

PRES. ROOSEVELT NAMES THE DATE FOR CONFERENCE

Expresses to Japanese and Russian Governments the Wish That Their Peace Plenipotentiaries Meet in Washington on August 1st.

This is Considered Important Step Forward for Peace. A Russian Minister Declares an Armistice Pending Meeting is Impossible.

By Associated Press. Washington, June 26.—The President has expressed the wish to the Japanese and Russian governments that the plenipotentiaries meet in the United States on the first day of August, and if not on that date then at the earliest date thereafter.

President Fixes Date. St. Petersburg, June 26.—Both Japan and Russia, it is now understood, have agreed that their plenipotentiaries shall meet in Washington during the first ten days of August, but the exact date of the meeting will not be announced by the President.

The question of precedence of the plenipotentiaries is the main stumbling block to a settlement of the number of plenipotentiaries. Both sides are desirous to take the initial move. While the exact number of plenipotentiaries has not been officially arranged, both sides seem tacitly agreed on three. Actual announcement of the names are expected within a few days. An official statement of the situation is all that is going on favorably.

The question of possible armistice remains in abeyance for the moment, and it is understood, declining to take the matter up until the issues involved in the Washington meeting are definitely settled. In the meantime there have been heavy downpours in Manchuria and the rainy season may cause the suspension of military operations before diplomacy can act.

Naming the Plenipotentiaries. Neldoff, Russian ambassador to Paris, and Baron Rosen, the new Russian ambassador to Washington, are Russia's tentative selections of plenipotentiaries.

Tabahira, the Japanese minister here, understood to have been selected as one of the plenipotentiaries, but the name of F. Rankin, Japanese envoy cannot be learned.

It is not believed that Marquis Ito will be able to come, and it is possible that Field Marshal Yamagata may take his place. This information comes from a high source, but no formal announcement can be made until it is known whether Neldoff's health will permit him to make the trip.

Peace Negotiations. St. Petersburg, June 26 (12:51 a. m.)—Negotiations for the peace conference have taken an important step forward, a proposition for the date of the meeting of the plenipotentiaries at Washington having been submitted to Russia and now being under consideration.

The exact date proposed has not been ascertained, but there is reason to suppose that it is some time during the first week or ten days of August, which is the earliest period at which the Japanese representatives could be expected to reach Washington, allowing reasonable time for the acceptance of the proposal and the interchange of the negotiations of the plenipotentiaries.

The Emperor's answer is not expected for a day or two, and the diplomatic situation of Russia grind slowly and the American office, as one of the secretaries put it, "is used to your hustling American methods," but it is thought that the date will be satisfactory, as it will give ample time for M. Neldoff, the Russian ambassador at Paris, or other Russian negotiators to reach Washington, and there will be little preliminary work for them to do until the Japanese terms are submitted.

Whether the proposal regarding the date originated at Tokyo, or Washington, cannot be learned, but the fact that the negotiations were conducted through Ambassador Meyer, may indicate that President Roosevelt has perhaps again stepped to the fore and suggested to the two powers, neither of whom are willing to take the initiative, a suitable date.

Ambassador Meyer is still exchanging communications with Foreign Minister Lansdorff by letter, the minister being confined to his apartments in the embassy, but in his latest note written by his own hand, Count Lansdorff expressed the hope that he had sufficiently recovered to permit of personal exchanges of views today and the minister's indisposition also prevented him from receiving the German, French and other ambassadors during the last few days.

M. Neratoff, under minister of foreign affairs and the spokesman of the Russian office, in an interview, in The Gazette, declares an armistice pending the meeting of the plenipotentiaries is desirable and he comments on the possibility of a battle taking place before a conference is held.

numerical advantage over the strength usually allotted to Linévitch's army. The Japanese forces, it says, are divided as follows: General Kuroki, 115,000 to 120,000 bayonets; General Oka, 110,000 to 115,000 bayonets; General Nogi, 85,000 to 90,000 bayonets; General Nodzu, 45,000 bayonets; and General Kamimura, 73,000 to 80,000 bayonets.

