

WORLD PEACE IS THE THEME

Conference on International Arbitration Adopts a Platform of Principles

JUSTICE BREWER TALKS

Congressman Bartholdt Outlines Plan of Diffusing Sentiment Among Nations

MOHONK LAKE, N. Y., June 3.—The conference on international arbitration to-day adopted a platform of principles which appeals to all persons to co-operate in diffusing such a righteous sentiment and feeling toward all classes, conditions and races of men that international arbitration will be resorted to as the best means of securing international justice whenever diplomacy fails.

The leading speakers to-day were Justice Brewer of the United States Supreme Court and Congressman Bartholdt, who organized in Congress last winter a group of the Inter-Parliamentary Union, addressed the conference on that subject. He said in part:

"There is no question but what all other nations look with hope and expectancy to the United States. They feel how thoroughly it would accord with our plain institutions if the American Government would take the lead in this question and call, for instance, a second congress similar to that at The Hague with a view to the negotiation of arbitration treaties between the different countries and to the renewal of the discussion of the reduction of armaments. This, indeed, will be the proposition of the American group at the St. Louis conference, and a concurrent resolution is already pending in Congress requesting the President to convene such a new world parliament. If emanating from the United States the acceptance of the invitation to the other powers will be almost certain, and especially if by the adoption of this American proposition at St. Louis the members of the Inter-Parliamentary Union will use their influence with their respective governments in this direction. Then the greatest of all steps forward will have been taken. Law and justice will be substituted for brute force in international relations, as it was done long ago in civilized society, and all mankind will rejoice in this crowning act of modern civilization."

The award of the Alaskan Boundary Tribunal was discussed by Robert Lansing, associate counsel before that tribunal. Lansing said that while the tribunal which brought to a conclusion the long dispute was not strictly one of arbitration, it nevertheless partook of that most important quality of arbitration—the settlement of an international controversy by the peaceful method of judicial adjustment and determination. He thought that "the rendition by this equally balanced tribunal of an award decisively in favor of one government and decisively against the other was a great victory for those principles of equity which should control the conduct of nations in their dealings with one another."

A resolution was adopted endorsing the sentiments expressed by President McKinley in his annual message of 1898 and by President Roosevelt of 1903 in favor of the exemption of unoffending private property at sea from capture during a war. The resolution asked that a committee memorialize the President, Congress and the Secretary of State to call an international congress to consider the exemption of private property and to formulate a code of war on sea.

During the afternoon Judge Gray, the presiding officer, received the following telegram from President Roosevelt:

"Permit me to congratulate the International Arbitration Conference and to express my earnest hope for the success of all efforts of this kind to promote peace and justice among the nations."

To this message the conference replied, expressing its thanks and appreciation.

APPROVES ALLOTMENT FOR BARRACKS' FUNDS

Secretary Taft Favors Action Setting Apart Sums for Various Army Quarters.

WASHINGTON, June 3.—Secretary Taft to-day approved the allotments made by the quartermaster of the funds for barracks and quarters at various army posts and forts to be expended during the fiscal year beginning July 1.

The following amounts were allotted to forts on the Pacific Coast: Fort Worden, Wash., \$130,160; Fort Casey, Wash., \$53,090; Fort Benicia, Cal., \$227,150; Fort Rosecrans, Cal., \$5000.

The following amounts were allotted to Western posts: Enlarged posts in Alaska, \$150,000; Fort Honolulu, Hawaiian Islands, \$173,750; Fort Mason, Cal., \$50,000; Whipple Barracks, Ariz., \$187,500; Fort Yellowstone, Wyo., \$8500.

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SAYS HE SLEW HIS MOTHER

New Jersey Youth Confesses That He Threw His Crippled Parent Down Stairs

TELLS STORY CALMLY

Lad Declares He Was Threatened and That He Acted Solely in Self-Defense

TRENTON, N. J., June 3.—Nathan Sibbetts, 14 years old, broke down today after nearly two weeks of stout denial of guilt and confessed to the police that he was responsible for the death of his aged and crippled mother, Hannah Sibbetts, after a quarrel in their home at Jacobs Creek, six miles above this city. To-night he was committed to await the action of the Grand Jury.

