

Arms Limitation Parley Believed The Next Step In Evolution World Peace

League of Nations Planning Call Such a Conference in Not Remote Future, but Would Defer Initiative to President Coolidge if American Executive Should Decide Time Is Ripe to Step In

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Washington, Oct. 17.—The next step in the evolution of world peace now is a disarmament conference—or rather, to be technically correct—a conference to reduce and limit the size of standing armies and further limit the use of naval and air weapons.

President Coolidge stands ready to call such a conference if the idea is approved by other powers. The League of Nations has prepared to call a conference, but there is little doubt that Europe would defer to the wishes of Mr. Coolidge if he cared to convoke the parley sooner than the one scheduled by the League of Nations.

The President has indicated his desire for reduction of armaments in several speeches but has always conditioned his promise on the making of a security pact between European nations which would make it possible for public opinion everywhere to approve reduction in military expense with an assurance of safety.

France has argued for a large army on two grounds: Germany's inclination to avoid payment of reparations and the possibility of a German invasion when once France had disarmed.

Now the Dawes plan has been set in operation answering the first objection and the Locarno conference at which France and Germany have agreed on the neutrality of the Rhine zone and arbitration is an answer to the second objection.

Most compelling of all reasons, however, is the economic situation in France where M. Caillaux, finance minister, in the midst of a crisis calling either for a levy of capital on the wealthy or intensive taxation of rich as well as poor.

The Republican are pleased because they say Europe has been admonished under the Harding and Coolidge administrations to settle European problems first and then American moral and material aid would then be forthcoming.

WOMAN IS TAKEN IN BIG HOLD-UP BAND

New York, Oct. 17.—Police arrested here today a woman and seven men as leaders of a band of criminals who are responsible for many crimes, including murder and robberies over a period of six years.

COTTON MARKET

New York, Oct. 17.—Spot cotton closed steady, middling 21.80, an advance of 15 points. Futures, closing bid: Oct. 21.50, Dec. 21.53, Jan. 20.84, March 21.14, May 21.30.

Mussolini Holds Press Reception

Reads Statement on Italian Foreign Policy to Few Correspondents

By PAUL SCOTT MOWBR (Copyright, 1925, by The Advance)

Locarno, Oct. 17.—Despite a boycott decided upon by practically all the British, French, Dutch and Belgian press correspondents at the Locarno conference, by half the German press and by all the American correspondents except those representing the news agencies, Premier Mussolini today held a press reception.

To the small group of correspondents awaiting his presence the Italian dictator read a statement on the Italian foreign policy. Then he waited a moment for questions, but as none were forthcoming, he marched out pompously with his civilian bodyguard.

Mussolini, striding with measured tread, like the hero in a melodrama, stopped abruptly before one British correspondent and said in French:

"So Communism is still progressing."

"I have no reply for you, Mr. Premier," replied the correspondent.

"Why?"

"Because I am not a communist."

"Didn't I meet you at Cannes?" Mussolini insisted.

"No."

"Then I am mistaken."

Hereupon a Belgian journalist spoke up from the rear of the group:

"That happens often."

The dictator, obviously irritated, hesitated a moment, then swung slowly around and enunciated grandiloquently "perhaps."

Thereupon he paraded onward followed by his bodyguard.

The more than 200 important European journalists assembled here are resentful against Mussolini because of his treatment of Foreign correspondents in Italy.

GIVE WALES REST SAYS THE BRITON

From Cottage to Palace Idea Seems to Prevail Prince Done Well

By HAL O'FLAHERTY (Copyright, 1925, by The Advance)

London, Oct. 17.—"Give the lad a rest. He has earned it."

On every hand, among all classes, one hears this expression when the Prince of Wales' name is mentioned.

FIVE FACTS ARE INITIALED RESULT OF LOCARNO MEET

Locarno, Switzerland, Oct. 17.—Europe's security conference ended early today literally in a blaze throughout the night. There were fire works, music and dancing to commemorate the initialing of five pacts which the allied and German statesmen have formulated with the idea of a new Europe arising from its old slough of discord.

