

**WASHINGTON POLITICAL NEWS**

**CENTRAL AMERICAN PEACE CONFERENCE TO BE HELD.**

**The Split in the Republican Party is Growing Wider.**

Washington, Sept. 4.—Washington, which city ought to have been the scene of the peace conference between Russia and Japan, seems destined to have a peace conference, after all, and while it may not be one of such worldwide importance as that held at Portsmouth, it will be of far greater benefit to the citizens of this continent. Practically all of the Central American republics to whom President Roosevelt and President Diaz have addressed their joint suggestion of a peace conference looking to the conclusion of a permanent treaty of peace and arbitration, have cordially accepted the proposal, and it is the opinion of their diplomatic representatives in Washington that this city will be chosen as the scene of the negotiations. There is, it is true, a bare possibility that the City of Mexico may be chosen instead, but that is regarded as wholly unlikely by the Nicaraguan minister and other Central American diplomats in Washington.

The plan of the president and of President Diaz, although not entirely disclosed officially, is to bring the representatives of Nicaragua, Honduras, Costa Rica and Salvador together with a view to concluding a treaty which shall provide that whenever there shall arise any difference which cannot be settled by diplomatic negotiations it shall be referred to a court of arbitration, and pledging the several countries signatory to such treaty not only to resort to the arbitration of arms, but to abide by the decision of such arbitrators as shall be provided for in the proposed convention. The president is further understood to be of the opinion that the proposed treaty should provide that should the service of such a court of arbitration be required, its members shall be named by the presidents of the United States and Mexico with, perhaps, the customary provision that the arbitrators shall themselves choose the odd member of the court.

The utmost satisfaction is expressed at the department of state over the final consent of Great Britain to the proposition of this country that such differences as have arisen over the New Foundland fisheries shall be submitted to the Hague tribunal for adjudication and final settlement. Under the treaty of 1818 American fishermen enjoy rights on the coast and in the waters of New Foundland almost as great as the citizens of that colony themselves, but the New Foundland government has for some time sought by enactment of harassing laws and regulations to curtail the rights and privileges of the Americans, and the result has been in some slight degree to jeopardize the relations of Great Britain and the United States and seriously hamper the operations of the famous Gloucester fishing fleet. All that the Americans have insisted on has been the rights guaranteed by the treaty of 1818, and every confidence is now felt that those rights will be so clearly defined as to remove all further source of trouble.

Gov. Hughes and Speaker Cannon have furnished most of the material for the political gossip in the national capital during the past week. The former by his speeches in New York State has been demonstrating the wide discrepancy between his views and those of President Roosevelt, and has been uttering numerous thinly veiled criticisms of Roosevelt's "slap-dash" impulsive methods, and has so far impressed the anti-Roosevelt press with his availability that even the New York Sun, popularly regarded as the official organ of J. Pierpont Morgan, has come out with expressions of strong approbation of the governor. Speaker Cannon has also been giving the president warning that he must not expect any legislation at the coming session of congress. Mr. Cannon makes it very clear that he fears any such legislation as the president proposes would seriously annoy the trusts, and that on the eve of a presidential campaign in which Mr. Cannon hopes to be the chosen figure, and in which large contributions from the trusts will be sorely needed, "would be a crime."

Political observers declare that never in its history has the Republican party been so widely split up on the eve of a presidential election. Heretofore that magnificent discipline which has so often made for Republican success, has caused the leaders of the party to bury their differences and abandon their convictions in order that success might be wrested from the Democracy. This year, however, there is the widest discrepancy between the two factions of the party, and each candidate and leader seems determined to adhere to his own line of reasoning. At the extreme right, for instance, stands Theodore Roosevelt, advocating policies which are radical and obnoxious to the old line Republicans. Next in line stands Sec-

retary Taft, advocating most, though not all, of the Roosevelt policies. Next comes Secretary Cortelyou trying dexterously to carry water on both shoulders and by his power as Secretary of the Treasury to mollify the Wall street interests while he refrains from offending the plain citizen voters. Senator Knox stands next, the candidate of the Pennsylvania conspirators—the language is that of the President, not mine—talking of the constitution and trying to hide any actual views he may have behind an eruditely sounding aggregation of legal phrases. Speaker Cannon, the arch "stand patter" comes next in line with his instance that the tariff and the trusts must not be annoyed on the eve of an election. Close behind the "foxy speaker" stands Governor Hughes, almost as anti-Roosevelt and as friendly to Wall Street as Senator Foraker, but not quite, while the Hon. Joseph Benson Foraker brings up the rear with the cry "Down with Roosevelt," and his frantic denunciation of the Railway Rate Law and of every other step which may hamper his friends and clients, the railroads. The Republicans have in the past enjoyed themselves over what they "sarcastically termed" "Democratic harmony," but he laughs best who laughs last, and everyone is entitled to a laugh at this spectacle of "Republican harro."

