

EIGHTEEN PEACE PACTS APPROVED

Treaties With San Domingo and Panama Held Up for Further Consideration.

Washington, Aug. 14.—Eighteen of the 20 peace treaties with foreign nations providing for commissions of inquiry before resorting to arms in international disputes which ordinary resources of diplomacy fail to settle were ratified by the senate yesterday. The treaties with the Dominican republic and Panama were held up for further consideration.

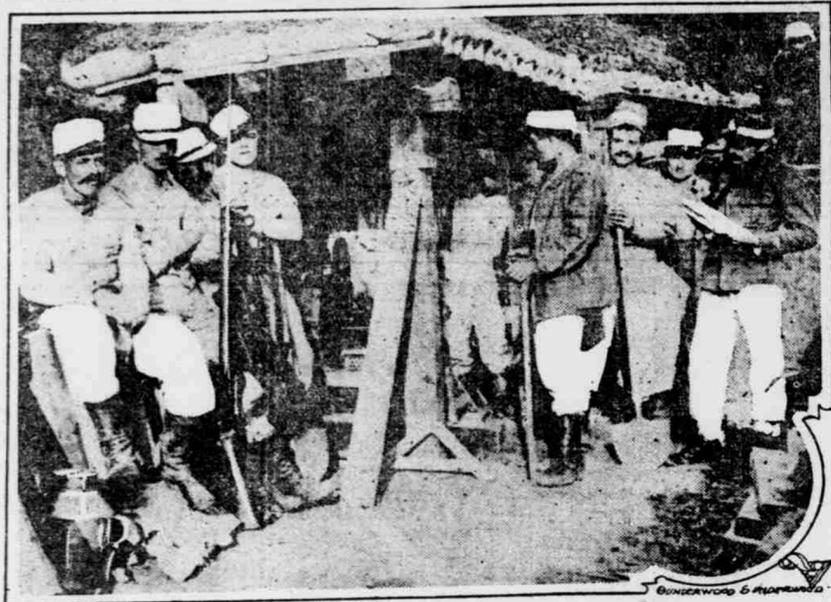
Treaties ratified are with Norway, the Netherlands, Portugal, Switzerland, Denmark, Italy, Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Bolivia, Persia, Costa Rica, Venezuela, Uruguay, Argentina, Brazil and Chile. Postponement of action on the pacts with the Dominican republic and Panama was determined upon after spirited debate over present relations between the United States and those republics. The United States is now engaged in attempting to settle a revolution in San Domingo and it was suggested that the pending agreement might conflict with existing treaties.

Senator Fall led opposition to ratification of the Panama treaty in its present form. Under the Panama canal act ships of that republic may pass through the canal free of tolls. Senator Fall urged that any new convention should prevent the possibility of complications arising through an alliance with foreign interests by citizens of Panama to purchase ships. The treaties ratified are generally of the same character and scope. They provide for the creation of an international commission with each country to which disputes may arise in the future, which diplomatic methods fail to adjust, shall be referred for investigation and report, and the parties to the treaties agree not to declare war or begin hostilities during such investigation and before the report is submitted. The life of the treaties is limited to five years.

The contracting parties are not bound by the finding of facts as made by the international commission, but each reserves the right to act independently upon the dispute after the report of the commission shall be submitted. In its report the foreign relations committee, referring to the war in Europe, said: "The main purpose of these treaties is to give time for nations engaged in international controversies to reflect and to afford opportunity for subsidence of passion before hostilities shall begin; before the passions of war shall have inflamed a nation an opportunity is given for the influences of peace and reason to prevail. It is believed that the existence of such treaties as these will be most potent in preventing the precipitation of sudden wars such as now exist in Europe."

Treaties with Salvador, Guatemala, Panama, Honduras, Nicaragua and Persia contained a provision which the senate eliminated, providing that the contracting parties agree not to increase their naval or military program unless danger from a third power should compel such increase pending report of the international commis-

FRENCH ENGINEERS LAY MINES UNDER COVER OF BREASTWORKS



It is reported that the French while at Belfort, on the German frontier, laid mines under cover of breastworks. The photo gives an idea as to how the work was accomplished.

sion. The committee agreed that this provision "would produce complications and might embarrass this government far more than benefit it."

SUBMARINE INVENTOR DIES

John P. Holland Succumbs to Pneumonia at Newark, N. J. Newark, N. J., Aug. 14.—John P. Holland, inventor of the submarine boat which bears his name, died of pneumonia Wednesday night at his home here after a month's illness. He was 72 years old.

