

PLANS TO DEVELOP CLOSER RELATIONS

(Manufacturers Record.)

Nearly a quarter of a century ago—or, to be exact, in 1889—a Pan-American Congress, called by President Cleveland, was held in Washington. The development of closer relations between the United States and Central and South America inaugurated by that conference now finds a larger fulfillment in the conference in session in Washington.

The present conference is not only of vast importance in its possibilities for North and South America, but for the world. The people of this country as a whole have comparatively little understanding of South America. Business men who have had trade relations with the countries of South America know something of their vast resources and of the high development of their civilization, but our country at large has too little conception of their greatness. This greatness consists not so much in the immensity in the area and of the resources of South American countries, but in the greatness of their work for civilization and for world peace.

At the Pan-American Congress in 1889, when it was thought that the slogan "America for Americans" might be the order of the day, the Argentine commissioners proposed a broader platform, viz: "America for Humanity." This was on a par with the remarkable work which was done by Argentina and Chile in the settlement some years ago of their disputed boundary line. When war seemed imminent, the wiser men of those countries succeeded in bringing about an agreement to settle by arbitration a question which had aroused bitter antagonism and for the settlement of which armies were being raised and equipped, and having settled this dispute by arbitration, Argentina and Chile bound themselves forever to settle all other disputes in the same way.

Indicative of the civilization and Christianity of these countries is the monument erected on one of the highest passes of the Andes on the dividing line over which it had been expected that contending armies would march and fight. At an elevation of some 13,000 or 14,000 feet, in a mountain pass constantly used by the travelers between these countries, there was erected a heroic figure entitled "The Christ of the Andes," with one arm bearing the cross and the other stretched out as in benediction. This great figure typifies the spirit which had brought peace to Argentina and Chile and which had bound these countries into perpetual peace. Cut in the foundation stone of this monument are the words:

"Sooner shall these mountains crumble into dust than Chileans and Argentinos shall break the peace, which, at the feet of Christ the Redeemer, they have sworn to maintain."

The settlement of this boundary dispute by arbitration and the erection of this great figure of "The Christ of the Andes" were in keeping with that suggestion made by Argentina in 1889, that the motto of the Pan-American Congress should be "America for Humanity."

We are accustomed to read about the immensity of the area of South American countries, and yet probably not one man out of one hundred, on the average, knows that Brazil is 10 per cent. larger than the United States, excluding Alaska and our island possessions. The total area of continental United States is about 2,900,000 square miles; that of Brazil over 3,200,000 square miles. As against the 3000 miles of the United States from Atlantic to the Pacific, Brazil's territory stretches in breadth 4000 miles and in length over 2000 miles.

The wonderful Amazon River, draining a large part of this mighty country, is well known, even from school-boy days, to most of our people. But there are many who do not know that the Parana River, forming in the distant regions of Brazil, runs through Argentina; is 3000 miles long, is navigable for over 1800 miles, and, according to the statement of the distinguished American engineer, E. L. Corthell, who was for some years the engineer for

Argentina's public improvements, has a much greater discharge of water than the Mississippi River. There are in Argentina great waterfalls that engineers report as far exceeding in magnitude and in grandeur Niagara Falls.

Some fifteen years ago the well-known political economist, Edward Atkinson, in an article in the Manufacturers Record, stated that, after many years of investigation as to the cotton-growing resources of the world, he was satisfied that there was no other country on earth, except possibly Argentina, which, for half a century at least, would be able to displace the monopoly of the South's cotton production. Argentina he regarded as a possible rival whenever its population had increased to such a point as to provide the needed labor for cotton growing.

The remarkable growth of Buenos Aires, with its magnificent buildings, its premiership over any other city in the world in many important things and its amazing growth are generally known that the total commerce of Argentina is about three times as much per capita as that of the United States. With 100,000,000 people we have a foreign commerce of something over \$4,000,000,000 a year, or about \$40 per capita. Argentina, with approximately about 8,000,000 population, has a foreign commerce of \$900,000,000, or more, per year, or an average of about \$100 per capita.

It is well that the people of this country should fully understand not only the magnitude of the area of South American countries, their marvelous agricultural and mineral and timber resources, their vast rivers and their limitless water powers and other material things which give the foundation for mighty expansion in industry and commerce, but it is still more important that we should properly understand the spirit of the leading South American countries, which in their development of civilization have taken a foremost place in the world in the settlement of disputes by arbitration and in the development of the spirit of making America stand for the best interests of humanity.

The conference now in session in Washington is, therefore, fraught with world importance. It is not merely a conference which will doubtless lead to a better acquaintanceship between the people of North and South America, strengthening the ties of friendship and vastly increasing business interests, but it will doubtless have a far-reaching effect in furthering the work of North and South America in the development of that spirit of peace typified in Argentina's suggestion twenty-four years ago of "America for Humanity" and in the heroic statue "The Christ of the Andes" as the Prince of Peace. This conference, doubtless called primarily by Secretary McAdoo with a view to development of financial and commercial interests between the United States and South America, may not accomplish this much desired end, but may have a more far-reaching effect in uniting these countries into closer bonds for the encouragement of world peace.