**JUDGE WILSON COMMISSIONED.**

**Takes Charge of Third Circuit, Succeeding R. O. Purdy.**

Columbia, Sept. 4.—A commission to John S. Wilson, judge of the third circuit, was issued yesterday through the secretary of state by Gov. Ansel. Mr. Wilson succeeds Hon. R. O. Purdy of Sumter, who resigned last January to take effect in September. Mr. Wilson's place as solicitor has been filled by the appointment of Walter H. Wells, who has been senator from Florence county. This will necessitate an election in Florence and N. H. Gibson has been mentioned as possible successor.

**A Humane Appeal.**

"A humane citizen of Richmond, Ind., Mr. D. U. Williams, 107 West Main street, says: 'I appeal to all persons with weak lungs to take Dr. King's New Discovery, the only remedy that has helped me and fully comes up to the proprietor's recommendation.' It saves more lives than all other throat and lung remedies put together. Used as a cough and cold cure the world over. Cures asthma, bronchitis, croup, whooping cough, quinsy, hoarseness and phthisis, stops hemorrhages of the lungs and builds them up. Guaranteed at Sibert's Drug Store, 50c and \$1. Trial bottle free.

**SOUTHERN CLOSING DOWN WORK**

**Money Intended for Improvements Needed to Operate Road.**

Washington, Sept. 5.—It was announced at the Southern Railway headquarters in this city today that owing to recent adverse railroad rate legislation in several Southern States and to "general conditions" the double tracking of the Southern Railway between Chattanooga and Ooltwah Junction, in Tennessee, and north of Greensboro, N. C., has been ordered stopped, pending further instructions. Contracts had been entered into for double track work in Tennessee aggregating about \$15,000,000. The money intended for the proposed improvements in Tennessee and North Carolina has been withdrawn and will be used in operating the road.

**Chamberlain's Cough Remedy One of the Best on the Market.**

For many years Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has constantly gained in favor and popularity until it is now one of the most staple medicines in use and has an enormous sale. It is intended especially for acute throat and lung diseases, such as coughs, colds and croup, and can always be depended upon. It is pleasant and safe to take and is undoubtedly the best in the market for the purposes for which it is intended. Sold by DeLorme's Pharmacy.

**PREPARING FOR WAR.**

**Army and Navy Co-operating in Getting Ready for Trouble in the Orient.**

Washington, Sept. 6.—The army is co-operating with the navy in preparing for a possible war in the Orient. While the navy department is arranging the details of the cruise to the Pacific the war department is looking after the fortifications on the Philippines. Lieut. Col. Abbott of the engineer corps and Capt. Embrick of the coast artillery have been ordered to Manila to carry out secret instructions regarding the fortifications at Manila and Subig bay, the United States future naval base.

**Attack of Diarrhoea Cured**

By one dose of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. I was so weak from an attack of diarrhoea that I could scarcely attend to my duties, when I took a dose of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. It cured me entirely, and I had been taking other medicine for nine days without relief. I heartily recommend this remedy as being the best to my knowledge for bowel complaints.—R. G. Stewart, of the firm of Stewart & Bro., Greenville, Ala. For sale by DeLorme's Pharmacy.

**BARON VON PILIS IS ENTHUSED.**

**Declares He Will Make Charleston a Great Harbor City.**

Columbia, Sept. 6.—In the letter to Count Wedel, written on the eve of his departure for Europe, Baron von Pilis makes some vigorous statements as to his intentions. Among other things he says: "I will make the port of Charleston a great harbor city provided all the interested parties will stay close together."

After declaring his intention to return as early as possible to America he says:

"I shall not be small-minded by jealously watching the port of Charleston or trying to monopolize it for myself, but will attract to her any and all traffic within reach. I am fully aware that my task is a big one, but I know by experience that the more difficult a task I have to perform the more sure I feel to make it a success. The parties at interest have not money enough to pay me for my labor, but even this makes me happy and gives me hope to make it the one great successful work of my life. The best years of my life stand yet before me, and I will devote this to the opening of traffic to the South. I have the very greatest confidence of the action in the South. If everything continues to fit as it has until now it is bound to become something big."

