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WOMEN TAKE UP THE PLAN FOR UNIVERSAL PEACE

First Week of Convention of General Federation of Women's Clubs Closes With Much to Do in Sight.

POLITICS A GAME PLAYED

Dark Horse Out of Race and Interest Centers in the Contest For President.

WEST AGAINST THE EAST

New York, May 28.—The first week of the thirteenth biennial convention of the general federation of Women's clubs closed last night with scores of dinners and receptions, after a day of committee and conference meetings at which were formulated the national policies of the organization to be voted on next week.

One of the questions upon which interest is centered is the proposed propaganda for internationalism, in behalf of world peace, and its corollary, a pan-American congress of women in 1920. Two amendments to the by-laws which have been offered also were occupying the attention of the delegates. They provide for the investment of \$100,000 endowment fund and for enlarging the board of directors from fifteen to fifty-seven members, so that each state may have a representative on the board.

The chief topic of conversation tonight, however, was the presidential election to be held May 31. Interest was enhanced by announcement of the withdrawal from the race of the three dark horses, Mrs. John D. Sherman, Chicago; Miss George Bacon, Worcester and Mrs. B. W. Corkran, jr., Baltimore. The contest now is definitely between Mrs. Josiah Evans Cowles, Los Angeles, and Mrs. Samuel B. Sneath, Tiffin, O. Their supporters assert personalities will not figure in the fight. The west, they say, will be arrayed against the east.

Claims of Mrs. Denniston

Mrs. E. O. Denniston, chairman of Mrs. Cowles' campaign committee, claims the entire vote of the delegations from the Pacific coast, north-west and southwestern states. Mrs. Sneath's supporters claim the southern and eastern states.

The west's strength in the east and middle west is discounted by Mrs. Cowles' adherents because at caucuses held this afternoon, the delegations from New York, Illinois, Iowa, Maryland and Massachusetts decided to go to the election unpledged.

Miss Bacon, who now holds the office of second vice president, has announced her candidacy for the first vice presidency. She will be unopposed, her supporters say. No candidates have yet appeared for the other offices.

At this morning's business meeting an effort was made to bring the amendment increasing the membership of the board of directors to a vote, but after a long discussion, the subject went over until Monday. All the recommendations made by Mrs. Percy V. Pennybacker, the president, in her report, were adopted. They include the pan-American congress, a national survey of motion pictures; the continuation of the work of Americanizing the immigrant and improvement of rural conditions. Her proposals for time and money-saving methods to bring about closer contact between the state federations and the national officers, also were approved.

Governor Morehead Speaks at the Trail Marker Dedication

North Platte, Neb., May 28.—(Special Telegram.)—Several hundred persons from all parts of the county yesterday gathered in North Platte for dedication of the third Oregon trail monument to be placed in Lincoln county. Speakers were Governor Morehead, Robert Harvey and G. M. Bushnell of Lincoln and T. C. Patterson and J. H. Hoagland of North Platte.

Proposed Increase In Freight Rates On Meats Suspended

Washington, May 28.—Increases of from 10 to 30 per cent in freight rates on fresh meat from Omaha, Chicago and St. Louis to points in Oklahoma were suspended today by the Interstate Commerce commission until October 1, pending investigation.

SOME CLOSE RACES DEVELOP IN SOUTH DAKOTA PRIMARY

Pierre, S. D., May 28.—(Special Telegram.)—The primary contest in the United congressional district is so close that at least two candidates are having success, and are running close together to figures available. The showing is: Bartlett, 1,112; Patterson, 1,021; Johnson, 1,333; Hayes, 1,140.

SAMUEL GOMPERS REVIEWS STATE LAW

Labor Leader Answers Request For Statement on Workmen's Compensation Act.

