

WILL IS CONTESTED

Relatives of Dead Woman Contest Last Will.

DECEASED LEFT \$1,000,000

She Left All Her Property to Her Step-Son and Now Her Brothers and Sisters Want the Will Changed in Their Favor.

Salem, Mass., Dec. 28.—During the hearing yesterday in the contest over the will of Mrs. Jennie P. Chase, Charles G. Shick, a lawyer of Boston, testified that he had acted as counsel for Mrs. Chase, the services beginning in 1889. The witness states that on November 11, 1902, he drafted a will for Mrs. Chase which left her estate to her brothers and sisters. Mrs. Chase, the witness continued, said that her husband had had half of her income and she did not care to do any more for him. At the same time Mrs. Chase made an affidavit, the witness declared, setting forth that Mrs. Chase did not wish Woodruff as she called her husband's son, to inherit her property. The adoption, the affidavit continued, was secured through the influence of Dr. Chase who began discussing the subject long before his marriage to her and she wished to make a record somewhere to show that she did not adopt her husband's son of her own free will. Mr. Shick stated that three witnesses saw Mrs. Chase sign the will which she had drawn, but he could not remember who they were. At this time, he said, Mrs. Chase told him that her husband

had compelled her to make a previous will and that she did not wish it to stand. For that reason the lawyer inserted a clause revoking all former wills made by Mrs. Chase.

Dr. Chase, the husband of Jennie P. Chase, on the witness stand, said that Mrs. Chase did not believe in astrology although she visited every fortune teller within twenty miles of her home. He said that after these visits Mrs. Chase invariably remarked:

"That stuff is all rot."

Dr. Chase said that he was a believer in astronomy and astrology. The contestants are brothers and sisters of Mrs. Chase whose will left \$1,000,000 to a son of Dr. Chase by a previous marriage, whom she had legally adopted.

ATHLETES HEALTHY.

New York, Dec. 28.—The generally accepted statement that college athletes shorten their lives by excessive exercise was attacked yesterday by Dr. W. G. Anderson, of Yale. While addressing the members of the Society of College Gymnasium, directors at the New York Athletic Club, he declared that participation in sports is beneficial in almost every case. To emphasize his arguments he presented statistics covering many years. He also stated that the statistics proved conclusively that the heart is not injured and that a larger percentage of athletes than those who live a sedentary life do not die of lung trouble.

In discussion "The relation of various conditions of the heart to muscular exercise," Dr. Meylon of Columbia University said that there was a decidedly higher rate of cardiac pulsations in speed tests than in strength tests, and as a result, the former, if not conducted by an able, careful supervisor are apt to be harmful.

Dr. Phillips of Amherst College, admitted that the athlete as a rule, ranks lower as a scholar than the man who does not train.

GIVE RECOGNITION

Government May Recognize Santo Domingo Revolutionaries.

THE PRESIDENT HAS FLED

As Soon as Uncle Sam is Satisfied that New Government Can Maintain Peace and Order, Official Recognition Will Be Granted.

Chicago, Dec. 28.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Washington, D. C., says: Official recognition will be accorded the new government of Santo Domingo as soon as Minister Dawson is satisfied that it will be able to maintain peace and order and to protect the lives and property of foreigners.

Following this recognition, Minister Dawson will endeavor to secure the formal assent of the new government to the treaty which was negotiated by President Morales.

This is the program the administration has decided to follow. It involves complications but, short of the actual occupation of the island, it is the only way out of the embarrassing situation which has developed as a result of the flight of President Morales.

Had the treaty been ratified as originally submitted to the Senate it would have been possible for the President to have directed the landing of marines and a suppression of the revolt. In view of the criticism of the treaty made by senators and of the failure of the upper house of congress to ratify it and of the fact that there is no authority save that of Morales himself for the collection of Dominican customs by Americans, such a course at this stage would be absolutely indefensible and is so recognized by the administration.

Therefore it is proposed to play a waiting game and see whether the new government will be able to maintain itself and if so to require it to bind itself to support the treaty.

EVANGELISTS SPEAK.

Torrey and Alexander Have Large Audiences in Chicago.

Chicago, Dec. 28.—So great was the crowd that gathered last night at the Chicago Avenue Church to welcome Dr. R. A. Torrey, and the Rev. Charles Alexander home from their four years' evangelization tour around the world, that it could not be accommodated in the church building at one time and after a short service the pews were cleared and a second audience filed in to hear the renowned evangelist and his singing colleague.

Fully 6500 persons gathered at the doors of the church. When the seats had been filled an announcement was made that according to the ordinances none would be allowed to stand and those who flocked into the aisles were compelled to go out again. For a time they stood at the doors, and then two "overflow" meetings were opened, one on the first floor of the church and the other in the Moody Bible Institute.

Still the steps and the sidewalks leading to them were blockaded by those eager to hear the man who had "spread the fire through Great Britain, China, Japan, and other countries. They passed the time singing hymns and when finally word was given that they could enter the church they hurried into it until it again was filled so that the police had to give orders for a large number to leave.

It was the opening of an evangelistic conference that will last until tomorrow night. Several speakers from different parts of the country were at the services and many more are expected to reach Chicago today.

The meetings were enthusiastic from the beginning, but under the influence of Dr. Torrey's words they were swept along until nearly every person present arose to his feet in answer to his request for "volunteers for Christ."

FOOLISH WOMEN.

Will Rush Upon Senate Suddenly and Ask for Smoot's Unseating.

Chicago, Dec. 28.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Washington, D. C., says: A grand attack upon the Senate at some psychological moment during the hearing of the case against Senator Reed Smoot of Utah is planned by the National Federation of Women's Clubs.

Several of their leaders, including Mrs. Margaret Dye Ellis, are here making arrangements for the presentation of the million-name petition. It is proposed to have these attractively bound and displayed in some conspicuous place at the capitol, near the Senate. The women expect a report on the

committee on privileges and elections, urging the unseating of the Utah Senator, and that event they reason, would be opportune for presenting the petitions.

RUSSIAN CAPTAIN ARRIVES.

Comes to San Francisco from Japan Where He Was Prisoner.

San Francisco, Dec. 28.—Captain John Overpinsky, who was in command of the Russian battleship Poltava in Port Arthur during the recent war with Japan, arrived here yesterday on the liner Coptic. When the Poltava was finally sunk on November 22 of last year by Japanese shells Captain Overpinsky was taken prisoner and for many months was held in Japan. He said yesterday that his enforced stay in Japan was made pleasant in every way by the Japanese. He is now on his way to St. Petersburg.

CHINESE EXCLUSION.

American Board of Foreign Missions Wants Less Stringent Law.

Boston, Dec. 28.—Anticipating Congressional action on Roosevelt's suggestion as to a new law on the subject of Chinese immigration, the American Board of Foreign Missions has prepared a communication to the chairman of the committee on foreign affairs, representative R. R. Hitt, approving the President's plea for broad laws and a less stringent policy in Chinese exclusion.

CARICATURIST DEAD.

New York, Dec. 28.—Louis Dalrymple, an artist, whose caricatures of politicians and cartoons on political situations have appeared in well known newspapers and periodicals, died suddenly last night of acute peritonitis in the Long Island home in Amityville, where he was taken a month ago.

Mr. Dalrymple was born in Cambridge, Ill., forty-two years ago. Seven years ago he married Miss Ann Good of Baltimore, who survives him.

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