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Arms Conference Nears End; Adopt Root Treaty Providing For An Open Door In China

(By The Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—The arms conference moved swiftly toward its close today with a sixth plenary session at which were formally announced the Far Eastern treaty, restating the policy of the open door and affirming anew the territorial integrity of the old Celestial nation—the dream of her people since the numerous encroachments by foreign powers began years ago.

The new treaty for revising the Chinese tariff also was presented and the way was cleared for another and final plenary session Monday, when President Harding will mark the end of the history-making conference with an address. A resolution was unanimously adopted which was designed to provide procedure for dealing with questions that might arise in connection with the execution of provisions of articles of the Chinese general treaty relating to the open door policy and conduct of the Chinese railway. It provides that a board of reference be established in China to which any questions arising might be referred for investigation and report. It also stipulated that the special conference provided for in the treaty relating to Chinese customs tariff shall formulate for approval of the powers concerned a detailed plan for the execution of the board.

Assent of all powers also was given to the resolution declaring on the part of China that she will not allocate any part of her territory.

Senator Underwood was asked by Chairman Hughes to discuss provisions of the Chinese tariff treaty. The Senator said it might seem an anomaly to some that the conference, after recognizing the territorial integrity of China, should engage in a compact on a domestic question and that it might lead to a misunderstanding, if no explanation were offered. Delegates to the conference, Senator Underwood said, understand fully what the various powers represented have agreed with China on the adoption of a treaty relating to customs.

"In the 20th century treaties ceased to be compact between powers," Senator Underwood said. "If they are to have the same old-fashioned understanding between the people. In considering the Chinese tariff treaty, Senator Underwood said it was 'well to bear in mind the background of events that placed control of Chinese customs so largely in the hands of foreign powers.' "I may say," Senator Underwood continued, "that the present system has given very great satisfaction in its efficiency and in its fairness to all concerned. In the negotiation of this treaty there was general and universal sentiment around the table that on account of the disturbed conditions in China, most desirable governmental conditions, that it was desirable, if possible to China, that there should be no disturbance at this time of the present customs system."

Senator Underwood then read the statement to the Far Eastern committee of Minister Keo, on behalf of China, declaring that the Chinese Government had no desire to disturb the present administrative system.

"Speaking only for myself," Senator Underwood continued, "and desiring that in the not distant future China may have the opportunity when there is a parliamentary government established in China representing her people, to exercise full administrative functions. I hope the day may come in the not far distant future when China may regulate her own customs tariff. But for the present on account of the disturbed conditions it is manifest that there must be an understanding between China and the other nations. This agreement meets the approval of the representatives of the Chinese Government."

The audience applauded loudly.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—Following is the draft of the treaty embracing the Root four points for the integrity of China and the open door:

- (1) To respect the sovereignty, the independence and territorial and administrative integrity of China;
(2) To provide the fullest and most unembarrassed opportunity to China to develop and maintain for herself an effective and stable Government;
(3) To use their influence for the purpose of effectually establishing and maintaining the principle of equal opportunity for the commerce and industry of all nations throughout the territory of China;
(4) To refrain from taking advantage of conditions in China in order to secure special rights or privileges which would abridge the rights of subjects or citizens of friendly states, and from countenancing action inimical to the security of such states;