The Novo Vremya prints an interview which its correspondent at Paris had with a Japanese diplomat, who says that while nobody outside of the Emperor of Japan and his principal advisors is yet in possession of Japan's terms, he believes that they are moderate and will be acceptable. He adds that Japan is anxious to conclude an everlasting peace, but her attitude is not influenced by the slightest doubt as to her financial ability to continue the war, she having anticipated a much longer and more difficult period of hostilities.

THE VALUE OF THE NAVY. A French Engineer Draws Lesson From Eastern War. Paris, June 26.—M. Ferrand, engineer in chief of the French navy, has given to the Maritime Technical Association his views upon the naval lessons of the Russo-Japanese war.

The first general lesson that he draws is that if Russia had devoted more effort to the creation of a great navy, the war would have been avoided, or in any case Japan would not have become mistress of the seas, nor have sent troops into Manchuria without great risk.

What economy of life and money, he explains, would have been spared the empire of the Czars had it not rendered war certain by devoting itself so largely to the works of peace.

Turning to the direct question of naval construction, he says it is evident that it was the six great first-class battleships which insured from the first, moment Japanese supremacy.

Postmasters Appointed. Washington, June 26.—Postmasters appointed: North Carolina, Cherryville, Thomas E. Sumner; Virginia, Bondpoint, Burr Andrews.

GALLOWES CHEATED BY CARBOLIC ACID. Ellwood Garman, a Prominent Pennsylvania Citizen Convicted of Murder in the First Degree, Found Dead in His Cell. Brother of Prominent Democrat.

By Associated Press. Lewistown, Pa., June 26.—Ellwood Garman, convicted of murder in the first degree for the killing of William Murray, was found dead in his cell at Mifflintown. He committed suicide by drinking carbolic acid.

Garman was a prominent citizen of Mifflintown, a railroad clerk, accused Garman of being unduly intimate with Murray's wife. A quarrel followed, and Garman shot Murray. Garman was a brother of John M. Garman, a prominent Democratic politician and former Democratic State chairman.

A NEGRO'S SOLUTION. Believes That Mixture of Races Will in Time be Accomplished Fact. By Associated Press. Boston, June 26.—Amalgamation of the white and colored races through intermarriage as a solution of the race problem was advanced yesterday by Charles W. Chestnutt, a negro author of Cleveland, Ohio, before the Boston Literary and Historical Association. He spoke on race prejudices, its causes and cure, saying:

"The most difficult of the differences which hold us apart from our fellow citizens is the difference in color. Should this difference disappear entirely, prejudice and the race problem would cease to exist. I not only believe the mixture of races will in time be an accomplished fact, but it will be a good thing for all concerned."

Tragedy in Richmond. By Associated Press. Richmond, June 26.—James Ford shot and instantly killed George Cash and fatally wounded Miss Lydia Inchminger at Waterloo Road, Rock-Bridge county, while they were returning from church last night. The girl is 14 years old and very pretty. She is yet alive. Ford was 20 years of age and Cash 18. Ford escaped.

CONGRATULATIONS TO HIGH POINT AND TO THE STATE. High Point, N. C., June 26.—The city of High Point, N. C., has received a congratulatory message from the State of North Carolina, acknowledging its recent victory in the contest for the title of 'City of the Future'.

STATE OF SIEGE PROCLAIMED IN TOWN OF LODZ

Governor General Issues Important Proclamation Today, Victims of Last Week's Outbreak Total Over 1,200. 343 Jews Buried.

Warsaw Has the Appearance of a Military Encampment. Infantry and Cossacks Bivouacked in the Streets. Jewish District in Full Revolt.

By Associated Press. Lodz, June 26.—The governor general has proclaimed a state of siege. The victims of last week's outbreak total over twelve hundred, thus far the bodies of 343 Jews and 218 Christians have been buried. The wounded number over 700.

Some semblance of order has been restored and workmen are gradually returning to factories.

UGLY TEMPER AT LODZ. Both Troops and Populace Are in Evil Frame of Mind and More Bloodshed is Expected—City in a Pitiable Condition.

