

# Latin-American Treaty Sought by U.S. in Conference

### Secretary Hughes Will Attempt to Rebuild Unity With Nations to South at December Meet.

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Washington, Nov. 4.—(Special)—The conference of Central American republics, which is to be held in Washington on December 4 at the instance of President Harding and Secretary of State Hughes, will attempt to perform the difficult task of rebuilding the Central American unity that existed prior to the time of the administration of the office of Secretary of State by William Jennings Bryan. Heralded as a move in the general direction of land disarmament, it has this object only incidentally, seeks to revive the treaty of 1897, which had as its fundamental idea the international court of arbitration, to which the Central American republics had undertaken to submit all of their grievances. This court was probably the most enlightened act in the direction of peace by agreement ever attempted by any of the Latin American countries.

During the Wilson administration Mr. Bryan undertook to repeat the performance of Roosevelt in Panama, which many democratic leaders had condemned, but which most of them secretly admired.

**Want Exclusive Right.**

It was proposed to secure from Nicaragua the exclusive right to build a canal, at some future time, across that country, utilizing for the purpose the San Juan river. It seems certain the time will come when the Nicaragua canal will be a necessity. The right over other nations from building a competing line with that at Panama.

Nicaragua, at the time, was under the complete domination of this government. When the Bryan-Chamorro treaty was negotiated, Costa Rica raised a protest, claiming a right in the San Juan river, and desiring to know by what right the United States and Nicaragua proposed to dispose of the Costa Rican rights in this river without consulting her. The Costa Ricans went to the Central American international court with their complaint. At this point, Nicaragua, still under the domination of American influence, withdrew from the jurisdiction of the court, which automatically went out of existence.

While the right to the Nicaraguan canal route is important, wise observers of American affairs believe it inadvisable to destroy the Central American court in order to obtain it. The right in all probability, could have been obtained in some other way.

**To Rebuild Arbitration Court.**

The destruction of this attempt at peace by adjudication, has seriously injured the prestige of the United States throughout Central America and South America. President Harding and Secretary Hughes are aiming their determination to rebuild the court of arbitration is the answer to critics who would read into refusal to go into a League of Nations controlled league of nations, lack of desire to work out peaceful methods of settling international disputes. One of the chief objections to the league was that it proposed to substitute force for judicial procedure.

The Harding administration is committed to the ideal of peace by understanding and would like to see international law become a real thing in world affairs. The Central American situation offers an excellent opportunity to put that ideal into practice on the American continent.

# Omaha Man Is Given Important Film Post



Sidney Meyer, son of Moritz Meyer, pioneer Omaha tobacco merchant, a native of Omaha and graduate of Omaha schools, has been appointed district manager of the Fox Film Corporation with headquarters in Chicago.

William Fox, president, is said to have offered Meyer the post of general manager of the European enterprises of the corporation, later changing this offer to that of the Chicago position.

Meyer has been in the cinema game for 19 years. He started as night shipper with the General Film company, later becoming chief shipping and poster clerk with the World Film corporation. Then he became a salesman. He joined the Fox corporation as salesman, being promoted to local branch manager which position he has held for the past four years.

Sam Denbow, assistant general sales manager of the Fox corporation, is in Omaha to install Harry Heyman as successor to Meyer in the branch manager's office and Earl A. Bell to succeed Heymann as assistant branch manager.

# Hitchcock Assailed by Gutzon Borglum

(Continued From Page One.)  
Wilson had written Borglum the following letter:  
"April 15, 1918—My Dear Mr. Borglum: I am afraid that you have for some time past been under a serious misapprehension. I have never at any time constituted you an official investigator. . . . We have at no time considered you as the official representative of the administration. If I so regarded you, I would of course have supplied you with such assistance as you feel that you have lacked."

**Borglum Repeats Charge.**

The Omaha Bee telegraphed Mr. Borglum the text of this statement. To this Mr. Borglum replied:  
"Write you this afternoon, Wilson's commission to me, together with Baker's confirmation. I reiterate the charges in my letter, realising that I have charged against the honor, honesty and public business of Senator Hitchcock. I am fully prepared and am eager to face him in court with the record of those days. Hitchcock aide and empowered, refused to aid us. Loughery has, within the past month, charged the very same people and company Hitchcock was protecting with fraud and brought suit for recovery of \$2,400,000."

The letters quoted by Mr. Borglum follow:

**"THE WHITE HOUSE.**  
Washington, Jan. 2, 1918.  
"My Dear Mr. Borglum:  
"I have your letter of December 25. "Knowing the earnest and loyal purpose with which you have written me. I have conferred with the secretary of war and, at his request and my own hearty concurrence, I urge you to come at once to Washington to lay the whole matter frankly and fully before the secretary, and by your investigation discover the facts in this business.