"On Tuesday, May 24, about 8:30 o'clock, I came home after sleeping on a steam roller all night," he said, "and went upstairs to sleep some more. I had only got to sleep when my mother came upstairs and told me to get up, and if I did not get up she would throw me downstairs."

"My mother grabbed hold of me to throw me downstairs, but I threw her first and she fell to the bottom. I went downstairs and found that her head was twisted to one side. I then saw that she was dead, and then I straightened her neck and covered her up with a cover from my bed."

After concealing the motionless form of his mother the boy went to a neighbor's with his tale of how she had left him alone while she was visiting to Philadelphia. It was not until the following Sunday that suspicion was finally aroused and the body was discovered. When arrested the boy maintained the coolest demeanor, admitting that he had been in terror of his mother for years and hated her. He displayed three cheap watches which, he said, he had bought, and when asked if his mother had not had a considerable sum of money in the house he admitted that she had \$50.

STRIKE-BREAKERS FAIL TO GIVE SATISFACTION

Foreigners Imported to San Bernardino by the Santa Fe Are Discharged for Incompetency.

SAN BERNARDINO, June 3.—Twenty-four German and Austrian boiler makers, who were brought here by the Santa Fe railway to work in the shops in the places of the strikers, and who were discharged when found incompetent, were today discharged for incompetency.

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RUSSIA PREPARES MORE WARSHIPS FOR BATTLES IN ORIENT WATERS

Powerful Squadron Will Leave for Scene of Strife in August.

Great Quays Being Built at Cronstadt to Accommodate the Vessels.

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BERLIN, June 3.—According to the National Zeitung, the new Russian Asiatic squadron will leave for the Far East between August 15 and 20. It will consist of eight battleships, three first class; two second-class cruisers, the dispatch boat Sozozetana and more than a dozen auxiliary cruisers, ten of which have been taken from the Black Sea volunteer fleet. These latter have a speed of from eighteen to twenty knots. Enormous quays are being constructed at Cronstadt.

NEW TREATY WITH RUSSIA.

United States to Be Benefited by Privileges in Court.

ST. PETERSBURG, June 3.—It is authoritatively stated that no negotiations have yet been begun looking to a new commercial treaty between Russia and Great Britain. The negotiations for a treaty to allow firms in the United States to sue in the courts of Russia and the United States respectively have been completed and the treaty probably will be signed by Foreign Minister Lamsdorff and Ambassador McCormick in a few days. Under the existing Russian law United States corporations can be sued, but cannot sue in the courts of the empire.

NEWS OF PORT ARTHUR.

Chinese Says There Are Forty Thousand Men in the Garrison.

CHEFU, June 4.—A Chinese passenger on a junk which arrived here from Dainy states that he was at Port Arthur recently and that the Russian force there, inclusive of sailors, numbers 40,000 men only. The four larger vessels of the Russian fleet are undamaged, but all the others are in the hands of the repairers. The Japanese have restored order at Dainy and Tallenwan and have driven out the bandits. Dainy, according to the passenger's story, was not badly damaged by fire. Only the old town was destroyed.

CASUALTIES OF JAPANESE.

More Than Four Thousand Men Fall at Nanshan Hill.

TOKIO, June 3, 6:30 p. m.—The total of the Japanese casualties at the battle of Nanshan Hill, on May 26, is 4394. They are divided as follows: Thirty-one officers, including one major and five sergeant majors, and 713 non-commissioned officers and men killed; 100 officers, including one colonel, one major and twelve sergeant majors, and 2460 non-commissioned officers and men wounded.

RELIEF IS ABANDONED.

Russians May Not Send Army to Aid of Port Arthur.