COUNTY EXHIBIT WINS ATTENTION

Hundreds View Pasquotank's Display at State Fair in Raleigh

Though it failed to take high honors at the State Fair this week, Pasquotank County's exhibit attracted much favorable comment, and was productive of highly valuable advertising for the county.

Pasquotank ranked eighth among the counties that exhibited at the fair. It was this County's first entry as an exhibitor in the big State exposition, and the showing made was highly creditable.

Mr. Job stated, in view of the fact that neither he nor County Agent Falls knew exactly what was expected of them, or on what basis the awards were to be made.

Two Perquimans County maids took stellar honors in the poultry demonstration at the fair, Misses Elizabeth Winslow and Ellie Rodgerson.

Mr. Job has returned from the State Fair committed strongly to the idea of putting on a North-eastern Carolina exhibit at next year's fair.

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MINE DISASTER IN WEST VIRGINIA TODAY

Grafton, W. Va., Oct. 17.—An explosion in a powder house of the Starford Stripper Company mine at Bryden, near here, this afternoon was followed by fire in the works, according to reports here.

All wires to Bryden are down and it is impossible to learn whether the 14 miners employed in the mine had escaped.

ASKED PHONE MRS. BELL

All members of the D. H. Hill of the U. D. C. who expect to attend the banquet and luncheon the coming week to be given during the annual convention of the Daughters are asked to please notify Mrs. C. D. Bell, phone 426.

ALL FLOOD GATES OF SPECULATION BURST ON STOCK EXCHANGE

New York, Oct. 17.—The flood gates of speculation staggering under the load of swollen streams of buying orders pouring from all sections of the country, burst upon the floor of the New York Stock Exchange and swept the prices upward in one of the wildest sessions witnessed in recent years.

Quoted values were carried up one to seven points in the first frenzied outbreak of buying, and then collapsed two to 10 points under an avalanche of selling orders.

Series' Closest At Home Plate



A slide—a dive—a split-second decision by Empire Owens, and Third baseman Bluege of Washington was safe at the plate in the second inning of the sixth world series battle, at Pittsburgh. Catcher Earl Smith's futile stab at Bluege as the third sacker's foot hooked the rubber is shown remarkably in the above photograph. Back of Empire Owens is Severed, bat in hand. Bluege scored from first on a double by Peckinpach.

Three Men Die As Storm Wrecks Plane

Wheeling, West Virginia, Oct. 17.—Less than a hundred miles from where the Sherandoah met disaster, 44 planes late yesterday were set upon by the elements, rain and fog, and three men were killed when one of the planes crashed to earth.

Fourteen of the others were forced down. Four returned to Bolling Field, Washington, from where the planes hopped off for their trip west. Fourteen managed to get through to Dayton, Ohio, and 11 came down at Langin Field, Moundsville.

The group of planes had participated in air races at Mitchell Field and were on their way to interior stations flying by way of Washington.

Shanghai Is Seized Without Single Shot

Shanghai, Oct. 17.—The forces of General Sun Chuan Fang, Chekiang province, defense commissioner, captured Shanghai yesterday morning without firing a single shot. The population of the city was virtually unaware that anything had happened.

The foreign special police have not been mobilized, but have been ordered to stand by.

The Manchurian troops about 80 miles north of Shanghai.

John Doe Pays \$20 Fine For Dexterity At Cards

Wild West Show Proves Remarkably Faithful in Historic Detail; Truth of Barnum's Oft Quoted Saying Proved at Circus

That the Wild West show with the circus Friday was really reenacting the old frontier days with a conscientious attention to detail was disclosed through the arrest that night of a card sharp who was carrying on a merry game in an enclosed space at the rear of the sidewalk.

The card sharper steadily refused to divulge his name. Hence it was that a warrant charging one John Doe with unlawful gaming was duly filed in recorder's court Saturday morning.

That people still will try to beat a man at his own game at a circus or elsewhere, despite painful experiences of other years, is interesting proof of the wisdom of that oft quoted statement of the late P. T. Barnum, king of all showmen, to the effect that the birth rate of suckers averages 60 per hour.