Article 2: The contracting powers agree not to enter into any treaty, agreement, arrangement or understanding, either with one another, or individually or collectively, with any power or powers, which would infringe or impair the principles stated in Article 1. Article 3: With a view to applying more effectually the principles of the open door or equality of opportunity in China for the trade and industry of all nations, the contracting powers, other than China, agree that they will not seek, nor support their respective nation in seeking, nor (A)—any arrangement which might purport to establish in favor of their interests any general superiority of rights with respect to commercial or economic development in any designated region of China; (B)—any such monopoly or preference as would devote the nations of any other power of the right of undertaking any legitimate trade or industry in China, or of participating with the Chinese Government, or with any local authority, in any category of public enterprise, or which by reason of its scope, duration, or geographical extent is calculated to frustrate the practical application of the principle of equal opportunity. It is understood that the foregoing stipulations of this article are not to be construed as to prohibit the acquisition of such properties or rights as may be necessary to the conduct of a particular commercial, industrial, or financial undertaking or to the encouragement of invention and research. China undertakes to be guided by the principles stated in the foregoing stipulations of this article in dealing with applications for economic rights and privileges from Governments and nationals of all foreign countries, whether parties to the present treaty, or not. Article 4: The contracting powers agree not to support any agreements by their respective nationals with each other designed to create spheres of influence or to provide for the enjoyment of mutually exclusive opportunities in designated parts of Chinese territory. Article 5: China agrees, that, throughout the whole of the railways in China, she will not exercise or permit unfair discriminations of any kind. In particular there shall be no discrimination whatever, direct or indirect, in respect of charges or of facilities on the ground of the nationality of passengers or the countries from which or to which they are proceeding, or to the origin of ownership of goods or to the country from which or to which they are consigned, or the nationality or ownership of the ship or other means of conveying such passengers or goods before or after their transport on the Chinese railways.

"HELL AND MARIA" DAWES PROVES HIS NAME

Pounds Some Hard Facts Into Officials' Heads—Brandishing Broom in Each Hand, Pacing Platform and Stamping, He Speaks.

(By The Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—Brandishing a broom in either hand, striding rapidly from one end of the platform to the other and stamping his feet until the echoes rang in the D. A. B. hall where the arms conference meets in dignified conference, Charles G. Dawes, director of the budget, brought home to more than a thousand officials assembled today in the second business meeting of the government the appropriateness of his "hell and maria" nickname. For more than half a hour he poured forth criticism and praise alike on officials of high and low degree.

Stopping suddenly in the midst of a citation of instances of lack of co-operation by governmental departments, which instances he described as "fly specks" on the bureau's record of accomplishment, Mr. Dawes suddenly shouted: "Where are those brooms?" Three brooms were produced from under a table by an assistant. "There," the budget director exclaimed, pounding the floor with the handle of one of the brooms, "is our broom that meets navy specifications. And here are brooms that don't meet those specifications but sweep just as well. The navy bought 18,000 of its specification brooms when it could have had 350,000 army brooms for nothing."

The budget director went on to say it took a month's persuasion to make the marine corps adopt a slight change in color in order to use 100,000 army shirts and save \$24,000. He told Secretary Denby, however, the record of the navy for co-operation with the bureau was the best of the departments. As an instance of co-operation in the treasury, he declared that when it was found there were 18 different purchasing agencies in that department their co-ordination was effected without delay. Secretary Mellon is a business man," he added. "His fur didn't go up or his back arch when my co-ordinators came in." Legislative and executive heads of the government "determine how the day sails," but the budget bureau "determines how far she sails." Mr. Dawes said at another point, and added: "If Congress should decide that garbage should be spread on the White House steps—such as we love the President—it would be for the budget bureau to advise how the largest amount of garbage could be spread in the most economic manner."

THIS MOTHER WALKED FROM IOWA TO LEAD FOR SON WITH THE PRESIDENT



Mother love buoyed up Mrs. Margaret Anderson as she walked most of the way from Sioux City, Iowa, to Washington. Her son Joe, 21 years old, is said to be dying of tuberculosis in Leavenworth prison. Joe ran a way from home and enlisted in Co. K, 139th Infantry, 39th Division. In the Argonne, he and others of his outfit were caught in their own barrage and gassed. After returning from abroad he re-enlisted and while on furlough overstayed his leave. He re-enlisted under an assumed name. His identity became known, he was court-martialed and sent to Leavenworth for two years. Joe at one time was a newsboy for The Marion, Ohio, Star, the president's newspaper.

REPUBLICAN MORNING DAILY PAPER PROPOSED FOR CITY OF RALEIGH

Promoters Would Move Durham Sun to Capital City to Combat News and Observer, Greensboro Daily News and Charlotte Observer—City School Superintendents Want to Cut Overhead Expenses.