"The secretary of war assures me that he will be delighted to clothe you with full authority to get to the bottom of every situation, and that he will place at your disposal the services of Mr. Stanley King, a member of his own personal staff, if you desire to have his counsel in your inquiries. The secretary says further that he will bring you into personal contact with General Squier, whom you doubtless already know personally, and will direct that every facility of inquiry be placed at your disposal.

"When you have thus investigated, if the other experts whom you suggest in your letter of December 25 still seem desirable to be appointed, you can say so to the secretary, and in the event of any difference of judgment between you, which seems to me impossible, I would be glad to have a report from you personally to me on any phase of the matter which remains in the slightest degree doubtful in your mind.

"Cordially yours,  
"WOODROW WILSON."  
Mr. Gutzon Borglum, Stamford, Conn.

The secretary of war wrote as follows:  
"War Department, Washington, January 9, 1918.  
"My Dear Mr. Borglum:  
"I return herewith the president's letter which does exactly state my attitude in this whole matter. I concur in all he has said. General Squier will, I am sure, cooperate with you fully but if you find any uncertainty as to the matter, will you be good enough to present this letter as being a proper introduction to General Squier, and it will secure from him for you every authority which you can need in prosecuting your inquiries. I am also asking Mr. King to make sure that you are aided in every way.

"Cordially yours,  
"NEWTON D. BAKER,  
"Secretary of War."

Senator Hitchcock's statement that I was not authorized, he knows to be false and is begging the question that he evaded procuring evidence and give as reason his personal belief would suffer if he did. Further Senator Hitchcock stopped all aid promised to stop graft and aid manufacture of the needed planes, on the coast and somewhat below normal in the interior.

Vote for Ruth Dixie for State Superintendent. Only woman on state ticket—advertised.

# Deaths

**Mrs. H. C. Newell.**  
David Charles Newell died at his home here. She is survived by her husband and five children, one son and four daughters. The children are Mrs. Della Nicholson of Seneca, Mrs. Hattie Marshall, who died, both of Seneca, Mrs. Gertrude Newell of this city and Oscar Newell of Oel. Mrs. Newell died at the Christian church of which she was a member.

**N. S. Lehigh.**  
N. S. Lehigh, 81, pioneer of Beatrice, died at his home. For years he was engaged in the brick and stone business in this city. He is survived by a widow and a large family of children, all grown.

**Mrs. Temple Pierce.**  
Beatrice—Mrs. Temple Pierce, 68, pioneer resident of Beatrice, died at her home. She is survived by her husband and one son, James Pierce, who resides at Beatrice.

**Mrs. George W. Lehigh.**  
Beatrice—Mrs. George W. Lehigh, 62, wife of a former resident of the Nebraska city, died at her home. She had been a resident of the city for half a century. She is survived by three sons and two daughters.

**Arthur Cunningham.**  
Beatrice—Funeral services for Arthur Cunningham, who died at his home here, were held at the First Methodist church here. The body was taken to the home of Mrs. E. H. Richmond. The body was taken to the home of Mrs. E. H. Richmond. The body was taken to the home of Mrs. E. H. Richmond.

**Joseph T. Campbell.**  
Beatrice—There was a large attendance at the funeral of Joseph T. Campbell, who died at his home here. Friends were present in large numbers from Beatrice, Dubuque, Wynona, Lincoln and other localities. Rev. W. H. Cooper conducted the services. Mr. Campbell was a member of the Trinity lodge of Masons and the burial services were held at the Trinity cemetery.

**Mrs. Nannie Roserman.**  
Beatrice—Mrs. Nannie Roserman, music teacher, died at the home of her sister, Mrs. W. A. Myers.

**E. S. Jones.**  
Beatrice—E. S. Jones, retired farmer, died at his home in Beatrice.

**Joseph Forsthe.**  
Beatrice—Joseph Forsthe, 81, a pioneer resident of Beatrice, died at his home. He was born in Ireland and came to this country at the age of 8. He served in the civil war and was also active in Grand Army circles. He came to Beatrice in 1880 and has since lived here. He had made his home for many years. He was a rural mail carrier for 17 years. He is survived by a wife, two sons and five daughters.

**Michael Bouch.**  
Grand Island—Michael Bouch, 81, resident of Grand Island, died at his home. He was born in Ireland and came to this country at the age of 8. He served in the civil war and was also active in Grand Army circles. He came to Grand Island in 1880 and has since lived here. He had made his home for many years. He was a rural mail carrier for 17 years. He is survived by a wife, two sons and five daughters.

**Wilmer B. Kirk.**  
Grand Island—Wilmer B. Kirk, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Kirk, died at his home. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Christianson of the Congregational church.