Cenacolo Dispute Settled At Last



The Building in Palestine where Christ celebrated the last supper conceals, say the Mohammedans, the tomb of David. For centuries this holy of holies of two religions, has been steeped in blood of conflict. Now, says Mr. Gunther in his cable from Rome, the dispute is to be settled at last.

TAX CUT BILL HAS RIGHT OF WAY AS CONGRESS MEETS

Washington, Oct. 17.—Definite agreement has been reached among the House administration leaders to give the prospective tax reduction bill the right of way upon the opening of Congress in December.

ROUTINE MATTERS ON FOURTH DAY CONFERENCE

Richmond, Oct. 17.—Fourth day's session of the Virginia Methodist Conference proceeded leisurely today in the consideration of special and individual ministers in the hearing of individual ministers who answered to the bishop's question as to their character and work.

ROBBERS GET \$50,000

Chicago, Oct. 17.—Four robbers held up the plain of the International Harvester Company on the far south side and escaped. The police estimated the loot at \$50,000.

VISITS TRAVIS CHURCH

Mrs. S. C. Newbold left Saturday for Columbia to attend a missionary meeting at Travis Church Sunday.

WILES ACQUITTED BY DURHAM COUNTY JURY

Durham, Oct. 17.—Robert Wiles of Columbia, South Carolina, was acquitted by the jury in Durham County Court here of the charges of the murder of Ralph Gordon, also of Columbia.

The ecclesiastical claims now have been settled by granting governance of the site in perpetuity to Italian Franciscans who must always be accompanied by one Spanish friar and must always permit Turkish and Jewish pilgrims free access.

Political claims have not yet been settled but Edgland and Italy probably will agree to submit the matter to the League.

Opening Day Is Time To Enter Circulation Drive Announced By Advance

Those Wishing to Nominate Themselves or Some Friend to Compete for Three Automobiles and Other Prizes Offered Advised to Act Without Delay



Today marks the opening of The Daily Advance subscription and prize campaign and it is now time for those who are thinking of getting into the race for one of the three automobiles or some of the other prizes offered to bring in, send in, or mail in their nominations.

Already several have entered their names for a share of the more than \$3,000 in prizes and commissions that this paper offers ambitious folks who vote for themselves during the coming six weeks.

GIRL BADLY HURT IN CAR ACCIDENT

Miss Maudie B. Long Sustains Cuts About Face When Auto Hits Wire

Cuts about the face which required seven stitches to close, and which may leave permanent scars, were sustained by Miss Maudie B. Long, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Long, who live near Epworth Methodist Church, on the Weekville Highway, about two miles from this city, last night when the car in which she was riding with several companions collided with a guy wire used to brace a telephone pole near the filling station of Maywood v. Winslow, on West Main street.

The car was driven by Weldon Creaf, who lives near Epworth Church also. Miss Long was on the front seat with him. On the rear seat were Miss Long's aunt, Miss Elsie Long, and Cloy Everton of this city. The accident occurred about 8 o'clock, just after Creaf had bought five gallons of gas at Winslow's filling station.

The driveway from the filling station to Main street curves slightly. As one drives out, the telephone is to the left of the entrance, and almost dead ahead of the point where the motorist would ordinarily stop to fill his gas tank.

In discussing the accident this morning, Mr. Winslow stated he had requested the removal of the wire several times, but without avail. Officials of the Norfolk & Carolina Telephone & Telegraph Company declared today that the pole was at the "dead end" of a line running down Main street, and was under a strain of about 8,000 pounds. They added that it would be very difficult to move the pole, due to the curve in the street just beyond that point.

Miss Long is 17 years old. Her injuries were treated shortly after the accident by Dr. R. L. Kendrick. The car was little damaged when it struck the wire, other than the smashing of the windshield when Miss Long was thrown against it.

Mr. Winslow stated that a colored motorist, leaving his filling station, hit the wire in much the same fashion Thursday night. The car "stood on its head," as he put it, but righted itself without damage.

INFANT BAPTISM SUNDAY

There will be a service for the baptism of infants Sunday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock at the First Methodist Church.