

PAN-AMERICAN DELEGATES START BUSINESS PROGRAM

FIRST SESSIONS TO SEE NAMING OF CUBAN CHIEF

Diplomats of Twenty-One Nations Go to Work After Welcome.

HUGHES TO TAKE LEAD

Determination to Cast Out Politics Marks Opening of Havana Parley.

BY HARRY W. FRANTZ
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HAVANA, Jan. 18.—Where statesmen had agreed tacitly to ignore it, the Cuban public brought into the open today the Nicaraguan question from the background of the Pan-American conference.

Flags of the twenty-one participating nations were hoisted ceremoniously over the meeting place. A popular demonstration greeted the Nicaraguan flag. It was the only one cheered.

Martinez Ortiz, Secretary of State for Cuba, host of the conference, was prepared to express Cuba's greeting to her sister republics and her homage to the ideal of Pan-Americanism; Alejandro Lira, president of the Chilean delegation, was to reply, in behalf of all the delegations.

Cuban May Head Conference

The election of Dr. Antonio S. De Rustamonte, chief of the Cuban delegation, as permanent president of the conference, was next in order, a tribute not alone to Cuba, but to a statesman distinguished world-wide for his effort to encourage the international rule of law.

The announcement of plans for organization of the conference also was in order, a matter of vast importance considering that nearly 100 delegates, 300 secretaries, clerks and translators, and 100 correspondents are engaged.

A week of preliminary spectacle, entertainment and hectic planning had left all delegations in a mood for serious work. In every mind the thought had grown that the definition and clarification of principles of international law affecting the destinies of American republics is the transcendental subject awaiting attention.

Try to Remove Politics

The atmosphere has developed propitiously to efforts in this direction. The whole situation turns on the ability of the United States delegation to shift the international criterion from a political to a judicial basis. This accomplished, the sore places in inter-American politics may heal without lancing.

Amid it all, the life-long interest of Charles Evans Hughes in international law, and the personal prestige accrued thereto, may prove the dominant factor in the drift of events.

A committee on initiatives was appointed Tuesday at a meeting of the twenty-one delegation presidents and it was pointed out by some that this may prevent inclusion of any controversial political issues in the official agenda of the conference.

The committee on initiatives, which was used at the Santiago, Chile, Pan-American conference, will listen to all new proposals which are outside the official agenda. Should the committee vote out the proposal, then it goes before the full body of the conference.

However, it was believed that the committee would adopt a unanimous consent rule and some observers say this will prevent many of the political issues ever being voted out of committee.

KILLS WIFE IN TAXICAB

Husband Then Inflicts Fatal Wound Upon Himself.

By United Press
WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—Riding in a taxicab on Pennsylvania Avenue, Francesco Del Borrell, 42, last night shot and killed his estranged wife and then inflicted a fatal wound on himself. Both were shot through the heart.

"I dare you to shoot," the woman said, according to the taxi driver, Del Borrell, poolroom manager, married her eleven years ago when she was 14, and he was trying unsuccessfully last night to effect a reconciliation.

INDIANA BANK CLOSES

Frozen Assets' Blamed for Difficulty at Williamsport.

By Times Special
WILLIAMSPORT, Ind., Jan. 18.—The Warren County State Bank was closed today by the State banking department today.

"Frozen assets" was announced as the bank's difficulties.

The State of Indiana has \$5,000 on deposit in the bank, which has a \$50,000 capital. L. H. Billings and J. M. West, State bank examiners, said inability to realize on farm loan mortgages crippled the bank. Officers are F. M. McClure, president, and Lyle Littlefield, cashier.

G. O. P. HEADS TO MEET
E. Faye Kitselman, Muncie, new Republican State chairman, will meet with the committee at Republican headquarters in the Sevren Hotel next Tuesday noon.

Kitselman, who paid a brief visit to Indianapolis Tuesday, said Tuesday's session will be chiefly to get acquainted with the district chairmen who comprise the State committee, and not for outlining policies. He reiterated his determination to serve only until the regular party reorganization in May.

True Love Finds Way Out of Detour; 'Hell Bent' Weds Faithful Genevieve



Left to Right—Judge Paul Wetter, Mrs. Harry Cody and "Hell Bent" Harry Cody.