**Mrs. Edward Hooper.**  
Grand Island—Mrs. Edward Hooper, former well-known resident of Grand Island, who died at Kearney, Mo. formerly, died at her home here. Funeral services being held in St. Stephen Episcopal church. She is the mother of Mrs. J. H. Mullin of this city.

**Mrs. Nels E. Nielsen.**  
Grand Island—Mrs. Nels E. Nielsen, 59, a well-known resident of this city, died at her home here. She was the wife of a well-known resident of this city. She is survived by a husband and five children, all of whom she has reared. She was a member of the Episcopal church. Rev. C. B. Harman officiating.

**Mrs. Earl DeHart.**  
Grand Island—Mrs. Earl DeHart, 77, a resident of Grand Island, died at the St. Francis hospital after a brief illness. The body was taken to the home of Mrs. DeHart.

**Mrs. Louise Sealfield.**  
Grand Island—Mrs. Louise Sealfield, 74, recently of Columbus but who has resided here for many years, died at her home here. She was a member of the Grand Island Business college, died here. Her husband, George Sealfield, died here. Her body was taken to Columbus for burial.

**John H. Roberts.**  
Grand Island—John H. Roberts, 54, a resident of Grand Island, died at his home here. He was a veteran of the Spanish-American war. He had been identified with some of the best military units of the war. He leaves a brother and sister, residing at Newark, N. J. The body was taken to Newark, N. J. for burial.

**Dan Mullally.**  
Grand Island—The body of Dan Mullally, who died at Omaha, arrived in this city and funeral services were conducted in St. Mary Catholic church. Interment was made in the Donahue cemetery.

**Mrs. John Bittinger.**  
York—Mrs. John Bittinger, 71, died at the family home here. Mrs. Bittinger was a member of the Lutheran church.

# Deaths

**C. E. Custer.**  
York—C. E. Custer, 31, died at his home here. He was a member of the Lutheran church. He is survived by a wife and two children.

**Adam Heckerich.**  
Waco—Adam Heckerich, 66, died at his home in this village. He is survived by a wife and two children.

**George W. Simpkins.**  
Fairbury—Funeral services were held at Reynolds for George W. Simpkins, 81, a pioneer of Jefferson county. He came to this county in 1841. He is the father of C. B. Simpkins of Lincoln and E. L. Simpkins of Fairbury. He was married to Mary A. Sutton, June 19, 1843 at Minnoka, Ill. This couple were the first couple married in this county.

**William Baker.**  
Friend—The body of William Baker, 37, who died at the home of his son, O. F. Friend, was brought to Friend and buried.

**Mrs. Ruth Watson.**  
Friend—The body of Mrs. Ruth Watson, who died at the home of her son, Arthur Watson, was brought to the Congregational church.

**Mrs. A. A. Randall.**  
Friend—Mrs. A. A. Randall, wife of Rev. A. A. Randall, pastor of the First Methodist church of this city, died at Lincoln.

**Mrs. Catherine Wertz.**  
York—Mrs. Catherine Wertz, 90, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. E. O. Stucker. Mrs. Wertz had made her home with her daughter for the past eight years.

**Mrs. Orpha Potts.**  
Beatrice—Mrs. Orpha Potts, 81, old resident of Wynona, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. E. D. Conroy. The funeral was held in the family residence. Burial was in Wynona cemetery.

**Mrs. George Zimmerman.**  
Beatrice—Mrs. George Zimmerman, 61, old resident of Wynona, died in a hospital at Beatrice. She is survived by her husband and five children, all of whom she has reared in Hanover township, northeast of Beatrice. The body was brought here for burial.

# Business Activities

**New Stage Line.**  
David City—The new stage line of Lincoln has started a stage line through David City. It will run from Lincoln to Norfolk every day.

**Greeney Firm Expands.**  
David City—The Paxon-Davis company of Columbus, a wholesale grocery firm, has expanded and now carries a full line of groceries. E. M. Briggs, a stockholder, and who has been connected with the house ever since it started, five years ago, has been appointed manager of this office.

**Branch Dental Office.**  
Columbus—The Daily Dental company of Denver and Omaha has purchased Dr. W. A. Thomas' office equipment, leased the rooms and will open a branch dental office here with competent man in charge.

**Build New Garage.**  
Sidney—A new building of brick and concrete is being constructed in Sidney to be occupied by the Miller garage. The building is one of the best constructed in the city and will be started in the near future. It will be finished ready for occupancy on January 1.

**Plan Oil Station.**  
Beatrice—Clayton and James Clark of this city purchased the W. W. Scott lot for \$7,000 and will build an oil filling station. The first truck company of the First National bank bought the \$18,000 interest paying bonds, drawing a 4 percent interest, paying face value.