Warsaw, June 26.—The city has the appearance of a military encampment. Infantry and Cossacks are bivouacked in the streets.

Barriades have been erected at the corner of Ogrodowa and Zelazna streets and the occasional crack of a rifle is heard as the strikers shoot at men going to work.

The Jewish district is now in full revolt. Shops and stores are closed and traffic has ceased. Street cars have been overturned to form a nucleus of barricades. Great crowds are assembling in the streets and the ugly temper of both the populace and troops threatens to break out in bloodshed any moment.

Thirty-four battalions of infantry are stationed in town.

Web Attacked Police Station. Kovno, June 26.—A mob of one thousand persons surrounded and attacked the police station and governor general's palace. All of the windows were broken before the rioters were overpowered by the police. Five policemen were wounded. A detachment of dragoons finally arrived on the scene and dispersed the rioters.

Reg Flag of Revolt. St. Petersburg, June 26.—The red flag of revolt was raised at Warsaw, Kovno and other places in Russian Poland out of sympathy with the victims of the rioting at Lodz, and so far as these cities are concerned, the situation almost approaches the dignity of open rebellion. The news received in St. Petersburg is meagre on account of the vigorous censorship, but it is evidenced that troops are being resisted and a repetition of the sanguinary encounter at Lodz is anticipated.

JAPAN'S PEACE LOAN. Steps to Be Taken For Rehabilitating Business After the War.

New York, June 24.—K. Takahashi, the foreign financial agent of Japan, by whose efforts the war loans were floated, left this city today en route for home in response to a summons from the Japanese imperial minister of finance. Mr. Takahashi will sail from San Francisco on July 3.

He will appear before the imperial cabinet immediately on his return to Tokio, and confer with the officers upon the advisability of making further large loans in foreign markets in the event that peace then seems assured.

Japan, it is explained, will need a considerable amount of money after the war to give new impetus to her industries. While business in Japan at present is in no way injured, yet if the money advanced by the Japanese people in the first war loan of \$250,000,000 is returned to them on the termination of the war, it will give tremendous new life to Japanese industries. All departments of business, it is believed, will be vastly benefited by this large amount of money being put back into commercial channels.

NINE HOUR WORK DAY. Employing Printers in Philadelphia Have Announced Inauguration of "Open Shop" Policy.

By Associated Press. Philadelphia, June 26.—The nine-hour day and "open shop" were instituted in forty-five leading establishments of this city, employing two-thirds of the local compositors. This action was decided upon at a recent meeting of the United Typothetae, at which master printers from all sections of the country were represented. It was taken in anticipation of the demand to be made by the printers for an eight-hour work day next January. No immediate opposition to the new order is expected. The national convention of printers will be held at Toronto in August and action will then be decided upon.

HIS FAREWELL SERMON. Rev. J. M. Haymore to Leave Spencer, Having Accepted a Call to Morris-town, Tenn.

Special to The News. Spencer, June 26.—Rev. J. M. Haymore, who resigned the pastorate of the Spencer Baptist church a month ago, preached a farewell sermon to the congregation of the above named church here yesterday. His sermon was from a text found in Matt. 6:4, and being upon the earnestness of prayer, was delivered in a most touching manner filled with good advice to the flock which he has hitherto endeavored to serve faithfully.

Mr. Haymore, who is a young minister of great earnestness, has been pastor of the church at this place for two years and leaves this week for Morris-town, Tenn., to become pastor of the Baptist church there.

The Spencer congregation is temporarily without a pastor, though an effort is being made to fill the vacancy as early as possible. A call has been extended to Rev. Mr. Bateman, formerly of Raleigh, but more recently of Mt. Uila, Rowan county. He recently made a visit to the church here making a very favorable impression upon the membership. It is hoped here that he will accept the call though it is known that he also has one or more flattering calls.

A SAD TRAGEDY IN GASTON COUNTY. Mrs. Henry Costner Thrown From a Buggy and Killed. Horse Became Frightened and Rana-way. Other Occupant of Vehicle Slightly Injured.

