

ENDAVORERS' GREAT MEETING

Eight Thousand Delegates Attend Opening Session—President Clark Suggests "Efficiency" as the New Motto.

AN INCREASE OF A MILLION SINCE 1909 IS REPORTED

President Tall's Address to Feature Tonight's Session—Endeavor Institutes Held in Eleven Churches.

ATLANTIC CITY, July 7.—Sunrise services on the million dollar pier ushered in the second day's activities of the twenty-fifth international Christian Endeavor convention, which opened with great enthusiasm last night.

Eight thousand delegates crowded into the front auditorium of the million dollar pier last night at the opening session. The feature was the annual address of President Francis E. Clark.

Dr. Clark said in part: "The great advance of recent days which proves that the divine favor rests upon the Christian Endeavor movement, should only be an incentive to make our societies better in every way, that we may be worthy of His continued blessing."

Let me suggest a few lines of achievement which I think are within the bounds of our accomplishment during the twenty-four months to come. They are, you will see, all along the lines of the providential development of Christian Endeavor.

We have become in the broadest sense, more than ever during these two years past, an international organization. In every land beneath the sun the name "Christian Endeavor" is known, and its principles are acknowledged.

But unions for world, nation, state, city or county are but expressions of our fellowship, and furnish no opportunities for united service. The most important work of the individual Endeavorer is done in his own society, under the direction of his own church and pastor.

ambitions, that be our ambitions and our efforts for the biennium which is before us? 1. As an international organization, the promotion of world-wide peace.

CASTRO HAS ELUDED NATIONS OF WORLD

Exiled Venezuelan President Lands in His Native Country, and None Know How He Got There—Government Making "Strenuous Efforts."

WASHINGTON, July 7.—Cipriano Castro, the exiled president of Venezuela, has eluded the vigilance of the nations of the world and landed in his native country in disguise, at Castilletas, on the Goajira peninsula, according to a report to the state department from Caracas.

MAY END DEBATE IN ABOUT 10 DAYS

Informal Discussions Among Senators Indicate General Sentiment for Getting Through.

Washington, July 7.—Continuation of the debate on the Canadian reciprocity bill and a speech of Senator Swanson of Virginia on the bill to appropriate \$20,000,000 annually for five years to put the roads of the country into standard condition, constituted today's program in the senate. The house was not in session.

When the senate resumed the reciprocity debate Senator Gronna of North Dakota again attacked the measure. A more general sentiment for expeditious action on the Canadian reciprocity, wool revision and free list bills was apparent after informal conferences late yesterday among various groups of senators, and six hours of continuous debate in the upper chamber of the senate.

Senator Gronna, who is a new member of the senate, had a cross-fire of questions from democrats during his speech. Senator Reed of Missouri a democrat, asked Mr. Gronna whether he believed the president would sign the reciprocity bill if the house and senate passed it with certain tariff revision amendments attached to it.

Senator Gronna opposed the reciprocity measure on the ground that it was unfair to the farmers of the country, a sacrifice of their interests to the manufacturing and transportation industries and a usurpation of executive authority.

RAPIDLY SINKING; FEAR END IS NEAR

Patrolman McConnell Took Turn for Worse, After Slight Improvement Today.

At 3:30 o'clock this afternoon little if any hope was entertained for the recovery of Patrolman E. C. McConnell, who is in the Mission hospital with a bullet through his right lung, fired by the negro known as John Huff.

RUSH TO FILL BROWN'S SHOES

Seven or Eight Candidates Are in the Field for Appointment by Governor as State Corporation Commissioner.

IMPORTANT APPOINTMENTS THE GOVERNOR HAS MADE

He Averages About One Every 60 Days—But There Are a Lot of Patriots Who Have Been Overlooked.

Gazette-News Bureau, The Hotel Raleigh, Raleigh, July 7.

GOVERNOR KITCHIN is not expected home before Saturday. In the meanwhile the candidates for the seat of the late corporation commissioner, H. C. Brown, are not cooling their heels about the governor's office, but are putting in work all about the city where they think it will aid them.

Friends of Ex-Judge A. W. Graham of Oxford are making a big fight to have him appointed. He was a candidate two years ago against Commissioner W. T. Lee.

There were several who thought the appointment should go to State Chairman A. H. Eller of Winston-Salem but whether he will apply was not learned. There was a suggestion that Prof. J. Allen Hoyt of Oak Ridge would be out for the place while friends of Capt. W. T. Mason of Northampton are putting him forward.

COMMERCE COMMISSION ANNOUNCES NEW RULINGS

As to Jurisdiction Over Telegraph, Long and Short Haul and the Issuance of Mileage.

Washington, July 7.—Important informal rulings announced by the interstate commerce commission include the following: The commission has no jurisdiction over claims for damages due to alleged errors in the transmission of telegraphic messages.

The long and short haul provision of the law does not apply when the more distant point and intermediate point are in a foreign country, nor when the point of origin and point of destination both are in the United States and the intermediate point is in a foreign country.

UNCLE SAM'S LIQUOR BILL DURING YEAR QUITE AN ITEM

Sixty-Three Million Barrels of Beer Consumed; \$146,973,300 Spent for Whiskey—Increases.

New York, July 7.—No less than sixty-three million barrels of beer were sold in the United States during the twelve months ending June 30, last or an increase over the previous twelve months of 8.1 per cent, according to the annual report of the United States Brewer's association. Notwithstanding the increase which the report contends indicates that the country is prosperous, the spread of prohibition has affected the trade considerably, it is declared.