HE ADVISES A REVISION

In connection with the action of the Central Labor union in March in voting to launch a movement to force repeal of the workmen's compensation act, Frank Kennedy, editor of the Western Laborer, wrote to Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, requesting a review of the law as passed by the Nebraska legislature. A copy of the law was forwarded to Mr. Gompers. In a lengthy reply to Mr. Kennedy, this statement is made by the distinguished labor leader:

"I hope you will advise against such rash action and, on the other hand, urge the Central Labor union and members of organized labor generally throughout your state to immediately go to work with the serious intention of revising and bringing up to date your state compensation law, rather than permit its repeal."

Like Other States.

Mr. Gompers adds that he finds the law to be "an average piece of compensation legislation passed in the first stages by several state legislatures. It is presumably an elective or optional law and yet an analysis of it shows that it is practically a compulsory law, because employers who do not elect to come under its provisions in Part I are denied the old common law defenses; and if an employer declines to come under the compensation law, he is left to the mercy of the court with all of the old aforesaid common law defenses available against his claim, with the further burden of being compelled to prove willful negligence on the part of the employer."

The suggestion is made that subsection 137, dealing with insurance, should be rewritten, the compulsory insurance provision of the Ohio and Washington laws being referred to as models.

In his conclusion Mr. Gompers offered the following comments: "I think you will be able to revise your state compensation law so clearly and comprehensively, without the aid of legal, political, insurance tricksters, that it will insure for the working people of Nebraska a first class, liberal, compulsory, comprehensive, automatic compensation-for-injuries law."

Commends Efforts Made.

"Your fellow workers in the states of Iowa, Kansas and Missouri have made splendid efforts to perfect their laws. In Missouri the law has been denied the workers by the fighting and wrangling of designing insurance and damage case agents. It would be well if a conference could be called at an early date, of representative labor men from the states herein mentioned, all subject to similar industrial conditions and all having to meet problems of like nature, so that you could bring your state compensation laws of the Missouri valley up to the proper standard, thereby avoiding the clashes of profit takers who have designedly missed the compensation principle for their own benefits."

"This subject seems to be a difficult one and is frequently prepared in a confusing, difficult way expressly for the purpose of mystifying and deceiving the beneficiaries."

"The principle of automatic compensation requires only simple provisions of law, clearly and comprehensively written."

Pledge Legislative Candidates.

"If the workers would avoid being imposed upon and continuously mulcted, they should, of course, take hold of this problem themselves and work it out to their own satisfaction, pledge their legislative candidates to the law they have drafted and insist upon its enactment and administration, preferably by a member of organized labor. The mystery would then be dissipated and a greater measure of justice would prevail."

"This thought must be kept uppermost in the minds of all; organized labor never urged compensation laws for the sake of compensation, but instead has pressed them for enactment so that employers would install the best safety methods available in the conduct of their business in order that the lives and limbs and the anxieties of those in their employ should be spared."

"The higher we penalize the employers for the careless conduct of their business, the quicker will they undertake to manage their interests safely and scientifically."

Members of the Chinese Cabinet Resign Positions

Peking, May 28.—The Nanking conference has been dissolved without effecting a compromise between the north and south.

Virtually all the members of the cabinet, of which Tuan Chi-jui is premier, have resigned, but their resignations have not been accepted. President Yuan Shi-kai has announced his willingness to retire when arrangements are perfected for a new government.

CIVIL WAR VETS ARE HONORED IN SONG AND SERMON

Ministers Pay Tributes to the Who Risked Their Lives for the Call of Their Country.

POSTS ATTEND IN A BODY

U. S. Grant and Custer Posts Worship at Trinity Methodist with Auxiliary Corps.

SONS OF VETERANS, TOO

Tributes in sermon and song were paid at the churches yesterday to the men who risked their lives to save their country in the stirring days of the Civil war.

The veterans attended some of the churches in a body. Special reservations were kept for the thin grey line of fast-disappearing heroes.

U. S. Grant and Custer posts worshipped at Trinity Methodist church. They formed at Twenty-fourth and Binney streets and, headed by a file and drum corps and with flags flying gaily in the morning breeze, they marched bravely to the church. There were also some Sons of Veterans there. And the Ladies Relief corps occupied a special section.

