

Political and Social News of the Old World Reported by Special Cable and Correspondence

ROOSEVELT AND CARNEGIE MEET

Ex-President and Library Builder in Discussion of Peace Problem.

LAIRD OF SKIBO IS TO ORATE

American Invasion of English Capital is Unusually Strong.

CUMBERLAND PLACE IS TAKEN

Removal of Morgan Silver Attracts Much Public Attention.

KING IS A STAMP COLLECTOR

Present Whereabouts of the Crown Jewels is Just Now a Great Secret—Removed from Tower for Repairs.

BY PAUL LAMBETH.

LONDON, May 21.—(Special Dispatch to The Bee.)—Mr. Andrew Carnegie and former President Roosevelt will meet at the annual meeting of the Peace society at the Guild hall on Tuesday. This will be the formal meeting of these two famous advocates of world's peace. Mr. Carnegie will make a speech, but it is not certain yet whether Mr. Roosevelt can be induced to say a few words to advance the cause. It is believed he could, if he would, make some extremely interesting statements as to the feeling toward arbitration and the limitation of armaments at the various European capitals, but it is not likely he will.

In a conference Mr. Carnegie has arranged between Mr. Roosevelt and some of the leaders of the peace movement the former president will probably give the result of his talks with the kaiser, President Fallieres, King Victor and the Emperor Francis Joseph, but it is not likely the public will be taken into his confidence at this time.

The impression is strong here that Mr. Roosevelt will head the American delegation to the next Hague conference. It is believed if he should be tendered and accept his appointment, it is likely the public will be taken into his confidence at this time.

Americans Invade London

The American invasion of London this season will be of exceptional importance owing to the number of wives of millionaires who are expected to enter on a lavish scale. Great Cumberland Place is literally turned into an American colony, so numerous are the houses let to Transatlantic visitors there. A number of well known English houses have also fallen into American hands and it is expected that the display of diamonds made by these ladies will add considerably to the brilliancy of London functions. From all parts come the Dollar queens, among them Mrs. W. Graham of California, Mrs. Jordan Mott, with piles of dollars from New York, who has secured Mrs. Cornwall West's house, and Mrs. William Leeds, the widow of a multi-millionaire. The duchess of Roxburgh will be in Chesterfield house; Lady Granard, young, beautiful and one of the best dressed women in Europe, has got Forbes house. Mrs. French Vanderbilt brings some millions to spend in Brook street, while Mrs. J. J. Astor will be in Hill street. Mrs. Walter Farwell is still looking out for a London house for the season and it is expected she will settle in the charming residence of a well known English family.

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BRUSSELS, May 21.—(Special Dispatch to The Bee.)—King Albert of Belgium has just given the hand of his youngest daughter, the late King Leopold, to Austria, where she will be the guest of her sister, Princess Stephanie (Countess Lonyay), and will meet her fiancé, Prince Victor Napoleon.

AMERICAN ROBINS IN ENGLAND

For First Time in History Birds Spend Winter in a Wild Country.

COMBINE IN CEYLON TEA

Deal Involves Plantation to the Extent of Twenty-Six Thousand Acres.

COLOMBO, Ceylon, May 21.—(Special Dispatch to The Bee.)—A huge combine is in formation in Ceylon tea and rubber estates. The combine will include plantations to the extent of 25,000 acres, 17,000 of which are rubber plantations and about 8,000 acres of which are tea plantations, the rest being uncultivated. The total converted capital to be subscribed is \$7,000,000.

TROUBLE ON TAP IN CORK

Threats of Mob Violence Are Circulating Throughout Country.

LIVELY TIMES ARE EXPECTED

Heavy Increase is Shown in Irish Savings Bank Deposits for the Year Past.

BY THOMAS EMMETT.

DUBLIN, May 21.—(Special Dispatch to The Bee.)—England is feared in Cork tomorrow when John Redmond, with Messrs. Devlin and Dillon, will invade William O'Brien's stronghold in Parliament are hoisting the cause of home rule. Revels of mob violence against the nationalist leaders have been freely made and there is every reason to fear that there will be lively times. The authorities are quietly taking precautions and are confident they will be able to handle the situation.

