

SOLDIERS OF PEACE MEET 40,000 STRONG

Blue and Gray Mingle in Amity at Gettysburg.

RANGOR IS ALL FORGOTTEN

North and South Link Arms and Talk of War Days.

REBEL WAR CRY SOUNDS

Dim-Eyed Warrior Looks in Vain, Among Women Bent and Gray, for Lass Who Greeted Him Fifty Years Ago.

GETTYSBURG, Pa., June 30.—Over the field of Gettysburg where 150,000 men in blue and gray fought with the weapons of war 50 years ago, the soldiers of peace from the North and South, the East and West, trooped today to the tented city where they will live during the four days of semi-centennial celebration.

The blue linked arms with the gray. They marched the dusty road together from the villages, they sat down at the same mess tables and they talked over the war before the same campfires tonight.

15,000 Arrive During Day

If there was any rancor in any heart it did not come to the surface. Over the broad expanse of the "city" reunions of those who won and those who lost went on hour after hour.

Officers of the regular Army in charge of the camp estimated tonight that nearly 15,000 veterans came in during the day, bringing the total close to 40,000.

The sun blazed just as fiercely as ever today, but down from the Blue Ridge tumbled a lively little breeze that stirred the fading grass, carrying vigor to the tired veterans. There were few prostrations and the surgeons reported the list of the sick and dead would be small.

Veterans Pledge to "Forget"

Although the programme of the celebration will not be taken up until tomorrow, there was a reception today by the survivors of Buford's division of Meade's army and Wheeler's division of Lee's.

The meeting was held in the big tent set aside for the speech-making of the celebration and began 50 years to the hour from the time when the first shot preceding the battle was fired.

The gray cavalrymen who fought the skirmishes that led up to the three days' fight pledged themselves in the shadows of the Stars and Stripes to "forget" and their brothers in blue swore by the Stars and Bars that the fight was over for all time.

There were several women from the village in the tent and six one-time school girls, gray-haired and aged now, sang "Rally Round the Flag, Boys," while the veterans wept like boys.

Famous Night Immortalized

The six women who sang were among those who thronged the streets of Gettysburg after the advance guard of the Southern Army left in the night. On that night when Buford's men came riding into the village on the heels of Wheeler's men in gray maidens strewn flowers along the streets and bells in the churches pealed out the news of the coming of the blue.

Of the scores of girls who welcomed the vanguard of Meade only a half dozen could be found, and they stood, white-haired, with tears in their eyes, on a platform in the big tent and sang to the weeping soldiers in the seats below.

"I'm afraid we can't sing like we sang 50 years ago," said the matronly woman who acted as leader.

"We don't care; just sing again," shouted the veterans.

Tears Gush From Dim Eyes

As the first notes of the wartime melody came from them in quivering tones, the veterans, both of the North and of the South, sat quiet with eyes fixed upon the singers. The notes of the chorus came from every wide and old man's throat.

"One bearded veteran of an Illinois regiment rose to tell of an incident that happened on that other July night.

"As we rode through Gettysburg, that last time," he said, "I remember a little girl stopped my horse and said she wanted to give me a bouquet. I got down and she pinned a ribbon—a little purple ribbon to my coat.

"I wear that purple ribbon through the battle. I never saw the girl afterward, but I've kept that ribbon, and it's back home in Illinois today."

POSTMASTER FISK REFUSES TO QUIT

BURLESON'S REQUEST BRINGS CURT ANSWER.

San Francisco Official Points to Record and Declares No Charges Can Be Made Against Him.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 30.—Arthur G. Fisk, postmaster of this city, refused today to tender his resignation as requested by Postmaster-General Burleson, "to take effect as soon as your successor is appointed."

Fisk telegraphed in reply tonight that he had been appointed for a definite term of four years and the message continues:

"My term of office will expire June 14, 1918. You make no charges against me and can now with propriety and justice make none. My office has been conducted to the satisfaction of three Presidents and has earned the commendation of six Postmasters-General.

