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NO CHANGE IN CANON

Episcopal House of Delegates... Proposed Divorce Amen...

BALLOT IS TAKEN BY... Vote Stands Fifty-Five Yeas...

DIVIDED VOTES COUNTED IN THE... Committee of the Whole Reports Favorably...

PROVISIONS OF PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Under Its Terms Clergy Would Not Be Allowed to Remarry Divorced Persons While Former Partner is Living.

BOSTON, Oct. 14.—The house of deputies of the Episcopal general convention, at the close of a four days' debate today rejected an amendment to the divorce canon...

The present law of the church, which has been in operation since 1859, allows the remarriage of the innocent party to a divorce granted for infidelity...

The final vote, however, was taken by dioceses and orders, and where a diocese was evenly divided in sentiment its strength was counted in the negative.

Practically the entire strength of the middle western states, the stronghold of the high church party, declared for the proposed reform...

Proceedings in Detail. The divorce question again was to come before the house of deputies of the Episcopal general convention today.

At meetings of the Woman's auxiliary of the board of missions Bishops Brooks of Oklahoma and Indian Territory, Graves of Shanghai, China, and Rowe of Alaska were scheduled for election.

The committee on the state of the church reported to the house of deputies that it had been unable to define the terms, "communicant," as requested by the diocese of Albany.

A proposition bearing on changing the name of the church came before the house when the committee on prayer book reported that it considered it inexpedient to strike the words "Protestant Episcopal" from the title page of the prayer book...

The committee's report was upon a resolution to strike the two words from the prayer book, introduced by Rev. D. Talbot Rogers of Fond du Lac, Wis.

Remarriage Key to Divorce. The house of deputies resumed the discussion this afternoon. Chief Justice J. H. Stinson of the Rhode Island supreme court said he desired to make clear what the present law is and what it is not.

The speaker was profoundly convinced there was no way in which the divorce could be stopped except by preventing remarriage. His opponents of nine-tenths of the divorces were obtained for the sole purpose of permitting a remarriage.

Rev. Dr. William R. Huntington of New York said that all the delegates were agreed as to the sanctity of matrimony and the evils of divorce and declared that the whole question was how the integrity of the family may be best preserved.

The speaker said "While matrimony is an estate, it is also a contract. When the contract is annulled the union is broken. If the church wished to influence the legislators it must do it in conjunction with the Protestant denominations.

The closing argument in favor of the old law was made by Rev. J. H. Stinson of Rhode Island, who said that the law is not a contract, but a sacrament.

ITALIAN SOCIALISTS ACTIVE

Government Fears Serious Uprisings on Approach of the General Elections.

PARIS, Oct. 14.—A dispatch from Rome this afternoon to the semi-official Temps says the socialists are showing feverish activity in view of the approaching general elections. Rumors are current concerning the possibility of a general strike...

KING GEORGE OF SAXONY DEAD

Ruler Passes Away at Dresden Early This Morning.

DRESDEN, Oct. 14.—King George of Saxony died at 12:30 o'clock this morning. His end was peaceful. His sons were present at the deathbed.

WAR IN GERMAN SWARTZ FORENS

Berlin, Oct. 14.—Germany's old enemy of a decade ago, Hendrik Witbooi, according to an official dispatch from Windhoek, German Southwest Africa, has declared war against the Germans.

McCormick Sails for Home

LONDON, Oct. 14.—Among the passengers on the Hamburg-American line steamer Deutschland, sailing from Dover and Cherbourg for New York today, are Ambassador McCormick and John B. Jackson, American minister to Greece, Roumania and Servia.

CREDIT NOT DUE TO HITCHCOCK

Senator Millard Secured Complete Rural Free Delivery for Douglas County.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, Oct. 14.—(Special Telegram.)—There is nothing on file in the Postoffice department to warrant the claim of Gilbert M. Hitchcock that he secured the establishment of complete rural free delivery in Douglas county.

FREIGHT CREW UNDER ARREST

Men Alleged to Be Responsible for Warrensburg Wreck Charged with Manslaughter.

