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LYMAN ABBOTT GRILLS ACTION IN BAY STATE

FREELY STATES CALIFORNIA
USURPS HER POWERS IN
THE MATTER.

ARBITERS ARE STARTLED

Dr. Lyman Abbott in Opening Peace
Conference and Arbitration Session
Admits War Is Sometimes Nec-
essary—Says California Acted With-
out Consulting Any Japanese Ad-
visers.

Mohonk Lake, N. Y., May 14.—
Admitting that at times "war is nec-
essary," Dr. Lyman Abbott, in open-
ing the 19th Lake Mohonk interna-
tional arbitration conference, touched
frankly on the California-Japanese
controversy in a way which occasioned
no little surprise. Abbott declared
"international conscience" is the
only agency which can bring world
peace. He continued:

"At times war is necessary. Chris-
tianity doesn't emasculate men. We
made a treaty with Japan granting
certain privileges to the Japanese.
Now the state of California without
waiting to consult the Japanese peo-
ple, without considering their feel-
ings, passed an act which, to the Jap-
anese, seems a violation of the spirit
of the treaty, and there is danger, as
a result, that the friendly relations
between Japan and the United States
may be seriously impaired."

CRANSTON ON DISCARD LIST

GOVERNOR EVADES WORDING
OF GAME LAW.

Appointment of Hood River Man to
Succeed Cranston Opposed.

Sportsmen in Eastern Oregon, in
this part of it especially, are up in
arms at the announced intention of
Governor West to throw C. K. Cran-
ston of Pendleton into discard on
May 22, and appoint in his stead on
the state game and fish commission
a man from Hood River, a Democrat.
The law under which the commission
exists specifies that two of the mem-
bers shall be from Eastern Oregon.
By the appointment of a Hood River
man, the governor has come within
an ace of not having any Eastern
Oregon men on the new board at all
if Hood River can be said to be in
Eastern Oregon. If not, then none
of the board will hail from this sec-
tion.

Local Democrats who admit that
though a Republican Cranston is pre-
eminently qualified and are strenuous
in the opposition to the governor's
choice and are going to oppose the
appointment. Cranston is admitted
everywhere to be satisfactory to the
job, but in any event the new board
will not comply with the law, and
sportsmen in La Grande are taking a
firm hand in the business.

German Sailors Killed.

London, May 14.—A dispatch from
Hilgoland says four German Blue-
jackets were killed and six injured by
an explosion off their engine room in
a torpedo boat.

"Third Out" Play Bothers

MANY FANS SEE PLAY VERY
DIFFERENTLY.

Seven-Six Correct Score

A Score or More Imagine That Star-
kell Called Jamison Safe.

Heated discussion has been ramp-
ant since yesterday over what the
score is, was or should be in yester-
day's game. Seven to six is the cor-
rect score, but many hold that Jam-
ison scored on Beck's sharp drive to
Ried and that the score should have
been counted in view of the fact that,
in their opinion—and theirs means
many—he came across the pan ahead
of the play at second when Corbin
was caught and made the third out.
It but reflects the inaccuracies of the
grand stand eyes and again explains
why the ump's don't always call
things as the fans see it. There are
fans who would stake good gold that
they saw Starkell call Jamison safe
at home and then turn to watch the
play at second. Here is what hap-
pened:

Jamison was out for two very good
reasons, to-wit: It is a physical im-
possibility for any man to score
ahead of the play at second under the
conditions, and secondly, the ump's
said he didn't score. The umpire cal-
led Corbin out, the third out and then
turned and saw Jamison come home.
Starkell estimates that Jamison was
20 feet from the plate when Corbin
was thrown out; it may have
been 15, but Jamison thinks he took
several steps afterwards. Yet a score
on more claim he scored first. Reid,
Jansen, the umpire, King, Jamison,
all saw the play alike but the fact
still remains that no man living could
have scored from third on the play.

Starkell held out his hand when
the ball was caught intuitively or on
purpose and Jamison started from
third then.

SHIP PLANS STOLEN

Secretary Daniels Thinks Member of
the Department Committed Act.

Washington, May 14.—No trace of
the secret plans of the battleship
Pennsylvania, which were stolen from
the navy department, were found to-
day. Secretary Daniels issued a
statement and declared his belief one
of the department members stole the
plans, but admitted this was simply
a guess.

Daniel stated there is no clue to the
thief. The secretary is evidently wor-
ried. His statement said in part:
"Anyone familiar with navel con-
struction would not have taken the
trouble to carry those drawings
away. I have had an investigation
made, independent of that begun by
the secret service, and have been com-
pletely assured the missing specifica-
tions are utterly worthless to any
one."

INSANE MAN AMUCK

Kills Aged Wife, Wounds Children
and Then Suicides.

