

LISTEN TO CHOATE

Diplomat Defends Immunity of Private Property.

SPEAKS FOR PRESIDENT

The Hague Conference Given American Views on Important Questions Regarding Rights of Owners at Sea as Well as on the Land.

THE HAGUE, June 28.—The sitting today of the first committee of the peace conference offered an opportunity for Joseph H. Choate to deliver an eloquent speech upholding the exemption of private property except contraband, from capture on the high seas.

The sitting began with consideration of the following questions: "First, do practice and legislation aimed at bettering states transforming merchantmen into warships? Second, in the case of merchantmen being transformed into warships, what are the legal conditions which belligerents will have to observe; and, third, is the present practice relating to capture and confiscation of merchantmen sailing under a hostile flag to be maintained or abolished?"

Count Tornelli, Italian, and Sir Edward Fry, British, observed in the principle the first question was generally admitted, and thus it was only necessary to define conditions for the transformation of merchantmen.

Then began the debate on the exemption of private property at sea. Baron Macchio, Austrian, supported the American proposition. Senor Barbosa, Brazil, gave a historic survey of the attitude of the United States toward the Benjam Franklin, and eulogized the proposition assumed by the United States, which he declared was the view of the whole American hemisphere.

Senor Barbosa concluded by declaring that by the orders of his government he associated himself with the American proposal. Mr. Choate then made a speech based on the American declaration of the conference of 1891. He referred to the different occasions in which the United States had proclaimed her support of the doctrine.

"Long before the first conference of 1856," Mr. Choate said, "Russia declared the matter worthy of consideration, saying that the success of the American principle would be a crown of glory to modern diplomacy."

His survey showed that the United States had followed the same policy for over a century, earnestly urging in the first days of its existence that the principle be adopted. He recalled the vote of the Brussels conference in 1874 on the immunity of private property at sea and asked that the same principle be extended to private property at sea.

Mr. Choate concluded by saying that President Roosevelt attached so much importance to the question that he wished to evoke an expression of opinion on it by a vote of all the countries represented at the conference. Mr. Choate spoke in English, M. Fromageot, French, translating.

Count Tornelli said that Italy favors the American proposition. The discussion was then adjourned until the next meeting of the committee on Wednesday.

After Mr. Choate's speech, M. Nelidoff said that the American proposition would defeat its own purpose, as the exemption of private property would have only the effect of rendering wars more frequent. On the other hand, the menace to private property, especially in the case of certain countries, whose commerce is based on sea commerce, would exercise a powerful influence upon nations, which, he said, from material considerations would avoid war. It is reported that M. Nelidoff's statement was received with murmurs of disapproval.

The Russian delegation presented the following proposition in connection with the proposal: "In bombarding towns, villages, or harbors, the commander of the naval forces shall take necessary measures to spare churches, artistic, scientific and beneficent buildings and hospitals on condition that they are not employed for military purposes."

Various amendments to the British proposal regarding submarine mines were presented to a sub-committee. All were aimed at decreasing the danger from derelict mines. Japan suggests that only mines which become inoperative after a limited time shall be used.

Several countries have proposed to raise the question of prohibiting the rifle bullets adopted by Germany, Great Britain, France and the United States, considering them more dangerous than "dum-dum" bullets. It has not yet been decided which country shall present the proposition.

Senor Drago has left The Hague for Paris, returning here Tuesday. After conversation with General Horace Porter, Senor Drago said that he was not sure that he would present the proposition on collection of debts by force. The committee on the Geneva convention met during the afternoon. The documents presented included the British definition of warships and auxiliary warships.

SEASON OPEN AT MEADOWS

Nearly 600 Horses Ready for Two Months' Racing Season.