WARRENSBURG, Mo., Oct. 14.—J. W. Preston, conductor, and J. D. Horton, engineer of the Missouri Pacific freight train that collided with a passenger train near here Monday, killing twenty-nine persons, were brought here today.

COMMENDATION FOR BISHOP

Liquor Dealers at St. Louis Pass Resolution Regarding Opening of Subway Taverns.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 14.—By virtue of a resolution adopted at the convention of the National Liquor Dealers' association, it has been decided to amalgamate that association with the Knights of the Royal Arch and the Knights of Fidelity, the name of the combined organizations to be the National Liquor League.

CHARITIES AND CORRECTIONS

Executive Committee Makes Preliminary Arrangements for National Convention at Portland.

CHICAGO, Oct. 14.—The executive committee of the national conference of charities and correction met here today and decided as nearly as possible the date for the annual meeting, which is to be held in Portland, Ore. July 4 and 5 to 15, 1905.

OPERATIONS OF TREASURY

Annual Report Shows an Apparent Deficit of Nearly Forty-Two Millions.

But for Panama Canal Payments and St. Louis Fair Loan There Would Have Been Twelve Millions Surplus.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 14.—Ellis H. Roberts, treasurer of the United States, has submitted to Secretary Shaw the annual report of the transactions of the treasury during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1904.

FOURTH DAY OF DAVIS TRIP

Speakers Address Meeting at Parkersburg in Evening—Hill Makes Promises for Parker.

PARKERSBURG, W. Va., Oct. 14.—Four days of continuous speech-making is beginning to tell on the vocal powers of Henry G. Davis, democratic vice presidential candidate. Aside from hoarseness, however, Mr. Davis seems as fit as when he began his continuous performance tour of his own state.

OPEN UNCLE SAM'S MAIL

Russian Official Tampered with Pouch Directed to Cruiser Cincinnati.

It is Recanted and Forwarded to the Warship at Nagasaki, Japan—Strong Protest is Probable.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 14.—It developed today that a pouch containing mail for the United States cruiser Cincinnati, then at Nagasaki, Japan, which was aboard the British steamer Calchas, when that vessel was seized by the Russian Vladivostok squadron, had been opened while in the possession of the Russian officials.

NEBRASKA WEATHER FORECAST

Fair Saturday and Sunday.

Temperature at Omaha Yesterday: Hour, Deg. Hour, Deg. 5 a. m. 53 1 p. m. 58 6 a. m. 53 2 p. m. 60 7 a. m. 53 3 p. m. 62 8 a. m. 53 4 p. m. 62 9 a. m. 53 5 p. m. 61 10 a. m. 54 6 p. m. 60 11 a. m. 54 7 p. m. 59 12 m. 59 8 p. m. 57 9 p. m. 55

SUMMARY OF THE WAR NEWS

Russians Gradually Being Driven Back All Along the Line After Fierce Fighting.

(Copyright, by New York Herald Co., 1904.) NEW YORK, Oct. 14.—(New York Herald Service—Special Telegram to The Bee.) The close of the fifth day of the gigantic battle north of Liao Yang finds the Russian army still further driven back along the whole line, but contesting stubbornly every inch of ground, with enormous losses reported on both sides.

DIRECT NEWS FROM THE FRONT

Report From Russian Army Tells of Fighting at Noon on Thursday.

HEADQUARTERS OF THE RUSSIAN WESTERN ARMY, Oct. 12.—(Via Mukden, Oct. 12, via Peking, Oct. 14.—The most fierce and most important fighting that has taken place since the battle of Liao Yang reached its height at noon today, when after a bold attack, which lasted for three days, the Russians began a magnificent retreat from the positions they held yesterday, and the Japanese, by a strong counter movement, forced the Russian line five miles to the north.

The battle, which was forecasted in a dispatch filed by the Associated Press correspondent on October 12, reached a stage of unusual severity on that day along the railway and to the westward, culminating in the vicinity of Tousanpu, which place was the correspondent's center of observation.

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CHARGE COMMANDERS IN COREA

New Japanese Official Received with Great Ceremony.