Sparta, Wis., May 14.—In a fit of
insanity William Hogue, 70 years old,
beat his wife to death with a club and
fatally shot his daughter and wound-
ed his son-in-law, and then suicided
today. Hogue and wife were recently
reconciled after many years of sep-
aration.

ILLINOIS REFERENDUM KILLED

By One Vote Measure to Give Initia-
tive and Referendum is Dead.

Springfield, Ill., May 14.—A resolu-
tion providing for the initiative and
referendum was defeated in the house
by a single vote today. The meas-
ure may be reconsidered later.

CLOCK HAND ALMOST ON TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND

Five Teams in Country Today Combing Rural Contribution

At a late hour this afternoon J. D.
Farrell, president of the O. W. R. &
N. Co., wired his personal subscrip-
tion of \$200 to the La Grande Y. M.
C. A. fund.

Almost, but not entirely, the Y. M.
C. A. clock hand this afternoon points
to \$25,000. This noon-day reports
brought in \$1,097 bringing the total
to date to \$24,850. The usual en-
thusiasm prevailed through the noon
hour and tomorrow promises to be a
big day for fat reports. Lutheran,
Christian and Presbyterian church
ladies served the unusual high class
luncheon.

Three committees went to country
points early this morning and two
more joined the combing of rural con-
tributions later in the day. As a con-

sequence many of the solicitors were
not on hand for the noon day lunch-
eon. The reports from these commit-
tees who are in the field, will be
forthcoming tomorrow and with that
series of reports in, the entire cam-
paign will assume such shape that
the precise amount to be raised by
Friday night will be determined.
Considerable money that is being col-
lected today will help the starters on
the last and final lap of the test.

Chinese and Japanese are giving
freely. Several donations of \$25 have
come from the Chinese and in some
instances the Japs are giving \$50
along with a few Chinamen at that
figure. Wherever it is possible for
the Chinese merchants to induce
others of their countrymen to give,
they help the cause along.

JOHNSON WILL SEND ANSWER TO BRYAN'S REQUEST TODAY

Sacramento, May 14.—It was an-
nounced at 11 o'clock today that
Governor Johnson is preparing a re-
ply to be sent by telegraph to the
request from Secretary of State
Bryan that he veto the anti-alien bill.
It is expected though not known,
that Bryan will get the answer some
time today.

Until Bryan has had time to digest
the governor's answer, it is not
thought the governor will sign the
bill. He still has 26 days in which to
attach his signature.

Washington, May 14.—The Cali-
fornia-Japanese situation remains
in status quo until Johnson replies to
the request of the federal administra-

tion that he veto the anti-alien land
law. This statement was made by
Bryan after a conference with Pres-
ident Wilson.

Bryan declared that as soon as
Johnson's reply is received he and
Chinda will enter upon a discussion
of the new treaty with Japan, no
matter what the tenor of Johnson's
action may be. Discussing his "Bat-
tleship of Friendship" suggestion,
Bryan gave Carnegie credit for the
idea. He said:

"There is no good reason why the
United States, having no animosities
to cherish, shouldn't take a lead in
the movement for genuine friendship
and fellowship which will absolutely
eliminate the possibility of war."

INFERNAL MACHINE FOUND UNDER WESTMINSTER ABBEY

London, May 14.—Turning their
campaign of destruction from cabinet
ministers and their homes, suffra-
gettes are credited with a plot to
blow up Westminster Abbey, and
that the plot is in earnest was proved
today when a bomb wrapped in suffra-
gette literature was found in the
abbey. The bomb was a bona fide
infernal machine, but the fuse was
not lighted. The police believe the
suffragettes have not dared to seri-
ously attempt destruction of the
abbey but the bomb was left as a
warning.

COAST TOWNS BOOMING

Portland, Tacoma and Spokane Show
Big Building Activities.

Chicago, May 14.—The Pacific
coast points figure prominently in
the building construction, based on
reports April permits published here.
Permits for construction of over
twenty-five thousand buildings at an
estimated cost of over eighty million
in seventy-five principal cities of the
country were granted. The cities of
the northwest are showing gains over
the corresponding month of last year.

Portland 37 per cent, Tacoma 20 per
cent, Spokane 37 per cent.

Committee Favors Suffrage.

Washington, May 14.—Favorable
report on Senator Chamberlain's bill
providing for a constitutional amend-
ment for women suffrage, was agreed
upon today by the senate suffrage
committee. The formal report was
delayed because of absence of Sena-
tors Ashurst, Hillis, Ransdell. Sena-
tors Jones, Sutherland, Owen, Clapp
favored the bill with Senator Capron
voicing the only opposition.

Clubman a Thief.

Los Angeles, May 14.—Declaring
he had stolen from the Santa Fe rail-
road to get money to bribe five men
who had threatened to expose him as
a former prisoner in the state re-
formatory at Elmira, New York,
William St. John Ranney, a Pasadena
clubman, pleaded guilty today to
grand larceny. He will be sentenced
Saturday. Ranney was arrested re-
cently and charged with eight counts
with speculations aggregating about
\$60,000. He was employed by the
Santa Fe as auditor.

