HAGUE DECISION SAYS BOTH WRONG

Arbitration Court Gives Opinion on Casa Blanca Incident.

ERRORS OF BOTH PARTIES

German Consul Protected Deserters Wrongfully and French Had No Right to Threaten His Agents.

THE HAGUE, May 22.—The decision of the court of arbitration on the Casa Blanca dispute between France and Germany over the forcible seizure by French officials of deserters from the French foreign legion, while under the protection of the German Consulate, was delivered today. While not placing the blame definitely upon either France or Germany, the court censures the representatives of each nation in several particulars.

It declares that the secretary of the German Consulate at Casa Blanca was endeavoring to bring about the embarkation on a German steamship of deserters from the French foreign legion who were not of German nationality, and adds that the Consulate had no right to protect deserters who were of German nationality, and that the Consul committed an error in signing their safe conduct. Nevertheless, the decision continues, the German Consular officials were not guilty of an intentional fault.

The court states that the French military authorities were wrong in not respecting the de facto protection exercised by the German Consulate. The circumstances did not justify the French soldiers in threatening the Consular agents with revolvers, nor in their ill treatment of the Moroccan troops attached to the German Consulate.

JEANETTE WINS FIGHT

Awarded Decision Over Ferguson After Twentieth Round.

PARIS, May 22.—Joe Jeanette, the New York colored heavyweight, was awarded the decision over Sandy Ferguson, of Boston, at the end of the 20th round.

LANGFORD AFTER JEANETTE

Johnson Challenged, but Will Fight Ketchel First.

NEW YORK, May 22.—Now that Joe Jeanette has defeated Sandy Ferguson, he will be challenged by Sam Langford, who expects to whip Jim Hague, the British heavyweight champion, in London next week. An offer has been made to Jack Johnson of a $20,000 purse if he will agree to a finish fight with the winner of tonight's mill, but New York's sporting men do not believe that Johnson will take on any one before he fights Ketchel in the Fall. Johnson is due in London soon, and it is considered probable that Langford and Jeanette will be after him for a match.

WASHINGTON BEATS OREGON

Wins Intercollegiate Tournament on Multnomah Courts.

In the finals of the Northwest Intercollegiate tennis tournament, played on the M. A. A. C. courts yesterday afternoon, the University of Washington won both the singles and doubles from the University of Oregon. In the singles a hard match was fought by Murray for Washington and Newland for Oregon. Both these men are former California players. The Washington player finally got the whip hand and by steady and clever playing won from his opponent. This victory gives him the Northwest intercollegiate championship.

In the doubles, Murray and Moncrief for Washington took away another victory from the Oregon men. This victory was more easily won than the singles. Harry Stein and Charles McC. Snow defended the Oregon side of the net, but were unable to cope with the stronger team from Washington. Although Murray had played the set in the singles, he was obliged to take part again in the doubles on account of the disability of Van Kuran, who came over from Seattle to enter the doubles. Van Kuran was afflicted with blood poisoning in his right hand upon his arrival in Portland, as the result of a blister, and disqualified. The tournament was played in connection with the Katz cup tournament, and a large crowd was present.

CANADIAN OUTRUNS ST. YVES

Drives John Marsh From Track, Also, in 15-Mile Sprint.

TORONTO, Ont., May 22.—Percy Sellen, the fast little middle distance Canadian, ran Henri St. Yves and John D. Marsh, the winners of the London and the Canadian derby marathon races, off their feet in the 15-mile race at Hanlan's Point tonight. The pace at the start was killing, when Sellen began to take a lead.

For about four miles the Frenchman hung to his heels, but he found the pace too fast. Sellen went steadily until he had a lead of half a lap in the seventh mile, when St. Yves went to the clubhouse. Then Sellen showed more speed and gained a lap on Marsh. For several miles there was a game struggle, but Marsh found that he could not keep up with his opponent and he, too, dropped out after having gone ten and a half miles. Sellen had a lead of a lap at the time and finished alone in fine style.

SYRACUSE DEFEATS NAVY MEN

Fight Out Victory at Close of Thrilling Boat-Race.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., May 22.—Under conditions that have rarely, if ever, been duplicated, the Syracuse eight defeated the Navy crew in a two-mile boat-race on the Severn this afternoon. The winner's time was 10:29, while the Navy's time was 10:42.