King George is Popular.

The reported action of King George in limiting the modification of the oath by the elimination of the reference to his Catholic subjects has created a distinctly good impression in Catholic Ireland. It is regarded as portending good to the cause of home rule.

The half yearly report—July-December, 1909—just issued by the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland, of Irish banking and railway statistics, shows that in December, 1909, there was an increase of deposits and cash balances in the Irish joint stock banks, as compared with the corresponding period in 1908, of \$285,000, while there was an increase of \$1,145,000 as compared with the June half year of that year.

There was an increase of \$230,000 in the deposits in savings banks in Ireland in December, 1909, as compared with the close of the year 1908, there having been an increase of \$282,000 in the sum in the Postoffice Savings Bank, and an increase of \$238,000 in the amount of the "Trustees' Bank, there being an increase of \$241,000 as compared with June of the same year—\$232,000 in the Postoffice Savings Bank, and \$29,000 in the "Trustees' Bank.

Increase is Shown.

The amount in December last of government funds, Indian stocks, guaranteed land stock, guaranteed 2 1/2 per cent. stock (land purchase act, 1903), and war stock, showed an increase of \$212,000, as compared with the amount at the close of the preceding year, but there was a decrease of \$618,000 in the amount of the same stock and funds as compared with the June report of the same year.

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FRENCH WOMEN FAIL IN POLITICS

Suffragettes Who Campaign for Public Office Make Weak Showing on Election Day.

NOT EVEN GOOD "ALSO RANS"

Mme. Durand, Leader of Movement, Expresses Surprise at Results.

THIRTY VOTES IS THE TOP NOTCH

Returns Demonstrate Positively that France is of Republican Trend.

AVIATION PRIZES ARE OFFERED

Police Dogs Make Dismal Failure in Tracking a Smooth Burglar—Uses Perfume to Baffle Canine Pursuers.

BY PAUL VILLIERS.

PARIS, May 21.—(Special Dispatch to The Bee.)—The recent elections have demonstrated that the suffragette movement in France is not yet in the realm of practical politics. A number of women suffragettes offered themselves as candidates for the chamber of deputies, but they hardly received votes enough to qualify them for the "also ran" class. For instance, Mme. Durand, the suffragette leader, who made an especially vigorous campaign and who expressed the confident hope that she would get a vote which would surprise the opponents of suffrage, was about the most surprised of all when she was credited with only thirty-four votes. Other women candidates did not do so well as this.

Another fact was demonstrated by the returns—France is overwhelmingly republican. Extraordinary efforts had been made by the church party and the various varieties of Royalists to get out a big vote, but of the 8,657,716 votes cast at the first ballots the parties of Republican Union and concentration (Radicals and Socialist Radicals, Liberals and Independent Socialists) polled 4,509,347, or nearly 60 per cent. The centrist parties, the Progressives and Liberal Collectivist and Revolutionary Socialists, 1,948,827; the Conservatives, 778,922; and the Nationalists, 149,564. Over 100,000 voting cards were counted out as blank or spoiled.

It is significant that the Liberal Republican Left, with an increase of nearly 200,000, has gained more ground than any other party since 1906. The Radical gain amounts to some 500,000.

Big Prizes Offered.

Fully \$1,000,000 will be offered in prizes for aviation meets during the year 1910. When the smaller meets and special contests are considered it is probably that the figures will exceed the million mark by a very considerable margin.

As the number of aviators who will share in these prizes is as yet very small this profession rivals the exponents of grand opera as a high salaried profession.

M. Guitry, who plays the name-part in "Chanteclair," is guaranteed by contract a minimum of 150,000 and 10 per cent of the gross receipts.

The takings are growing less. During the first few weeks the average evening's receipts at the Porte St. Martin were between 450 and 500. They now average 320. Police dogs are useless in tracking the aristocracy of the French criminal community, as was shown in a recent case in Paris. A series of daring burglaries had been committed at Chantilly, Malmaison, and other fashionable resorts near Paris, and were pronounced by detectives to be the work of one man.

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AUSTRIA SNARLS AT BRITAIN

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INTEREST IN NEW WARSHIPS

Little Love for Great Britain in Vienna and There is a Chip on the Public Shoulder.