"Our Eloquent Dead," was the title of Rev. John F. Poucher's sermon. It bristled with stirring episodes of the great conflict and through it was woven the philosophy of duty for duty's sake, self-sacrifice for the common good and the eternal song of praise and thanks to the republic's preservers.

American Bravery.

"The loyalty and bravery of American soldiers has never been surpassed, rarely equalled," he declared. "One hundred and twenty regiments in the Civil war suffered losses far greater than any regiment suffered in the Crimean or the Franco-Prussian war. The 'light-brigade' of whose charge 'into the valley of death' Tennyson has sung, lost only 37 per cent of its men. But the First Minnesota regiment in the Civil war lost 82 per cent in fifteen minutes; the Fourteenth Pennsylvania lost 76 per cent; the Twenty-sixth North Carolina lost 72 per cent; the One Hundred and first New York lost 72 per cent. And so the death roster of the heroes goes."

"Heroes they were, unsung and even unknown in hundreds of instances. When the fight was on for Little Round Top at Gettysburg the day was all but lost to the Union troops. The flag bearer had fallen and the troops were disheartened. Suddenly someone ran and picked up the flag, shouted and ran ahead. The troops rallied. The day was finally won. Then they tried to find who the hero was. They found his body under the bodies of eighteen other men. But he was unidentified. He is unknown to this day."

Remembers the Women.

Addressing himself to the ladies of the relief corps, the minister paid a high tribute to them, their patience under the stress and strain of war's burdens and anxieties.

"I remember the heroism of my own mother," he said. "We were about the only Northern sympathizers in our town. The day after Lincoln was shot a man came into our house. 'I just came in to tell you that Lincoln was shot last night in Washington and I'm glad of it,' he said. My mother, that little ninety-pound woman made one leap at him. She scratched his face, she tore his hair and finally pushed him terrified out the door and tumbled him down the steps."

The minister called attention to the fact that the war was fought chiefly by boys under 21 years of age. Only 46,000 of those enlisted were over 25 years old. There were 104,908 who were 15 years of age. Thirty-eight soldiers were only 11 and twenty-five enlisted "men" were only 10 years old, the records show.

Decorate the Graves.

Thousands of people visited the various Omaha cemeteries yesterday decorating graves, and otherwise "fixing up" their lots for the annual Memorial day. Supplementing the work of Jonathan Edwards who placed flags on 608 graves Friday, many flowers were placed on the graves of the soldier dead. At West Lawn cemetery, besides decorating graves the Henry troupe auxiliary to the United Spanish American War Veterans, presented a flag to Camp Lee. Mrs. Frank Whipple made the speech of presentation, and Commander W. E. Lane received it on the part of the camp.

Gen. George Harries made an address to the camp also.

Following the services in the churches, members of the various G. A. R. posts met in the cemeteries and held brief exercises for those that have died during the year. The members of Phil Kearney post met in Forest Lawn in memory of J. O. Eastman, the only one of that post dying during this year.

Officials Search For Grave, So Youth May Decorate It

Dix Mound, Ia., May 28.—The Dix Mound city council and the county board of supervisors today undertook the search for a pauper's grave at the request of a 12-year-old boy, George Powell, who said that he has been digging an old barn for more than a year. He asked the authorities to find his mother's grave so he could "put a flower on it Decoration day." Both city and county authorities assigned men to the search.

Miss Williams Resigned.

Miss Williams, who was appointed as state judge of the American state courts, resigned her position as commissioner, she was named in connection with a scandalous case involving a woman who was named in the United States. Miss Williams has been known to receive her salary from the state.

TEXAS POSSE GUARDING BORDER—This photograph shows a posse of Texas citizens on guard along the Mexican border, ready to repel Mexican bandit raids by Mexicans have incensed the civilian population of Texas, New Mexico and Arizona, and their citizens are aiding the army.



TEXAS POSSE GUARDING BORDER. GINIL FILM SERVICE.

