

FOR FOUR WARSHIPS

President Sends Special Message to Congress on Naval Affairs.

LORE BATTLESHIPS NEEDED

Executive Advances Reasons for Insisting on Original Program.

CHINA HELD UP AS EXAMPLE

Low Standing of Nation Attributed to Military Weakness.

NATION'S AMONG POWERS

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WASHINGTON, April 14.—Compressed into what would be not more than a few minutes speech on the floor of congress, President Roosevelt today urged that body in a special message to provide for the construction of four battleships of the largest and most approved type, at once.

The arguments of the president to impress his insistence on the naval program were few, but calculated to be effective. China was held up as an example of the "peace at any price" doctrine, and Great Britain, as having the naval policy to be emulated.

The result of the last Harco conference made it plain that the nation would not for some time agree to a plan of limitation of naval armament. Arbitration, the president holds, cannot be relied upon as an effective remedy, though it should be utilized to its fullest extent.

Disclaiming any intention on the part of the United States ever to engage in a war of conquest, the president declared that the United States would relax into a place where insult would have to be borne in silence.

United States Must Keep in Line.

The president said: "To the Senate and House of Representatives: Let me again urge upon congress the need of providing for four battleships of the best and most advanced type at this season. Prior to the recent Harco conference it had been my hope that an agreement could be reached between the different nations to limit the increase of naval armaments, and especially to limit the size of the battleships of one nation to that of the other."

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SUMMARY OF THE BEE

Wednesday, April 15, 1908.

Calendar for April 1908 showing days of the week and dates.

THE WEATHER.

For Omaha, Council Bluffs and vicinity. Fair and cooler Wednesday. Wednesday cooler in southeast portion Wednesday.

Weather forecast table with columns for hour, temperature, and other weather details.

DOMESTIC.

Temporal equality a troublesome question at the annual conference of the Latter Day Saints and causes much debate.

Interstate Commerce commission grants Lincoln's request for Omaha rates on lumber and several other articles, but denies it as to coal, cement and brick.

New York democrats after brief session adjourn until Wednesday without deciding any of the important questions pending.

President Roosevelt sends a special message to congress, in which he says there is need of four new battleships if the nation would maintain its supremacy.

Pay of men and women in the civil service is shown with other statistics concerning their employment in a bulletin of the census bureau.

Disbarment of Attorney Canavan will be the cost for his action in a Chicago inheritance case.

State troops are in control of the situation at Pensacola, Fla.

American fleet is sighted at San Diego and anchors with a royal welcome.

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LINCOLN GAINS A POINT

Commission Grants Omaha Rates on Lumber and Some Other Articles.

LOSE OUT ON COAL AND CEMENT

Conference at Washington in May to Urge Congress to Take Action in Regard to Drainage of Swamp Lands.

WASHINGTON, April 14.—(Special Telegram.)—The Interstate Commerce commission today made public its decision in the petition of the Lincoln Commercial club against the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific and other railroads doing business with Lincoln, in the main sustaining the contentions of the club.

It was asserted by Lincoln Commercial club at the hearing before the Interstate Commerce commission last month that the defendant companies exact higher rates on coal, cement, paving brick, glass and glassware, sugar, rice, egg case fillers, etc., to Lincoln than to Omaha, from the same points of origin in Kansas and territory south of the Mississippi river for substantially the same distances.

The Interstate Commerce commission holds that the rate upon coal may properly be 15 cents per ton higher to Lincoln and upon paving brick and cement 15 cents per hundred pounds higher than to Omaha.

That with respect to lumber and glassware, rates from said points of origin to Lincoln should not exceed those to Omaha. From this opinion it will therefore be seen that Lincoln wins a half-way victory.

It is the opinion of the commission that while considerable more business moves over the line to Omaha than over that to Lincoln, it is not satisfied that there is any material difference in expense. It is the judgment of the commission, taking everything into account, that the cost of handling traffic from Kansas City to Omaha and Lincoln is practically the same, and that the difference in expense is not justifiable.

Coal Rate Not Equalized. Upon the question of coal, wherein Lincoln sought the same rate as given Omaha, and which the commission flatly refuses to authorize, Commissioner Prouty, who rendered the opinion, finds that Omaha is not justly entitled to a higher rate than Lincoln.

Gate City a natural advantage in the purchase of its coal supply which defendant companies may properly recognize in the naming of their rates. To require them under the conditions disclosed to establish the same rate on coal from the Kansas mines to Lincoln than to Omaha would be to take an advantage from Omaha that it is not entitled to.