BY EMIL ANDRASSY.

VIENNA, May 21.—(Special Dispatch to The Bee.)—England had better attend to her own business. That is the attitude of the Vienna press toward the Austro-Hungarian government toward the more or less anxious inquiries which are being made in London as to Austria's naval program and the suggestions that its new Dreadnought are really being built for Germany.

The disposition as to regard the English attitude as closely bordering on the insulting. The general feeling is that Austria has precisely the same right to build Dreadnoughts as Germany, Russia, Italy and Turkey, and that there is not the least occasion for England to assume in this fact any hostile intention on the part of Austria.

Turns Navy into Old Iron.

"It is childish to attempt to place our Dreadnoughts under German command and it is mere nonsense to invent the fable of the common navy of the Triple Alliance. The Dreadnought scourge is devastating Austria only because England has let loose this deceitful vampire, which sucks the blood of the nations. For this reason alone are Dreadnoughts built. England has, by its recent invention, turned nearly all the navies of the world into old iron and rendered them useless for warfare, and therefore Dreadnoughts are being laid down."

As a matter of fact, there is little love for Great Britain here. It is felt that the recent trouble between Russia, over the Bounis-Herzegovina coup was largely due to British intrigue.

Will Use the Wireless.

At the same time, wireless telegraphy and telephony will keep the commanders in touch with the widely distributed units of their armies, and a large number of swift automobiles, either belonging to the army or requisitioned for the period of the maneuvers, will dash hither and thither conveying staff officers from place to place.

Lieutenant is Arrested.

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GREAT WELCOME FOR ROOSEVELT

Germany Shows Every Possible Courtesy Upon Strenuous Ex-President.

KAISER INVITES HIM AGAIN

Fleet Will Participate in Military Maneuvers in September.

DIRIGIBLE AIRSHIP TAKES PART

Plans Under Way for Increasing German Naval Construction.

CHANGE IN ALSACE GOVERNMENT

Wider Measure of Home Rule is to Be Allowed in the Conquered Provinces and Much Rejoicing Prevails.

BY MALCOLM CLARKE.

BERLIN, May 21.—(Special Dispatch to The Bee.)—Roosevelt has come and gone and Berlin is still on the map. Of course the death of King Edward played hob with the public reception of "meine friend Roosevelt," but the kaiser and the people showed in every possible way that the famous American was welcome. Probably in view of the fact that the former president was in the hands of his physicians, he was not sorry that some of the ceremonies which had been arranged for his Berlin stay had to be cut out.

I understood the kaiser has given Mr. Roosevelt an earnest and pressing invitation to come back to Germany in September and witness the maneuvers to be held in the vicinity of Koenigsberg and Dantzig. These will be in many respects the most remarkable maneuvers held in modern times and it is possible Mr. Roosevelt will accept the invitation.

The maneuvers will be particularly interesting owing to the fact that the fleet will participate in combined landing operations, and that all the most recently discovered methods of communication will be utilized.

Dirigible airships of the various systems represented by the Zeppelin, the Gross, and the Parseval types will co-operate with biplanes of the Wright system, and probably also with several types of German flying machines in scouting and reconnaissance work.

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AGAINST THE EVIL TRAFFIC

Norway Interested in War on the White Slave Trade.

CHAPERONE FOR YOUNG GIRLS

King Appears as Defendant in Court at Stockholm—Big Debt is the Allegation Set Forth.

BY ERIC GRUNDMARK.

COPENHAGEN, May 21.—(Special Dispatch to The Bee.)—Norway is taking a deep interest in the crusade against the white slave traffic. King Haakon at the suggestion of the queen, has made a study of the situation as it affects Norway, and, at his suggestion, I understand, the minister of religion has issued a circular to the clergy, requesting "that young girls preparing for their first communion, should also be instructed respecting the dangers of taking situation in foreign countries without previous inquiry."

Not only this, but at the king's request, the Scandinavian-American line has decided to place upon its vessels a reliable woman whose duty it will be to look after all young girls and women traveling in the ship. This is a most excellent innovation, and one which cannot fail to be productive of the happiest results. The dangers of the young emigrant girl are many, while at sea.