At the mile and half there was plenty of open water between the two shells. Navy was pulling 36 and Syracuse, apparently fresh, was going at the same speed. In the gathering dusk the two crews rallied for the final spurt and, putting their stroke up another notch, fought out the final distance, Syracuse still gaining until her shell was shoved across the line over three lengths in the lead.

EIGHTY-MILE RELAY IS RUN

Y. M. C. A. Teams in Kansas City, Topeka and Lawrence Go Out.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 22.—A double relay race of 80 miles between Kansas City and Topeka, via Lawrence, Kan., was run today by members of the Y. M. C. A. in those three cities. Each organization had divided its membership into two bands of "Sioux" and "Apaches." The start was made simultaneously from Topeka and Kansas City, and the runners carried messages of greeting between the mayors of the three cities represented. The team leaving Kansas City made the best time, covering the distance in 8 hours 22 minutes 17 seconds. The opposing time was 9 hours 33 minutes.

BLACK FIGHTER "BLOWS PILE"

$4800 of His Winnings Go for Auto and Shirtfront "Sparkler."

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., May 22.—Jack Johnson has proved that he is a spender, as well as fighter. He received $5000 as his share of the bout with O'Brien Wednesday night, and in two days has let $4800 of it go for purchases. Yesterday Johnson was attracted by a special speed roadster, and before the salesman knew what had happened he was in possession of $3000 and Johnson was speeding down the street. He also purchased a big diamond for $1800.

MILE RECORD IS BROKEN

Providence Boy Proves Fastest Runner in Whole World.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., May 22.—Joe Ballard, running for Providence Technical High School in the Rhode Island Interscholastic League, today broke the world's interscholastic record for the one mile run. Ballard's time was 4 minutes 27 1-5 seconds. The previous record was made by M. W. Sheppard at Ithaca, N. Y., May 13, 1905.

Ballard's record was made in a rain storm, and against a heavy northeast wind.

HAVE 14 BOOKMAKERS IN LINE

Salt Lake Races Begin With Spirited Betting.

SALT LAKE CITY, May 22.—Before a crowd of over 6000 persons the Utah Jockey Club instituted its Spring meeting here this afternoon. There were 14 bookmakers in line and the betting was spirited. The big event of the programme was the Cullen handicap with four starters. Booger Red ran to form and was the winner, with Ethel Day contesting every foot of the way.

STORRS ASSUMES DISGUISE

Attired Like Workman When Arrested in Seattle.

SEATTLE, May 22.—When Joseph H. Storrs, the young lawyer from Lincoln, Neb., accused of embezzling $7000, was arrested at his lodgings today he was wearing a workingman's rough suit, blue shirt, slouch hat and overalls and had $80 in his pocket. It is expected he will not resist extradition.

Oregon 10; Lincoln High 4.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Or., May 22.—(Special.)—In this afternoon's game the university team for a second time defeated the Lincoln High School lads, this time to the tune of 10 to 4. Although almost an entire second team lined up for the varsity, the older team, after the fourth inning, had the game safely pocketed. Van Marter, a Lebanon freshman, was in the box for Oregon, while Thompson pitched for the Portland team. Except for McIntosh's heavy batting for Oregon and Brace's running catches in Lincoln High's left field, the game was featureless.

Americans Lose at Polo.

LONDON, May 22.—The Meadowbrook, Long Island, polo team, suffered a bad defeat this afternoon at the hands of Hurlingham players, the latter winning by 8 to 2. The American defeat was largely due to the fact that most of their best ponies were resting, and that the animals they rode today were borrowed.

Vancouver 7; Woodland 4.

VANCOUVER, Wash., May 22.—(Special.)—Vancouver High School won the ball game on the local grounds this morning with the Woodland High School, the score being 7 to 4.

Syracuse Outrows Navy.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., May 22.—Syracuse defeated the Navy over three lengths in the boat race today. Time for two-mile course: Syracuse 10:29; Navy, 10:42.

The number of postoffices in the United States is nearing the 62,000 mark.

OREGON WILL GET CIVIL WAR FUNDS

Major Portion of Volunteer Claims Will Be Paid by Federal Government.