**Complete Power Lines.**  
Beatrice—The transmission line from Beatrice to Superior connecting Byron and Hardy, is completed and light and power is now being supplied the three towns from the Beatrice plant. The line, water in the Republican river, from which Superior derives its power, is insufficient to supply the full needs of that plant. The Beatrice plant is now a part of the United Light and Power Co. of Kansas City, which is supplying light and power to about 100 towns in Kansas and Nebraska.

# Weddings

**Laschansky-Joe.**  
York—Henry J. Laschansky, of Fairbury and Miss Alice M. Moore were married at the Christian patronage, Rev. Ira E. Carney officiating.

**Chariton Hault.**  
York—Harriet Chariton and Lillian A. Hault, both of York, were married by Judge H. G. Hopkins.

**McKishan-Schumann.**  
Grand Island—Elizabeth here was surprised to receive announcements of the marriage of Miss Gladys Schumann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. A. Johnson, married at the home of the bride by Rev. C. J. Christenson, pastor of the First Congregational church. They will continue to make their home in this city.

**Applegate-Logan.**  
Grand Island—Miss Gladys Applegate and Harley Logan, both of this city, were married at the home of the bride by Rev. C. J. Christenson, pastor of the First Congregational church. They will continue to make their home in this city.

**Double Wedding.**  
Table Rock—A double wedding of much interest in Pawnee county people was the marriage of Miss Gladys Schumann and Albert Kuhn of Stenager. The ceremony took place at the St. Bridget Catholic church in the state line near Table Rock, Kan. Both young couples will make their homes at Stenager.

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# America Ready to Receive Special Envoy of Canada

**U. S. Government Feels It Lies With Dominion Authorities to Take Initiative in Matter.**

By GRAPTON WILCOX  
Washington, Nov. 4.—The United States is ready to receive a special minister from Canada whenever the Canadian government sees fit to send one here. This government feels, however, it was said at the State department, that it lies with Canada to take the initiative to attempt to make suggestions.

Despite the persistent reports from Ottawa to the effect that a minister had been named or is about to be named, officials declared that the department has no information on the subject and that there has been no recent negotiations between the two governments with respect to such representation.

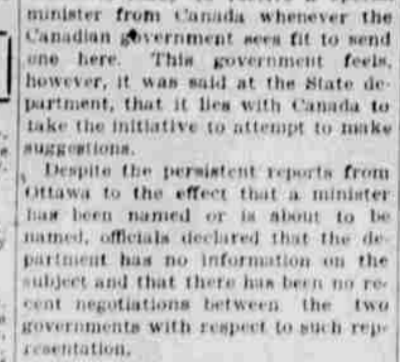
Officials inclined to the opinion that the United States would probably not send a diplomatic representative to Canada, even if the Canadians should decide to be represented here. This attitude, it was admitted, however, is based on the assumption that any Canadian minister who might be named would undoubtedly be an attaché of the British embassy and not a full-fledged minister.

The decision of the American government not to take the initiative in the matter of Canadian diplomatic representation in Washington is based primarily on the assumption that that is a matter to be settled between Great Britain and Canada. There has been much opposition in Great Britain

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# Lower Freight Rates in Nebraska Proposed

Freight rate changes on the Burlington and Union Pacific railroads from St. Joseph and Kansas City, Mo., to points in Nebraska, effective December 5, will be extended if possible shortly after the first of the year to the Northwestern, Rock Island, Missouri Pacific and Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha roads. It was announced yesterday by C. E. Childs, traffic manager of the Omaha Chamber of Commerce.

These changes relate to class freight rates from Missouri river crossings and all interior Nebraska points.

"Since 1916," said Mr. Childs, "freight rates in this state have been out of plumb. At that time the Interstate Commerce commission authorized the roads to establish distance rates tariff on class freight from 12 Missouri river points to Nebraska. These rates are higher than on other class rates in the state. Former adjustment has been unsatisfactory."

Mr. Childs stated that these changes will result in a slight drop in freight rates throughout the state.

# Women Working Hard in G. O. P. Campaign

Lincoln, Nov. 4.—(Special)—Nebraska women are working as they never have before in auxiliary organizations to aid in arousing interest in the G. O. P. campaign.

From all quarters the republican state central committee has received assurances from both the chairman and women vice chairmen that organizations had been perfected to get republican voters out election day.

The state committee feels that through the women of Nebraska and their work on election day they will more than offset the vast expenditures of the democratic nominee for United States senator for an organization.

The republicans, both men and women, apparently realize that it takes their voluntary unpaid efforts to overcome the organization perfected by the democrats.

**Fire at Broken Bow.**  
Broken Bow, Neb., Nov. 3.—(Special)—Fire did about \$3,500 worth of damage to the Broken Bow lumber yards. A large quantity of high grade mill work and a carload of cement was entirely destroyed.

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