Upon the question of cement, which was originally obtained both at Omaha and Lincoln from the east, the rate to Lincoln was 3 cents per 100 pounds higher than to Omaha.

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THE BEE ADS PAY

GRISWOLD, Ia., April 10, 1908. Goodyear Raincoat Co., Omaha, Neb.

Dear Sir: Received the cravatette this a. m. It suits me to a T. It pays to advertise in The Bee, and I pay to read The Bee "ads." Yours truly, C. A. COLLIER.

SOUTH DAKOTA MISSION WORK

Southern Presbytery Begins Session with Address by Retiring Moderator.

SIoux FALLS, April 14.—(Special.)—The annual meeting of the presbytery of southern South Dakota of the Presbyterian church commenced in Sioux Falls Tuesday evening, and will continue in session until Thursday.

The session was opened this evening by Rev. Mr. Linka of Tyndall, the retiring moderator, who made an address on home mission work and described what he had accomplished during his term among the Bohemian fellow countrymen of Pennsylvania and South Dakota.

On Wednesday evening a popular meeting was held at which addresses will be made by Rev. Mr. Kuhn, Presbyterian pastor at Alexandria, and Dr. D. E. Jenkins of Omaha Theological seminary. A session also will be held Wednesday forenoon.

On Thursday, during the day as well as in the evening, the annual convention of young people of the presbytery will be held, opening at 9 o'clock in the forenoon. Good speakers have been secured and some interesting addresses will be made.

The meeting of the presbytery will conclude with a popular meeting Thursday evening, at which one of the leading speakers will be President Grant of the South Dakota university at Pierre, S. D.

The annual meeting of the Woman's Presbytery, which is auxiliary to the regular presbytery, will be held on Wednesday, on both Wednesday and Thursday the ladies of the local Presbyterian church will serve lunch for all delegates at noon in the basement of the church building.

CONSPIRE TO STEAL CATTLE This is Charge Made Against South Dakota Men by Grand Jury.

SIoux FALLS, S. D., April 14.—(Special.)—The United States grand jury which convened in Sioux Falls on Tuesday of last week has not yet completed its work, there having been a large number of cases for the jury to investigate and take action upon.

The jury reported an indictment against Joseph DeMarsche and Enoch Monteau, charged with conspiracy to steal cattle and horses by wholesale from residents of the Pine Ridge and Rosebud Indian reservations.

DeMarsche and Monteau are supposed to have been members of a regularly organized band of mixed-blood Indians and lawless whites who carried on a general cattle and horse "rustling" campaign on the two reservations.

LONG TERMS FOR ANARCHISTS Authors of Attempts to Assassinate King Alfonso Convicted in Barcelona Court.

BARCELONA, April 14.—The sentences upon Oscar Rull and his accomplices were handed down at 3 o'clock this morning. Rull and his friends were yesterday found guilty of complicity in the recent series of bomb explosions and anarchist outrages.

ASSASSINATION AS NECESSITY All Galicia in Ferment of Excitement Over Murder of Governor of Province.

VIENNA, April 14.—The whole of Galicia is in a state of feverish excitement over the assassination at Lemberg April 12 of Count Andrius Pototski, the governor of that province, by a Ruthenian student named Miroslaw Sklynski.

STATE TROOPS IN CONTROL Forty Strike Breakers from New York Expected to Be Able to Start the Cars.

PENSACOLA, Fla., April 14.—With the arrival of four more companies of state troops this morning, the forty strike-breakers from New York, who had been held at the police headquarters, were moved to the street car barns.

FRENCH AND ITALIANS LEAVE Cars Shipped on Steamer for Orient—German Car Not Yet at Seattle.

SEATTLE, Wash., April 14.—The French and Italian cars in the New York to Paris automobile race reached here yesterday and were loaded aboard the steamer Aki Maru, which sailed for the orient today.

HOCTOR AND CLAN QUITS Abdicates as Gracefully as Possible When Bluff is Called.

NEW OFFICERS ARE IN SADDLE Hauptmann Declares His Companions Got "Cold Feet"—His Council Meets and Organizes for Business.

Mayor Hoctor of South Omaha is no more. He "abdicated," more or less gracefully, yesterday afternoon at 1:45 p. m. With him went all his council and the tax commissioner, W. H. Queenan.

QUESTION TROUBLES SAINTS

Much Discussion in Annual Conference Over Temporal Equality.

