

KAISER WON OVER TO PEACE PLANS

Treaty With Germany Is Taft's Next Move.

GEORGE PERSUADES WILLIAM

Arbitration to Be Accepted by German Ruler.

BIG ARMAMENTS TO CEASE

Interviews in London Clear Way to Realization of Taft's Ambition.

LONDON, May 20.—(Special.)—Emperor William's brief visit to King George has resulted, in all probability, in a decision by the two monarchs of the utmost importance to the arbitration projects of the Washington Government. Although the interviews were ostentatiously devoid of any bearing on international politics, it is firmly believed in well-informed London circles that the two monarchs assured each other of their intention to do all in their power to remove diplomatic obstacles interfering with Mr. Taft's scheme for a practical solution of the problem of exaggerated armament. That the near future will bring definite news of a proposal by Washington to Berlin similar to the proposals made to London and Paris is confidently predicted. Berlin, it is asserted, will be prompt to accept Mr. Taft's suggestion in principle, with details to be adjusted later, and the treaties between the United States and the three principal states of Europe, when finally completed, will provide the basis for an ultimate Anglo-German treaty of arbitration to be signed at Washington.

TAFT HAS SOUNDED GERMANY

Arbitration Proposal Has Been Made to Foreign Office. BERLIN, May 20.—Germany has been approached regarding the American arbitration scheme, in what form or with what result cannot be learned at the Foreign Office. The communications must have been exchanged at Washington, as the American Embassy at Berlin has not been directly interested. A representative of the German Foreign Office, while admitting that Germany has received communications relative to arbitration with the United States, declined to make a statement as to Germany's attitude. There was no reason, he believed, he said that this had changed since Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg's speech in the Reichstag, in which he characterized disarmament as an ideal which could not be realized.

SCHOONER LOST IN GALE

Crew of Vessel Destined for Honolulu Returns to San Francisco. SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., May 20.—The British steamer *Trinidad*, which arrived from Panama late today, brought Captain Hersey and the crew of the schooner *William H. Marston*, which sailed from San Francisco May 13 for Honolulu.

COLONEL DUNN RESIGNS

Famous Ordnance Expert of Army Gives Up His Commission. WASHINGTON, May 20.—Failing to secure retirement by action of the President, Lieutenant-Colonel Beverly W. Dunn, of the ordnance department of the Army, inventor of dynamite, one of the leading ordnance experts of the country, has resigned his commission in the Army, effective October 1.

ROYAL WEDDING MAY JOIN NATIONS

GOSSIP RETRACES BRITISH PRINCE TO GERMAN PRINCESS.

Kaiser's Only Daughter, Probable Wife of Prince of Wales—She Makes Pointed Remark.

LONDON, May 20.—The attention which Emperor William during his visit in London paid to the Prince of Wales and the party which will visit Potsdam during the present summer has given zest to the gossip regarding the possibility of a marriage between the Prince of Wales and the Princess Victoria Louise, the only daughter of the German Emperor. The Princess, confiding to an intimate friend, is quoted as saying: "I don't want to be a Bavarian, a Wurtemburger or a Viennese. I want to be English." The couple are still young, the Prince being 37 and the Princess 15 years old. Both are great grandchildren of Queen Victoria and they are third cousins. The Emperor, Empress Augusta and Princess were given a hearty send off by a big crowd on the occasion of their departure for Sheerness today to join the imperial yacht, on which they will sail for home tomorrow. King George, Queen Mary and other members of royal families in London bade them farewell at the railroad station. The imperial visitors spent the week here more like tourists than members of royalty, having devoted all their spare time to sight-seeing.

WAR MINES DESTROY NETS

Astoria Fishermen Complain That Submerged Fools Are Menace.

ASTORIA, Or., May 20.—(Special.)—A protest is to be made to War Department representatives by local fishermen, asking that mines planted in the Lower Harbor be removed as they are proving a menace to both life and property. According to reports made by the fish-netters, there are about a dozen mines planted in the position of the river between the Fort Columbia dock and Deadman Light, which is a favorite drifting ground for many of the fishermen. The mines are buoyed, but when the tide is running strong the buoys are carried under and as a result several gillnets have already been damaged badly on them, and at least one net was destroyed. The tide at that place runs like a millrace and unless the obstructions are moved, fishermen assert, there is grave danger of boats being captured by them and lives sacrificed. Secretary Lortzen of the Fishermen's Union said this morning that he is taking up the subject with the proper authorities with a view of having the mines ordered out at once.

