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## BRIEF CULLINGS OF NORTH STATE NEWS

News of Interest Gleaned From All Sections of the State and Arranged For Busy Readers

### Peace Meeting in October.

Greensboro, Special.—A peace conference under the auspices of the North Carolina Peace Society will be held in Greensboro during the celebration of centennial week in October. A formal invitation for the conference to be held here at that time has been extended by the board of centennial managers and accepted for the society by President Hayne Davis. Messrs. Julius I. Foust, Robert D. Douglas and A. M. Seales have been appointed members of an executive committee to make preparations for the meeting.

The list of speakers scheduled for the conference embraces a number of distinguished men and women among them being: Ex-Governor Aycock, B. Douglas, Mr. Locke Craig, Dr. W. W. Kitchin, Dr. W. L. Poter, president of Wake Forest College, James A. B. Scherer, of Newberry, S. C.; Prof. J. Y. Joyner, State Superintendent of Public Instruction; Senator Lee S. Overman, who will speak on the subject, "International House of Representatives," The Hon. John Sharp Williams, "The Modern Amphiprotic Council," Chief Justice Walter Clark, "The International Judiciary," Hon. George W. Norris, of Nebraska, "A Practical Plan for International Peace," Congressman Richmond Pearson Hobson, "Arbitration and Armaments," Mrs. Donald McLean, "Peace and the Revolution," Mrs. Lizzie George Henderson, "The Daughters of the Confederacy and Peace;" Dr. John Franklin Crowell, formerly president of Trinity College and now editor of The Wall Street Journal, "The Economic Salvation of the Nations;" Dr. Thomas Hume, "What Professors Can Do For Peace;" Prof. Horace H. Williams, "The Ethics of Peace;" United States Senator James B. McCreary, of Kentucky, "The Possibilities of the Pan-American Union;" United States Senator "Bob" Taylor, of Tennessee; Speaker E. J. Justice, of the North Carolina House of Representatives, "States' Rights and the Navy;" J. Allen Taylor, of Wilmington, "The Waste of War;" William H. Taylor, "Peace as a Practical Proposition for Practical Men."

Another feature of the centennial celebration which is expected to attract much attention will be "Pythian Day," when members of the Knights of Pythias from all over the country will be invited to gather in Greensboro. The local committee is planning for a parade of 5,000 or more members of the order.

The indications are that Greensboro will be supplied with two theatres next season. Mr. S. A. Schloss, who lost control of the Grand Opera House when that place of amusement was leased to Mr. H. H. Tate, is on a trade with the directors of the Greensboro Auditorium Company for a section of the huge building now in course of construction on the corner of Sycamore and Forbis streets. It is probable that Mr. Schloss will lease a section of the auditorium and convert it into a theatre with a seating capacity of 3,000 or more.

### Extensive Street Work Going On.

Winston-Salem, Special.—Extensive street work is now going on in both Winston and Salem and other work is contemplated as soon as that already mapped out has been completed. Never before in the history of the city has so much of this kind of work been going on at one time. Some improvement is being made on practically every principal street of the city. Salem will put down considerable bituminous pavement in the near future.

### Big Lumber Company.

Raleigh, Special.—A charter was issued last week to the Tar River Lumber Company of Rocky Mount, with a capital of \$300,000, all subscribed. The company will do a general lumber business, erect factories, dwellings, etc. The principal incorporators are Kate J. Harris and Horace E. Parker, Elmira, N. Y., and W. E. Groom, Rocky Mount.

### Election of Dr. Hill as President.

Raleigh, Special.—There is much gratification among the alumni of this city over the election of Dr. D. H. Hill as president of the A. & M. College. Dr. Hill has been with the college since it was established over eighteen years ago and has ever been a faithful officer. As professor of English he has done much to raise the standard of the literary department, and as acting president, he has ably filled that position. His friends are confident that he will reflect credit upon himself and the institution.

### Injured in Runaway Accident.

Spencer, Special.—Sam Pearce, aged about 16 years, a deliveryman for the Antiseptic Laundry here, was painfully injured in a runaway accident in Spencer Friday. After running half a mile with the lad the horse upset the wagon and a heavy piece of glass from the side of the wagon fell across both his feet cutting dangerous gashes in each ankle.

