

HAWAII AIMS TO DOMINATE THE PACIFIC WORLD

Press Congress Will Discuss Far East Problems in Honolulu.

NO RACIAL FRICTION

HONOLULU, Hawaii, July 2—Invitations have been issued to publishers, editors and newspaper men in all parts of the world to attend the First Pan-Pacific Press Conference, which is to be a part of the Press Congress of the World, to meet here next October. The outstanding purpose of the conference is to accomplish the permanent organization of newspaper men scattered throughout the lands bordering on the Pacific Ocean.

"Is it not possible," the invitation inquires, "that we here at the crossroads of the Pacific may be of service as a drop-off station and distributing center of news information? There has been much discussion on the subject, and it will be taken up at the Press Conference."

Dr. Walter Williams, president of the Press Congress of the World, has set aside a Pan-Pacific Day at the Congress, and the Hon. Charles J. McCarthy, Governor of Hawaii and president of the Pan-Pacific Union, joins in this invitation.

The invitation is issued by the Pan-Pacific Union, with headquarters at Indianapolis. Alexander Hume Ross, secretary-director of the union, is now on the mainland and will confer with Dr. Williams and other officers of the congress with regard to plans for Pan-Pacific Day.

Because of the many races which dwell in the Islands, newspapers and magazines are published here in English, Hawaiian, Portuguese, Japanese, Chinese, Korean and Filipino, and the editors of these publications are taking an active interest in the plans for the conference and look forward to a large gathering of newspaper men, not only from Pacific lands but from other countries of the world.

TO DISCUSS PACIFIC QUESTES.

Following the close of the congress next October Hawaii will loom up as the logical center for the discussion of all questions and problems arising in the Pacific, in the opinion of those who are in charge of the congress arrangements here.

Leading men of the Oriental races in the Hawaiian Islands are looking forward to the congress as a vehicle for the furtherance of a complete understanding on problems and questions that have long been perplexing, and which at times have been gravely misinterpreted in other countries.

It is probable that some of these questions, with which the world is familiar, will be set aside on the day which will be set aside for the holding of a Pan-Pacific Peace Conference as a part of the general congress session.

While this conference will be taken part in largely by editors, publishers and newspapermen from Pacific lands, it will be open to all congress delegates and members, whose opinions will be invited.

NO FRICTION AMONG RACES.

In Hawaii the problem of the meeting of the East and West has been solved very successfully, and more than a score of races and mixtures of races dwell contentedly together without racial friction. The people of the Oriental and other races are taking a keen interest in the forthcoming congress, and are doing their share in the perfecting of the arrangements.

The ancient Hawaiian sport of surf riding, both with native surf boats and outrigger canoes, is to be a feature of the program of entertainment that is being arranged here for the press congress.

A ride for a distance of a mile or more at express-train speed, on the crest of a great comber off Waikiki Beach, either in an outrigger canoe or on a board, is an experience that will be offered delegates. Duke P. Kahamoku, world champion short-distance swimmer, and other well known Hawaiian stars, will assist in the entertainment of the delegates to the press congress, and, under present plans, a swimming meet will be arranged at which the island champions, both men and women, will demonstrate their prowess.

PHILADELPHIAN HEADS ELECTORS

Cincinnati Chosen as Next Convention City.

Philip W. Uhl of Philadelphia, Pa., was elected president of the American Electro-Platers' Society, of which he is the retiring first vice president, at the close of the session of the ninth annual convention of the society today at the Clarendon Hotel.

S. E. Heddor of Pittsburgh, Pa., was elected first vice president; J. F. Hanson, Chicago, second vice president; John E. Stelling, New York City, secretary-treasurer (retired); and J. J. Allen of Grand Rapids, Mich., retiring second vice president, was elected editor of the Monthly Review, the official publication of the society. The retiring editor, H. H. Williams, of St. Louis, Mo., had no successor named, as that was not a candidate for reelection.

Cincinnati was selected as the city for the next annual convention of the society.

This afternoon was occupied in an automobile trip about the city, and this evening there will be a dinner-dance at the Clarendon Hotel.

WAR MOTHERS HAIL NEW CHIEF

Mrs. Elizabeth S. Carr, president of the Indiana War Mothers, today sent a letter to Gen. John J. Pershing congratulating him on his appointment as chief of staff in behalf of disabled service men. The organization, through its paper, the Indianaian, has gone deeply into the controversy over the treatment of former service men in local hospitals and is waging a campaign for better hospital facilities.

Mrs. Carr's letter is as follows:

"It is with a feelings of great relief that we note that there are once more at the helm, and we feel sure that there may now be a chance that our stricken men may be given an measure of care."

"Proudly and content of the Indiana War Mothers, I congratulate you and thank you for making the relief of our ex-service men your first order and concern."

"I am mailing you under separate cover a copy of 'The Indianaian,' our magazine devoted to the interests of the soldier."

"The condition as therein indicated are true, and we have knowledge of many specific cases of suffering and of indifference and incompetence in the treatment of service to our disabled men, which we dare not make public at the present time because the fate of the boys' compensation and hospitalization is to be left entirely in the hands of the United States Public Health Service officials and staff."

"Assuring you of our deepest confidence, that you are your ability to do this and offering to you our co-operation and services, as you may see fit to command, the Indiana Chapter of American War Mothers bids you God-speed in your work."

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