Born in Ireland, Mr. Holland was a school teacher when the Merrimack and the Monitor fought their historic battle in the civil war. He sank his first submarine in the Passaic river when he found it a failure. Subsequently Mr. Holland was successful, and the United States government took over his invention. Although a builder of war vessels, Mr. Holland was opposed to war. His idea was to cripple hostile ships without destroying them.

Rheumatism Relieved in a Few Hours. N. B. Langley, Madison, Wis., says: "I was almost helpless with rheumatism for about five months. Had it in my neck so I could not turn my head, and all through my body. I tried three doctors and many remedies without any relief whatever until I procured Dr. Detchon's Relief for Rheumatism. In a few hours the pain was relieved and in three days the rheumatism was completely cured and I was at work. Sold by Otto Grotjan, 1501 Second avenue, Rock Island; Gust Schlegel & Son, 220 West Second street, Davenport.—(Adv.)"

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DAY IN DAVENPORT

City to Condemn Defective Flues—Fire Chief Denger and Building Inspector Graham made a tour of the city for the purpose of inspecting chimneys on various structures. All flues found to be inferior or defective will be condemned. With the approach of cold weather and the general use of stoves and furnaces, the danger of fire from defective flues will be constantly on the increase. The city officials believe that if the matter is taken in hand at the present time and matters remedied, the number of runs by the fire department will be appreciably reduced. In all instances where defective chimneys are found, necessary repairs will be ordered, and whenever an entirely new chimney is deemed necessary, the officials will rectify property owners.

Bettendorf Chautauqua Open—The Bettendorf Chautauqua opened today for a six-day season with programs afternoons and evenings. The chautauqua will be held on the vacant property north of the town hall.

Would Save County Cash—If we had a workhouse in Scott county there would be very few wife desertions in this locality instead of having this community one of the leaders in this direction," is the declaration of Dr. J. M. Browder. The probation officer of the county is a firm believer in the benefits of such an institution, and is conducting a campaign of education in this direction whenever an opportunity is presented. What he says would be the case with cases of desertion will hold equally true with those arrested for vagrancy. All petty offenders would be sent to the workhouse rather than to the county jail if such a building were at hand. And in all cases the county would at least be paid for the cost of keeping the prisoners under this practice. In the opinion of the probation officer, "Only those prisoners who commit felonies, or who, not having been proved guilty but bound over to the grand jury, would be kept in the county jail if we had a workhouse," was one of Dr. Browder's statements in speaking up on the topic. "There is no need of sending petty offenders to crowd the county jail, to break rock at a cost far more than the machine-made macadam can be produced. These sums would amount to a great deal unless these characters refused to stay here," states the probation officer, "and as result the cost to the taxpayers of keeping the poor would be considerably lowered." It is the idea of Dr. Browder that a sum, perhaps of \$60,000, would be sufficient to start the operation of the workhouse. He states that \$100,000 would be enough to purchase a large tract of ground, install machinery and erect enough buildings to conduct the workings of the institution upon a broad basis.

Train Crashes Into Rear End of Car—With a Rock Island freight train bearing down upon his automobile, which was crossing the tracks at Fifth and Brown streets, Carl Schwenn, the driver, escaped certain death by leaping from the machine a fraction of a second before the collision. The train crashed into the rear end of the automobile, completely demolishing it. Schwenn, who is a resident of Grand Mount, according to the police, states that the trainman at the crossing motioned for him to come ahead. He extricated himself from behind the steering wheel, and climbing upon the seat, leaped to the side of the track, as the train thundered by. Aside from a few minor bruises, he was uninjured.

Married by Justice W. R. Maines—Oscar McElvin of Glassford, Ill., and Lydia Butts of Bushnell, Ill., were married by Justice W. R. Maines. He also joined in matrimony Ben McKenzie, Lancaster, Wis., and Besse Kache, Stetzer, Wis.

Will Celebrate German Victory—To commemorate Germana victory in the battles of Metz in the Franco-Prussian war 44 years ago a big anniversary fest is to be held by the German Kampfgesellschaft next Sunday at Hans Hargens garden in Black Hawk.

All of the German societies of Davenport are expected to turn out in force for the celebration, the German-Kriegerverein, shooting, singing, sick relief, German unions and lodges. In the battles in the vicinity of Metz, fought from Aug. 14 to 18, ending with the battle of Gravelotte, many of the members of the Kampfgesellschaft of Davenport took an active part.

Auto and Wagon in Crash—While crossing Second street at Perry, the Ford touring car belonging to L. Ely crashed into a mail wagon belonging to the Schick company. A street car turning up Perry street prevented the driver from seeing the wagon.