SEATTLE, Wash., June 28.—(Special.)—The annual meeting of the King County Fair Association opens at The Meadows tomorrow for 67 days' racing, in which there will be in competition the best horses that have been going for the long season on the Oakland track. About 600 horses are here. The opening card of six races will not bring out many good horses, because few owners care to start their best animals after the long train ride from California. In the opening handicap for a purse of \$1000, there will be six starters out of the original 40 entries. The most important event of the meet will be the 1000 handicap on August 17, for \$5000. The Seattle derby is the second in importance, with \$3000 up, and will be run on July 27. There are 14 stake entries in all, with a total purse of \$25,000, the largest list of stakes in the history of the Northwest.

LEFT JABS MOST EFFECTIVE

Chicago Lightweight Wins From Milwaukee Boxer.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., June 28.—Harry McFarland, the Chicago lightweight, defeated Charles Newby of Milwaukee, in a ten-round bout before the Badger Athletic Club tonight. The decision was received with cheers.

McFarland had the better of the Milwaukee boy in nearly every round. He used a left jab and landed it at will. Occasionally he whipped in a right to the head and a few stiff uppercuts. Newby worked on his opponent's body most of the time. When he tried his famous swings for the head pack was not there. Newby got in considerable body punishment in the clinches, but to effect that

the Chicago boy landed four or five blows to Newby's one in the free fighting.

WILL RACE AMERICAN YACHTS

German Contestants Chosen for the Coming Kiel Regatta.

KIEL, Germany, June 28.—The Wittelsbach H. Thy X and the Angelus IV are the three small racers which will probably be chosen by the Imperial Yacht Club to race the three boats of the Eastern Yacht Club, of Boston, Mass., in these waters, beginning August 15, at the end of the season, in which there were 24 German, two Belgian and two Spanish entries.

The German competitors were built on ideas and plans brought from the United States, after the races of 1906. Their sails also were cut from American models. The German yachtsmen greatly doubt whether the German boats will win, but the yachtsmen here look forward to learning much from the Americans.

Simpson Western Golf Champion.

HINSDALE, Ill., June 28.—Robert Simpson, the Omaha professional, today won the Western golf championship, with a total of 307 strokes for the 72 holes. Willie Anderson, of the Omawatha, and Fred McLeod, of Midlothian, won second and third places, with 309 each. Among the scores were: G. Smith, San Francisco, 303; W. V. Moore, Salt Lake, 341.

RAIL TRUST FOR WORLD

Manufacturers of Each Nation to Have Reserved Market.

LONDON, June 28.—English, Scottish and Welsh steel railmakers have entered into an agreement with competitors abroad with a view to safeguarding their respective spheres of influence, and reserving Great Britain and her colonies for British makers to the extent that a minimum price for rails has been fixed, while a higher minimum is established for South America, to meet the American trusts. The European markets will be controlled by German, French and Belgian makers.

Berlin Abandons Exposition.

BERLIN, June 28.—The project for holding an international exposition in 1913 in celebration of the 25th anniversary of Emperor William's accession to the throne was finally killed at a meeting of the Chamber of Commerce today, only seven votes being cast in its favor.

Americans Win the Prizes.

NOTRE-DAME, France, June 28.—At the show of the Percheron Society of France all first prizes, except one in the stallion class, were awarded to McLaughlin Brothers, Americans.

STRIKE MENACES HEALTH

Garbage and Ice men in New York Stop Work.

NEW YORK, June 28.—Believing that the health of the city was menaced by the strike of drivers of garbage wagons, Mayor McCollan late today went over the head of Commissioner of Street Cleaning Craven and placed the responsibility for the collection of garbage with the Health Department. Tonight that department made strong efforts to re-establish sanitary conditions. A strike of drivers of the American Ice Company also went into effect today, and, with garbage on the sidewalks and no ice in many refrigerators among New York residents, an unpleasant summer day was passed.

For three days the streets of the East Side have been literally strewn with rubbish. Kitchens and dining rooms are the scene of a breeding stench has filled the nostrils of those unfortunate enough to live in the neighborhoods.