Rodeo Artists Are Tied in Bonds of Matrimony by Judge Wetter.

There's nothing to these new fangled marriage schemes. Take the word of "Hell Bent" Harry for it. There's nothing like the old-fashioned kind.

Municipal Judge Paul C. Wetter Tuesday afternoon united in holy matrimony "Hell Bent" Harry and "Faithful" Genevieve.

"Hell Bent" Harry is Harry Cody, 24, who says he is a grandson of Col. William Cody, known as "Fancy Bill." His bride before her marriage was Genevieve Harris, 18.

For two years after Harry met Genevieve at the State fair here and taught her fancy roping and riding tricks. They toured the country with rodeo shows.

Some one, stole Harry's auto and their outfits at Del Rio, Texas, early in December. They "bummed" ride here.

Then they quarreled and decided to go their separate ways.

Genevieve changed her mind in a few hours and wanted Harry back. The Times printed her appeal and his picture. That picture re-united them.

Harry went to Terre Haute; then to Kansas City where he worked in the stockyards.

During an attack of "flu" and in the hospital he realized he needed Genevieve.

SENATE TO ACT ON U. S. POLICY IN NICARAGUA

Investigation Is Likely to Be Authorized at Next Committee Session.

By United Press
WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—The Senate Foreign Relations Committee probably will authorize an investigation of the American Nicaraguan policy at its meeting next Wednesday, Chairman Borah said today, after the committee had discussed Nicaraguan conditions for two hours in executive session.

Previously, the committee had indicated it would await conclusion of the Pan-American conference at Havana before an investigation. Members today expressed belief there was no reason for further delay, inasmuch as President Coolidge is returning tomorrow.

Two resolutions, introduced by Senators Heflin and Wheeler, were discussed. Heflin's directs withdrawal of American marines from Nicaragua and Wheeler's would authorize investigation of American investments.

The resolutions may be combined, Borah indicated, or a new resolution embodying the spirit of both may be framed by the committee.

Any investigation would be undertaken by the Foreign Relations Committee or a special committee to be appointed by Vice President Dawes.

The committee also discussed the Bleuse resolution directing that all laws, particularly the prohibition law, be enforced on foreign diplomats in Washington. No action was taken, however, and it was indicated the Bleuse measure either will be pigeon-holed or reported unfavorably.

Hit at U. S. Policy

By United Press
BUENOS AIRES, Jan. 18.—Strong sentiment for discussion of the Nicaraguan question at the Havana Pan-American conference was voiced privately today in political circles all over South America and openly in newspapers.

Analyses of President Coolidge's speech at the conference generally agreed in charging that it had ignored questions vital to relations of the western republics.

"The specter of Nicaragua stalked at the conference while Coolidge delivered pleasing generalities," commented La Razon of Buenos Aires.

"The dismemberment of Poland began in much the same way as has the military occupation by the United States in Central American territory.

"The Yankees must be sure of their domination of the entire continent by the weight of their miserable dollars," said the Diario Espanol, the organ of the Spanish colony, "when they have the audacity to send their President to open the conference without fearing that their depredations will be thrown in their faces."

Keen Sniff

Judge Refuses to Parole Boy to Brother Who Took Drink.

FEDERAL JUDGE ROBERT C. BALTZELL'S ability to detect liquor-laden breath is the indirect cause of Charles Edward Elliott, 21, Louisville, being in the Marion County jail instead of at liberty today.

The direct cause of Elliott's incarceration was a drink of liquor taken Tuesday morning at Louisville by his brother, John, who came here Tuesday afternoon to obtain custody of Charles, whom Baltzell had decided to release on a suspended sentence of fifteen months.

John and another brother, Joseph, had been promised custody of Charles by Baltzell and a deputy United States marshal had been sent to the jail to bring the youth to court.

Noticing a suspicious odor, the court asked:

"Have you been drinking?"

"Well, yes, I did take a drink before I left home," John admitted.

"You should be arrested for intoxication," Baltzell said. "I am not going to release Charles to anyone who has been drinking. You may be the cause of him serving fifteen months at Leavenworth."

"I will have the Department of Justice investigate your home and if your action of today is typical of his home life, I will not suspend his sentence. He probably would be under better influence at Leavenworth than at his home."

Promises "never to touch another drop" failed to move the court.

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