INDEPENDENCE, Mo., April 14.—(Special Telegram.)—Temporal equality is with the Reorganized Latter Day Saints a perennial question. It bids up most unexpectedly at times. The business session of the conference started in at 2 o'clock today, apparently with nothing but the dullest of routine business before it, but in the first report read from the standing quorums of the church there came up this question of equality, and though it was disposed of by referring it to the bishopric, it was quickly followed by a resolution moved from the floor, which in its intent looked toward the instituting of socialistic equality among the members of the church.

IN effect it was that the law as contained in the books of the church be put into working effect, namely, that any man or woman working for the church do so with the understanding that his name be supplied. This means, in the language of the Latter Day Saints, that they shall receive no stipulated allowance, but shall simply have their legitimate wants cared for. A motion to adopt this resolution was followed by two or three motions to refer to various quorums, and the whole subject was under ardent and eloquent discussion when the session was interrupted by arbitrary adjournment by the chair until tomorrow.

Twenty-one speakers discussed the question while it was under consideration. It is apparent from the tone of the speeches on the floor, that many of the ministry hold the view that the law as contained in regard to temporal equality, and it is also apparent that there are some people held by the church at large in regard to the subject. The outcome of the matter will be watched with a great deal of interest by the saints at large.

Vote of Thanks Paid. The large crowd clapped their hands gratefully, but uttered no cheers. Councilman John Hasburgh, democrat, moved a vote of thanks to the outgoing officials for the way in which the affairs of the city had been conducted and interposed a wish that the new officials "may do well."

CIVIL SERVICE ON THE ZONE Appointments Hereafter to Be Made in Accordance with Approved Practice.

WASHINGTON, April 14.—Hereafter in accordance with a ruling of the Panama Canal commission, no special appointments of employees are to be requested except in special cases to be approved by the chairman of the Isthmian Canal commission, and all appointments in the United States on file applications for employment from competent American citizens in practically every trade and rating employed on the isthmus.

ROADS' RIGHTS IN QUESTION Interstate Commerce Commission Has Knotty Liquor Problem to Solve.

WASHINGTON, April 14.—A serious proposition that has been presented to the Interstate Commerce commission in the question as to whether railroads and express companies have authority to refuse shipments of alcoholic liquors and malt liquors from one state to another which is affected by prohibition laws. Today complaint was filed with the commission by the Harvest King Distilling company of Kansas City, Mo., against the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad company and other carriers.

SMALL BANKS NOT SLIGHTED Response of Secretary of Treasury Showing Handling of Currency Made Public.

WASHINGTON, April 14.—The response of the secretary of the treasury to the senate resolution calling for the correspondence relative to the refusal of the national banks to supply currency to the interior banks last fall was sent to the senate today. The statement shows that complaints were received from forty-three banks in the interior cities and that every effort was made both by the treasury and the banks of the large cities to meet the needs of the smaller institutions.

EMPEROR'S TOAST TO PEACE Kaiser Wilhelm Proposes One at Luncheon to Officers of British Battleship.

BERLIN, April 14.—A dispatch to the Lokal Anzeiger from the Casus correspondent, dated yesterday, says that Emperor William during the course of a luncheon given in honor of the officers of the British battleship Implacable made the following toast: "I drink to our two flags and I wish that they may ever be united for the welfare of the world's peace."

STANDARD'S HEARING FIXED May Seventh Date for Appeal Case Involving Heavy Fine of Judge Landis.

CHICAGO, April 14.—The hearing of the appeal of the Standard Oil company from the fine of \$25,000 imposed by Judge Landis was today set for May 7. The attorneys for the government were given one week's extension of time in which to file their brief.

FLEET SIGHTED AT SAN DIEGO Atlantic Vessels in View of California Port During Morning Hours.

RAN DIEGO, Cal., April 14.—The Atlantic fleet was sighted here at 10:30 a. m. today. The forenoon was taken up with the

BRYAN FIGHT WAITS

New York Convention Adjourns Until Today After Short Session.

M'CARREN ORDER IS MODIFIED

Court Changes it So that Contest Will Be Settled on Floor.

CARMODY PREDICTS VICTORY

Temporary Chairman Thinks Tariff Will Be the Issue.

BRYAN RESOLUTION REFERRED

Plank Instructing Delegates to Support Nebraska Is Sent to Platform Committee Without Reading.