Baron von Pilis expects to attend a meeting of the directors of his shipping company in Paris on the 10th, and this was the occasion of his early departure for Europe. The meeting in Paris will doubtless be of vital importance to the entire South.—News and Courier.

**CHASED OUT OF NEWBERRY.**

**White Man Was Trying to Organize Negro Bricklayers and Plasterers—Had Fight With Mayor Brown.**

Newberry, Sept. 4.—Yesterday a stranger, who registered at one of the local hotels as 'Frank P. Gordon, Birmingham, Ala.,' accompanied by a well dressed negro, attracted the attention of the police and upon being shadowed it was learned that the two men were here for the purpose of organizing negro bricklayers and plasterers into the International Bricklayers' and Plasterers' union. Mayor Brown, upon learning of the white man's business, went to see him in the capacity of a citizen, and not officially, to inform him that the citizens of Newberry would not permit a white man to organize negroes in the community. In the interview Gordon intimated that Mr. Brown was a "liar," whereupon the latter proceeded to flog the stranger.

The strange negro was led to the edge of the town and invited to take his departure. Gordon was arrested and held in ball in the sum of \$25.

At first Gordon represented himself as a "mattress drummer," but afterwards admitted that he had told an untruth. He said that he did this in the towns he visited for the purpose of deception, as he did not wish his real business to become known.

When the Columbia train reached here tonight Gordon boarded it, followed by 10 or 15 citizens who desired to "interview" him, but he escaped them by locking himself up in the toilet.

**THE RAILROAD ASSESSORS.**

**Atlantic Coast Line Will Attempt to Reduce Figures.**

Columbia, Sept. 5.—An effort is being made to have another meeting of the State board of railroad assessors to revise the assessments placed on the Atlantic Coast Line railroad. It is said that official representatives of the company have been in the city for several days and have requested this meeting, but whether the board will meet again is not known.

**Had Tetter for Thirty Years.**

"I have suffered with tetter for 30 years and have tried almost countless remedies with little, if any, relief. Three boxes of Chamberlain's Salve cured me. It was a torture. It breaks out a little sometimes, but nothing to what it used to do.—D. H. Beach, Midland City, Ala. Chamberlain's Salve is for sale by DeLorme's Pharmacy.

**COCAINE SELLER ACQUITTED.**

**Columbia Druggist Tried for Selling Cocaine.**

Columbia, Sept. 5.—Dr. Gus Lathrop was this afternoon acquitted on two charges of selling cocaine contrary to law. The trial was by jury and in one case Recorder Stanley, sitting as magistrate, directed that the jury bring in a verdict of not guilty. In the other case the jury voluntarily brought in the same verdict. The only witnesses were negroes. There are other charges of the same character pending against Dr. Lathrop, who is in charge of what is known as the Ward 1 Drug Store, on Lower Main street, in the rear of the State House.

"DeWitt's Carbolized Witch Hazel Salve is good for boils, burns, cuts, scalds and skin diseases. It is especially good for piles. Sold by all druggists.

A big illicit still was captured in York county, and Miles Stowe, who was working at the plant, has been arrested.

**Of Interest to Many.**

"Foley's Kidney Cure will cure any case of kidney or bladder trouble that is not beyond the reach of medicine. No medicine can do more. Sibert's Drug Store.

**KAISER SEVERELY CRITICISED**

**PAN GERMAN CONFERENCE CALLS HIM A WEAKLING.**

The Report of Executive Committee Urges Germany to Adopt Vigorous Foreign Policy Against America and England—Says Kaiser Does Not Back Up Words With Deeds.

Wiesbaden, Sept. 7.—The annual conference of the Pan-German league, opened here today. The conference intends to urge an aggressive foreign policy, directed especially against America and England.

The executive committee's report declared that America is trying to undermine Germany's industries in South America by exploiting Brazil's fear of the German peril. The report adds that there is urgent need of energetic enterprise in South America to prevent America from wiping out Germany's civilizing influences. The report also criticizes the Kaiser as a weakling who is not backing up his words by deeds. It says that Germany has not confidence in the Kaiser's control, and urges a rapid increase in the navy. It says that Anglo-German enmity cannot be overcome by friendly negotiations.

**The Touch That Heals.**

"It the touch of Bucklen's Arnica Salve. It's the happiest combination of arnica flowers and healing balsams ever compounded. No matter how old the sore or ulcer is, this salve will cure it. For burns, scalds, cuts, wounds or piles, it has no equal. Guaranteed by Sibert's Drug Store, 25c.