Goes to Barracks—Roy H. Reid, Belleville, Kan., was sent to Jefferson barracks after enlisting in Davenport. He will be assigned to the coast artillery. Reid has served in this branch of the regular army before, being stationed at Ft. Williams, Maine.

Two Firms Sued for Big Amount—Personal injury suits for \$10,000 in each case are to be started against two firms, the notices of such action being filed. Gorman & Harrison and Littig Bros. are the concerns involved. N. D. Niels, who was in the employ of Gorman & Harrison, proprietors of the Davenport hotel, sustained injuries Nov. 6, 1911, which entailed damages estimated by him at the amount stated. William Christiansen was hurt June 26 of this year while driving a scraper for Littig Bros. The extent of his injuries is not announced.

Grapes on Sale in Market Now—Home grown grapes, the sweet purple variety, are on sale in the Davenport markets. The Scott county article has just sent the vanguard of the year's crop to the store, but if the fruit which follows is better than the first blush there will be no doubt about the great demand. These big bunches are selling at the rate of 10 cents a pound, but in larger amounts the price is lower. Baskets containing seven pounds of the vinous fruit are retailing for 40 cents. In all other lines the prices appear to be stationary. No change of any importance is made in any of the stores as yet. There is no rapid rise of prices here as in Chicago. Investigation of food

conditions is not necessary here. Only in the case of pork has there been any marked change either in meat or groceries. The cost of that meat to the butchers brought about the rise in value of pork chops, but other sorts of meat still maintain their former level.

Licensed to Wed—John Q. Wagner, Moline; Josephine Murphy, Davenport; Charles Prockaska, New Hampton; Josephine Schurr, New Hampton.

Fears for Life; Seeking Divorce.—Declaring that her husband has upon several times threatened to kill her, and has frequently misused and ill-treated her, Mrs. Myrtle Sparrow has petition for divorce from her husband, Fred Sparrow. In her suit she seeks the return of her maiden name, Myrtle Simmons, and asks that her two children, now in the Orphan's Home, be kept there, her husband bearing his proportionate expense. The couple was married in Davenport Oct. 25, 1905, and lived together until Oct. 20, 1912. During the period prior to the separation the cruel and inhuman treatment alleged in the petition was said to have occurred. A brutal assault was declared to have been made upon the plaintiff in August, 1908. The two children are Fred, 7, and Merle, 3. Daniel Cullinan is suing for divorce from his wife, Catherine. He declares his spouse has become an habitual drunkard and asks absolute divorce and custody of a 6-year-old son, Joseph.

Davenporters Arriving in London.—The latest list of Americans who have arrived safely in London includes Mrs. Horace G. Roberts and family, whom Mr. Roberts has sailed to meet, and Mrs. W. G. Smith and son, Gardner, who had been on the continent with a party of friends for some weeks. A letter from relatives of Mrs. A. O. Sheriff at Syracuse, N. Y., states that their last letter from Mrs. Sheriff was written July 29 from Lugano, Switzerland, whither she had gone from Venice. Mrs. Sheriff is principal of the Davenport training school and one of the several Davenport educators who probably are uncertain whether they will be here when the autumn term opens.

Obituary Record.—Mrs. Ella Harder, former Davenport woman, died at her home in Albion, Neb. She had been



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ill but a short time. Mrs. Harder was 26 years old. Deceased was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Puck of Probstel, Iowa, and a native of this county, having been born here March 28, 1888. In the year 1909 she married Louis Harder. They left immediately for Nebraska and have since made Albion their home. Her husband, Louis Harder, and two small children, survive. She also leaves her parents, four brothers, Albert, William, Harry and Peter Puck, one sister, Charlotte Puck, and her grandmother, Mrs. Charlotte Stoltenberg.

Mrs. Henrietta Morganthorpe Levy, 61 years old, died at a local hospital, death following a brief illness. She was born Sept. 22, 1852, in Bellefontaine, Ohio. She was educated in the city of her birth and married to Myer Levy May 30, 1870. Two years after her marriage she came to Davenport. She has lived here ever since. Her husband, Myer Levy of Davenport, survives and also a daughter, Mrs. E. Goldberg, and a son, Abe, the latter two residents of New York City.

Rudolph Hebbeln, 10 months old, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Hebbeln, 1702 Division street, died at the home. The parents, four brothers, Albert, Herbert, Frank and George Hebbeln; two sisters, Loretta and Viola Hebbeln, survive, besides the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Hebbeln, Sr.

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