The garbage men have been on strike three days, and unless they return in two days they will be automatically discharged. The strikers, to enforce their demands which include the abolition of a fine of five dollars for emptying a can containing both ashes and garbage and a fine for trotting of horses, decided to bring on a strike of 200 street sweepers unless their demands were accepted.

Bonfires lit up many streets last night especially on the East Side. They were fed by householders and janitors from the mounds of refuse lying in the gutters by reason of the strike. The smell from these heaps is perceptible everywhere, but fortunately the weather is cool and dry, and the odor is not so offensive as it would be in a hot, humid atmosphere.

INSPECTS RAILROAD WORK

President Lytle, of P. R. & N., Makes Trip in Automobile.

E. E. Lytle, president of the Pacific Railway & Navigation Company, has returned from Tillamook County, where he has been inspecting the work on his road between Hillsboro and Tillamook. Mr. Lytle was accompanied by his chief engineer, Mr. Davis, and other officers in charge of the work of construction. The trip was made in an automobile, the party returning to this city Wednesday night.

"We went as far as Hobsonville," said Mr. Lytle yesterday, "and found the work progressing satisfactorily, although there is a scarcity of men. From Hillsboro the track has been laid for a distance of 17 miles, while the grade has been established for a distance of 25 miles further. We are now boring a 1400-foot tunnel at a point about 27 miles from Hillsboro."

The return trip of 115 miles was made in 9 hours and 15 minutes, which is believed to be a new record for automobile travel over mountain roads in this state. The 230 miles were made without a mishap.

To Settle Furniture Trust Case.

A conference with United States District Attorney Bristol was held yesterday afternoon by ex-Senator Simon and W. D. Fenton, representing the defendants in the furniture trust cases. After the conference it was announced that no definite agreement had been reached for the disposal of the cases, but that certain proposals had been considered which may lead to a final settlement of the proceedings.

Provide for Accounting.

CONCORD, N. H., June 28.—Judge Edgar Aldrich, of Littleton, was appointed master in chancery to determine the competence of Mrs. Mary Baker Eddy, the Supreme Court late today. The master is named in connection with the suit brought by Mrs. Eddy's son, George W. Glover, of Concord, N. H., and others as "next friends," for an accounting.

Will Speak at Clatskanie.

Rev. John O'Neil, of the Anti-Saloon League, will speak at Clatskanie tomorrow in the Presbyterian Church and at night in the Methodist Church.

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DOG SAVES BOY'S LIFE

PREVENTS BODY GOING UNDER FOR THIRD TIME.

With Teeth In Lad's Coat, Dumb Brute Holds Boy's Head Above Water Until Help Arrives.

TACOMA, Wash., June 28.—(Special.)—Just as he was going down for the third time, his dog Prince grabbed his shirt by the collar and thus the life of 14-year-old Charles Wells, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Wells, was saved this afternoon.

The lad had a painfully close call for his life in the millpond on the tide-flats. The boy fell into the pond and as he sank he called for help, and the dog rushed into the water, but before he had reached the lad disappeared under the water again. On coming to the surface, Prince fastened his teeth in the lad's shirt and held his head above the water until Mr. Ward came and pulled the drowning boy out.

SEATTLE, Wash., June 28.—(Special.)—R. A. Ballinger, Commissioner of the General Land Office, has announced that he would resign as soon as he has completed a legislative programme the Administration will submit to the next Congress.

"I hope to be fair to both the President and myself," said Judge Ballinger, speaking of his retirement from the General Land Office. "I undertook the work of reorganizing the General Land Office and I will complete it. This will call for work with Congress and I shall remain until our plans for new legislation are completed. The President knows I want to retire, but there has been no definite understanding about the time I will leave. Some time during the coming year I expect to be free to resign. I would far prefer to be out here where there is always something doing than to be in Washington suffering from annual red tape and official inactivity."

