connection with the state chairmanship of the progressive committee. Garford in a letter to the chairman tendered his resignation as a member of the state committee.

ADVANCE SUSPENDED.

Washington, Aug. 20.—A uniform advance by the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway of one cent a hundred pounds in the freight rates on corn, oats, feed and other commodities from points of origin in North Dakota and other states was suspended today by the interstate commerce commission until December 1.

DEAN REMANDED.

New Westminster, B. C., Aug. 20.—Charles Dean, charged with complicity in the robbery of the Bank of Montreal in this city last September, when \$257,000 was secured, was arraigned before a magistrate this morning and remanded for trial on August 28.

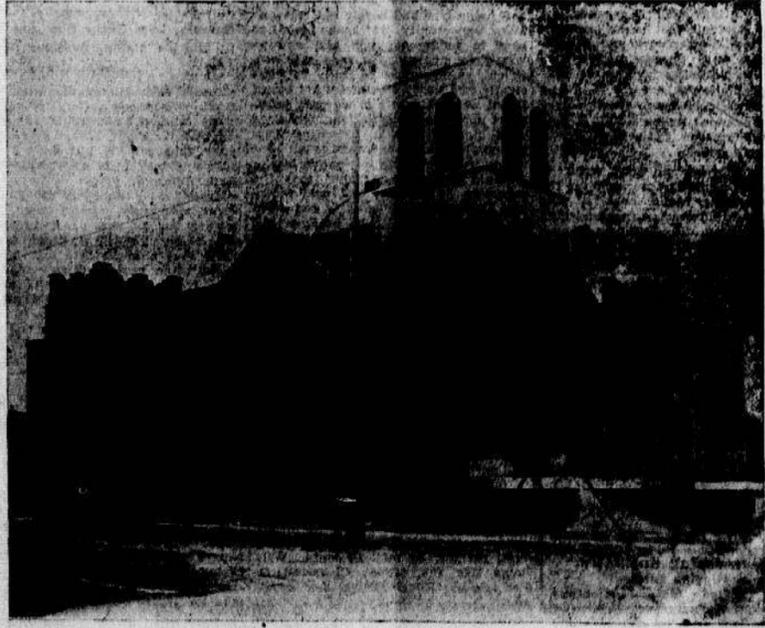
APPROPRIATION BILL TO PASS SECOND TIME OVER THE VETO

Washington, Aug. 20.—President Taft's second veto of the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill, which will be sent to congress in a message tomorrow, will find the house prepared to pass the bill again over his veto, according to house leaders.

Chairman Fitzgerald of the appropriations committee said today that the house undoubtedly would repass the measure. As the bill went to the president, it provided for the abolition of the commerce court, a procedure to which the president again refuses to

agree. The senate's prospective action on the second veto of the bill was a matter of doubt tonight. The senate appropriations committee recommended that the bill be passed Monday exactly as the president desired, but the senate overturned its committee and put in the commerce court clause by a vote of 35 to 23. This was short of a two-thirds majority and it is believed the measure cannot be repassed over the veto in the senate.

The delay over this bill makes the adjournment situation intense on both houses, as the leaders on each side are eager to get away by Saturday night.



THE FIRST METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

PRESIDENT TAFT TURNED DOWN IN REGARD TO THE CANAL BILL

Washington, Aug. 20.—The Panama treaty resolution asked for yesterday by President Taft in a special message to congress to make clear the rights of foreign shipowners who carry into American courts the question of free tolls in the Panama canal, was turned down late today by the senate committee on inter-oceanic canals. By a vote of 4 to 6, the committee decided not to report the resolution asked for by President Taft. This is taken by leaders of the senate to mean there will be no resolution adopted supplementary to the Panama canal bill, which now awaits the president's signature. The resolution has not been formally introduced in either house, but the senate committee took a direct vote on the proposal.

The request of the president was for a special law that would permit the United States courts to determine whether the Panama canal bill in giving free tolls to American coastwise vessels violated those sections of the Hay-Panuncote treaty which guarantee equal treatment to ships of all nations.