FULTON'S WORK SUCCEEDS

Uncle Sam Will Reimburse State to Extent of $193,543.02 for Expenses Assumed in Raising Troops During War.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, May 22.—As a result of the findings of the United States Court of Claims, the State of Oregon will be paid $193,543.02 by the Federal Government as reimbursement for the expense it assumed in raising a regiment of volunteers during the late years of the Civil War. This is not the whole of the claim set up by the state, but the amount named is all which the court holds the state to be entitled to receive.

The finding of the court is ample justification and warrant for the appropriation of the amount found to be due, and in an early deficiency appropriation bill an item for the payment of this money will be made. It is barely possible this claim will be settled in a deficiency bill likely to be passed at the special session, though the probabilities are that it will go over to the regular session in December. The payment will be made, however, as a matter of routine, and without special effort on the part of any member of the Congressional delegation.

The adjustment of this claim is the result of a resolution passed by the Senate, on motion of Senator Fulton on May 25, 1908, referring to the Court of Claims the entire war claim of the State of Oregon. His resolution included all the claims set up by the state, aggregating $358,236.61, but a portion of these claims were set aside as illegal and inequitable. The position taken by the Court of Claims is explained in their findings, just made public. From these findings the following extracts are taken:

Oregon Troops Withdrawn.

In the early part of the Civil War the Federal troops in the State of Oregon were withdrawn for service in the East, rendering it necessary for the state authorities to raise troops for the protection and defense of the state and its citizens and the residents of adjoining territories. Under various calls made by the War Department, the state raised seven companies of cavalry and one regiment of infantry during said war, as hereinafter set forth, numbering in all about 1810 men, which were mustered into the United States service and were engaged during the war and until the close of the year 1866 in operations against hostile Indians.

In the Winter of 1861-62 private citizens of Oregon, pursuant to calls made by the United States military authorities of the Pacific Coast, raised six companies of cavalry, thereafter known as the "First Oregon Cavalry," which were mustered into the United States service for the term of three years. On January 3, 1863, to meet the then existing demand for troops, a further call was made on the Governor of Oregon for the raising of six additional companies to complete the regiment of First Oregon Cavalry. Efforts were made by the state authorities, assisted by United States officers, to raise these troops, and up to August 10, 1863, they had been successful in raising but one company. The terms of enlistment of many of these men would expire in 1864, and on October 24 of that year the Legislature of the State of Oregon passed an act entitled "An act for the relief of the commissioned officers and enlisted men of the Oregon Volunteers in the service of the United States," granting to every Oregon volunteer then in the service of the United States extra pay to the amount of $5 per month from date of enlistment to date of discharge. Said act provided for the issuance of bonds to the amount of $100,000, bearing interest at the rate of 7 per cent per annum. In the redemption of these bonds the state expended for principal and interest the sum of $133,279.75, and for advertising for the redemption of the bonds before maturity the sum of $334.10, making a total of $133,613.85.

The amounts so expended under said soldiers' relief act were paid to volunteers whose terms of service had expired or were about to expire. The payment of same was a gratuity on the part of the state and was granted without any authority of the United States, and the State of Oregon has no claim, legal or equitable, against the United States on account of the expenses so incurred.

State Issued Bonds.

In the raising of said regiment of infantry the state issued to soldiers enlisting after the passage of said act 2700 bonds of the state of the par value of $500 each, and in the redemption of said bonds it necessarily and properly expended the following amounts: For principal, the sum of $129,041.02; for interest thereon the sum of $63,868, and for advertising for the redemption of bonds before maturity the sum of $481. The state also expended in connection with the raising of said troops and the payment of bounty under said act, the sum of $153 for printing said bounty bonds, warrants, commissions, bounty certificates and bond books, making a total expenditure under said bounty act on account of bounties paid to volunteers mustered into the United States service of $193,543.02, no part of which appears to have been repaid to it.

The troops so organized and mustered into the United States service as aforesaid were never actually called into the service of the United States in suppression of the war of the rebellion, but were engaged exclusively in the State of Oregon and adjacent territories in the suppression of Indian outbreaks.

No part of said militia was ever in the military service of the United States, and the State of Oregon has no claim, legal or equitable, against the United States for expenses incurred by the state in raising, supplying and equipping the same.

MANY HOO HOOS GATHER

Meeting at Centralia Largely Attended by Lumbermen.