Judge Ballinger expressed the opinion that the Denver convention had been as satisfactory as the administration as could have been expected under the circumstances, but he laughingly refused to discuss the forest reserve policy from a Seattle standpoint.

MEAD PUTS REID ON BENCH

Tacoma Man Succeeds to Vacancy Left by Judge Thad Huston.

TACOMA, Wash., June 28.—(Special.)—Hon. George T. Reid has been chosen by Governor Mead to occupy the bench in department No. 2, Superior Court, taking the place left vacant this week by the death of Judge Thad Huston.

Mr. Reid has been a prominent member of the Pierce County bar for several years. He served for a time as Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, but resigned to give his undivided attention to his private law practice.

He has represented Pierce County in the State Legislature two terms, being chairman of the committee on Judiciary at the last session, and the floor leader of the Republicans.

CAN THE STATE BE SUED?

Attorney-General to Resist Railroad's Contention.

SALEM, Or., June 28.—(Special.)—A suit that has been commenced by the Oregon & California Railway Company in Yamhill County to condemn a right-of-way across 1600 acres of land in that county, in the settlement of a legal question that has been mooted in this state for years. The company needs a wider right-of-way where its road is cut through a hill, and at this point the road crosses state land. Attorney-General Crawford intends to demur upon the ground that the state cannot be sued.

The question is whether the state and whether it can be maintained would thereby be clearly presented before the court.

WHERE DID HE GET BEER?

Young Man Drops Bottle on Streets of Albany and Hurries On.

ALBANY, Or., June 28.—(Special.)—A bottle of beer fell from a package which a young man was carrying while walking down First street in this city today, and broke on the pavement, at the corner of First and Broadway streets, "dry" Albany. The street was crowded at the time, and the young man, fearing that an officer of the law or a member of the Good Citizens League might see him in the crowd and he might be called upon to explain where he got it, hastened on without ever looking back and quickly turned the corner. The incident aroused considerable amusement.

STRIKERS GO BACK TO WORK

Telephone Girls Resume Duties, Pending Settlement Differences.

POCATELLO, Idaho, June 28.—(Special.)—The striking telephone girls last night decided to go back to work at the old wage scale, pending a settlement of differences with the Bell company within a week. The understanding is that if at the end of that time a substantial increase is not granted the girls will again strike, and they have been promised support by the citizens and trades and labor council. The operators returned to their places this morning, relieving the ten strikebreakers from Salt Lake.

RUSH TO NEWPORT IS NOW ON

Albany Merchants Find It Profitable to Start Branch Store at Seaside.

ALBANY, Or., June 28.—(Special.)—The annual rush to Newport, the Summer resort on Yaquina Bay, has begun, and westbound trains to Corvallis and Eastern Oregon are beginning to be crowded. The commercial aspect of the resort is being recognized this year more than ever before and for the first time some local merchants are establishing branch stores there for the season. An all-Summer theater and two new skating rinks are also new attractions at Newport.

Thrown Out Jugged Rocks.

POCATELLO, Idaho, June 28.—(Special.)—Six persons were badly hurt and 30 others painfully bruised last night in a runaway accident in the lava beds two miles north of town. The wagon overturned, dumping the entire party of 30 into a pile of jagged rocks. The most seriously injured is Miss Nada Deane, whose spine is hurt and Mrs. Cruise, whose arm is badly mangled.

Umatilla County Pioneer.

FREEWATER, Or., June 28.—Joseph Irons, one of Umatilla's pioneers, aged 70, died in this city Tuesday afternoon at his home near the city. He was a well-known pioneer, from which he has suffered for

years. Death was hastened by an attack of hemorrhage beginning early on Saturday morning and continuing till late Monday evening. He was a native of Iowa, and came to this country 20 years ago. He leaves a widow and eight children: Mrs. Etta Gillan, Wyoming; Mrs. Ella Bonnell, Spokane; Mrs. Irene Salling, Weston; Miss Marguerite Irons, Spokane; Joe Irons, John Irons, Ray Irons, William Irons, all of Freewater.