### Asheville Hit by Storm.

Asheville, Special.—Asheville was visited shortly after midnight Wednesday night by the heaviest rain and severest electrical storm since the establishment of the weather bureau here many years ago. The rear here many years ago. The storm came out of the east and suddenly. The electric lighting plant was put out of business temporarily and great damage was done telephone wires. The Asheville Cotton Mill was fired by a bolt and five hundred dollars damage was done before the fire was put out. Nearly two inches of rain fell.

## ROOSEVELT PEACE LEADER

In a letter to Mr. Hayne Davis the President of the United States signifies His Willingness to Accept the Position of First Honorary President of the Peace and Arbitration League.

New York, Special.—President Roosevelt has accepted the honorary presidency of the Peace and Arbitration League, which is the outgrowth of the North Carolina congress, and which has as its object adequate armament and effective arbitration.

President Roosevelt's letter accepting the honorary presidency was made public by Hayne Davis, former president of the league. It follows: "My Dear Mr. Davis:

"I am in receipt of your letter enclosing notice of my election as first honorary president of the peace league, and gladly accept; for I most emphatically believe that the whole American people should subscribe to what you call your 'practical programme for peace'; that is to the doctrine that we should provide adequate armament to protect us all against aggression, and at the same time strive for the effectual arbitration of any and all disputes that may arise between us and foreign powers where it is possible to submit to arbitration. In other words, I cordially sympathize with your announced programme, and believe it is possible to make as rapid progress as possible toward permanent world peace. As you well say we should have an unquestionable superior power in our own possessions and in the waters adjacent thereto in the Atlantic and Pacific oceans; and we should also do everything possible to secure agreements with all governments to respect each other's territorial and sovereignty and to arbitrate all other questions.

"I should be delighted to see Senator McCreary president of the league if you do not feel you can continue in that office.

"Sincerely yours,  
"THEODORE ROOSEVELT."  
Senator James B. McCreary, of Kentucky, is the active president of the league.

### PLAN FOR CAMPAIGN.

Prominent Republicans From Every Section Confer With National Chairman Hitchcock in regard to the coming campaign.

Chicago, Special.—As the result of the Republican conference here Saturday, which was called by Frank H. Hitchcock, chairman of the national committee, headquarters will be established immediately in eight States and active campaigning for Taft and Sherman begun long before these States had expected to take up work. The States taking part in the conference were Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Missouri, Michigan, Minnesota and Wisconsin. They were represented by the following: National Committeeman E. E. Hart, Iowa; A. T. Rogers, Wisconsin; and A. R. Burnham, Kentucky; State Chairman Roy O. West, Illinois; J. P. Goodrich, Indiana; C. F. Franke, Iowa; R. H. Winn, Kentucky; G. J. Diekema, Michigan; A. D. Brown, Minnesota; W. D. Diekey, Missouri; and W. D. Connor, Wisconsin, State Secretaries Edward St. Clair, Illinois; Carl Riddick, Indiana; A. P. Adler, Iowa; S. Bennett, Kentucky; D. E. Alyward, Michigan; D. H. Salmon, J. A. Martin, Minnesota, and J. E. Thomas, Wisconsin.

### Leaders Enthusiastic.

The meeting was one of the most enthusiastic yet had by Mr. Hitchcock, although at the outset the men were less receptive than were the representatives of the States in the far West who met in early part of the week at Colorado Springs. This was due, it is said, to the fact that some of the men came from States which they regarded as debatable and they had little data on which to base political estimates. It was agreed that polls should be taken at once in order to gather necessary information concerning the voters and William Hayward, State chairman for Nebraska, and Victor Rosewater, national committeeman from that State, explained the system they have used there for a number of years.

### To Urge Radical Reforms.

Chicago, Special.—The platform of the Independence party, which is to meet in national convention this week will, if present plans are carried out, contain a much more radical declaration on the question of injunction than was embodied in the platform of either the Democratic or Republican party.

From present indications the temper of the convention will be in favor of a declaration doing away entirely with preliminary injunctions in cases of labor disputes.

## J. J. HAYES, AMERICAN, MARATHON WINNER

Italian, Dorando, Assisted Over Line in Lead, Collapses.