Special to The News. Gastonia, June 26.—A very sad accident occurred near here Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Henry Costner was thrown from a buggy and killed. Mrs. Costner was out driving with her granddaughters and the horse became frightened and ran away throwing the occupants out of the buggy. Mrs. Costner was knocked unconscious and a number of bones were broken in her body. She was carried to a nearby house and physicians were sent for, but before they could reach her she died. The other occupant, received but little injury.

She was the wife of the late Henry Costner who died a short time ago. Mrs. Costner was about 60 years old. The funeral was held yesterday at Dallas.

A very painful accident occurred here Saturday evening while Master Fred Nolan, son of Mr. E. M. Nolan was turning a horse in the stable. The horse kicked him on the face, inflicting a very painful wound. Physicians was called and the wound dressed. He was resting very well this morning.

Gastonia is getting to be somewhat of a baseball town. It has built a grand stand and has had the grounds remodelled. The team is getting into perfect trim. They will cross bats with Shelby team here on Wednesday and Thursday.

Mr. Stone Crouse of Lincolnton is visiting his uncle, Mr. Hardaway Stowe. Misses Pearl and Bess Gallant and Miss Rose Abernethy spent Saturday night and Sunday in Steele Creek, visiting relatives.

Mrs. Ida Pinner of Asheville is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Gattis. Master Henry Shuford left this morning for a visit to relatives at Hendersonville.

TRAINING SHIP GOES TO BOTTOM. Schooner With Danish Cadets Aboard Ramm'd by British Steamer Ancona and Twenty-Two Lose Their Lives. Fifty-Seven are Rescued.

By Associated Press. Copenhagen, June 26.—Last night near Copenhagen, the Danish cadet training schooner Georgstarg was ramm'd by the British steamer Ancona. The Georgstarg sank in one and a half minutes. Twenty-two cadets were drowned and fifty-seven rescued. Only one body was recovered.

The Georgstarg was 206 tons. Apparently she was the training vessel for the mercantile marine and was owned by a private firm.

One New Fever Case. Washington, June 26.—Only one new case of yellow fever is reported from Panama today, that of a trainman named Foltz.

THE CONDITION OF JOHN C. DOCKERY STILL UNCHANGED

The Fact That He Has Lost no Ground in 48 Hours is a Source of Hope for the Physicians. Policeman Rogers is Still in Jail.

Brothers of Howell Girl Say They Intend to Kill Bernard When He Returns to Raleigh. Former Assistant District Attorney Has Not Been Located.

Special to The News. Raleigh, June 26.—No change is reported in the condition of John C. Dockery today. However, the fact that he has lost no ground in 48 hours is a source of hope to his physicians that his strong constitution may stem the crisis and bring him around.

Policeman Rogers, by whom he was shot on account of the alleged ruin of his daughter, is still in jail, awaiting a preliminary hearing tomorrow.

Nothing has been heard of C. M. Bernard since he left Wilmington on the northbound train Saturday. It is believed he will stay away from here, at least for some time to come, as Miss Howell's brothers declare it is their purpose to kill him, and warrants are out for him charging him with seduction, and claiming \$20,000 damages for the ruin of the girl, who was only seventeen years old.

New Charters Issued. New corporations issued today were for the Allen-Owen Co., of Durham, \$50,000 capital, by T. E. Allen and others, to do a wholesale grocery business; Bank of Stokes County, of Danbury, \$10,000 capital, W. J. Byerly, J. H. Prather, H. E. Pepper, incorporators; Star Tobacco Warehouse, of Creedmore, Granville county, \$50,000 capital, by A. C. Fleming and others; the Burlington Township Educational Society, to conduct the Haw Valley School for negroes at Burlington.

MORE MONEY FOR MILITIA. National Appropriation For State Troops to Be Doubled.

Washington, June 26.—The national guard of the country, with the undoubted approval of the administration, will ask Congress at its next session to supplement the Dick bill, reorganizing and making the guard a part of the national defense under the general supervision of the War Department.