Lipinski May Escape Trial.

SEATTLE, Wash., June 28.—Albert Lipinski, slayer of E. G. Kruger, was yesterday charged with manslaughter. Lipinski will probably be arraigned today and his bail fixed.

Numerous attempts were made by attorneys yesterday to obtain the release of Albert Lipinski, of Portland, the state's star witness, on bail. The police are holding her at the home of the matron, however, and the prosecuting attorney is determined that she shall be present at the hearing. No inquest will be held over the body of Kruger.

Celebration at Vancouver.

VANCOUVER, Wash., June 28.—(Special.)—There will be something doing every minute during the celebration of the Fourth at Vancouver. The competent committees have every detail in hand and have prepared a programme of unusual attractiveness. The forenoon will be devoted to a parade and literary exercises. A feature of the parade will be the appearance of the Fourteenth Infantry and a battalion of mountain artillery. The Congress of F. W. Cushman will deliver the oration. In the afternoon the Fourteenth Infantry band will give a concert and the day's exercises will conclude with an elaborate display of fireworks.

Blocked Exit From Burning Home.

ALBANY, Or., June 28.—(Special.)—The folly of neighbors, who were trying to help him save his property, almost cost R. M. Hale his life in a fire which destroyed his home last night. An effort was being made to save the piano, when the women outside, seeing the roof was about to fall in, called to their husbands to run. The men deserted the piano in the doorway and left Mr. Hale inside. With the entrance blocked he was forced to climb up over the piano to escape his life and a narrow escape. The fire loss is \$1000, with no insurance.

Home Company to Enter Hoquiam.

HOQUIAM, Wash., June 28.—(Special.)—At a meeting of the City Council tonight the action taken by the city body several weeks ago in declaring the telephone franchise granted to E. C. Finch forfeited was rescinded by a vote of 4 to 3. The Council decided the franchise be forfeited because they thought it was not lived up to, but later discovered their error and rectified it. This franchise is held by the Home Telephone Company, and the work of installing a system will begin during the Summer.

Prize for Portland Student.

CORVALLIS, Or., June 28.—(Special.)—C. O. Dickson, of Portland, is winner of the Laue prize, given annually by John M. A. Laue, of Portland, to the senior in the pharmacy department at the State Agricultural College, passing the best examination before the state board of pharmacy. The second prize, offered also by Mr. Laue, was taken by Jesse O'Neil, of Milwaukie, Or., who has accepted a position at Tillamook, since his graduation. The examination was conducted by the state board of pharmacy at the college during commencement week. The Laue prize is \$25 for the first and \$15 for the second.

Gets Damages Against Union.

SEATTLE, Wash., June 28.—(Special.)—Don E. Johnson, of Los Angeles, was today given a verdict for \$2500 damages against local members of the Typographical Union for causing his expulsion from the union and loss of position as assistant foreman on local paper. Johnson went from Seattle to a Los Angeles office that employs non-union men, and then filed suit against property-owning members of the local union.

Jail and Fine for Portland Men.

ASTORIA, Or., June 28.—(Special.)—In the Circuit Court this morning the Astoria grand jury returned a verdict against Smith, of Portland, on an information charging them with larceny from a dwelling was called. The defendants were assessed a fine of \$100 each and were allowed to plead guilty to larceny. Helford was fined \$25 and Smith was sentenced to 60 days in the County Jail.

Takes Chair in Albany College.

ALBANY, Or., June 28.—(Special.)—Professor C. Sheller Peacock, of Monmouth, Ill., has been elected to the chair of science in Albany College. He is reported to be a capable and energetic man, who, as a student, won many honors as a debater and athlete in the Middle West.

Loggers Are Coming to Town.