TWO DEMO TRAINS FROM NEBRASKA

Bryan and Hitchcock Crowd Each Will Have Special to the Convention.

BIG CONTEST OVER HONORS

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

Lincoln, May 28.—(Special.)—Colonel W. S. Ridgell, chief engineer of the movement to charter a train in which democrats can ride to the democratic national convention in St. Louis, returned yesterday from Omaha and reports that two trains have been provided for to carry the unterrified to the great gathering. There will be about twenty coaches on the two trains, not counting baggage, cold water and grape juice cars.

One train will start from Omaha and the other from Lincoln and the two will meet at Lincoln. This does not necessarily indicate that there will be a union of the two factions. The fact that two different trains have been provided probably means that one faction will ride in one train and the other faction in the other. The only thing left to be arranged is which train will go ahead.

Question of Procedure.

The Hitchcock crowd contends that as they won out in the primary that they should be allowed to go ahead so that they could get to St. Louis first. The cordial agreement to that plan by the Bryan fellows has started a fear on the part of the Hitchcock crowd that the latter intend to wait until the two trains get down in the bewildering wilderness of Missouri and then will run their trains into the one ahead and ditch it with malicious intent.

Scrap for Honors.

The fight which is now on as to who of the delegation shall have the glory of being selected for the honorary positions is beginning to get interesting. W. H. Thompson received the most votes for delegate-at-large and therefore the Bryan fellows insist that he should be given the most important job, that of Nebraska's member of the resolution committee. The other fellows insist that the honor of placing Governor Morehead in nomination for the vice presidency should go to Mr. Thompson and that one of their fellows should go on the resolutions committee. On the other hand, the Bryan bunch say that on account of his eloquence W. D. Oldham ought to nominate the governor.

Price or Thomas.

Then the anti-Bryan fellows want W. B. Price to second the nomination of Wilson and the Bryanites believe that J. J. Thomas is the man who should pull off this stunt, and there you are. As the delegation is said to be divided "all and all," there is going to be some lively scrapping between Nebraska and Missouri and a few political ambulances may have to be attached to the trains for emergency purposes.

Already 150 have engaged reservations from Omaha, while 100 have secured sleeping quarters from Lincoln. One car will start from North Platte and two from Sioux City.

The Nebraska boosters will all wear white hats with "Morehead" prominently displayed upon them. The Lincoln train will leave Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock and the Omaha train about the same time.

JURY DECIDES AGAINST DENTIST IN SCHREIBER CASE

Just one look at a person's teeth is not worth \$5 of a dentist's time, a jury in district court decided in settling the case of Dr. W. L. Schreiber against Allan B. Schreiber, well-to-do hay and grain dealer.

Price of Western Pacific Road Set at Eighteen Millions

San Francisco, May 28.—United States District Judge Maurice T. Dooling fixed \$18,000,000 as the "upset" price for the sale of the Western Pacific railway today in the foreclosure suit brought by the Equitable Trust company of New York.

METHODISTS ADOPT NEW MARRIAGE LAW

Preacher Who Officiates at Marriage of Divorced Person Will Be Called to Answer.

TO DOUBLE SOME INCOMES

Saratoga Springs, N. Y., May 28.—A Methodist minister who officiates at the marriage of a divorced person in violation of the rules of the church, is guilty of an act of maladministration, and may be compelled to answer charges before his conference, according to an amendment to the discipline of the church, adopted unanimously today by the general conference. The church has always recognized only one ground for divorce and has permitted remarriage only of the innocent party, but no penalty has ever existed.

For the purpose of completing action on committee reports, the conference was in session until late tonight. Virtually all debate was shut off, and by adopting this course, the delegates believed adjournment would be possible Monday morning. The consecration of the bishops who were chosen last week will be held tomorrow.

Must Double Income.

For the requirements of the foreign mission field, according to a report which was adopted by a rising vote, the income of the Board of Foreign Missions and the Woman's Foreign Missionary society from regular sources, must be doubled, in addition to the maintenance of special gifts at not less than the present amount.