"I have served the Postoffice Department faithfully, even to the extent of bringing upon myself malicious charges that have been prosecuted unsuccessfully through the Postoffice Department, the secret service department, and the United States Senate and in every avenue of investigation it was found that my personal record was clean and my administration of the office efficient.

"It has been believed that in maintaining this efficiency I was working in line with your published statements that official postmasters would be permitted to serve the terms for which they had been appointed. I can see no reason why I should yield to your request, therefore, respectfully decline to tender my resignation."

DEATH IN FIRECRACKERS

Premature Celebration Is Fatal to Girl; Mother Injured.

THE DALLES, Or., June 30.—(Special.)—Winnie, the 5-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fulton, Jr., of Free Bridge, is dead as the result of the first "Fourth of July" accident in this county, and her mother is suffering with severely burned hands and arms.

With her little brother, Ned, aged 8, the girl was playing with firecrackers near the family's country place Sunday morning. Her clothes caught on fire, and she screamed as the children attracted attention to the garments.

Mrs. Fulton threw her skirts about the child in an effort to extinguish the flames. Almost instantly her clothing was afire. Fulton threw a robe about mother and daughter, smothering the flames.

The child, frightfully burned about the arms, neck and abdomen, died last night. The mother, though severely burned, was constantly at the bedside of her daughter and did not leave until the end.

NATION TO BUY FORESTS

Reservation Commission Approves Ohio Watershed Purchases.

WASHINGTON, June 30.—The first forest upon the watershed of the Ohio River to be acquired for the Government was approved for purchase today by the National Forest Reservation Commission. It is included in what is known as the Monongahela area, at the head of the Monongahela River, and embraces two tracts aggregating 20,540 acres, for which an average price of \$50.06 an acre is to be paid.

Four areas in all were approved today, the total acreage being 113,909, the largest purchase ever passed upon by the Commission at one time. Besides the Monongahela, the Commission acted favorably upon the White Top area, 10,427 acres, located near the Junction of Virginia, North Carolina and Tennessee, at an average price of \$2.18 an acre; the Natural bridge area, near the famous Virginia natural bridge, 3429 acres, at \$6.64, and the Shenandoah area, 73,464 acres, at the extreme headwaters of the James and Shenandoah rivers, at \$3.01.

POSTAL BONDS ARE BOUGHT

Fifth Issue Applied For by Saving Depositories Shows Gain.

WASHINGTON, June 30.—A check for \$1,116,880 today was transmitted to the Treasurer of the United States by Postmaster-General Burleson in payment for postal savings bonds to that amount which had been applied for by postal savings depositories in the various states.

This is the fifth issue of postal savings bonds. The amount applied for at this time shows an increase of \$41,800 over the preceding issue made on January 10 last.

Nearly nine-tenths of the bonds were requested in registered form, indicating that the purchasers desired them as a permanent investment.

TOBACCO TRUST TARGET

German Chambers of Commerce to Check American Monopoly.

BERLIN, June 30.—The German National Association of Chambers of Commerce today called on its members to support actively the campaign to check the progress of the American tobacco trust in Germany and to educate the business world and German consumers up to the dangers arising from a possible trust monopoly.

Two large defensive organizations of non-trust tobacco men have been formed already and business men are urged by the association to join them.

112 DIE FROM HEAT IN CENTRAL WEST

Chicago Is Center of Blazing Furnace.

PROSTRATIONS BEYOND COUNT

Drownings, Electrical Storms and Winds Are Features.

HOSPITALS ARE CROWDED

Weather Bureau Holds Out Hope of Only Slight Relief in Stricken District Reaching From Denver to Pittsburg, North to Lakes.

CHICAGO, June 30.—Reports received up to late tonight showed that at least 112 persons died today as a result of the heat wave in the Central West, which has continued uninterrupted for six days. It extended from Denver to Pittsburg, and as far north as Lake Superior.