LAST STRONG PULL.

All Y. M. C. A. committees are
gathering strength today for the
last strong pull to complete the
campaign of raising sufficient
funds to erect and equip a hand-
some building in La Grande.

The last part of a campaign is
always the hardest, but one fea-
ture should be guarded against
by all. There are possibly those
who think the progress made
now insures the building with-
out their contributions; and
there may be some who think
because some of the leading busi-
ness men are working hard for
the Y. M. C. A. that whatever is
needed will be contributed by the
business men in the final.

Neither of these conclusions is
correct, and neither should pre-
vail in the mind of anyone.

This movement for a Y. M. C. A.
is a patriotic movement to do
good for this community — to
erect and maintain a modern Y.
M. C. A. plant, such as has pro-
duced wonderful results else-
where and will produce great re-
sults in La Grande.

It is your bounden duty as a
citizen to contribute something.
The amount is important, but
not nearly so important as your
good will and your name on the
subscription list.

Let not this building be erect-
ed without your contribution, so
that when your children or your
children's children desire to en-
joy Y. M. C. A. benefits your
conscience will not smite you
and the ghastly appearance of
a "Father Tightwad" will not
haunt you.

Your liberality in this move-
ment is not liberality to any in-
dividuality but on the other hand
it is being liberal with yourself
and your posterity.

Now that the last strong pull
is on, if you have not been seen
by a committee, come to the
center and make your offering.

The satisfaction you will feel
over the matter will be the
strongest dividend your money
ever earned.

DAVIS BEFORE COMMITTEE

Man Who Prompted Charges Against
O'Hara is Called to Stand.

Springfield, Ill., May 14.—The sen-
ate committee investigating the
charges against O'Hara have called
Samuel Davis of Springfield, who is
said to have inspired Mrs. Robinson
to accuse O'Hara and Thomas Vre-
denburg, the millionaire, who accom-
panied the woman when O'Hara met
her on the train between here and
Chicago.

Davis and Vredenburg will prob-
ably be the last witnesses to be
heard by the committee which is ex-
pected soon to report its findings to
the state senate.

FIRE SURROUNDS TOWN

Winnipeg, May 14.—Little hope is
entertained for the town of Andrews
near here, which is entirely surround-
ed by prairie fires. Citizens of the
town are putting up a desperate re-
sistance to the encroachments of the
blaze.

POLICE-GUARDED CAR OF CINCINNATI PUT IN MOTION

Cincinnati, May 14.—With hund-
reds of police on guard an attempt to
resume operation of street cars was
made today. Guarded by 350 police-
men the first three cars manned by
strikebreakers, moved. Ten mounted
police and three automobile loads of
foot police went ahead of each car,

J. JOHNSON FOUND GUILTY OF "SLAVERY"

OFFICIALS DEEM CONVICTION
OF IMPORTANCE
AGAINST VICE.

NEGRO OUT ON BAIL

Close Watch Kept on the Fighter
Found Guilty of Violating White
Slave Act by Jury Last Night—
Friends Unwilling to Lend Aid—
Entire Country Will Profit by His
Conviction.

Chicago, May 14.—Jack Johnson
who last night was found guilty of
violation of the white slave act, re-
fused today to say what he thought
of the conviction or what he intended
to do about it. Although out on bonds
of \$10,000, he is under the surveil-
lance of federal authorities, the dis-
trict attorney apparently being un-
willing to take chances on Johnson's
"health" requiring a change of
climate.

A dozen of the pugilist's friends
were outside the house today but
none would enter for fear of being in-
volved in the negro's trouble.

"This verdict will go around the
world," said District Attorney Perkin.
"It is a forerunner of laws to be
passed throughout the entire country
forbidding miscegenation. Many
persons believe the negro has been
persecuted. Perhaps as an individual
he was, but it was his misfortune to
be foremost in the example of evil in
permitting intermarriage between
whites and blacks. He must bear the
consequences."

TRAINMEN KILLED

Santa Fe Leaves Tracks and Bodies
Covered by Engine Debris.

Los Angeles, May 14.—Two train-
men were instantly killed when an
engine drawing a freight train on the
Santa Fe left the rails at Los Nietos,
12 miles southeast of Los Angeles.
The dead:

ENGINEER J. B. NEIL, Los An-
geles.

FIREMAN E. R. REYNOLDS, Los
Angeles.

The men were buried in the wreck-
age of the locomotive and their
bodies were recovered with difficulty.
The cause is not known.

Woodmen to Feast.

Modern Woodmen of America will
enjoy a delicious clam chowder
spread tomorrow evening. All mem-
bers are urged to attend as a program
of good merit is to precede the ban-
quet.