### DISQUALIFIED BECAUSE HELPED

Hayes Fresh at the Finish—Americans Are Joyful, Having Taken First, Third, Fourth and Ninth in the Long Race

London, England.—Surely there can never have been such a Marathon race run as that which an American won. It was started in the precincts of Windsor's historic castle by the Princess of Wales, and the picked long distance runners of the world, numbering fifty-eight, began their long run of more than twenty-six miles to the great stadium at Shepherd's Bush. Of these fifty-eight Americans provided seven. Of these seven no less than five were numbered among the first fifteen to cross the winning line, which was placed before the Queen of England.

It was a remarkable demonstration of the strides that long distance running has made in the United States and astounded the competitors and athletic sharps of the countries that competed. Always in the race from the start, the Americans, not over-prominent during the early period of the contest, began to come to the front rapidly during the closing miles, and when Dorando, the Italian, collapsed ten yards from the finish and was dragged unconscious across the line the protest which the Americans raised was soon settled in their favor and Hayes, of America, who was two minutes later in crossing the line, received first place.

Hendon, of South Africa, got second place, and Forshaw, of America, third. The order of the finish for the first eighteen men was as follows:

- First—Dorando, Italy.
- Second—Hayes, United States.
- Third—Hofferson, South Africa.
- Fourth—Forshaw, United States.
- Fifth—Welton, United States.
- Sixth—Wood, Canada.
- Seventh—Simpson, Canada.
- Eighth—Lawson, Canada.
- Ninth—Svanberg, Sweden.
- Tenth—Tewanina, United States.
- Eleventh—Nieminen, Finland.
- Twelfth—Caffery, Canada.
- Thirteenth—Clarke, United Kingdom.
- Fourteenth—Barnes, United Kingdom.
- Fifteenth—Hatch, United States.
- Sixteenth—Lord, United Kingdom.
- Seventeenth—Goldsboro, Canada.
- Eighteenth—Beale, United Kingdom.

### HOW THEY FINISHED

\*Disqualified.

Hayes' time was 2 hours 55 minutes 41 seconds, unofficial time. Never in the history of an athletic event, either in this country or in those of the teams competing here, has anything been witnessed equalling the spectacle at the finish of the Marathon race. A short time before Dorando, the leader, within sight of the stadium, appeared, within sight of the structure his approach was announced by the megaphone men to the crowd. It was announced, had passed South Africa, and was coming in to the finish ahead.

For five minutes there was a tense hush within the stadium. It was 5:26 o'clock p. m. when Dorando finally appeared at the entrance. He was a pitiful wreck, with drawn face and tottering legs. He was hardly able to support himself and friends following closely behind stood ready to prevent his falling. One hundred and fifty yards from the finish he fell in a heap, but his friends lifted him up and he started on again, only to fall once more, a few yards beyond. Brandy and other stimulants were administered to Dorando, and when it was seen that he was in such condition that the few remaining yards were beyond his ability to gain he was swallowed up in a throng of excited officers and attendants and the whole group moved over the finish line with Hayes still running strongly more than 100 yards away.

After Hayes came Hofferson, tired but in fairly good shape, with Forshaw and then Welton in the order named. Immediately a great uproar arose, followed by the protest of the Americans at the manner in which Dorando finished. There was a hurried conference of the officers, and then came the announcement that Hayes was the real victor, with Hofferson second and Forshaw third.

### STREET CAR THIEF GETS \$1000.

Chokez Philadelphia Bank Runner, Seizes Wallet and Escapes in Store.

Philadelphia, Pa.—After choking Joseph A. Vaughn, a bank runner, and robbing him of \$1900 on a Chestnut street trolley car, a man, whose identity is unknown, dashed through the car, leaped to the street and, darting into a department store, eluded the policemen who pursued him.

The wallet was found in a saloon. The money was missing, but checks amounting to \$625 were in it.

### Snowstorms Sweep the Alps.

Heavy snowstorms in the mountains of Switzerland are driving the American and other tourists from the high elevations down to the cities. Many accidents have been reported.

## FEMININE NEWS NOTES.

Miss Ethel J. Wheeler, daughter of Everett P. Wheeler, will become a missionary in China.

Mary E. Beasley, of Philadelphia, patented in 1884 a barrel-making machine. All barrels before that time were made by hand.