Rule of Egypt Is Offered To Viscount Kitchener



LORD KITCHENER, recently created a viscount, England's leading general, has been offered the succession of Sir Eldon Gorst, who has been British agent and consul general in Egypt since 1907.

MB. TAFT'S CRUISE RELIEF FROM HEAT TWO-PARTY AFFAIR IN MOST SECTIONS

Eight Senators His Guest, Including Mr. Overman—Four of Them Republicans. But a Circular Area Including Washington and Baltimore Is Still as Hot as Ever.

Washington, July 7.—The president's week-end cruise on the Mayflower, which begins late tonight at Philadelphia, will not be a partisan affair. The president has invited eight senators to accompany him. Four are republicans and four democrats.

The party includes Senators Penrose of Pennsylvania, Root of New York, Briggs of New Jersey, Brown of Nebraska, republicans; Taylor of Tennessee, Foster of Louisiana, Bacon of Georgia and Overman of North Carolina, democrats.

The president left this afternoon with Secretary Hilles and Major Butts for Atlantic City, where tonight he addresses the Christian Endeavor convention. Thence Mr. Taft goes to Philadelphia, where he boards the Delaware Bay around to Hampton Roads and up the Potomac to Washington.

NAVAL EXPERTS ARE TO EXAMINE MAINE'S HULL

Will Study Wreck as Water is Pumped from Cofferdam—Navy Department's Contentions.

Washington, July 7.—A board of naval officers, experts in explosives, is being selected by the navy department to study the hull of the battleship Maine in Havana harbor as the water is pumped from the cofferdam now surrounding the wreck. Because of the necessarily slow progress of the work experts will be able to inspect the keel of the former warship, but the board will proceed to Havana as soon as its personnel is made known and will remain with the work until it is finished.

The navy department officers are convinced that the examination will prove the correctness of the Sampson board, which decided the destructive explosion which sunk the Maine was caused by a torpedo or mine, and that the explosion of the ship's magazines followed.

Congressman Mitchell of Kansas Dead Topoka, Kan., July 7.—Congressman A. C. Mitchell of the second Kansas district died today at his home in Lawrence.

Packing Plant Burned: Loss \$250,000. Fittsburg, July 7.—The big packing business' factory was today destroyed by fire, with a loss of \$250,000.

Richmond, Va., July 7.—The death of Mrs. James H. Smith, a wealthy widow, was today announced.

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GOOD SALARIES TO BE OFFERED

Enough to Attract Able Lawyers to Assist the Government in Searching Record of Forest Reserve Land Titles.

A RUMOR THAT KITCHIN WILL NAME JUDGE GRAHAM

He Is a Brother-in-Law of Judge Clark, and His Appointment Might Jeopardize the Chief Justice's Plans.

Gazette-News Bureau, Wyatt Building, Washington, July 7.

Senator Lee S. Overman of North Carolina is advised by the civil service commission that an examination to secure eligibles to assist the government in searching records in connection with the purchase of land for the Appalachian park will be held in the various cities of North Carolina August 5. It is understood that the government will offer a salary of sufficient proportion to secure the best lawyers in the state. It was not stated at what cities these examinations will be held but it is said, unofficially, that Charlotte, Raleigh, Asheville and Greensboro will surely be included in the list.

Might Embarrass Judge Clark?

There is a rumor going the rounds here that Governor W. W. Kitchin will offer former Judge A. W. Graham of Granville county the position of corporation commissioner made vacant by the death of H. C. Brown of Raleigh. Governor Graham, who is a brother-in-law of Judge Walter Clark, candidate for Senator Simmons' seat in the United States senate, was a candidate for the job when Commissioner B. F. Aycock died. It is said that Governor Kitchin will offer the job to Judge Graham. Should the governor take this step it will be interesting to watch the result of the senatorial election in Granville county. Judge Graham has a large following, and friends of Judge Clark say that Clark will carry the county. But should Judge Graham accept the commissionership, if offered, it is said this may have a disastrous effect on Clark's chances of carrying the county.

A man who said his name was "Bennett" and that his home is Wadesboro, telephoned Representative Ed Poy's office in the house office building yesterday and asked the congressman to endorse him for Mr. Brown's place. It could not be learned today what Bennett it was, and Mr. Collier, chief clerk to Mr. Poy's claims committee, was not able to supply the desired information.

A delegation of Wilkes county citizens who were in Washington last week to ask the Southern railway to improve the passenger and freight service between Greensboro and North Wilkesboro were unanimous in the opinion that Representative Page will get the 32 votes which the county delegation will cast at the state convention.

Page a "Heavyweight"

Representative Page is a "heavyweight" with the democratic leaders of the house. Whenever there is anything on hand that requires brains and level-headed thinking, Mr. Page is always invited to attend. Representative Page is not one of those men who takes a delight in getting into every argument that comes up in the house, but whenever he does take a hand in the debate he comes out with flying colors.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade H. Phillips of Lexington are spending their honeymoon in Washington. They were visitors at the capital yesterday.

Herbert Sink, secretary to Representative Page, returned to Washington from his home at Lexington yesterday.

There are many guesses as to when the extra session of congress will adjourn, but as a matter of fact no one knows. The most conservative members here predict that it will be possible to adjourn by the first of September. Probably this will prove true.

ASK FOR LEGISLATION TO PREVENT "KIDNAPPING"

Representations to Be Made as to Manner of Arrest of the Alleged Dynamiters.

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