PARIS, June 3.—A dispatch to the Temps from St. Petersburg says: It appears that the Russian relief column of 20,000 men, mobilized for the succor of Port Arthur, has abandoned its project owing to the fall of Kinchou and the landing of Japanese reinforcements.

BROTHERHOOD ENGINEERS RESUME WORK OF SESSION

Pass a Resolution Thanking the Members Who Saved A. E. Montagu From Being Drowned.

LOS ANGELES, June 3.—The biennial convention of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers to-day elected H. E. Willis of Clinton, Iowa, third assistant grand chief engineer. C. H. Salmons of Cleveland, Ohio, was unanimously re-elected to the position of second assistant engineer. The latter office carries with it the editorship of the official organ of the brotherhood.

A resolution was passed thanking the members who assisted in saving the life of Engineer A. E. Montagu of Albany, N. Y., who narrowly escaped drowning in the surf at Playa del Rey Beach yesterday. Those named in the resolution were: S. A. Stricklett, Columbus, Ohio; J. H. Buckley, Hartford, Conn.; J. E. Robe, Columbus, Ohio, and W. E. Futch, Cleveland, Ohio.

MINERS EXPECT BIG BOOM ON THE STEWARD PENINSULA

TACOMA, June 3.—A dispatch from Nome says that the Steward Peninsula is about to enjoy an era of development and that there will be astounding results as soon as ditches can be constructed for the distribution of water to the various mining districts. Experienced miners declare that there will be an increased output, from year to year, so long as a supply of water can be found and distributed by canals. It was found that the actual number of working months since Nome's development began, five years ago, has been only fifteen. Nome's output up to this time has been \$23,000,000, averaging a million and a half per working month. If the Steward Peninsula had California's climate it would probably contribute fifteen to twenty million dollars yearly to the world's gold output.

Assessor Is Accused of Embezzlement.

VICTORIA, B. C., June 3.—T. B. Hall, Provincial Assessor, with supervision over the Victoria district, was arrested to-day and charged with the embezzlement of more than \$50,000 from the funds of his department. Hall is one of the best known men in the province, having come here fifteen years ago. He is very prominent in commercial circles.

Special Train Service Will be provided by the Southern Pacific for the accommodation of those who may attend the School Athletic Games at Ingleside, Saturday, June 4.

Special train will leave Third and Townsend streets depot at 12:00 noon, returning after close of exercises. Round trip, 25 cents.

Kuropatkin's Chief of Staff Transmits Report on Kinchou Battle.

Thirty Officers and Seven Hundred Men Lost in Czar's Forces.

ST. PETERSBURG, June 3.—Lieutenant General Zilinsky, chief of staff to General Kuropatkin, transmits to the Minister of War, under date of June 2, a report of General Stoessel, dated Port Arthur, May 26, as follows:

"After a fierce battle, lasting two days, I ordered our positions at Kinchou to be evacuated in the evening, for we had opposed to us at least three divisions with 120 guns."

"The enemy's fire, particularly that from four gunboats and six torpedo boats, annihilated our batteries, mounted at Kinchou. The Fifth Regiment, which was posted on this spot, stood its ground heroically. The fire of this regiment, as well as that of our batteries and the gunboat Bobr, off Khou-nouza, inflicted enormous losses on the Japanese."

"Our losses amounted to thirty officers and 700 men killed or wounded. We blew up or damaged all our guns which the Japanese had not put out of action."

"It would have been inexpedient certainly to bring up siege artillery during the fierce fighting."

"The battle on May 26 began at 5 a. m. and lasted until 8 p. m., when I ordered the position evacuated gradually. The explosion of a number of our mines and foundries was rendered impossible by the Japanese, who turned our position immediately. The Japanese advanced through water up to their waists under the protection of the ships."

"The spirit of our troops is excellent."

KUROPATKIN ROUSED.

Russian General Awake to Fact That Japanese Are Strategists.