From 96 degrees at Pittsburg, the temperature through the whole Middle West ranged well into the 90s. Marquette, usually cool, on the shore of Lake Superior, recorded 92 degrees and culminating with 102 degrees in Chicago. This gave Chicago a record for the day of it being the hottest place in the United States except for Tucson, Ariz., where the temperature also was 102.

Fatalities due to the heat were reported at Hibbing, Minn.; Biwabik, Minn.; Milwaukee, Racine, Lacrosse, Wis.; Peoria, St. Louis, Grand Rapids, Cleveland and Chicago. In Chicago alone there were 47 deaths officially reported. From different points in Wisconsin 13 deaths were reported.

Prolustrations Beyond Count. Drownings, electrical storms, high winds and intense heat were the features of the weather near Duluth. Heat prostrations were beyond count. Throughout this area, hope of only slight relief is offered by the Weather Bureau officials for Tuesday.

Forty-six persons are known to have died here today as a result of the intense heat. This number includes only the cases reported by the coroner and the police and it is expected will be increased by reports of private physicians.

Of these deaths, 39 were the direct result of heat, five persons committed suicide, directly traceable to the heat, and two deaths were of children seeking relief.

This was the hottest July day recorded in this city since the establishment (Concluded on Page 2.)

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"OREGON BOOT" IS WORN

Boy of 16, Wearing Iron Ankle, Escapes From Reform School.

SALEM, Or., June 30.—(Special.)—Charles Conner, 15 years of age, has the distinction of being the first inmate of the State Reform School to escape while wearing an "Oregon boot."

While working with several other boys today he dashed into a thicket. The iron band to some extent impeded his progress, but he outdistanced several pursuers. It is believed, however, that he will be captured soon. The boy was sent to the school from Eastern Oregon.

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BULGARS FLY AT GREEKS AND SERBS

Hostilities Suddenly Break Forth.

BALKAN STATES INFLAMED

Clash Comes Just as Powers Are About to Fix Pact.

PEACE MOVE SHATTERED

Attack Extends on Front for 140 Miles—Opposing Armies Accuse Each Other of Inciting New Warfare.

LONDON, June 30.—The prolonged efforts of the powers to prevent the outbreak of a fratricidal war between the Balkan allies seems to have failed just at the moment when it appeared possible for the four powers to meet at St. Petersburg and submit their differences for Russian arbitration.

Fighting began today all along the lines where the Bulgarian forces are facing the Servians and Greeks. These probably were only outpost attacks, but according to the Greek official report the Bulgarian attack extended over the Greek and Servian front of 140 miles.

War Not Declared.

"This is manifestly war without a previous declaration of hostilities, and we accordingly are forced to order our divisions to advance," says the official statement.

The opposing armies accuse each other of initiating the offensive. The Bulgarian representatives at Athens and Belgrade, respectively, have presented notes protesting against Greek and Servian attacks. The Servian government replied by charging that the Bulgarians are making attacks and repudiating all responsibility.

In Sofia, the outbreak of hostilities is attributed to the machinations of the Servian military league, which, it is contended, is determined to prevent Premier Pachitch from consenting to arbitration, and, from a strategic point of view, the Bulgarians declare, the Servian attack is aimed at dividing the Bulgarian army at its center.

Bulgars Ordered Not to Start.

A Sofia dispatch says strict orders have been issued to the Bulgarian army in case of operations to retaliate only if attacked by the Servians or the Greeks.

An Athens dispatch says the Greek government has ordered the Bulgarian troops at Saloniki to surrender their arms.

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4 SCORE WIDOWS SEE SEA WEDDING

ROMANCE OF YEARS TOLD BY WIRELESS FROM SHIP.

SCENIC SOUTHEASTERN ALASKA WATERS

Stage Setting for Unique Marriage Ceremony.

SEATTLE, Wash., June 30.—(Special.)—News of Dan Cupid's latest prank at sea, a marriage on the bridge of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company's liner Spokane and the result of a romance begun years ago in the Antipodes, reached Seattle today by wireless.