CENTRALIA, Wash., May 22.—(Special.)—Over 200 Hoo Hoos attended the grand karnival and konkatination here tonight. About 60 Hoo Hoos from Seattle, as many from Tacoma and 40 from Portland and a large number from Aberdeen, Hoquiam, South Bend and other points were in attendance. Thirty or 35 "kittens" will be taken into the order.

Lowest Bid for Big Drydock.

WASHINGTON, May 22.—C. M. Leach, of Boston, was the lowest bidder for the construction of a concrete drydock at the Pearl Harbor Naval Station, Hawaii, proposals for which were opened at the Bureau of Yards and Docks today. His bid was $1,295,321.

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At a meeting yesterday of claim agents representing various steam and electric railway lines in California, Oregon, Idaho and Utah, an organization was formed to be known as the Pacific Claim Agents' Association. The following officers were elected: President, B. F. Boynton, Portland Railway, Light & Power Company; first vice-president, A. M. Lee, Northern Pacific Railway, Seattle; second vice-president, J. N. Hone, Spokane-Inland Empire Line, Spokane; third vice-president, T. A. Cole, Los Angeles Electric Railway; secretary-treasurer, I. P. Newell, Portland Railway, Light & Power Company.

The purpose of the organization is to enable claim agents to hold meetings at various times and places to discuss the best means of handling matters pertaining to the claim department.

The delegates assembled at the Oregon Hotel yesterday morning, where F. I. Fuller, of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company, delivered an address of welcome. The business sessions were held in Knights of Pythias Hall on Alder street.

The visitors will be taken for a trolley ride at 11 o'clock this morning to points about the city. At 2 o'clock they will be taken by special train to Canadero, where they will inspect the power plant. They will be entertained at lunch at Estacada, returning to Portland late this afternoon.

Among those attending the meeting yesterday were the following: John Perrin, Oakland Traction Company, Oakland; J. N. Hone, Inland Empire Line, Spokane; D. C. Davis, Northern Pacific, Tacoma; O. N. Smith, O. R. & N. and Southern Pacific lines, Portland; A. M. Lee, Northern Pacific, Seattle; A. Molesworth, B. F. Boynton, Portland Railway, Light & Power Company; A. E. Beck, British Columbia Electric Company, Vancouver, B. C.; George Carson, Seattle Electric Railway, Seattle; H. L. Bleecker, Washington Water Power Company, Spokane; J. H. Handlon, United Railroads, San Francisco; George L. O'Connor, Walla Walla Traction Company; Fred Day, O. R. & N. and Southern Pacific, Portland; H. L. Odell, Puget Sound Electric Company, Tacoma.

"PURE ROT," SAYS CANNON

Candid Opinion of Roosevelt's Home Commission Report.

WASHINGTON, May 22.—The city-planning conference which has been in session here has been brought to a close by a banquet tonight. Speaker Cannon responded to the toast" Legislation and City Planning."

"Pure rot," was the way he characterized what he thought of ex-President's "Home Commission" report. The speaker said he did not take time to read much of the commission's report about the country people.

TAFT YEARNS FOR WEST

WILL MAKE TRIP TO COAST IF APPROPRIATION MADE.

Writes Brother-in-Law of Plans, Saying He Desires to Visit Alaska.

LOS ANGELES, May 22.—President Taft has written a letter to his brother-in-law, Dr. William A. Edwards, regarding his proposed western trip during the Summer.

Dr. Edwards has not made the entire contents of the letter public, but he has said that the President makes the announcement that he will bring Mrs. Taft and his son Charlie with him, provided he makes the journey, which still depends upon an appropriation from Congress to cover traveling expenses.

The President's stay in Los Angeles will be of a day and a half duration and he will make his headquarters at Dr. Edwards' home. In the letter the President states that he desires to come West very much and that he is anxious also to visit Alaska, where no President has ever been. He also wants to return home through the Southwest and the Southern states.

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PORTLAND BUSINESS MEN WITH UNIQUE PLACARDS AT MABTON, WASH.

When the recent Portland Business Men's Excursion was at Mabton, Wash., a very amusing reception was afforded them by the entire community, which appeared at the railroad station, with placards about the neck of every male resident. Those placards described the office, or business or occupation of each wearer, and were designed to show the visitors just what everybody in Mabton was doing. The placards were appropriated by the Portland men, who formed a line, and were photographed by H. K. Arnold, who furnishes the above picture to The Oregonian.