HOQUIAM, Wash., June 28.—(Special.)—The loggers from the camps in the vicinity of this city are beginning to come to town to prepare for the celebration on the Fourth and over 200 arrived in town today. It is expected over 300 men who are living in the forest will pass through this city and Aberdeen during the next few days.

Body Cut in Two by Train.

CHEHALIS, Wash., June 28.—(Special.)—Earl Castator, the 17-year-old son of City Marshal J. P. Castator, of Winlock, was cut in two by a freight train at that place this afternoon. The boy lived but a few minutes.

MAY APPEAR ON STAGE

French Prince With American Wife Sings in Concerts.

PARIS, June 28.—Prince Robert de Broglie, who married Miss Estelle Alexander, of California, a variety actress, has received permission to give three concerts here. The police had refused to allow the Prince to appear on the stage, owing to the opposition of his family, although his wife has appeared at the Colonial and Orpheum.

The marriage of Prince Robert and Miss Alexander, who was the divorced wife of Sydney P. Veit, aroused considerable ill feeling, resulting in Prince Armande, father of Prince Robert and uncle of the Duke of Broglie, head of the house, filing a suit in the Paris courts for the annulment of his son's marriage, which took place in Chicago last year.

Home Burns in Woodlawn.

A one-story dwelling on the outskirts of Woodlawn was burned to the ground about 10 o'clock last night. The house was unoccupied and just how the fire started is not known. A man named Owens, who conducts a confectionery store and poolroom at St. Johns, had occupied the house up to about a week ago, and after he moved the boys of the neighborhood were in the habit of using the place as a playground. The firemen believe the fire was due to the boys at the house in a spirit of mischief and the

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FIVE CONCERTS A WEEK

Park Board Decides Upon Programme for Summer Music.

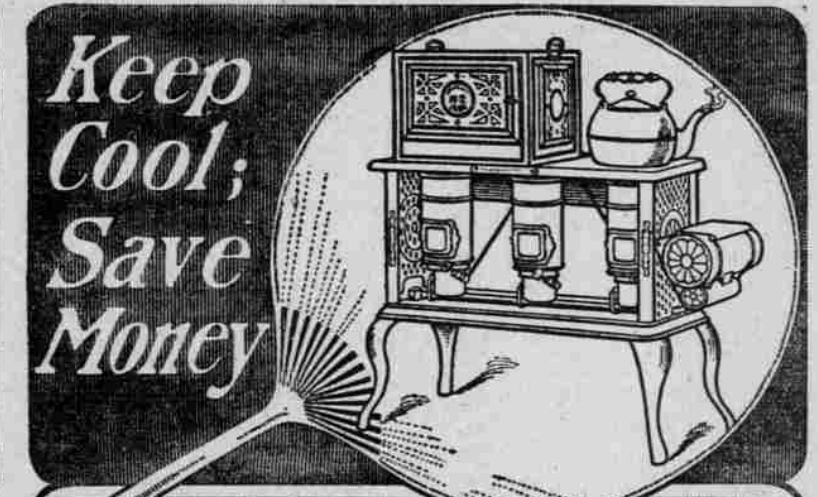
At a special meeting of the park board yesterday morning it was decided to hold concerts at the city parks at the rate of five a week until the funds set aside for this purpose are exhausted. The amount appropriated for music this year is \$3000, and it is estimated by the board for this amount that 28 concerts can be given by a band of 22 pieces.

In other years the concerts have begun earlier, but this year it was decided to hold them a little later in order that they may run through the warm weather. No manager for the band was decided upon. Five candidates are under discussion, Signor d'Urban, Charles L. Brown, John Everest, A. DeCaprio and J. R. Tomlinson. The qualifications of the various candidates will be investigated by Commissioner I. I. Lewis and Don Lewis.

Hereafter all charitable institutions will be forbidden to sell or offer for sale, any

article of merchandise in the city parks, or on any grounds under the control of the park board. This decision was made by the board at its meeting yesterday. Even the petition of the Salvation Army for the privilege of establishing an ice

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