The principals in the Neptunian nuptials were First Officer J. R. Burns, of the Spokane, and Miss Amy Stephens, member of the party of 200 tourists who have been aboard the vessel on the first of her Summer cruises through scenic Southeastern Alaska waters.

Mr. Burns and Miss Stephens were childhood sweethearts in far-away Australia. They met for the first time in many years aboard the Spokane and as the vessel was steaming south-bound after her cruise of the inside waters of the North, decided to wed. They consulted Captain C. H. White, master of the steamship, who consented to perform the ceremony on the bridge of the liner while she was in Queen Charlotte Sound and steaming in the open ocean well out from land.

The nuptial arrangements were soon made and at 10:40 this morning with the tourists as guests, the ceremony was performed by Captain White and an entry of the time, the place and the hour made in the ship's official logbook.

The greater part of the Spokane's passengers are women and a poll of the vessel just previous to the ceremony showed that 76 widows from more than 20 states were present as witnesses. Following the marriage at sea, a wedding breakfast was served and news of the event flashed by wireless to the offices of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company in Seattle.

WILSON WILL TAKE REST

President to See No One for Three Days on Yacht Mayflower.

WASHINGTON, June 30.—President Wilson will leave early tomorrow for a three-day trip aboard the yacht Mayflower. He had intended to take a much-needed rest by going to Cornish, N. H., to join his family at the mountain home that he to be the Summer White House, but his decision to go to Gettysburg on July 4 upset all plans. A trip on the Mayflower was suggested by his physician.

No correspondents will be aboard and Mr. Wilson's only companion will be Dr. Cary T. Grayson. No salutes will be fired, no whistles will be tooted along the way; officers aboard the ship will refrain from extending the formal courtesies of the Navy and so far as possible every effort will be made to give the President complete retirement.

The President plans to return to the White House Thursday night and will leave for Gettysburg early Friday. After a brief inspection of the camps there and a short address, he plans to go direct to Cornish to spend Saturday, Sunday and Monday with his family.

PITCHED BALL MAY KILL

Man in Hospital With Broken Neck and Fractured Skull.

BAKER, Or., June 30.—(Special.)—His skull fractured and his nose broken by a pitched ball, L. M. Sweet is in St. Elizabeth's Hospital and may not recover. Sweet was playing yesterday with a local team against a nine composed of former Gold Diggers in the Western Tri-State League before Baker gave up its franchise. One strike had been called on him and he was stooping over the plate when Ward, the ex-Gold Digger pitcher, gave a quick return.

Sweet received the ball on his forehead and was knocked unconscious. At the hospital his skull was raised to save him but his chances for recovery are remote. Sweet is well known here and is also catcher of the Eagles' nine in the Twilight League.

CIGARETTES UNDER BAN

Sale on Trains in Minnesota Is Prohibited by Law.

ST. PAUL, June 30.—Cigarettes cannot be sold on trains in Minnesota, according to an opinion given today by the state Attorney-General's office. The decision was handed down in reply to a question by Charles E. Adams, of Duluth, special counsel of St. Louis County.

A law adopted at the last session of the Legislature provided for the sale of cigarettes by licensed dealers. The Attorney-General's office in its decision declared that the new law only provided for the sale of cigarettes at one place and a definite municipality, while trains travel through any number of towns.

HUSBAND ADMITS MURDER

Life Sentence Given 'Slayer of Wife and Young Adopted Son.

MEXICO, Mo., June 30.—John Nicholson, of Vandalia, Mo., today pleaded guilty in Circuit Court to murder of his wife and their 9-year-old adopted son by pouring kerosene and gasoline over them while they slept and setting fire to their bed clothing. He was sentenced to life imprisonment.

Nicholson had become infatuated with his adopted daughter Beatrice. It was charged he killed his wife to obtain her \$1000 life insurance.

NATION LAUDED IN ITS CHRISTIAN DUTY

Charles W. Fairbanks Cites Philippines.

