

# HOPE TO CONQUER WHITE PLAGUE IN FEW YEARS

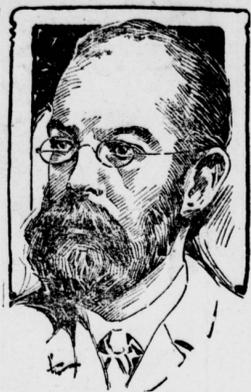
EMINENT MEN SEE WHITE PLAGUE WIPED FROM THE EARTH IN QUARTER OF CENTURY OR SOONER.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 28.—Representatives of 30 foreign countries and nearly every state in the union met today at the opening of the sixth international tuberculosis congress to discuss world wide warfare on the white plague. Secretary Cortelyou welcomed them in behalf of the nation.

Dr. Robert Koch, great German bacteriologist, addressed the meeting, saying: "We require a great campaign of education to check consumption. This is the chief duty of this congress. Isolation is necessary to proper treatment of the disease."

WASHINGTON, Sept. 28.—There is every reason to believe that the international congress on tuberculosis, which opened here today, will lead to a tremendous advance in the battle against consumption.

Its importance may be realized from the fact that the congress has the earnest, thorough co-operation of 24 governments. They are represented by 400 professors, who



DR. ROBERT KOCH, WHO DISCOVERED THE CONSUMPTION BACILLUS.

numbers they have journeyed to the congress from the remote corners of the earth.

There are among the delegates many men who believe that the time is not many years distant when the white plague will disappear from the earth. They have fixed the time in Germany. "No more tuberculosis after 1930," is the slogan of the men who are leading the fight there. Another and more optimistic authority recently limited the existence of the disease to 16 years.

Meantime, success in the treatment of tuberculosis has resulted in recoveries in over 75 per cent of cases placed under treatment in the early stages and excellent results in the more advanced cases.

President Roosevelt accepted the presidency of the congress, though he will not personally perform the duties of the office. Dr. Robert Koch, who won everlasting fame by discovering the bacillus of consumption, is a striking figure at the congress.

Professor Pannwitz, who leads the war on tuberculosis in Germany, is another. Men of like rank represent other countries, each being a pre-eminent leader in his sphere of action. Dr. John S. Fulton of Washington, secretary of the central committee of the congress, has been most active in arranging for the convention. What is known as the world's

tuberculosis exposition has been open for a week, and hundreds of delegates came in advance to see the exhibits. These show in graphic style institutions and methods for fighting the disease. There is an electric light that flashes every time a death from consumption occurs in this country. The flashes are timed to correspond with the number of deaths as they appear in the census bureau records. Another novel exhibit is a pair of automatic lungs. A man places his face in a metal mask and lets a machine that looks like an automobile engine do his breathing for him.

The prospects are bright for the most successful convention ever held by the international congress.

### MAIL MIXUPS WILL HAPPEN.

Frequent tests are required from the railway mail clerks in distributing quantities of addressed postal cards and many of these tests reveal a marvelous degree of accuracy and proficiency. Yet regardless of these tests mistakes will occur, as is shown by looking over the railway mail bulletins received in the Spokane office. The mail clerks are told that mail for Palestine, Neb., has been going to Palestine, Neb.; that Riverside, Cal., has been receiving matter intended for Riverside, Ill. Rockaway, Cal., has been confused with Brockway in the same state, while Magdalena, N. M., mail has been going to the same town in old Mexico.

### FUNERAL OF J. C. TWOHY

The funeral of James C. Twohy, member of the contracting firm of Twohy Bros., was held this morning at St. Aloysius church, Boone avenue and Astor street, conducted by Rev. Father Goller of Gonzaga. Interment was made at Fairmount cemetery. Mr. Twohy died September 22 at Pasadena, Cal. His body arrived here yesterday afternoon and rested at the home of his brother, Dennis D. Twohy, 5723 Washington street, until the funeral.

### FISHER FOR SPEAKER

PORT ANGELES, Sept. 28.—Elmer E. Fisher, republican nominee for representative from the Thirty-fourth district, Clallam county, has entered the lists as a candidate for the speakership of the house. Mr. Fisher has been a resident of Port Angeles for 20 years. He ran in the recent primaries on the pledge to support the party choice for United States senator.

