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RUSSIA FAVORS WAR AT PRESENT

for Peace Conference After Hostilities.

As Little Maer of Car-nage to Settle With Japan First.

War's Answer to American Proposals Not Greatly Different From Other Points.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30.—Russia is willing to join the powers in a second peace conference at the Hague until the war with Japan is ended.

The Russian reply to Secretary Hay's circular note to the powers of October 1st, inviting them in the name of the President, to convene in conference at The Hague to complete the postponed work of the first conference, was delivered verbally to Secretary Hay today by Count Cassini, the Russian Ambassador.

The Ambassador was further requested to say that while the Russian Government very sincerely cherished the views of the President, the momentary opportunity for the convening of a conference, at which the invitation should be formally presented, of the invitation until the war in the far East is at an end.

Secretary Hay's Count Cassini in conference at nearly an hour's Ambassador was careful to assure Secretary that the Government welcomed the invitation of the President and the additional evidence of the American Government's appreciation of the efficient results of the first conference, and regretted the necessity of suggesting a postponement of the work in principle to the first of the President's Government no less than the American is keenly interested.

Secretary Hay thanked the Ambassador for the cordiality with which the declaration of Russia's adherence in principle to the invitation had been conveyed to the American Government, and assured him he would forthwith transmit the reply to the President.

Not Different From Others.

DAVIS FOR DOGGER BANK.

Rear-Admiral Appointed by President on Court of Inquiry.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30.—The President announced today that Rear Admiral Charles Davis will be offered the appointment on the Dogger Bank Court of Inquiry.

Later in the day the appointment was offered to Admiral Davis and accepted by him.

Another Member Chosen.

VIENNA, Nov. 30.—It is said that Emperor Francis Joseph has chosen Admiral Baron von Scharn, formerly commander of the Austrian navy, to be the fifth member of the Anglo-Russian North Sea commission, in case the other four members fail to agree upon the fifth member.

ELOPER IS KILLED.

Enraged Father Wouldn't Condone Offense and Goes Gunning.

FORT WORTH, Tex., Nov. 30.—Two men have been shot and killed, and another seriously wounded, by J. M. Williams, a farmer, near the town of Alvarado, Stephen McKinney, a young farmer, who had been paying attention to the stepdaughter of Williams, falling to win his consent to marriage, ran away with the girl and married her. McKinney and his bride returned home and the bridegroom went to work on his farm.

TO MANAGE GRAND TRUNK.

Former President Burt of Union Pacific to Take New Place.

OMAHA, Neb., Nov. 30.—The Bee says: "It is reported that Horace G. Burt, who resigned a year ago as president of the Union Pacific railway, is expected to return from the Orient in about four weeks, and that he will go directly to New York and assume the management of the Grand Trunk railroad. The information, it is stated, comes in a letter from Mr. Burt himself.

WILL BE GREAT DAY.

World's Fair at St. Louis to Close Today With Great Demonstration.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Nov. 30.—The final day of the Louisiana Purchase exposition will be fittingly observed tomorrow and it is expected that St. Louis will attend almost en masse. The day has been set aside as a holiday, a great number of business houses will be closed and the concluding day by the exposition will be made memorable in the history of the great World's fair. It will be known as "Francis day" and President B. R. Francis will be the guest of honor.

FUSHIMI IN NEW YORK.

Japanese Prince Welcomed His Countrymen Wearing Chrysantheums.

NEW YORK, Nov. 30.—Prince Fushimi and party arrived in New York this afternoon. Several hundred of his countrymen, wearing chrysantheum badges in red and gold and bearing small silk flags, were at the railroad station to welcome the Prince. He was escorted to his hotel by Baron Kaneko and Consul-General Feilida.

FIERCE BATTLE RAGING.

Forces Attacking Port Arthur From 203-Meter Hill.

PORT ARTHUR, Nov. 30. 10 p. m.—Imperial headquarters made the following announcement tonight:

MRS. CHADWICK TO PAY CLAIMS

Arranges to Settle on Cash Basis.

Counsel Says She Has Funds to Liquidate Her Debts.