NEW YORK, April 14.—The democratic state convention, scheduled to meet at noon today in Carnegie hall, did not get down to business until nearly 2 o'clock when it was called to order by Chairman W. J. Conners of the state committee, and the temporary organization was perfected by the election of Thomas Carmody of Penn Yan as chairman, who delivered the opening address.

The convention will elect four delegates-at-large to the national convention at Denver and the leaders have agreed tentatively upon Alton B. Parker, formerly chief justice of the court of appeals, William J. Conners, chairman of the state committee, Charles M. Murphy, secretary, Tammany Hall, and Lewis Nixon. If the present plans of the leaders obtain, the delegates-at-large will go unopposed by the convention.

Carmody Predict Victory.

New York's delegates from the various congressional districts to the national convention in also to be ratified by the convention and probably will be unopposed. Temporary Chairman Carmody said in part:

In return for extortionate campaign contributions, the manufacturers were permitted to write the protective features of the Dingley bill, to build their own tariff wall. They built it so strong that the waves of honest industry have been walled against it. No man can be elected to the presidency by the regular party any year upon the arguments of four or eight years ago. No candidate can even aspire to the nomination of the democratic party if he repudiate or studiously ignore the republican platform of the last seven years. Nothing but the platform of the democratic party in this state and nation in the coming campaign but false and faltering demagogues.

Daniel P. Cahalan appeared before Justice Crane in the supreme court and argued that the injunction restraining the state committee from interference with the temporary rule be vacated. Mr. Kapper, for McCarren, opposed Mr. Cahalan's request. After hearing argument Justice Crane modified the order so that while the state committee may not strike the names of the McCarren delegates from the temporary rule, the names of the delegates may be changed by the state committee. Justice Crane agreed with Mr. Cahalan that the convention is the supreme authority.

Bryan Resolutions Referred.

The reading of the temporary roll with the substitutions of delegates followed the temporary chairman's address. When Senator McCarren's name was read there was a wild outburst of cheers and handclapping, which was kept up for nearly two minutes. There was more applause when the secretary read the name of Charles F. Murphy.

The following resolutions were referred to the committee on resolutions without being read: Whereas, it is the universal sentiment that the Hon. W. J. Bryan be the chosen by the democratic party as its nominee for president of the United States; and Several counties in the state have instructed the delegates elected to this convention to vote for resolutions endorsing him as the party's standard bearer; therefore, be it Resolved, that the delegates elected at this convention to represent this state at the national convention to be held at Denver, July 7, 1908, be and they are hereby instructed to vote for Hon. William Jennings Bryan as the democratic nominee for president of the United States.

After the appointment of committee the convention at 2 o'clock adjourned until tomorrow.

Quinn Friendly to Bryan.

PEORIA, April 14.—One of the principal features of the William Jennings Bryan rally here tonight is the fact that Frank J. Quinn will be the presiding officer. Three years ago, at Springfield, Mr. Quinn joined the Roger Sullivan forces as against Bryan, but all difficulties seem to have been amicably settled and Mr. Quinn has accepted the offer to preside.

DELAWARE JUDGE WANTS HONOR

DOVER, Del., April 14.—Prior to this afternoon's session of the democratic state convention a letter written by Judge Gray to Thomas F. Bayard, chairman of the state committee was shown the leaders in which the judge requested emphatically that the convention refrain from endorsing him for the presidential nomination. The letter in part is as follows: It would indeed be a proud distinction to be the standard-bearer of the democratic party at this time and for such a cause. There are many reasons, however, why such a distinction is outside the range of my ambition, and outside reasons compel me to be instructed to withdraw my name from this state to the Denver convention. I am therefore instructed for me, as I cannot under any circumstances, to accept the nomination. You will therefore please convey my wishes in this respect to the convention, which is to assemble at Dover, April 14, and express to it my most positive and emphatic request that delegates to be elected shall not be instructed to present my name to the Denver convention.

The platform declares attachment to the dual system of government of sovereign states, indissolubly united in a general government and in local self-government, which, it says, can be maintained only by devotion to the rights of the states reserved to them in the federal constitution. The platform condemns the present tariff law as having "increased the cost of necessities to the people and adds: We demand the immediate revision of the tariff by friends of the people. In conclusion the platform says: We believe that George Gray is the democrat in whom the American people can most safely put their trust. His devotion to the constitution, his sympathetic union with the great masses of the people, his passionate devotion to justice and right and his modesty and moderation of character, mark him as the man best fitted to lead the convention in the days of the fathers of the republic. We, therefore, believe that the people should designate this day elected to support, advocate and vote for George Gray for the presidential nomination.

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