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LEAGUERS START IN WORK

Convention Opens at San Francisco With Big Attendance.

SONGS AT INAUGURAL SERVICES.

Devotional Program and Welcoming Exercises Constitute the Major Portion of Business of First Day—Last Trains Bearing Delegates Arrive.

San Francisco, July 19.—The first day of the fifth International Epworth League convention opened with a cloudless sky and perfect California weather. During the forenoon the streets leading to the Mechanics' pavilion, the headquarters of the league, were thronged with thousands of delegates wearing the badges of the order and long before the hour fixed for the preliminary proceedings the vast structure, which will accommodate 15,000 persons, was practically filled. The Alhambra theater and Metropolitan temple, where simultaneous meetings were held, will each hold about 2,500 people and provision has been made for any possible overflow in churches of various denominations. Differences of creed have not been considered and the entire city is taking an active interest in securing the success of the gathering, which already seems assured.

The railroads have virtually fulfilled their promises, and despite many annoying delays, landed the last of the eastern delegates here in time for the introductory ceremonies. The rear guard came by water from the Pacific northwest and numbered about 500 Washington and British Columbia leaguers. The great army of invasion, with 30,000 men and women in the rank and file, had been provided for without the least trouble and in a manner most gratifying to all.

The first services in connection with the convention were held in the First Congregational, the Central Methodist and the Howard street churches, in each of which communion was celebrated. Bishop Joyce, president of the league, conducted the services in the auditorium of the First Congregational church. Every seat was occupied and the aisles were so crowded that it was necessary to close the doors against the late comers.

When the convention proper was called to order at 2:30 p. m., the great auditorium was packed and thousands were unable to gain admission. Rev. Thomas Filben of Pacific Grove officiated as chairman. After a song service, in charge of Robert Husband, devotions were led by Rev. Judson S. Hill of Morristown, Tenn. Henry T. Gage, governor of California, then welcomed the delegates to the state in a brief but expressive address, which was received with the Chautauqua salute. Mayor Phelan followed, delivering an eloquent greeting in behalf of the city.

Responses were made as follows: On behalf of the Methodist Episcopal church, Bishop I. W. Joyce, Minneapolis; on behalf of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, the Rev. H. M. Dubose, Nashville; on behalf of the Methodist Episcopal church of Canada, the Rev. James Henderson, Toronto, Canada. The concluding address of the afternoon was made by Rev. R. A. Carter of Atlanta, on behalf of the colored Methodist church.

Decides Against Packers.

Chicago, July 19.—Packers throughout the country will lose hundreds of thousands of dollars each year if a decision announced by Judge Kohlsaat in the United States circuit court yesterday is sustained in the United States supreme court. The court ruled that borax, used in preserving meats for shipment, does not constitute the manufacture of a new article. For this reason, he held, the packers are not entitled to a rebate on the tariff duties paid under the act of 1897.

Russia Grabs Mongolia.

London, July 19.—"Mongolia is now Russia," says a dispatch to the Daily Express from St. Petersburg. "Ufa," a Chinese frontier station on the road to Peking, has been fortified and garrisoned by Russian soldiers. Surveying parties, escorted by troops, have penetrated as far as the edge of the great desert, to determine the route of a direct railway to Peking across the desert."

Land Seekers at El Reno.

El Reno, O. T., July 19.—Up to date 78,796 home seekers have registered in the El Reno and Lawton offices, 59,400 of these have registered at El Reno and 19,396 at Lawton. Yesterday's registration: El Reno, 10,697; Lawton, 2,000. Eight of the 16 days allowed for registration have passed and still the crowds continue to come.

Indian Agent Sentenced.

Guthrie, O. T., July 19.—Asa C. Sharp, lately Indian agent at the Otoe and Missouri agency, was yesterday sentenced in the United States court at Perry to two years' imprisonment upon each of two counts. His attorneys will appeal.

Boer Leaders Killed.

London, July 19.—Lord Kitchener, commanding the British forces in South Africa, reports to the war office as follows: Blaudfontein, July 18.—Captain Charles Botha, son of Philip Botha, and Field Cornets Humand and Oliver have been killed in the Orange River Colony.

THREE NEGROES HANGED.

All Executed From Same Scaffold in the Nashville Jail Yard.