UNITARIANS SELECT LOT AT HARNEY AND THIRTY-THIRD

Members of the Unitarian church society voted on a location for a new church yesterday, but because of the insufficient number present the result was not conclusive. The site favored by those voting was on the corner of Thirty-third and Harney streets, where there is a large lot containing at present a house leased for several months.

One of the reasons for preferring this lot was because the lease might be suspended, and the church might get the rent on the lot and house until such time as building is begun. The cost of this lot is \$8,500.

Today's War News

VERDUN AND THE SOUTHERN TYPED remain the centers of current military activity. Before the French fortress the tide of battle is flowing now with one combatant, and then with the other. On the Austro-Italian front the advantage seems to still remain with the Austrians.

TO THE NORTHEAST

The victory about Fort Dumouriez is hotly disputed ground. The Germans are holding their own in the terrain recently won there, but their efforts to advance further have been frustrated by the strength of the French defenses. In the Thimmesmont woods sector nearby, however, the crown prince's troops scored a gain southwestward.

ON THE OTHER BANK OF THE MEXICAN

In the northwest of Mexico, engagements of probably equal intensity are in progress. In a stubborn daylight attack the French succeeded in forcing their way into the village of Comancas, which the Germans captured last week, but Berlin asserts that the village was soon cleared.

ITALIAN AND AUSTRIAN MOVEMENTS

ITALIAN AND AUSTRIAN movements are of extreme concern to the progress of the campaign in the Trentino.

ROOSEVELT PORCH IS BADLY WRECKED

Collapses Under Weight of Crowd That Calls to Shake Hands and Pay Respects.

NEW YORKERS AT SAGAMORE

Oyster Bay, N. Y., May 28.—Hundreds of persons came here yesterday in three special trains from New York and marched from the railroad station to Sagamore Hill in columns, four abreast, to pay their respects to Colonel Theodore Roosevelt and assure him of their support in the event of his nomination for the presidency. The marchers, headed by the Seventh regiment band, sang "The Army and Navy Forever" and other popular airs.

Richard M. Hurd, who was spokesman for the visitors, in addressing Colonel Roosevelt, said: "Lincoln said this nation could not endure half slave and half free. It is equally true, as you have pointed out, that this nation cannot now endure half hyphenated and half American."

Colonel Makes Speech.

"We have a right to demand of every man who comes here and becomes a citizen that he become an American and nothing else. We regard the hyphen as a bar sinister drawn across our national coat of arms and we don't intend to permit it to remain there."

"To you, both native of this country and those born abroad, and above all, to you old native American natives of old stock, you cannot expect to get loyalty from the Americans of old stock, you cannot expect to get loyalty from the immigrant or the immigrant's children unless you make this a country to which a proud man can be loyal. And to do that you have got to demand that the country stand for courage and for strength."

"No man ever yet was loyal to a weakling whose weakness was due to the fact that he would not take the pains and undergo the effort necessary to be strong."

Carried the Big Stick.

"Just today I was very glad to see published in the papers the letter of Admiral Dewey describing an incident that took place while I was president. 'When we were menaced with trouble I acted up to my theory that the proper way of handling international relations was by speaking softly and carrying a big stick. And in that particular case Dewey and the American fleet represented the big stick. I asked on behalf of the nation for nothing to which we were not entitled. I was as courteous as possible. I not only acted with justice, but with courtesy toward them. I put every battleship and every torpedo boat on the sea under the American flag and Dewey, with instructions to hold himself ready and in entire preparedness to sail at a moment's notice. That didn't mean that we had war. Dewey was the greatest possible provocative of peace.'

He Quotes Lowell.

"We will do well to remember one of Lowell's great lines: 'Peace won't keep house with fear.' It is a line worth remembering, and the way to get peace is not by being so unprepared as to invite war, still less by using words which are not translated into deeds, but by behaving with scrupulous justice and courtesy toward the other nations, and at the same time being so prepared both in soul and in body, both spiritually and materially, as to make it evident that insult to this nation by any other nation will not be tolerated by our people."