NEWCHWANG, June 3, morning.—Every effort on the part of the Russians to communicate with the southern part of the Liaotung Peninsula has resulted in failure. The Japanese are in control of all avenues of communication and they allow no messages to pass. With the exception of the authorities, the Russians in Newchwang are daily growing more depressed at the outlook.

Mrs. Phipps as soon as she learned the children had been removed pursued the husband and children to the Pennsylvania Railroad station at Jersey City, where she boarded the train in which they were seated. Her attorney demanded the police to arrest the husband as a kidnaper, but they refused to have anything to do with what they termed "a family disagreement," and Mr. Phipps and his children were permitted to continue the journey to Pittsburg.

MILLIONAIRE FORCIBLY SECURES HIS CHILDREN

Philanthropist Phipps Takes His Two Daughters From Their Mother's New York Home.

NEW YORK, June 3.—Lawrence Cowie Phipps, the Pittsburg millionaire and philanthropist, caused his two young daughters to be secretly taken by force from the rooms of their mother in the Hotel Netherland early today and fled with them back to his home.

WOMAN SUFFRAGISTS CONVENE IN BERLIN

Efforts Will Be Made to Organize an International League in Foreign Cities.

BERLIN, June 3.—The International Woman Suffrage Conference, called by the International Woman Suffrage Committee, with headquarters in the United States, met here today for the purpose of organizing an international league for the promotion of woman suffrage. Delegates were present from Great Britain, France, Germany, Holland, Sweden, Austria-Hungary, Switzerland, Denmark and New Zealand. Miss Susan B. Anthony accepted the presidency of the league, but announced that she would leave the actual work of presiding to Mrs. Catt of Wyoming.

WANT SIX MILLIONS FROM STRATTON ESTATE

ST. LOUIS, June 3.—A suit against the estate of Winfield Scott Stratton, the late Colorado multi-millionaire, was brought in the United States Circuit Court of Appeals from the United States today. The case is one in which Stratton's Independence Limited Company seeks to recover \$6,000,000 from the Stratton estate. The company alleges that it paid Stratton \$10,000,000 for a mine which proved to be worth only \$4,000,000. The decision at Denver was in favor of the estate and the appeal is brought to St. Louis.

Denies He Danced on Streets.

Charles Stagnaro, who is affiliated with the San Francisco Labor Council, denies that he is the Charles Stagnaro that was arrested a few nights ago for dancing with a girl on the public streets.

Sound as of Battle Heard in Neighborhood of Port Arthur.

Additional Thousands of Japanese Reported to Have Made a Landing.

LIAOYANG, June 3.—There are persistent rumors that another battle is in progress near Port Arthur. Continuous cannonading has been heard from the South. An additional force of 15,000 Japanese is reported to have landed at Takushan.

General Kuroki's outposts now hold the line at Liaopudeza, Selendjan and Chanliday. The Japanese forces disembarking at Takushan have reached Ulaosha. A division of the guards forms the connecting link between Ulaosha and Fengwangcheng.

The Japanese landings at Pitzewo, Liaotung Peninsula, continue. The Chinese are again willing to accept Russian paper roubles.

OF INTEREST TO PEOPLE OF THE PACIFIC COAST

Fourteen Letter Carriers Are Added to the Service in San Francisco—Army Orders.

WASHINGTON, June 3.—Postmasters commissioned: Wade J. Williams, Jamison, California.

New office—Winefred Wright, Ingol, Shasta County, California.

Changes, fourth-class postoffices, California—China, San Bernardino County, Morton E. Simmons, vice Nelson Sleight, dead; Edward Ingo County, Anthony M. Bonner, vice Henry C. Steele, resigned; Thermoit, Butte County, Catherine Marchinto, vice Sarah J. Lascomb, resigned.

Postoffice salaries readjusted—Oregon—Klamath Falls, advanced to \$1300; Junction City, to \$1100; Wasco, reduced to \$1100. Washington—Spokane, advanced to \$3500; Tacoma, advanced to \$3400.