NEW OCEAN LINER PLANNED

Aberdeen-Oriental Service May Be Established by Milwaukee.

ABERDEEN, Wash., May 20.—(Special.)—E. D. Donivan, of Des Moines, Iowa, Burlington Railway agent, said today that he had been advised that the Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound Railway would, upon completion of its line into Aberdeen proper, inaugurate a steamship service between Grays Harbor and San Francisco and this port and the Orient. Mr. Donivan, who will shortly become affiliated with the Milwaukee line, says that the harbor likely will become the real western terminus of the Milwaukee, since land for docks and wharfrage can be secured here at a moderate cost and since the port offers advantages over other ports on the North Pacific. He declares that the Milwaukee is planning a most aggressive campaign of railway competition in the Northwest.

PEOPLE'S SAVINGS WILL BUY BONDS

Postal Banks Furnish Uncle Sam Cash.

DEMAND GREATEST IN WEST

Depositors Reach Limit and Would Start Afresh.

IRRIGATED LAND SCARCE

Settlers Go on Government Tracts Faster Than Water Can Be Given Them—Dollar-a-Day Pension Bill Scars Democrats.

BY HARRY J. BROWN. OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, May 20.—Depositors in postal savings banks may convert their deposits into United States bonds, bearing two and a half per cent interest, on July 1. The bonds are being prepared in denominations of \$20, \$100 and \$500, and Postmaster-General Hitchcock has advised postmasters to inform the public that these bonds will be issued to every depositor who applies on the proper form before June 1. These bonds will be issued only to depositors, but they may be sold and assigned at any time by the holders. They are to be exempt from taxation by either Federal, state or local authority. Depositors can procure either registered or coupon bonds as they desire. Registered bonds, which bear the name of the owner and are payable only to him, probably will be preferable as a permanent investment, because they are safe against loss or robbery. Coupon bonds are payable to bearer, hence can be more conveniently disposed of. Interest on registered bonds is to be paid twice a year by checks drawn at the Treasury Department in favor of the registered holder. Interest on coupon bonds is collected by means of detachable coupons which can be cashed by anyone. Interest checks and coupons may be cashed by postmasters under the same conditions as other Government paper.

WESTERN SAVINGS INCREASE

The Postoffice Department anticipates that the greatest demand for postal savings bonds will come from Western towns where depositories of such bonds have been opened. Many residents of these towns have deposited \$500, all that the rules permit, and are seeking to invest this amount so as to make way for additional deposits. A noticeable thing about the postal savings banks is the fact that average deposits are now much larger than in January. During April the average amount deposited by new depositors was \$21.57, as against \$16.14 in January. Senator Jones of Washington has reintroduced a bill which, if passed, will bring a neat sum to each officer and enlisted man of the volunteer service who remained in the Philippines after peace was signed. This bill, in effect, gives to each and every volunteer who served in the Philippines after peace was declared an amount equal to actual travel pay from Manila to the point of muster out in this country. This bill will apply to most of the members of the volunteer regiments from the West. On several previous occasions Jones has introduced this bill, but never has been successful in getting favorable consideration. He believes the object is a worthy one and feels that these men should receive travel pay, inasmuch as the Government granted travel pay to those soldiers who were mustered out in the Philippines. At the regular session next winter Jones will urge favorable action on this bill. So rapid has been the settlement upon (Continued on Page 2.)

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SIMON OUTLINES POLICY AS MAYOR

Continued Economy Is Promised People.

LAW ENFORCEMENT PLEDGED

Water Privileges to Be Extended to New Districts.

LARGE PROJECTS PENDING

Mayor Reiterates Belief in Commission Form of Government for City, and Will Cause Early Submission of Issue.