Denies That Carnegie Had Any Connection With Her Financial Affairs.

NEW YORK, Nov. 30.—"Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick will settle the claims against her by Herbert B. Newton of Brookline, Mass., for \$190,000 upon a cash basis and in full."

This was the statement made today by George Ryall, of counsel in New York for Mr. Newton.

"I have seen Mrs. Chadwick at her apartments at the Holland House today," Mr. Ryall said, "and as a result of my talk with her I am able to say that the case will be settled in a few days satisfactorily to my client. The settlement will be upon a cash basis, and our claim will be paid in full."

Doesn't Remember Mr. Beattie.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30.—It was authoritatively announced at the White House today that the President has no recollection of a visit from John Beattie, the representative of the Master Painters and Decorators' association, who at the convention of the Citizens' Industrial association in New York declared that the President had endorsed a proposition to put upon labor the responsibility for paralyzing business by lockouts. The President did not make the remark attributed to him by Mr. Beattie.

REPUBLICANS JOLLIFY.

Seven Hundred Meet in New York and Tell of the Victory.

NEW YORK, Nov. 30.—Seven hundred Republicans attended the jubilee dinner given tonight at the Waldorf-Astoria in honor of the victory of President Roosevelt and Vice-President Fairbanks. President Roosevelt sent his regrets, as did also George B. Cortelyou, chairman of the National committee. Senator Fairbanks made a brief speech, leaving early to take a train for Boston.

NOT A CRIME.

Alteration of Figures on Railroad Ticket So Decided.

DENVER, Nov. 30.—On the grounds that the law does not make the alteration of figures on a railroad ticket a crime, Judge Mullins took from the jury the case of A. L. Hatch and E. E. Sisson, who for ten days have been on trial in the West Side court for the alleged forging of railroad tickets, and set the defendants at liberty.

BIG SALMON OUTPUT.

Official Report Places It at More Than for Two Years Previous.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Nov. 30.—The annual report of the Fish Commissioner, Kershaw, which was filed today, gives the total pack of salmon on Puget sound at 239,000 cases, and the Washington side of the Willamette, 95,400, and a total of 625,000 cases on the river. The Commissioner estimates that the output of salmon from the Puget sound this year will aggregate 19,000,000.

Last year the output was 37,000,000, which was considered small in comparison with the output of the preceding year, which aggregated 48,000,000.

Employers Elect Parry President

Citizens' Industrial Association Again Chooses Indianapolis Man.

NEW YORK, Nov. 30.—At the second day's session of the Citizens' Industrial association, Wallace Downey, president of the New York Metal Trades association, said that he was proud of what has been done for the "open shop" in the East. He said: "In his fight the Metal Trades association has won all the strikes without the sacrifice of principles. Our employees have admitted that they were mistaken and we were right."

"I am not an enemy of labor," he continued, "and I want every laboring man to get far play. Labor unions have as much right to exist as your organization. Every one knows that the prevailing rate of wages and the eight-hour labor law has done serious damage, and I am glad that it has been declared unconstitutional. It drives business to other States. I am in favor of eight hours, but I want at the same time to work as long as I like. I am in favor of paying the highest rate of wages and giving the shortest work day."

James A. Emony, counsel of the Citizens' Alliance of San Francisco, told of the system of organization on the Pacific coast. He said that in San Francisco labor was so well organized that they had unions of the chicken pickers, ten pin men and the sandwich or banner carriers.

"The convention adjourned tonight. The place of next meeting will be selected by the executive committee."

Board of Arbitration.

The council, Dr. Steele says, will be a board of arbitration. It will be composed of four ministers and four laymen from each denomination represented, with an additional minister and elder from each church for each 200,000 communicants over 200,000.

According to this agreement the Northern Presbyterian church, with about 1,000,000 members, will have sixteen representatives, and the other churches will be represented in proportion.

In mission work the federation will be a powerful factor. The constant aim of the federation will be to guard against duplication of agencies. Instead of having missionaries from the Presbyterian, United Presbyterian and Dutch Reformed churches in the same places, the federation will divide the territory and assign various parts of it to the different churches.