(By W. T. Post.) RALEIGH, Feb. 3.—City superintendent attending the conference here today with Superintendent E. C. Brooks were generally in rapport with the idea of cutting overhead expenses and getting more teaching into the system. The superintendent addressed the superintendents who were here from every part of the state. As illustrating the cost of teaching he employed one county which has been paying its teachers \$20 a month. The per capita cost of that county has been 20 cents daily. Another county (or it may be a school) has been paying the teachers \$76 a month and teaching for 14 cents a day. Some schools were cited which have been teaching on a basis of 13 in a room, others near it have had 28, twice as many. The superintendent knowing how far-reaching this policy will be has resolved to write and will ask the papers to publish it.

The question of tuition came up, too. It is the knottiest of the superintendents' issues. Every pioneer who has welcomed an opportunity to go up, a gainst it either has hit it a blow like in to the belly god and retreated, or else basted his brains out with continued battling. Nobody has solved it.

There is a prominent solution in Wilson and New Hanover counties, the first with a county and city superintendent combined, but two boards of education to waste always. Superintendent Coon, who wasn't born for ambers adoration to the Court of St. James, nevertheless, has been able to work with both boards. New Hanover has one county and city superintendent and one board of education. And when one man's jurisdiction is made wide with no local districts and liabilities to hamper, the work is immensely simplified. But the county unit system means radical changes and the folks are hard to anticipate. Scrapping the system is dangerous. Yet, the question of tuition because of no residence in a district, everlastingly worries. The county children brought to town for school advantages, yet resident in the country, make an eternal issue. And everybody admits their right to instruction.

Touchee referendum on the date for the 1922 teachers' assembly, it was said today that the opposition to Thanksgiving as convention week has become formidable and that nearly all the ballots thus far counted have spoken for a change, October being the popular month.

Most of those speaking today distinctly opposed changing the date from Thanksgiving and reaction enough to save the old date may result.

Republican Morning Daily. A Republican and Democratic interest in a Republican morning daily soon to come out from Durham has needed only a publisher's announcement to brighten it and that formal statement is expected any day.

The Durham Sun will enter the morning field, according to news drifting here from the Ball town. The Sun is new Republican and has been so several years though it often has suffered by the hand of its own party when western Republicans were announcing that in Asheville the "only Republican daily in the state" was printed up there. If the plans of President W. W. Weaver carry, the afternoon paper will issue morning, noon and evening editions and look everything in sight.

It will seek to counteract The News and Observer's influence in the east by going to the Democratic daily's territory on the same train. It hopes to match The Greensboro Daily News in the west and evidently to offset the court organ, The Charlotte Observer, on the far southwest. The Sun would be glad to play as party organ, the sweet times of the administration, so Republicans visiting in Raleigh say. The Democracy has two outspoken party muscle-makers, at least, the notes of The News and Observer often do not sound entirely in harmony with the one of The Charlotte Observer.

Orthodox Republicans do not hesitate to cast their choice of opposition organs with The News and Observer. They credit Editor Daniels with unmitigated partisanship, and abhorrence of all independence, undiluted belief in the principles of his party. They remember the engagement of The Charlotte Observer lack in the late days of the old century, its campaign against Woodrow Wilson in 1912, and its present strident protestation of regularity. The promoters of the morning daily undoubtedly have political psychology. They would like to invade the territory of a paper which is determined to know nothing but Democracy and it defied, and likewise the organ which is surrounded by and enamored of everything hostile to Democracy, yet shouts so loudly as temporarily to silence the beautiful her-manes played by the organ, the ancient days.

This is the "psychology" of the venture as handed to The Daily News bureau. But psychology is neither money nor legal tender. It takes more even than the flat finance to make it go either west or east.

RAIN FIRST OF WEEK IS WEATHER FORECAST (By The Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—Weather predictions for the week beginning Monday are: Middle Atlantic States: Rains over southern and snow or rain over northern portions at the beginning of the week and on Friday or Saturday; otherwise fair, with temperature near normal. South Atlantic and East Gulf States: Rains at the beginning of the week, and again Friday or Saturday, otherwise fair, with normal temperatures.