Responding to a petition signed by 4975 legal electors of Portland, Mayor Simon yesterday accepted the nomination of independent-commission government candidate for Mayor and will oppose A. G. Ruanlight for that office in the regular city election June 5. In acceptance by Mayor Simon was in response to an unprecedented demand on the part of the citizens of Portland for an independent candidate for Mayor in whom they not only manifested satisfaction for past performances but also expressed faith in his ability to continue the generally satisfactory administration which has marked his past services. The large number of signatures was obtained in less than three days. In accepting the nomination, responsive to so flattering an endorsement by his fellow citizens, Mayor Simon issued a statement in which he uncompromisingly defines his position with reference to important municipal questions and what may be expected from him if he is re-elected. Retrenchment to Continue. Foremost he commits himself to continue his advocacy of retrenchment and reform in the expenditure of public funds to the end that the burden of taxes may be as light as is consistent with an efficient and economical administration. Strict enforcement of the laws, involving a clean city morally, is largely defined as the assurance of Mayor Simon in event of his re-election. Consistent with his frequent utterances on the subject, Mayor Simon reiterates his indorsement of the proposed commission form of government, which he considers indispensable to the satisfactory government of a progressive city. In his announcement of acceptance of the nomination that you have given me for the office of Mayor, the certificate of which you have filed with the Auditor, I had confidently expected to have been relieved from the onerous duties of the Mayoralty and to be able to do my private affairs, but I cannot resist the earnest and enthusiastic demand that has been made upon me that I stand for re-election. I accept your nomination with feelings of gratitude and thank you most able to do no other place on earth, the very best that there is in me. One reason that impels me to accept your nomination is that there are some large projects initiated during my term which I have not yet been able to complete. The most important of these is the Broadway bridge. I had confident-

TWO BOYS LOST IN ARIZONA DESERT

SPECIAL ENGINE GOES OUT WITH SEARCHERS.

Best Apache Indian Trailers Employed to Trace Tots Strayed From Picnic.

GLOBE, Ariz., May 20.—Sidney and Frank Richards, aged respectively 8 and 8 years, tonight are lost on the desert in the vicinity of Rice Station, on the Arizona Eastern Railroad. A special engine carrying a carload of searchers, besides innumerable automobiles, left Globe this evening for the scene in an endeavor to find the youngsters. The little fellows were members of a school picnic held at Rice today, and when the special train returned they were not on board. At midnight no trace of the boys had been found, though a hundred or more searchers, including cowboys and the best trailers among the Apache Indians of the San Carlos Reservation, on which the picnic was held, are looking for them.

DEAF MUTES ARE DIVORCED

Seattle Witnesses Testify by Signs in Unique Lawsuit.

SEATTLE, Wash., May 20.—(Special.)—For the first time in a King county court deaf mutes were divorced upon the sole testimony of deaf mutes, when Judge Wilson R. Gay, in the superior court, this morning entered a decree severing the bonds that bound Hesse Garrett and Andrew Garrett. By her attorney, A. J. Speckert, Mrs. Garrett called two witnesses, Mrs. Sadie West and August H. Koberstein. Mrs. T. C. Snyder, by sign language, repeated to the plaintiff and her witnesses the oath and the questions put by Speckert and gave the answers orally. News of the novel hearing soon caused an influx of attorneys and witnesses from other departments, who followed the interpretations with great interest. All the parties to the action are well educated, and so deft in the sign language that the case was tried in half the time it takes to hear an ordinary divorce action, where plaintiff and witnesses are usually voluble. The Garretts were married in Russell, Kan., and are the parents of two girl children, one 5 years old and one 2. Garrett is in Kansas City, Kan., and did not contest the suit. Mrs. Garrett alleged that her husband had not supported her, had choked her, and treated her cruelly otherwise. The Acton girl, seeing no cartridges, decided the pistol was empty. She advanced toward her playmate, pulling the trigger. Essie cried, "I am shot," and leaned against Gertrude for support. "I am going away now Gertrude, kiss me," murmured the dying girl as her arms encircled the neck of her little playmate, and she became unconscious.

GIRL KILLS SCHOOLMATE

Bremerton Child Thinking Pistol Unloaded, Points It Fatally.