I understand that the action of Norway will be followed by similar action on the part of both Denmark and Sweden.

It is not often that a king appears as defendant in court, but this somewhat novel thing has happened in Stockholm. Some time ago, I told something about the action brought by former County Councillor Johansson against the royal family.

Johansson is former county councillor. The plaintiff asserts that the royal family are indebted to him in the sum of 6,000,000 kronen, or \$1,500,000. He is the heir of the late Madame Helga de la Brache, and he alleges that some letters which King Oscar I. borrowed from her prove that she was the illegitimate daughter of King Gustavus IV., who was deposed in the year 1809, and that she was deprived of the above mentioned fortune. She never received the letters back again, and Mr. Johansson now claims that the royal family shall deliver them to the court.

To Establish a Memorial.

A movement already has been started to establish a memorial at Christiania to the great writer and philosopher, Bjornstjerne Bjornson. The character of the memorial has not yet been definitely decided upon, but not only all Scandinavia but the whole civilized world will be invited to contribute.

Trouble in Asylum.

Great indignation has been caused by revelations regarding the Novo Znamensky lunatic asylum. The male and female departments are overcrowded. All patients fight each other from morning to night, and a perfect pandemonium exists. Many of the lunatics have attempted to commit suicide by jumping over banners or leaping through windows. When the commission of the municipality visited the asylum they were met by a mob of lunatics compelled to retreat, while inmates crazily fell upon the superintendent, who was rescued by the attendants. In the attendants' quarters 100 children, many suffering from measles, were congregated.

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Grand Duchess Takes Vows.

The widowed Grand Duchess Sergina, who is a daughter of Princess Alice of England and grand duchess of Hesse, yesterday took formal vows of devotion to the service of God and one's neighbors. The Community of Saints, Martha and Mary, Sisters of Mercy, which she founded, and of which she is now Mother Superior, numbers forty-five members, including Princess Obolensky and other aristocrats.

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The interpellations committee of the Duma has unanimously approved of the interpellation concerning the shooting of a little girl of 7 in Yaroslavl prison. The child was accompanying her mother, a peasant woman, who was lodged in the jail. Hearing the tramp of convicts, the child approached the cell window, and a warden below fired at her. The bullet fortunately struck one of the window bars, but the child received a deep wound on the head from an iron splinter.

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Instructions have been sent to M. Korotzev, Russian minister at Peking, to inform the Chinese government that unless the question of navigation on the Sungari is settled with Russia by the end of June this country will, after that date, ignore the regulations arbitrarily imposed by China, and the customs dues will be deposited in the Russo-Chinese bank, Russia reserving the right to demand repayment on the dues already paid to the Chinese customs.

PERSIAN FAVOR BASIS OF RIVALRY

Russia Looks with Jealousy on the Progress Germany is Making Under the Shah.

STEAMER CONCESSION AT BOTTOM

Line on Lake Urmia Sets the New War Talk Going.

EMIR'S AUTHORITY DISCOUNTED

St. Petersburg Still Believes that the Shah is Powerful.

ASYLUM IS NOW OVERCROWDED

Great Indignation is the Result of Bad Conditions in Lunatic Refuge—New Deal for Emigrants.

BY GEORGE FRASER.

ST. PETERSBURG, May 21.—(Special Dispatch to The Bee.)—The advent of Germany into the Persian triangle has complicated a situation which was already full of danger, and it is not at all improbable that an international quarrel similar to that which almost embroiled Europe over Morocco may develop.

The German move is in the shape of a concession to a German company to run steamers on Lake Urmia. The circumstances surrounding the alleged concession make it appear more in the nature of a political than a commercial move.

Reverend Sceptically.

Persian as well as Russian jurists regard any concession based upon the unsupported word of Emir Kuli Mirza with benign scepticism and maintain that all the rights are still vested in the Persian crown. Emir Mirza, however, is eager to transform his imaginary rights into current coin, got together a Persian company, of which he himself is a member, and gave it a concession, well knowing that Russia's demand was then being considered by the Persian cabinet. No Persian company would accept a concession of Persian jurisdiction of this kind, but two German subjects large as life in the background.

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