Fourteen letter carriers are authorized for San Francisco on July 1. The following postoffices will become domestic money order offices on July 1:

California—Bernard, Burlingame, Delavan and Hermosa Beach. Oregon—Blue River and Cleveland. Washington—Austin, Cloverland, Clyde, Darlington, Doty, Spokane Ridge and Woodville.

Henry J. Neper and Fred B. Robinson of San Francisco and John N. Thornton appointed as railroad mail clerks.

James Stout and Baxter D. Barnes, both of Sonoma, are appointed as forest rangers.

The following named enlisted men, now in this city, having performed duties assigned them on special orders, Department of California, May 25, will be sent to their proper stations: Sergeant Major Harry B. Smith, senior grade, artillery corps, Fort Baker, California, with permission of delay for two days en route; sergeant, first-class, Samuel P. Leopold, Hospital Corps, Army General Hospital, Presidio, with permission to delay two months and twenty days en route; private, first-class, Clark C. Ricketts, Hospital Corps, Army General Hospital, Presidio, with permission to delay thirty days en route; privates, first-class, Henry H. Forsythe and Everett E. Crane, Hospital Corps, Army General Hospital, Presidio, with permission to delay twenty days en route; private, first-class, Frank Fenton, Hospital Corps, Presidio, with permission to delay one month en route.

The leave of absence on surgeon's certificate of disability granted Colonel Henry Wygant, Twenty-second infantry, in special orders No. 92, April 29, Department of California, is extended three months on surgeon's certificate of disability.

Contract Surgeon Victor E. Watkins, United States army, now at Fort Mile, California, will proceed to Fort Apache, Ariz., and report for duty.

FORTUNATE LADS WHO WILL ENTER WEST POINT

WASHINGTON, June 3.—The cadets designated to enter the West Point Military Academy this month were announced at the War Department today. Among them are the following:

California—Robert S. A. Dougherty, George S. Patten, J. Edward A. Everts and Earl J. Atkinson.

At large—Henry E. Ayers, Charles H. Bonesteel, Simon D. Buckner, Philip Gordon, Charles L. O'Hall, West C. Jacobs, Herman Kobbe, John C. F. Tillson Jr., William H. Sage Jr., Rodney H. Smith and Robert H. Fletcher.

Countervailing Duty on Chile Goods.

WASHINGTON, June 3.—The Secretary of the Treasury has issued a circular of instructions to customs officials assessing a countervailing duty on wines and rectified alcohol imported from Chile.

SAYS BROTHER WITHHELD WILL

Interesting Testimony Is Given by a Witness in the Court at Redding

ACCUSATION IS MADE

Judge Decides That Document Was Left by Mother, but Not to Son

REDDING, June 3.—Mrs. Anna Littrell died three years ago leaving a \$10,000 estate, and John J. Littrell, a son, was appointed administrator on the showing being made that there was no will. He and a brother, Francis J. Littrell, bought out the interests of three other children in the estate, as all had shared alike in the distribution. All went well until recently when Mrs. Anna Bidwell, a sister of the two men, alleged in court that there was a will and had John J. Littrell cited to appear and produce the instrument. The hearing came up to-day and Francis Littrell, who recently fell out with his brother John, took the stand and testified that two days after their mother's death he and John went over her papers and found a will, by the terms of which John was bequeathed \$5. John took the will, he testified, and he, the witness, had never seen it since.

For interests of his own, the nature of which he did not confide to the court, the witness kept the existence of the will a secret, but said that his conscience has been bothering him and he wanted to make a clean breast of the entire affair, even if he had to go to State prison for it.

John Littrell testified that Mrs. John Littrell, his wife, was with Francis and he when they went over their mother's papers and that no will was found. Mrs. John Littrell corroborated the testimony of her husband.