## WHAT LABOR THINKS

Gompers in Politics  
Alabama Strike  
Compulsory Arbitration

BY PETER POWERS

The action of Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, in seeking to plunge the 25,000 unions affiliated with that body into politics, may lose his head. But a small minority of international organizations, city central bodies and local unions, have responded to Mr. Gompers' request to take sides in the present campaign.

John Mitchell, perhaps the most influential member of the A. F. of L. executive council, has become decidedly lukewarm in his support of Gompers' policy. President T. L. Lewis and Secretary W. D. Ryan, the present heads of the United Mine Workers, the largest body in the federation, have become positively hostile toward Gompers, as has D. J. Keefe, president of the longshoremen and also a member of the A. F. of L. executive council.

At the recent convention of the International Typographical union in Boston the Gompers plan was sidetracked and James M. Lynch, president of the printers, is being seriously discussed as a possible leader of the A. F. of L. Mr. Lynch's generalship in the recent international eight hour strike, the only great labor contest that has been won in recent years, is being praised in union circles throughout the country.

The conventions of the brewery workers in New York refused to endorse the political ideas recently promulgated. The state federation conventions of New Jersey, Kansas and Wisconsin defeated the Gompers "scheme." On a test vote in the central trades union of St. Louis, a body supposed to be friendly to Gompers, the latter's political plan was defeated by a big majority.

The official journals of the machinists, painters, piano workers and other international unions, as well as scores of local labor journals and hundreds of trades unions, have condemned and criticized the actions of Gompers in attempting to commit organized labor to partisan politics.

There is a growing impression in union circles in the leading industrial centers that Mr. Gompers realizes that he has made a serious

blunder, and in order to divert criticism from himself he has made a bitter attack upon Eugene V. Debs and Wm. Randolph Hearst, hoping by a flank movement to center opposition upon the third parties and thus succeed in holding his position.

Gompers has charged that Debs' tour and the socialist party is being financed by Van Cleave, Parry and Post of the manufacturers' association, and Debs has challenged Gompers to meet him upon any platform in the United States and produce his proofs. Hearst is also charged with attempting to disrupt the labor movement, and the editor is bombarding Gompers through his newspapers.

Apparently the miners strike in Alabama will not down. Although Governor Comer has temporarily suppressed the struggle of the miners against an 18 per cent reduction, it is not improbable that a new attack will be made by the workmen in the shape of a general strike and exodus from the district.

A new light is thrown upon the situation by the national officials of the miners, who claim that the plantation owners incited the wage reduction. The latter are said to have raised a hue and cry that the "lazy niggers" were deserting the cotton fields to work in the mines, where the union had enforced a higher wage scale than is paid for cotton picking. That left the plantation owners without sufficient help and they demanded that the mine operators cease paying "extravagant wages" and come down to their level.

Such a demand appealed to the operators, as it would assure them bigger profits, and when the leading politicians of the state threw their influence to the side of the plantation owners and promised the operators to assist in enforcing lower wages, the mine operators promulgated the demand for the 18 per cent reduction.

Now the United Mine Workers officials announce that they will call all the skilled miners possible from the Alabama field and place them to work in other parts of the country, and thus cripple the southern mines, if possible. The labor press of the country is denouncing the Alabama operators, plantation owners and politicians and is injecting the controversy into politics.

The compulsory arbitration schemes that are in operation in Australia are not proving as successful in preventing strikes and adjusting grievances as many Americans have been led to believe.

In New South Wales the union people are in open revolt against the arbitration court. The Balmian miners have gone on strike, claiming they were unjustly treated by the court, and the Sydney labor council and other bodies have defied the court, and call upon the people to support the miners. Under the arbitration law such action is punishable by a fine of \$5,000 and imprisonment for contempt. The unionists challenge the court to go ahead and fine and jail them, declaring they will make the issue a political one.

Even in the "paradise" of New Zealand, compulsory arbitration seems to have seen its best days. Labor Minister Miller reports that the wage earners are in rebellion against the arbitration court. The bakers at Wellington are on strike for \$15 a week and the eight-hour day, declaring that the award of the court was too low compared to the high cost of living. Threats are being made by the government to prosecute the bakers and their sympathizers. So, after all, the Australasian "paradise" is a very earthly affair.