MYSTERY SURROUNDS DEATH OF TAYLOR; SUSPICION DIRECTED TO YOUNG ACTRESS

Taylor's Real Name Is Said to Be Deane-Tanner - Revenge With Jealousy Said to Be Motive For Crime - Murdered Man Had Varied and Checkered Career in Klondyke, New York and Chicago.

(By The Associated Press.) LOS ANGELES, Calif., Feb. 4.—Mystery surrounding the shooting to death in his Hollywood home of William Desmond Taylor, motion picture director, whose true name, it is alleged, was William Deane-Tanner, remained unsolved today. Police working on the case since the body was found Thursday morning claimed, however, they possessed a number of possible clues, and that suspicion was directed chiefly toward a young motion picture actress whose name they withheld, and, through her, toward another film director, likewise unnamed by them.

Revenge, with jealousy as the probable direct cause, was confirmed in the minds of some detectives, they said, as the motive for the killing. The closer the dead director's life was scrutinized, the detectives said, the more they were led to adhere to their original theory. The latest motion picture actress to be drawn into the investigation, said at one time to have been intimately associated with Taylor, was said to be out of the city, but the police gave no intimation as to the whereabouts of the director, whose name was linked with hers in the stories told the detectives by a number of persons at an inquiry extending over several hours.

While keen efforts were being made by the officers to locate the actress and the director, it was understood the latest angle to the investigation would not cause them to relax their search for Edward F. Sams, Taylor's former partner. His review of Taylor's friendships and activities was said to have brought the police into close acquaintance with his companionship with a number of picture actresses, including, among the most prominent, Mabel Normand, Mary Miles Minter and Claire Windsor.

Miss Normand is said to have admitted, as did Neva Gierber, another film actress, that Taylor once had been engaged to her, while Miss Minter also is said to have enjoyed the director's close friendship at one time. It was only a week before his death, however, according to Miss Windsor's mother, that the latter took her first automobile ride and dinner with Taylor. The police plan to interview Miss Windsor as they have the other actresses, in their search for possible clues, as soon as she returns from a trip into the country, where she is said to be "on location" with Marshall Neilan, a director.

The statement that Taylor's name really was William Deane-Tanner, and not William Desmond Taylor, came from a woman calling herself Mrs. Ada Deane-Tanner, of Moscow, that she also also described herself as the deserted wife of Deane-Tanner, the director's brother. She said the director had given her an allowance of \$50 a month for the last six years, during which period she had seen him only once, however. Mrs. Deane-Tanner has two children. She declared her father, Deane-Tanner, an interior decorator, deserted her, after 12 years' marriage. Her maiden name was Bronson, she added.

Never together, film actress, who said she once had been engaged to marry William Desmond Taylor, slain motion picture director, said the engagement had been broken off because they "both believed it an unsuitable match." "I have never known a finer, better man than Mr. Taylor," said Miss Gierber. "He was the soul of honor."

"So far as I know he did not have an enemy in the world, although he mooned around with the girls he had on his various trips to the Klondyke." "He often spoke of his mother, then in London, and his little daughter. He always termed the latter a 'child' and was planning to bring her to Los Angeles. It was my understanding his former wife was living in New York. I always assumed he was divorced, for had he not been, he would not, I believe, have asked me to marry him."

At variance with the opinion of others was the belief expressed today by Mary Miles Minter that Taylor had not been married, and had no daughter. However, official search of Taylor's safety deposit box in a bank here, disclosed a letter to him from the daughter, Ethel Daisy Taylor, postmarked at Moscow, N. Y.

The public administrator also stated he had found her exact address in Taylor's apartments, but was keeping it from the press at the girl's request. This was confirmed in a telegram received here today from the girl in answer to one from him. It is believed that the director's entire estate, valued at approximately \$60,000, as revealed by a search of the deposit box, will go to the daughter. The box also contained jewelry believed to be worth about \$1,500.