After Colonel Roosevelt had finished his speech the visitors formed in line, shook hands with him and passed through his house. The large porch from which Colonel Roosevelt spoke collapsed at one end while the throng was marching past. No one was hurt, however.

Some Women Forget Checks Ahead.

Some women forgot their checks ahead of the line, and were delayed in getting through. A woman forgot her check and was delayed in getting through. A woman forgot her check and was delayed in getting through.

ELECTRIC CHAIR IS WAITING FOR DENTIST WAITE

Convicted Man Appears Unconcerned at Action of Jury and is Remanded to Tombs for Sentence.

NOT A SURPRISE TO ACCUSED

Wife Hears Finding of Jurors and Remarks, "God's Will Be Done."

AN APPEAL MAY BE TAKEN

New York, May 28.—Convicted of murder in the first degree for poisoning his father-in-law, John E. Peck, a millionaire drug manufacturer of Grand Rapids, Mich., Dr. Arthur Warren Waite is in the Tombs prison where he will remain until Justice Clarence J. Shearn sentences him, June 1, to death in the electric chair.

Walter R. Deuel, the young dentist's chief counsel, said tonight the verdict of guilty was a proper one. He asserted all that could be done for the defendant had been done in the trial which ended today. One of Mr. Deuel's assistants, said nevertheless that preparations were being made to take an appeal at once.

Mr. Deuel was in consultation with his client for a few minutes after Waite was remanded to his cell in the Tombs in the afternoon. District Attorney Swann said tonight that if an appeal were taken his office would be ready in ten days to argue the case in the higher courts.

Waite declined to make any statement from his cell, but also that he might issue "some impression" later. That he was inclined to accept the verdict as final and was resigned to his fate seemed to be indicated by his remark "this is a great relief," as he was led from the court room.

Expected a Conviction.

Waite, who admitted not only the murder of Mr. Peck, but also that of Mrs. Hanna Peck, his mother-in-law, and who admitted that he attempted to kill his wife's aunt, Miss Katherine Peck, apparently had no doubt that the jury would convict him. As the jury retired he turned to his brother, Frank and said:

"The jury should not be out five minutes. It was a long drawn out proceeding."

Half an hour later he remarked, "I don't understand this."

"You should not talk that way," said Frank. "They may be finding you not guilty." "Oh! yes they will find me guilty," insisted Dr. Waite.

The trial lasted six days, which was almost a record for brevity, for an important murder trial here in recent years.

Leaving the court room at 1:20 p. m., the jury was out only an hour and twenty-five minutes. After returning the verdict, the foreman asserted that the jurors had made a compact not to reveal the nature of their deliberations.

His Nerve Holds Up.

Dr. Waite preserved his nonchalant demeanor, not only while facing the jury to learn his fate, but after he was led back to the Tombs' prison. Throughout the trial he seemed unmoved by any human feeling as he recited the details of his deliberate attempts to kill Mr. Peck with the bacilli of various diseases, his final resort to poison, of his murder of Mrs. Peck by administering disease germs, and his attempt to kill his wife's aunt by placing ground glass and germs in her food.

Apparently unmoved Waite confronted the jury without displaying

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Removal of Mayor Mitchel Is Asked

New York, May 28.—The removal of Mayor John Puroy Mitchel from office was asked in resolutions adopted and sent to Governor Whitman by the United Independents of Kings county, New York. The technical basis for the request of the mayor's removal was that he had failed in his duty as a citizen to notify the district attorney of Kings and New York counties of the knowledge he had that clergymen were conspiring criminally for illegal purposes. The resolution-cited that in testimony and public statements, the mayor repeated that he had such knowledge.

The resolutions were drafted by

W. F. Connell, president of the organization, that requested District Attorney Lewis of Kings county to investigate the wire tapping which led to the indictment of Commissioner of Charities Kingsbury and his counsel, W. H. Hestchick.

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