BREMERTON, Wash., May 20.—(Special.)—Little Gertrude Acton shot and killed her schoolmate, Essie Baldwin, here today. In the absence of her mother, Essie invited Gertrude, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Y. J. Acton, of this city, to spend the afternoon at her house. While Essie, aged 15, was searching through a bureau drawer for something to play with she discovered a revolver. She tossed it on the bed and continued her search. The Acton girl, seeing no cartridges, decided the pistol was empty. She advanced toward her playmate, pulling the trigger. Essie cried, "I am shot," and leaned against Gertrude for support. "I am going away now Gertrude, kiss me," murmured the dying girl as her arms encircled the neck of her little playmate, and she became unconscious.

BANKER MUST SERVE TIME

Taft Decides Tennessee Shall Not Escape Although Ill.

WASHINGTON, May 20.—In commuting the sentence of J. B. Feeney, cashier of the First National Bank of Fayetteville, Tenn., who pleaded guilty to embezzlement, President Taft today decided that Feeney must serve some time in jail even though he has to undergo a course of medical treatment to strengthen himself for the ordeal. Feeney was sentenced to five years. He is 65 years old and said to be ill. Physicians testified that a long imprisonment would be fatal. President Taft commuted his sentence to 4 months and directed that Feeney need not begin serving his sentence until Sept. 1.

HEIRESS GUARDED AGAINST SUITORS

Dozen European Nobles Anxious to Wed.

\$30,000,000 FORTUNE LURES

Sicilian Prince of Ancient Line Sighs Out Heart.

TRUST COMPANY ON GUARD

It Keeps Stalwart Guards Around 15-Year-Old Catherine Barker. McCormicks Cease to Fear Kidnaping of Children.

Catherine Barker, heiress to \$30,000,000, is jealously guarded at Michigan City, Ind., against the designs of fortune-hunting nobles from Europe. The guards who protected the children of Mr. and Mrs. Harold F. McCormick, grandchildren of John D. Rockefeller, against men who threatened to kidnap them have been discharged. CHICAGO, May 20.—(Special.)—Im-mured in a twentieth century castle, surrounded by wealth and splendor, but guarded with a vigilance surpassing that of millions of olden time who watched over the fairy princess with sleepless eyes, pretty 15-year-old Catherine Barker, possessor of \$30,000,000, is today the matrimonial mark of European royalty. The American princess, whose life reads like the pages torn from the old French chronicles, is held a willing captive in the spacious mansion of her late father at Michigan City. Guarding her are stalwart, silent men. The fiery dragon of the old chronicles is supplanted in this modern story of facts by a "senseless corporation." The guardian of Miss Barker, according to the will of her father, is the directorate of the First Trust & Savings Bank. Over in sunny Sicily a young prince of chivalrous nature, fired with love and ambition, frets and fumes because he has had no word from his American princess, and because his misadventures of love have never reached her with their ardent words of "grande passion." The hero of this thrilling romance is the Principe di Santa Margherita, heir to one of the oldest and noblest houses of Sicily. He is the descendant of kings and queens, ladies and knights to whom romance and love were ambrosia and nectar. However, he is not alone in his pursuit of the princess. At least a dozen other European noblemen are scheming to get the child and her millions. ROCKEFELLER'S DAUGHTER NO LONGER FEARS KIDNAPING OF CHILDREN. CHICAGO, May 20.—(Special.)—Guards who have been protecting Muriel and Fowler McCormick, children of Mr. and Mrs. Harold F. McCormick, and favorite grandchildren of John D. Rockefeller, ever since the return of the McCormicks last Autumn to their mansion at 3000 Lake Shore Drive, have been withdrawn. The children, part heirs to the greatest fortune in the world, now attend school, walk, drive and go down town with no supervision other than that of their governess. The detectives who stood guard night and day over the McCormick mansion, shadowing all strangers who loitered in the vicinity and questioning all callers at the house not known to the butler, ended their services at the same time the children's guard was found, necessary no longer. For months two detectives rode before and behind the McCormick equipage whenever the children were taken out. They maintained the same positions (Continued on Page 2.)

HARRY MURPHY IMMORTALIZES PICTORIALLY SUNDRY INTERESTING EVENTS OF THE PAST WEEK.