Bill—How long was your friend, the artist, working on that canvas?

Will—Eight years. Took him about six months to paint it, and seven years and a half trying to sell it.

## REORGANIZED FACULTY AT THE STATE COLLEGE

STATE COLLEGE, Sept. 28.—At the meeting of the board of regents of the state college the resignation of Professor E. E. Elliott as head of the department of agriculture was formally accepted. Professor George Severance, formerly agronomist of the experiment station, now becomes acting head of the department. Professor Olson was appointed instructor in farmers' institutes and the appointment of W. T. McDonald as assistant professor of animal husbandry was confirmed. Dr. F. B. Hadley was promoted to the position of assistant professor of anatomy and surgery in the department of veterinary science, taking the place of Dr. K. W. Stouder. Dr. W. E. Ralston, veterinarian, was made a professor of physiology and bacteriology.

The appointment of E. E. Watson as instructor in mathematics was confirmed, as was also the appointment of Miss Olive MacKay as instructor in domestic art. Lionel

## AMERICAN BANKERS IN SESSION TODAY

Special Correspondence to The Press DENVER, Sept. 28.—This week has been dedicated by Denver to

the wealth they represent would pay the national debt several times over.

Meetings were held today by the savings bank and clearing house sections of the association, and the trust company section will hold a session tomorrow.

Col. J. D. Powers, president of the association, will call the general convention to order Wednesday morning. Gov. H. A. Beuchtel will deliver an address of welcome.

The fact that the convention is held in the midst of a presidential campaign, when financial questions are up for general discussion, makes it an event of unusual interest. There is much curiosity as to whether the bankers will tackle the bank guaranty question which has taken such a large place in the campaign, particularly in the west, where it is extremely popular. The views of the bankers on the financial bill passed by the last congress and the panic will also be of widespread interest.



PRESIDENT J. D. POWERS

of the American Bankers' association. They have come by the hundred from all parts of the country, and

### THE BABY SHOW

Gerson, Wm. R. and Elizabeth, 12 S. Elm, Sept. 22, a boy.

Hubbard, Wm. L. and Saloam, E2914 Holly avenue, Sept. 18, a boy.

Ireland, W. P. and Bessie, Revue building, Sept. 23, a boy.

Bostrom, C. N. and Sophie E., E802 Bridgeport, Sept. 26, a boy.

Kahl, Charles and Sophia, 0519 Cannon, Sept. 22, a boy.

Melver, Norman D. and Rosina, 1618 Knox avenue, Sept. 26, a boy.

King, Edwin J. and Nellie H., 303 Pacific avenue, Sept. 24, a boy.

Lang, M. and Nora, 529 Cleveland avenue, Sept. 13, a girl.

Wallace, Wm. J. and Harriett, E816 Fifth avenue, Sept. 17, a girl.

Morrison, Finley J. and Catherine, E516 Montgomery avenue, Sept. 18, a boy.

Albert, Harry and Hulda, E103 Fourth avenue, Sept. 23, a girl.

Alexander, Landen and Catherine, 1427 Sixteenth avenue, Sept. 24, a girl.

Nysboom, Albert and Maria, E26 Hoone, Sept. 23, a girl.

Eversall, Wm. C. and Emma, S118 Adams, Sept. 23, a boy.

Basic component of chewing gum in use today is a material called chicle, which is sap that exudes from a South American tree, the sapota. It is a tall, evergreen, tropical tree.



DR. JOHN S. FULTON, GENERAL SECRETARY.

stand as the most eminent scientists in all these nations engaged in the fight against the white plague. There are, in addition, several thousand other delegates. They have come by the hundred from the great scientific centers. In smaller

# Great Sale of Fine Residence Lots

This beautiful addition was placed on the market Saturday morning at 9:00 a. m., and our agents report 90 lots sold up to 6:00 p. m. last night. This breaks all previous records for real estate sales in Spokane.

# Lancaster's Second Addition

This addition joins the Kenwoods and is one of the choicest residence districts in the city. All the lots are high and level and are covered with stately pine trees. There are only 174 lots in all, and at the rate they are selling will only last two or three days.

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\$10 a Month

# \$100 and Upwards

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