Judge Head found at the conclusion of the hearing that Mrs. Anna Littrell had left a will, but that it is not in possession of John Littrell, which means that if the heirs who are anxious to have the will produced can show the contents of the instrument they may go ahead with the probating of the document.

ELOPES ON THE EVE OF HER GRADUATION

Seventeen-Year-Old Girl Leaves Her Parents' Home in Escondido to Wed a Liverman.

SAN DIEGO, June 3.—Miss Edna Adrian Denny, the 17-year-old daughter of G. W. Denny, a prominent real estate dealer of Escondido, this county, eloped with John F. Alumbaugh, aged 27 years, this morning, and the latter is now in the custody of officers on the charge of abduction. Alumbaugh obtained the marriage license in this city and gave the girl's age as 18 years, but her mother says she is only 17. She was to have graduated from the Escondido High School this evening. Yesterday morning she drove with her mother to the Escondido Postoffice and while Mrs. Denny was absent, Alumbaugh, who lives at Ocean Side and who was formerly a liveryman, drove up and took Miss Denny in his buggy around to the home of a clergyman, where they were married. The mother learned of the wedding after missing her daughter and swore out a complaint against Alumbaugh charging him with abduction. He was arrested at Ocean Side.

WIFE OF PRINCE DAVID FAILS TO MAKE OUT CASE

Judge Rhodes Decides Against Her and Her Sisters in Suit Brought Against Their Mother.

SAN JOSE, June 3.—The suit brought by Alice Campbell-Kavanakoa, wife of Prince David, and Muriel and Mary Campbell against their mother, Abigail K. Campbell Parker, and the other trustees of the will of the late James Campbell, the millionaire Hawaiian planter, who died in Honolulu in April, 1900, to set aside the sale of the Hotel St. James property in this city on the ground of fraud and conspiracy, was decided in favor of the defendants by Judge Rhodes to-day, who held that the complaint failed to state a cause of action. The decree distributing to the trustees the proceeds of the sale, \$182,572, is sustained.

SURVIVOR OF CHICO DUEL IS EXONERATED

CHICO, June 3.—The coroner's jury called to investigate the death of Wade Hampton, who was dismembered here yesterday by Fred M. Morris in the course of a fight with knives, exonerated Morris, the testimony showing conclusively that Hampton was the aggressor and that Morris was pursued by him for several blocks. Morris was released from custody.

The identity of Hampton has not been established, but the police believe he had a criminal record.

MINERS TALK OF ALLIANCE

Convention Will Ask Principal Labor Allies to Join the Western Federation

DEBATE ON TRANSFERS

Powerful Opposition Made to Present System, but Two-Thirds Vote Is Lacking

DENVER, Colo., June 3.—The morning session of the convention of the Western Federation of Miners was taken up in the discussion of the report and recommendations of the committee on affiliation with other labor organizations. The report was adopted. It provides that the executive boards of the American Federation of Labor and the American Labor Union be asked to join with the Western Federation of Miners in a conference for amalgamation, and that all national and international labor organizations be invited to send representatives to the conference. The call for this conference will be issued by the executive board of the Western Federation of Miners "at an opportune time."

The abolition of the transfer card was brought up for consideration at the afternoon session, and a heated debate of nearly two hours ensued. The champions of the present system were united in their opposition to any radical change, and the delegates who held the opposition were animated by a fervor none the less genuine in their contention that the method now in vogue be revoked. A vote was at length taken, and though a majority of the delegates put themselves on record against the transfer card, the constitutional two-thirds was lacking. The old system will therefore be maintained.

Reference to the Colorado strike situation was again made this afternoon, but the convention postponed any action until after the report of the committee from Cripple Creek, who were appointed to visit that district and report conditions as they found them.

DENVER CHIEF OF POLICE ELECTED.

DENVER, June 3.—The Fire and Police Board appointed yesterday by Mayor Speer to-day elected Police Captain Michael M. Delaney Chief of Police to succeed Hamilton Armstrong, who was elected Sheriff at the late city election.