Mistaken reference is so often made to what is termed the "epitaph written by Mark Twain for his wife," that it is worth while to set the matter straight. The epitaph referred to was not placed upon the tombstone of Mr. Clement's wife, but upon that of his daughter, Susie. It was not original with Mark Twain, but was taken by him from a little poem written some fifteen years ago by an Australian poet named Robert Richardson. It appeared in a book of poems by Richardson, which was published in Edinburgh, in 1893, under the title of Willow and Wattles. The verse used as the epitaph is as follows:

Warm summer sun,  
Shine kindly here,  
Warm Southern wind,  
Blow softly here.  
Green sod above,  
Lie light lie light.  
Good night, dear heart,  
Good night, good night.

The verse has so often been referred to as being Mark Twain's own composition that he has recently had the name of the actual author of it carved upon the stone.

**How to Avoid Appendicitis.**

"Most victims of appendicitis are those who are habitually constipated. Orino Laxative Fruit Syrup cures chronic constipation by stimulating the liver and bowels, and restores the natural action of the bowels. Orino Laxative Fruit Syrup does not nauseate or gripe and is mild and pleasant to take. Refuse substitutes. Sibert's Drug Store.

**KILLED BY HIS WIFE.**

**A Mysterious Murder in Indiana—Woman Arrested.**

Brazil, Ind., Sept. 6.—As a result of a mysterious shooting on a lonely road near here Dr. Edward Grissgo, a prominent young physician, is dead and his wife, though wounded in the breast, has been arrested. Dr. Grissgo sued for divorce, and his wife drove to Terre Haute yesterday with an attorney to discuss the matter of alimony. Dr. Grissgo started to drive his wife back to Brazil. Farmers in the neighborhood heard revolver shots. The coroner's jury discovered three wounds in Dr. Grissgo's head, and the physician says any one would have caused death. The woman's arrest was ordered by the coroner. She claims that Dr. Grissgo tried to murder her and then suicided.

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**BONAPARTE NOT TALKING.**

**He Declines to Discuss Trust Prosecution—May Take Action Which He Reaches Washington.**

Boston, Sept. 6.—Attorney General Bonaparte is losing the interview habit. He arrived here today en route to Maine. He declined to discuss the Standard Oil or Alton case. He expects to arrive at Chicago on Sept. 18 for an interview with Judge Landis, and will return to Washington on Sept. 20. He admitted that he may take some personal steps in the Alton case when he reaches the capital, as he expected to receive information when he arrives.

"Occasional headache, belching, bad taste in the mouth, lack of appetite and slight nervousness are symptoms of indigestion which, when allowed to go uncared for, will develop into a case of dyspepsia that will take a long time to get rid of. Don't neglect your stomach. At the first indication of trouble take something that will help it along in its work of digesting the food you eat. Kodol for indigestion and dyspepsia will do this. Kodol will make your food do you good and will enable you to enjoy what you eat. Sold by all druggists.

**BURIED IN AVALANCHE.**

**An Unusual Disaster in a Chilean City.**

Santiago, Chili, Sept. 6.—A big force of rescuers are digging in the snow to save fifty persons who were whelmed in an avalanche which buried the Chilean custom house at Junal last night. It is doubtful whether any one will be reached alive.

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**DON'T EXPERIMENT.**

**You Will Make No Mistake if You Follow This Sumter Citizen's Advice.**

Never neglect your kidneys. If you have pain in the back, urinary disorders, dizziness and nervousness, it's time to act and no time to experiment. These are all symptoms of kidney trouble, and you should seek a remedy which is known to cure the kidneys.

Doan's Kidney Pills is the remedy to use. No need to experiment. It has cured many stubborn cases in Sumter. Follow the advice of a Sumter citizen and be cured yourself. George W. Hancock, formerly of 27 Canal street, Sumter, S. C., says: "Doan's Kidney Pills will always have my endorsement. I have used them for my kidneys and back. I have been down in bed on account of my back several times and suffered the most intense pain right across the loins I could not turn over without using my hands, and then it seemed as if my back would break. My urine was very dark, full of sediment and caused me to rise several times during the night. I used everything I could get hold of, but nothing seemed to do me any good, and I have been confined to my bed weeks at a time and just hobbled around the rest. I heard of Doan's Kidney Pills and got a box at Dr. A. J. China's drug store. I have used three boxes of them, and the pain in my back has left, my urine has no sediment, and I can go around without a cane and feel like a new man. Doan's Kidney Pills is the best kidney remedy."

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