The delegates for the United States to the Washington conference, we take it, are cognizant of all the rich material resources of South America as far as known. We take it they are cognizant of the extent of the industrial and commercial development already made by these countries. These are important facts to be known and appreciated. It is equally as important that the delegates appointed on behalf of this country should measure up in broad business statesmanship and in an appreciation of what South American countries have largely achieved in setting the world an example of the possibilities of arbitration in the settlement of international disputes, and in lifting high for the study and the thought of the world the spirit illustrated in the motives which prompted the erection of the monument, "The Christ of the Andes," and in cutting into the imperishable stone the pledge:

"Sooner shall these mountains crumble into dust than Chileans and Argentinos break the peace, which, at the feet of Christ the Redeemer, they have sworn to maintain."

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"Not one word more," the feller said,

"Jist for your own protection I warn you I'm the gover'mint; don't start no insurrection.

Lay down your arms, pull down your feet and I'll cancel yer postage due;

For the old U. S. is the goods, I guess, and Sara'll will carry you through."

"Yer Uncle Sam go bang," sez I; "There's a gover'mint cinder in me eye."

The gover'mint brakes wen on at came strollin' thro' the car.

I give him a dollar and took from his box a gover'mint cigar.

He handed me back my chicken feed, I poked him in the slat,

For the gover'mine short-changed me

And I wouldn't stand fer that. I pated him on beside the head.

"Secession!" and "Treason!" the robber said.

The gover'mint con. came running back and me he tried to nab.

He signalled then with the bell cord to the statesman in the cab.

The gover'mint brakes wen on at once; the wheels of state were stopped;

Then the whole gover'mint piled on me and the floor they quickly mopped.

They brought me into the Union train,

But it gives me joy to state That the gover'mint pulled into Argentine

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—Kansas City Times.

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"The Seats of The Mighty" in 6 reels is the big feature for Friday night at the Opera House with Lionel Barrymore in the leading role.

An Election for Compulsory School Attendance.

Abbeville, S. C., May 17, 1915. Whereas, a majority of the School Trustees of Abbeville School District No. 22, has presented to the County Board of Education a petition asking that an election be called for the purpose of voting on Compulsory Education.

It is therefore ordered, that an election be held in the Graded school building between the usual voting hours on the 8th day of June, (being the second Tuesday of the month), 1915.

Those in favor of Compulsory Education will vote a ballot on which is printed "Compulsory school attendance accepted." Those opposed will vote a ballot on which is printed "Compulsory school attendance rejected."

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J. M. Lawson, D. H. Hill, W. J. Evans, County Board Education.

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- Marshall Blakely.
- Woodson Tolen.
- Cecil King.
- Malvina Parker.
- Ola Kelley.
- William Parker.

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT.

- Katrina Morrah.
- Mary Sue Watkins.
- Nell Franklin.
- John Sign.
- Jodie Wiley.
- Edwin Broadwater.
- Robert Tolen.
- Grace Richardson.
- Mallie Cade.
- Francis Templeton.
- James Templeton.
- Marion Watkins.

Trench Periscopes.

Saturday Evening Post.

Trench periscopes are the great field for European inventors these days, and scores of designs are being manufactured in great quantities and sent to the men at the front. So many have been bought in England by relations at home, to be sent to soldiers in the trenches, that the British Government has had to issue a warning that it desires to pass on the suitability of all such outfits.

The trench periscope is, in its simplest form, composed of two mirrors in a tube, so arranged that when the tube is pushed halfway up over the top of the trench the soldier can look into the mirror at the bottom of the tube and see what is going on in front of the trench, the scene being caught by the top mirror and reflected down to the lower mirror. Elite crate periscopes are being made that have magnifying lenses which give a wide field of vision and have other advantages; but the great run is on very simple ones that can be packed down into a little pocket case, and yet can be put into operation quickly. One of these pocket periscopes has the two mirrors attached at the proper angles by lazy tongs, so that they may be opened and shut somewhat after the manner of an umbrella. Another design has the two mirrors separate, each with a clamp on its side. The two mirrors are clamped to a rifle barrel, one a foot or two above the other. The rifles is then pointed up in the air and the man in the trench has a safe view of the enemy's territory.

Sure Things About Wives.

C. N. Niles, the Rochester aviator, who captained Carranza's flying staff in Mexico, said in a New York interview:

"Successful? I should say we were successful. Aeroplanes are just as sure to be successful in warfare as wives are sure to be jealous."

"I know a Rochester man who said warmly to his wife one evening:

"I saw Mrs. Brown today. By jingo, what a beauty! She doesn't look 35, does she?"

"No, not now," his wife answered, coldly; "though I guess she did once—back in the nineties, say'". —Ex.

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