The coroner began a search for Taylor's former wife, which, it was said, might lead to England. Among reports given to the police was one that recently Taylor, solely for the purpose of obtaining "atmosphere" had attended what they described as two or three "hop" parties, where all but he had either smoked opium or taken a drug in some form.

In giving publicity to this latter report, The Los Angeles Examiner declared "the possibility that the beginning of a tragedy had its setting at one of these proscribed affairs" was being considered.

HAD CHECKERED CAREER.

(By The Associated Press.) CHICAGO, Feb. 4.—Chapters in the life of William Desmond Taylor, motion picture director, was main in Los Angeles Wednesday night, were described here today by friends who said they knew him well. Prior to 1908, as William Deane-Tanner, an art connoisseur, Taylor was manager for a prominent New York firm of art and antique furniture dealers, and had a wide circle of friends, it was said. In 1907, he secretly married Miss Ethel May Harrison, a member of the original Floradora company and they had a child, Ethel, now 14 years of age, according to Chicago friends. In 1908, he suddenly disappeared in mysterious fashion and his wife was unable to give any clue to his whereabouts or to assign any reason for his actions, and several years later obtained a divorce and since has married a prominent New York merchant, according to this source.

About two years later, Tanner surprised several old acquaintances by calling at their homes in Los Angeles, and is reported to have said he had been shanghaied at night in Lower Broadway, New York, and taken aboard a sailing vessel bound around Cape Horn.

In 1910 he left Los Angeles and it was assumed he was going to British Columbia to resume railroad work. He had not been successful in the former city. He returned to Los Angeles about 1913 and soon obtained a position with a motion picture concern at Long Beach.

To friends he explained that he had played in theatrical stock companies during his absence from Los Angeles and this stage experience, they believe, was the foundation of his success in the motion picture field. For a year or more he was connected with the Balboa Film Company in Long Beach and advanced to a directorship in important companies in Hollywood. His life since then, with his advancement to the forefront as a director, is a matter of green history.

TRUE NAME OF TAYLOR WAS DEANE TANNER

(By The Associated Press.) LOS ANGELES, CALIF., Feb. 4.—The true name of the motion picture director who was known as William Desmond Taylor, and who was found slain in his apartments here Tuesday morning, was William Deane-Tanner, according to a story the Los Angeles Times is publishing this morning.

That statement together with one that Taylor had been twice married, was said by The Times to have been obtained on Monday, about 20 miles from Los Angeles, from a woman known as Mrs. Ada Deane-Tanner, who described herself as the "deserted wife" of Taylor's brother.

KIWANIANS WILL HEAR NOTED BUSINESS SPEAKER

At the next regular luncheon meeting of the Gastonia Kiwanis Club, of which Mr. H. M. Jones is president, the speaker will be Mr. H. L. Morrill, of the Alexander Hamilton Institute, of New York City. Mr. Morrill's subject will be "The Soul of Business." He is widely known as a speaker with an inspiring message, and it is hoped that all members will make it a point to be present to hear him. The hour of meeting is 12:25 Tuesday noon in the First Baptist Annex. Committee in charge of the meeting consist of "Doc" T. A. Wilkins, John G. Carpenter and Cantey Johnson.

GASTON COUNTY WOODROW WILSON FOUNDATION FUND.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Amount. Includes entries for P. W. Garland (\$352.00), W. E. Haynes (5.00), Miss Cora Clark (1.00), W. V. Warren (1.00), C. E. Huffstetter (1.00), G. Howard Huffstetter (1.00), Geo. R. Huffstetter (1.00), R. P. Huffstetter (1.00), C. Harvey Huffstetter (1.00), Garbary Huffstetter (1.00). Total \$370.00.

Cotton Market

Table with 2 columns: Location and Price. Includes entries for NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—Cotton futures closed as follows: March 16.51; May 16.41; July 16.02; October 15.71; December 15.40. Spots 17.90. TODAY'S COTTON MARKET: Cotton Seed 45c; Strict to Good Middling 16 1/2.