Lady Evans, the wife of the new Solicitor-General for England, was a Miss Rule, of Cincinnati, and subsequently Mrs. Da Pinto.

Contest between Mrs. Jones and Mr. L'Beluse over a strip of roadway near Huntington, L. I., was carried into the Supreme Court.

At Newton, Mass., Mrs. Mary Baker Eddy, founder and head of the Christian Science Church, celebrated her eighty-seventh year.

The main line underground electric railways in London are to make the experiment of employing women ticket sellers or "booking clerks."

Co-education will be introduced in the common schools of Berlin in the lowest classes and up to the point where the girls begin to get instruction in domestic science.

Miss Marie Maycliffe is a young Texan who has excited the interest of President Roosevelt by her ability to lasso a steer and subdue him by roping him against a post in a little over three minutes.

Mrs. Elizabeth St. John Matthews has received the contract for making the statue of Mrs. Gilbert, the actress, from the Gilbert Monument Association. The statue is to be of heroic size and to cost \$15,000.

Lord Curzon of Kedleston unveiled the medallion of "John Oliver Hobbes" (Mrs. Craigie), which has been placed in the general library of University College, London, of which the late Mrs. Craigie was a student.

### NEWSY GLEANINGS.

James J. Hill favored an increase in railroad rates.

Heat drove Charles Burnham, of Brooklyn, to suicide.

The men and officers of the fleet passed a day of sightseeing in Honolulu.

The police of New York City have begun their fight on unnecessary noises.

Justice Olmsted established a "spanking-room" in the Children's Court, New York City.

The Indiana Republican platform has a plank that calls for a bureau of mines and mining.

The King of Serbia obtained a political victory by providing for the formation of a coalition ministry.

Marquis Vega de Armijo, former Spanish Premier and president of the Chamber of Deputies, died at Madrid.

Timely showers broke the worst drought in twenty-five years in Maine and put an end to destructive forest fires.

The New York City Board of Health report showed a remarkable decrease in the number of violent deaths.

Dr. Henry Martel, head of the Veterinary Sanitary Service of Paris, says that sterilized food for calves would put an end to tuberculosis.

R. F. Winchell, president of the Rock Island system, declared a moderate advance in freight rates is the only hope for the railroads.

The French Parliament adjourned, thereby postponing the consideration of the income tax, old age pensions and restoration of the death penalty bills until the autumn session.

Judson C. Clemens, a member of the Interstate Commerce Commission, discussed freight rates at Washington, holding that a general increase would be a violation of the Sherman anti-trust law.

## PROMINENT PEOPLE.

Senator Platt, who is seventy-five years old, said he thought he might live to be ninety.

Baron Schlippenbach, Russian Consul at Chicago, returned to New York City, to become imperial Consul-General at that port.

Professor Frederic Louis Otto Roschrig, Orientalist, philologist, educator and composer, died at Pasadena, Cal., aged eighty-nine years.

Governor Buchtel has killed horse racing in Colorado. He has announced that the races can be run but there must be no betting.

At Oyster Bay, N. Y., President Roosevelt declined to speak into the receiver of a talking machine for the purpose of making records for public sale.

William E. Corry, president of the United States Steel Corporation, returned from abroad and expressed optimistic views on the business situation.

Count Sumarokoff-Elston, eldest son of Prince Yusupoff, was killed at St. Petersburg, Russia, by Count Manteuffel, an officer of the Horse Guards, in a duel with pistols.

Waldorf Astor, son of William Waldorf Astor, is a candidate for the House of Commons. This disposes of the general belief that young Mr. Astor intended to retain his American citizenship.

E. D. Libbey announced a gift of \$105,000 to the Toledo (Ohio) Art Museum, which will enable the trustees to erect a new building, \$50,000 additional being available through public subscriptions.

Captain Lorenzo Dow Baker, the "banana king," founder of the United Fruit Company, left a large estate. The executor estimates the estate at \$20,000,000, and of this, aside from seventeen bequests, giving \$50 to each of seventeen cousins, the whole is left to his four children.

### A POINT OF ADVANTAGE.

"Of course, the railways owe the public a great deal," said Mr. Dustin Star; "but you must also remember that the public is indebted to the railways."

"Yes," answered the critical citizen; "but the railways are in a position to collect."—Washington Star.

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