The legislation alluded to has been carefully prepared, originating with the officers of the national guard and perfected according to suggestions from the War Department. Its principal feature is the doubling of the annual Federal appropriation of \$1,000,000 for armament and encampment expenses of the guard.

It is estimated that the added million, if obtained, will give but \$10 a man to the guard, which sum is said to be imperatively necessary to properly equip and instruct the members of this auxiliary defense arm of the government.

Other features of the bill embrace a provision for paying the actual expenses of officers making inspection tours in connection with the promotion of the rifle practice; regulations governing the auditing of accounts incident to encampments, and giving the Secretary of War discretion as to what shall constitute proper "incidents" for such encampments for which the government is to pay. The bill will doubtless be introduced in the Senate by Senator Dick.

U. S. District Attorney Resigns. Washington, June 26.—Morgan H. Beach, United States Attorney for the District of Columbia, has resigned to take effect August 31, and his resignation has been accepted by the President.

American Champion Beaten. London, June 26.—In the tennis singles, first round, S. H. Smith beat Holcomb Ward, the American champion, 6-4, 6-3, 8-6.

THORNWELL HAYNES, OF GREENVILLE, S. C., NAMED AS CONSUL AT NAKING, CHINA.

By Associated Press. Washington, June 26.—Thornwell Haynes, of South Carolina, has been appointed consul at Naking, China.

BIG LABOR DEMONSTRATION. To Be Made in London in Support of the Unemployed Bill.

London, June 26.—The great demonstration in support of the government unemployed bill has been fixed to take place in Hyde Park on Sunday, July 9. It will be a national demonstration in the sense that all provincial towns will send trades union deputations to be selected at specially convened local demonstrations, to be held on July 1 and 2—one week ahead. There will, however, be no road marches to London.

The program of the gathering will be akin to that usually adopted in connection with previous similar meetings. Probably arrangements will be made for getting the people into the park more expeditiously. The Embankment will again be used as the gathering place. Mr. Kier Hardie, M. P., and his colleagues have all of the arrangements in hand.

The meeting, which will be on an enormous scale, will be less to criticize the government than to support it. The government is meeting with some opposition in its proposed legislation, notably, for instance, from the London County Council, and from some of the London boroughs.

Meanwhile the labor representative committee met this week and decided to officially make arrangements for the demonstration.

THE CHICAGO STRIKE. The Officials are Anticipating Trouble—Grand Jury Investigation is Ended.

By Associated Press. Chicago, June 26.—Six hundred striking lumber drivers are expected to receive \$7.00 weekly as benefits but the treasury is said to be empty and the officials of the union are anticipating trouble.

The grand jury investigation of the alleged corruption in connection with the Chicago labor troubles ended and Assistant State Attorney Fake laid before the jurors the decisions on which they may act in voting indictments.

The general strike of the teamsters considered imminent last week is now unlikely.

COMMENCEMENT AT YALE UNIVERSITY. Class Day Exercises Held Today by Senior Classes of College and Sheffield Scientific Departments. Law School Alumni in Session.

By Associated Press. New Haven, Conn., June 26.—The Yale senior class of the college and the Sheffield scientific departments of the university held class day exercises today. In addition to the anniversary of the Yale law and medical schools the meeting of the law school alumni and the usual important commencement week of the Yale incorporation were interesting events of a very full program.

Alexander Roberts Lawton, third, of Savannah, and Joseph E. Washington, Jr., of Wesleyton, Tennessee, were among the historians of the Sheffield scientific school class.

THE REBATE CASES. By Order of the President the Prosecution Will Be Conducted by Mr. Purdy.

By Associated Press. Washington, June 26.—The Attorney General has placed the matter of carrying out the President's directions to prosecute certain railroad corporations, including the Santa Fee Railroad Company, for giving rebates, under the direction of Assistant District Attorney Purdy. The latter will devote all his time to this work, and has gone to Kansas City for that purpose.

SOUTH CAROLINIAN APPOINTED. Thornwell Haynes, of Greenville, S. C., Named as Consul at Naking, China.