PAST HISTORY NO PARALLEL

Ultimate Freedom of Islands Predicted by Statesman.

CUBA'S BENEFIT SHOWN

Principal Night Speaker at World's Christian Citizenship Conference Pays Tribute to Leaders.

Dr. John Lamond Speaks.

TODAY'S PROGRAMME AT WORLD'S CHRISTIAN CITIZENSHIP CONFERENCE.

Sectional Conference, the family—White Temple, Twelfth and Taylor streets. Presiding, Dr. J. S. McMillan, East Greenwich, N. J. 9:30—Report of Commission. 10—Addresses. 11:12—General discussion.

Sectional Conference, peace. Taylor-street M. E. Church, Third and Taylor streets. Presiding, Dr. J. S. McMillan, East Greenwich, N. J. 9:30—Report of Commission. 10—Addresses. 11:12—General discussion.

Sectional Conference, capital and labor. First Presbyterian Church, Twelfth and Alder streets. Presiding, R. M. Downie, Esq., Beaver Falls, Pa. U. S. A. 9:30—Report of Commission. 10—Addresses. 11:12—General discussion.

Sectional Conference, "Humanizing Industry." Arthur E. Wood, Portland, Or. U. S. A. 11:12—General discussion. Stadium, afternoon, 2:00—Music. 2:10—"Our Social Problem: Is It Economic or Moral?" T. H. Acheson, Ph. D., Pittsburg, Pa. U. S. A. General discussion. 5:00—"Christianity as a Factor in Modern Italy." Signor Davide Basile, Lieutenant Royal Army of Italy, Palermo, Italy. General discussion. 7:00—Music. Grand Conference. Chorus, 7:45—"The Mormon Menace," Dr. Robert F. Coyle, Denver, Colo., U. S. A. 8:50—Music. "Hallelujah Chorus" from the "Messiah" (Handel). 8:40—"Christianity in the New China," Ng Poon Chew, Canton, China. 10 A. M. to 9 P. M.—Social hygiene exhibit open to the public at 181 Broadway, near Yamhill street.

The fulfillment of the duty of a Christian nation to its dependencies has been exemplified in the history of the course followed by the United States in dealing with Cuba and the Philippines, was the declaration of ex-Vice-President Charles W. Fairbanks, speaking before the World's Christian Citizenship Conference in the session in the Multnomah Stadium last night.

Mr. Fairbanks' address followed that of Dr. John Lamond, of Edinburgh, Scotland.

"You may search past history in vain," said Mr. Fairbanks after outlining the history of the liberation of Cuba from Spanish rule. "For a parallel example of a nation that has poured out its blood and its treasure for the redemption of a country and has then given that country freely over into the hands of its own people."

Philippine Future Predicted.

In the Philippines, he predicted a similar course will eventually be pursued.

"When the people of the Philippines islands are fitted for independence," he said, "the United States will give them independence and that ungrudgingly. What we are doing with the Philippines, gentlemen, is keeping our faith with them. I traveled in the islands only a few years ago, and there this fact was impressed upon me forcibly. From the time that the American troops first occupied them, the conduct of our country toward the Philippines has been in the highest degree praiseworthy.

No Exploitation Evident.

"There I found no suggestion of exploitation anywhere. I found schools established, and hundreds of children learning from American teachers. I found roads and highways constructed and through them the islands a great and general movement for the uplifting of the people to a higher level of citizenship.

"To have withdrawn from the islands after having defeated the Spaniards and thus removed the last shadow of a government over them would have been to throw open the doors for anarchy.

"The hour is not yet at hand when we can relieve ourselves of our divinely appointed duty toward the people of the Philippines and surrender these people to themselves. There is no ground for impeachment of our good faith with the Philippines. When they have risen to a state where they will be capable of complete self government, I do not doubt that the United States will grant it to them freely, as it was granted to the Cubans, who were for a time under the care of and dependent upon our country.

Mr. Fairbanks paid a deep tribute (Concluded on Page 2.)