Each Church Retains Identity.

Each church belonging to the federation will retain its own identity in all things. The seven churches which were represented on the commission are the Northern Presbyterian church, the Cumberland Presbyterian Synod, the Reformed Church in America, the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, the Presbyterian Church in the United States, the United Presbyterian church and the Cumberland Presbyterian church and the Reformed Church in the United States.

IDAHO AND OREGON WEDDED

Snake River Bridge Is Completed and Two States Will Celebrate.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30.—Acting Secretary Oliver today directed the discharge, "without honor," of Private John T. Smith, hospital corps, stationed at Fort Mott, N. J., who is said to have married a negro and whose discharge was recommended by Gen. Grant, commanding the Department of the East. In the official statement, given out at the War department, in disposing of the case today, it is stated that Private Smith married "a woman of bad character, whose previous marriage has not been terminated by the death of her husband or by any form of legal separation."

NELSON TO FIGHT BRIT.

Sign Agreement for Battle in Chicago on December 20.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 1.—James Britt of San Francisco and "Batling" Nelson of Chicago have signed an agreement to fight in this city on December 20.

ONE FOR ROOSEVELT.

Republicans Elect One of Maryland's Eight Electors.

BALTIMORE, Md., Nov. 30.—The State Board of Canvassers today canvassed the vote of Maryland and upon its report Gov. Warfield certified to the election of seven Democratic and one Republican electors. The largest vote was for Charles J. Bonaparte, Republican, who received 109,197 votes, and the largest Democratic vote was for Frank Brown, who received 109,446, a majority of fifty-one for the Republican elector.

PRESBYTERIANS WILL FEDERATE

Seven Branches Form One Body.

First Step Taken Toward Ultimate Goal of Organic Union.

Sort of Central Board of Arbitration to Plan Work for All Churches.

PITTSBURG, Nov. 30.—The commission representing the seven branches of the Presbyterian church in this country, meeting here, decided today on a plan of federation for the various churches, the most important step yet taken toward the ultimate goal of organic union.

Rev. J. D. Steele, secretary of the commission, says the plan provides for the establishment of a council which will be called "The federal council of reform in the churches in America, holding the Presbyterian system."

This council will have no power over the worship, creed or government of the churches, which will remain the same as they always have been.

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Senator Scott of West Virginia, in a brief address, said that the Republicans went before the country upon the present conditions of the country, and should now let well enough alone. "If we revise the tariff, we make an apology to the country we don't owe," he added. "I think the country should be published until after they have been passed on by the supreme judiciary bodies of the various churches."

DISHONORABLY DISCHARGED

Private Smith Marries a Negro and Directed to Leave Service.

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American White Cross Society.

CHICAGO, Nov. 30.—A meeting will be held in this city tomorrow afternoon which will have for its object the organization of the American White Cross First Aid society. The men who have so far been active in the project are Dr. Nicholas Senn, Dr. John H. Murphy and Dr. Charles Adams, all of this city.

Failed to Negotiate Treaty.

VIENNA, Nov. 30.—Count Von Fossadowny-Webner, the German Secretary, having failed in the negotiation of an Austro-German commercial treaty, left Vienna today, returning to Berlin. He was not a single representative of Austria-Hungary at the station to bid him farewell.

DEBT PILES HIGH.

German Government Now Owes More Than 900 Millions.

BERLIN, Nov. 30.—Though it is practically certain that the Government's new military programme will be accepted by the Reichstag by a good majority, it is evident the radicals will not neglect the opportunity to harass the Ministry upon it. One of the main points of attack will be the provision to increase the cavalry by twenty-eight squadrons, forming, with the seventeen existing squadrons of mounted riflemen, nine new cavalry regiments. The general staff declares that the increase is necessary in order to provide all corps with a proper complement; but the opposition will claim that the proposed increase is due to the Emperor's fondness for this spectacular arm of the service.

The tactical wisdom of grand charges of massed horsemen like that which was led by the Emperor personally in the maneuvers of 1903 and the strategic value of cavalry shocks will furnish topics for debates in the Reichstag. The Social Democrats and other opponents of army increase derive ammunition from the role played by cavalry in the war in the far East, against which will be put the lessons of the Boer war.