By Associated Press. Washington, June 26.—Thornwell Haynes, of South Carolina, has been appointed consul at Naking, China.

SECRETARY HAY IS SERIOUSLY ILL AT HIS SUMMER HOME

Change of Residence From Washington to His Summer Residence on the Lake Was Too Sudden and Brought on an Attack of Uremia.

Specialist From Boston Attended Secretary Hay. Patient is Resting Easier Today and it is Thought That the Worst is Over.

By Associated Press. Newport, N. H., June 26.—Dr. Scudder of Boston, a specialist, arrived on a special train during the night to attend Secretary Hay, who arrived at his summer home on Lake Sunapee Saturday. Secretary Hay suffered a sudden relapse of nervous breakdown, but grew much better after the arrival of the physician and today his condition became so favorable that Dr. Scudder arranged to return to Boston.

Secretary Hay's illness was due to an attack of uremia, caused by cold contracted on his trip to Newberry. It is thought that he will be all right in a day or two. The attack is similar to others experienced during recent years.

The remedies which were given for relief on previous occasions were applied, but failed to help him, and the physician found that in changing from the climate of Washington to a cooler temperature of the Lake Sunapee region the Secretary had taken a severe cold, and that the organs weakened by previous attacks had been seriously affected. Upon learning this Mrs. Hay desired a specialist to be summoned at once.

Last before noon it was reported from Secretary Hay's bedside that the patient was "resting comfortably with everything favorable."

DR. WILDER'S TRIP. Will Take Vann Jones Along as a Specimen.

Dr. and Mrs. H. M. Wilder have pleasant weeks of going about ahead. They will go to Old Point Comfort first, where on July 12 the doctor will read a paper on "Bone Cutting" before prominent physicians. He is to take Vann Jones along as an object lesson. It will be remembered by many that Dr. Wilder performed the operation on Vann of lessening his height by several inches. Vann having had an accident that injured both legs very badly. He came very near dying. He is alive and standing on his feet, however, and enthusiastic over going with Dr. Wilder as a "specimen."

From Old Point Dr. and Mrs. Wilder go to Atlantic City to join the procession on the board walk.

AN EXPLORATORY OPERATION. The Little Son of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Harkey Sustained Serious Injuries From a Fall.

The two-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. Harkey will undergo an exploratory operation at St. Peter's hospital tomorrow morning. The little fellow fell about ten days ago while playing with his brother, and a week passed before he showed the effects of the fall. Last Friday the little fellow complained of a pain about one of his hips and Dr. C. G. McManaway was summoned. The trouble could not be located and as it was of a serious nature it was thought advisable to have the exploratory operation performed to ascertain the extent of the injuries. The operation will be performed by Dr. Pressley and B. S. Moore.

TRAGEDY IN GEORGIA. As Result of Long Standing Feud, Two Men Killed by Brothers on Streets.

By Associated Press. Augusta, Ga., June 26.—As the result of a long standing feud, Lee Schrameck and D. C. Curtis, partners engaged in farming, were shot to death on streets of Waynesboro by L. D. and John Hill, brothers. L. D. Hill was fatally wounded, while his brother escaped injury and surrendered to the sheriff.

Official Appointments. Washington, June 26.—Formal announcement is made of the appointment of John Barrett as minister to Columbia, and G. J. Jarvis Bowen of Virginia consul at Guadeloupe, West Indies.

Pebels Paid Germans. Cape Town, Cape Colony, June 26.—Rebel leader Merozo attacked and defeated a German force commanded by Captain Seibert, in Karas mountains, Germany Southwest Africa. All German ammunition and supplies were carried off by the rebels. The losses are reported heavy.

En Route to Washington. London, June 26.—The correspondent of The Morning Post at Shanghai says: Mr. Otahiri, the Japanese consul here, has been recalled. He leaves Tuesday to proceed to Washington as one of the peace plenipotentiaries.

American Wins Second Round. London, June 26.—In the second round of singles, Beals C. Wright, of Boston, beats Simonds, 6-2, 6-2, 6-4.