SEOUL, Oct. 14.—(New York Herald Cablegram—Special Telegram to The Bee.)—General Hasegawa, who is relieving Lieutenant General Harguchi, arrived at Seoul this morning and was accorded a magnificent welcome by the civilians and military alike. The streets for one mile leading to the official residence were lined with troops, Japanese on one side and Koreans on the other. An escort of honor, consisting of the highest Korean and Japanese officials, met the general at Chemulpo and accompanied him to the capital, where he was received with a salute of nineteen guns.

Lieutenant General Harguchi, former commander-in-chief of the Japanese in Corea, is leaving for Tokio in a few days, where he will assume an important post at military headquarters.

SAKHAROFF EXPLAINS MOVEMENTS

Report Russian General Shows Conditions Wednesday and Thursday.

ST. PETERSBURG, Oct. 14.—5:30 p. m.—A later dispatch from General Sakharov, sent at 6 o'clock this morning, explaining the operations of October 12 and 13. From it, it appears that the Russian center was due north of the Yental mines, the right running west a short distance beyond the railroad and left sweeping southward toward Benschu. The real bloody work did not begin until Wednesday, when the Japanese made a series of determined attacks on Siluhedzy, about seven miles north of Yental, but the Russians held off their assailants. In the meantime, however, the extreme right, commanded by Hasegawa, was forced back, this compelling Kouropatkin to slightly draw back his line above Yental in order to preserve its alignment. On the extreme left, after a determined resistance, the Russians succeeded in carrying the rocky heights and hills north of Benschu, but the arrival of Japanese reinforcements, Kouropatkin says, made it impossible for the Russians to press their advantage here, and as the left was now too far advanced, it also was withdrawn some distance.

Reports from the left, however, only bring the situation back to yesterday afternoon. A high officer of the general staff tells the Associated Press that the situation, while critical, is not desperate. Kouropatkin is keeping his head and is acting cautiously, as is shown by his withdrawal of both wings. He says that the Japanese assault will exhaust themselves. He says the slaughter was frightful. No estimate of the losses is yet possible, but they run far into the thousands. The losses were especially heavy on the Russian left and center. In a single regiment of 200 officers only eight escaped.

MOVEMENTS OF BATTLE FLEET

ST. PETERSBURG, Oct. 14.—The Russian Baltic fleet, which sailed from Libau last night on a short cruise, consisted of five battleships, two armored cruisers, five protected cruisers, seven torpedo boat destroyers, four auxiliary cruisers and seven transports, including the repair ship Kamchatka. They will be joined later by the hospital ship Orei and the volunteer members of St. Petersburg and Smolensk, totaling thirty-five pennants.

CHARGES AGAINST EMPLOYERS

Attorney for Labor Leader Charged with Extortion Says He is Victim of a Conspiracy.

NEW YORK, Oct. 14.—The defense of Philip Weinstein, the former president of the Building Trades alliance, who is now on trial charged with extortion as outlined by his counsel today, is a direct denial that the defendant ever received a dollar as charged against him by the Attorney General. Weinstein says he has been the victim of a plot said to have been concocted and carried out by the Employers' association. During the course of the trial a witness swore that he paid Weinstein \$2,000 before he was allowed to proceed with work on a contract where members of the Building Trades alliance were employed.

In outlining the defense today Weinstein's counsel said he was prepared to show that no such transaction ever took place.

"Trouble between the two organizations," said counsel, "led to the manufacture in cold blood of evidence to secure the downfall of the defendant. He will prove that in the great controversy which arose through the lockout of the building trades the whole scheme sprang from the fertile brains of the members and officers of the Employers' association. We will show that this whole case is manufactured out of whole cloth; that the testimony was all prearranged in order that Weinstein might be eliminated from activity in the interests of his organization and that the Building Trades alliance might be destroyed and all opposition to the Employers' association removed and its interests conserved."

FLAGSHIP MAKES NEW RECORD

New York Breaks World's Record for Firing Eight-inch Guns.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 14.—News was brought to this city by the gunboat Kensington that Rear Admiral Goodrich's flagship, the New York, during its target practice last month in Magdalena Bay, Mexico, broke the world's record for firing eight-inch guns, making the greatest scores, based on time and accuracy, ever made with guns of this caliber, either in our own or any other navy.

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