Nashville, Tenn., July 19.—The first triple execution ever held in this country took place here today, when three negro murderers were executed from the same scaffold in the jail yard. The condemned were Babe Battis, Duser Thompson and Abe Petway. The trap was sprung at 10:15 a. m. and the men were pronounced dead within 15 minutes.

The crime for which Petway paid the penalty was the murder of an old white man named Wrene on the night of May 31, 1900. Battis and Thompson were hanged for the murder of Cain Miller, a negro "spotter" for the police. Thompson charged Battis with the crime and to the last affirmed his innocence.

Miss Bethel Rawson, one of a party of mountain climbers, who became ill and unconscious on Mount Hood, was saved from death by Professor McElfresh transforming himself into a human toboggan and sliding down the glaciers to the timber line with her inanimate body lashed to him.

TORNADO SWEEPS OVER OHIO.

Heavy Wind and Hail Does Great Damage to Growing Grain.

Columbus, O., July 19.—A severe rain and hail storm visited the western part of the state last night, Preble county being the greatest sufferer. Corn and oats crops were almost totally destroyed.

Specials from over the state tell of much damage done generally by storms. At Melville, Butler county, lightning struck William Minton's barn, where threshers were at work, seriously shocking Joseph Falkenstein and Henry Doelker.

At Apple Creek and Fredericksburg, in Wayne county, there was a small tornado. Many acres of crops were carried away and orchards and stretches of timber leveled.

FOSBURG TRIAL BEGINS.

Pittsfield Young Man Charged With the Murder of Sister.

Pittsfield, Mass., July 19.—With the jury empaneled and having been taken to the scene of the tragedy, the testimony of one witness concluded and that of another well under way, the government case against Robert S. Fosburg, the young man charged with shooting his sister, May L. Fosburg, on Aug. 20, 1898, was fairly started at the close of yesterday's session. The evidence yesterday was of a purely technical character and was confined exclusively to descriptions of the Fosburg house and contents and testimony by the medical examiner of this district.

REVENGE WOMACK'S MURDER.

Hotel and Other Buildings at Grand Mesa Lake Fired by Mgb.

Denver, July 19.—Confirmation was received yesterday of the report that the Radcliffe hotel, cabins and other buildings belonging to the proprietor of the Grand Mesa lakes were burned Wednesday. A mob of 75 men, all residents of Delta county, set fire to the property. The incendiarism was intended to avenge the killing of W. A. Womack by Game Warden McHaney last Monday.

Closing Session of Peace Congress.

Buffalo, July 18.—The closing session of the Universal Peace congress was held yesterday with a good attendance. Alfred H. Lowe of Philadelphia was re-elected president. The other officers are as follows: Secretary, Daniel Batchelor, Philadelphia; treasurer, Charles P. Hastings, Philadelphia; corresponding secretaries, Belva A. Lockwood, Washington, and Christine V. Whipple, New York; business manager, Arabella Cater, Philadelphia. An executive committee of 17 and 150 vice presidents were also chosen.

Farm Hand Fatally Shot.

Falls City, Neb., July 19.—Night Watchman Frank Camblin shot and fatally wounded George Moss here last night. Moss, who has been employed as a farm hand, drew his revolver on several persons. The police were notified and Camblin attempted to arrest Moss when a pistol duel ensued, in which 11 shots were exchanged. Moss received two bullet wounds, which the attending physicians believe will prove fatal.

Professor Triggs' Unique Views.

Chicago, July 18.—Professor Oscar L. Triggs of Chicago university, who some time ago compared John D. Rockefeller to William Shakespeare, yesterday informed the class in English literature at the university that the hymns of the Protestant church are doggerel, and that dime novels are literature when compared to Sunday school books.

Ecuadorian Consul Assassinated.

Valparaiso, July 19.—The Ecuadorian consul general in Valparaiso, A. Arias Sanchez, was assassinated yesterday in the center of the city. He was shot and stabbed and his ears were cut off. It is supposed that the assassins are enemies of the present Alfaro administration in Ecuador. Several Ecuadorians have been arrested.

Deaver Gets an Appointment.

Washington, July 19.—D. Clem Deaver of Omaha was appointed receiver of public moneys at O'Neill, Neb., yesterday.



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