It will also be claimed that the nation cannot afford to increase the expenditure for the army when the national debt is growing rapidly, amounting, with the adoption of the proposed budget, to over 900,000,000, having increased eight-fold since 1871, when it was 321,500,000, and that the 112 bills pending officers and enlisted men, which the Government is introducing, will require an expenditure the first year of \$1,250,000,000, an annual yearly expenditure of \$4,125,000.

The subject of the mishandling of soldiers by superior officers will be injected into the debate on the budget by the radical People's party, which will introduce a rider providing for a general reform in the code of military courts and especially the abolition of the secrecy of military trials.

INTERNAL REVENUE LARGE.

Annual Report of Commissioner Yerkes Shows \$232,904,004.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30.—The annual report of Commissioner Yerkes of the Internal Revenue bureau shows that for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1904, the receipts of the bureau were \$232,904,004, an increase of \$163,975 over the collections for the next year preceding. The cost of collection was 1.63 per cent, as against 2.07 for the year 1903, and 2.83 per cent the average cost of collection since the formation of the bureau.

The estimated receipts from all sources of Internal Revenue for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1905, are \$250,000,000.

In 1904 the total production of distilled spirits was 143,200,875 gallons, in 1903 135,505,214 gallons. In 1903, in round numbers, 114,000,000 gallons of tax-paid spirits were withdrawn; in 1904, 117,000,000. There has been a decrease in the amount of tobacco manufactured and an increase in the production of beer.

LEWISOHN MADE DIRECTOR.

United States Mining Company Chooses Successor to Kelly.

BOSTON, Mass., Nov. 30.—Directors of the United States Mining company, at their meeting today, elected Adolph Lewisoohn of New York. The member of the board to succeed William T. Kelly was Mr. Lewisoohn. Lewisoohn is identified with the United States Metal Selling company of New York, which interest has been a large buyer of the stock for some time past and is now given representation. No action was taken on a dividend.

ADMITS DECEPTION.

Millionaire Williamson Imposed Upon on Prelate in Marriage.

DENVER, Colo., Nov. 30.—Volney M. Williamson, the Spokane millionaire, admits the deception of Bishop Matz, when he was married to Miss Mabel Lambert Cotton No. 2. It was reported to the Catholic prelate that Williamson and a divorcee wife and child, and Bishop Matz said that if this was so he would communicate every one who had anything to do with the ceremony.

Williamson attempts to justify himself by producing a death certificate of his former wife. It was developed that Williamson swore, when procuring the license to marry Miss Cotton, that he had never been married. He is now seriously ill.

Earthquake at San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 1.—A severe shock of earthquakes was felt here at 1 o'clock this morning.

MAN OR MYTH IN LAND FRAUDS

Evidence That There Was No Howe.

Merely Used to Carry Out Purposes of Alleged Conspirator.

More Details of Methods by Which Swindle on Government Was Perpetrated.

PORTLAND, Nov. 30.—The Oregon State Special Prosecutor, Henry Heney, said today that the States Senator John H. Mitchell has refused to come to Portland at the earnest and repeated request of the special prosecutor to testify in the land frauds trial.

Senator Mitchell also refused to divulge the name of a prominent attorney who introduced a letter to him by letter at the time when Puter asked him to urge Mr. Watson's claims before the Land Department.

Identified the Handwriting.

Montague identified the handwriting on the Government exhibits and said that he supposed the seal on each was that of George Howe, who he said had been identified by Mr. McKintley as the man who had been in the hands of the conspirators and that Horace G. McKintley made the request for a statement of the George Howe lands and did not request it, was the trend of effort of evidence on the part of the Government during the forenoon session of the land fraud trial today.

R. W. Montague, deputy county clerk of Lincoln county under W. S. Hammer, said that he had been authorized to sign the name of W. S. Hammer to final proofs and homestead filings. The defense objected to the ground that such a right does not obtain under the law. This precipitated an argument, but the court admitted the testimony of the witness.

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