

# By Special Request

## PEACE IS DESIRED

Preparations For National Peace Congress In Boston In October.

## A GROWING MOVEMENT

The Nations of the World Beginning to Realize the Incalculable Folly of War.

Preliminary Meeting Held In New York Brings Out Some Views on It.

New York, May 10.—To promote interest in the 33rd national peace congress to be held in Boston next October, a meeting was held here. Oscar S. Strauss, in opening the meeting referred to the first peace meeting of importance held in this country, in Boston in 1815. He then spoke of The Hague tribunal and said in the long run its work would serve to stop all wars. Of the Russo-Japanese war he said the question at issue between the two nations was one which could not be submitted to The Hague for arbitration, although The Hague may have to be asked to step in when the war is over. The robber principle that to the victor belongs the spoils nations will no longer submit to, he declared.

Edwin D. Mord, chairman of the executive committee of the International peace conference, said the movement for peace was rapidly increasing in power throughout the world. It was a disgrace to America and to England to be adding to their war equipment while little countries like Chile and Argentina were doing away with their armaments.

The speaker closed by saying that the sentiment for peace in France was ahead of that in England and the United States.

Robert Treat Paine, president of the American Peace Society of Boston, said that with the proposed increase in the United States navy the annual cost of maintenance would be approximately three hundred millions. This, he said, would be \$100,000,000 more than it cost for the entire free educational system of the United States. Such a condition of affairs was inconceivable.

Committees were named to entertain delegates to the Boston convention as they pass through this city. The Boston meeting will be the first peace conference in this country since the Chicago congress in 1893.

## TRIAL IN PROGRESS

The Gillespie Case is Now Before the Court.

Rising Sun, Ind., May 10.—The trial of James Gillespie, Myron L. Barbour, Carrie Barbour and Mrs. Belle Seward for the murder of Elizabeth Gillespie last December has begun. Judge George E. Downey is presiding. Extraordinary care is being taken in the selection of a trial jury. The probabilities are strong that the special venire of fifty men will be exhausted before a jury is secured.

Two important witnesses for the state are absent. Robert Gillespie, a brother of the defendant, left over a week ago and is visiting relatives at Marshfield, Ohio. He says he is going to California. The prosecution state that they would prove by him that the defendant had threatened his sister repeatedly. Another important witness is George Grace of Cincinnati, who has recently secured a position in Pittsburgh. Grace formerly resided in Rising Sun and was a friend of the defendant. It is thought that Grace will yet be secured to testify. As it has been decided to try all of the four defendants together, much difficulty is experienced in getting a jury. Two of the defendants are women and most of those examined yesterday were opposed to hanging women. Among the counsel from other counties is Henry Spain of Indianapolis, who assists the prosecution, and Congressman Marian Griffith of Vevay, who assists local attorneys for the defense.

It was announced today that Supreme Judge Joseph McCabe of Williamsport will be put up as the Hearst candidate for permanent chairman of the Democratic convention here Thursday. He will also be a candidate for delegate at large. It is not like that Judge McCabe will be elected presiding officer, however, unless the other side is badly mistaken in its estimate of its strength. The Taggart selection for permanent chairman is Alonzo Greene Smith, former attorney general, who ruled the state senate during the stormy session of 1887 with such an iron hand that he earned a lasting reputation. It is being charged that the Taggart forces want him for chairman because of his reputation.

## HENRY M. STANLEY DEAD

Noted African Explorer Stricken Down by Pneumonia.

London, May 10.—Sir Henry M. Stanley, the African explorer, is dead of pleuro pneumonia. Sir Henry's ill-

ness began a fortnight ago. It was complicated by chronic heart trouble and, though his death was not ex-

pected so soon, no hope was enter-

tained for his recovery.

## PENDING INVESTIGATION

Body of E. L. Wentz Lies on Moun- tain Side Where It Was Found.

Bristol, Va., May 10.—The body of E. L. Wentz, discovered in the mountains near Kelleyview, Wise county, Virginia, Sunday afternoon by a miner employed at an operation at Blackwood, while hunting a lost cow, lies today identically as it was first seen and around it stand a guard of twenty-five men under the command of Superintendent Arthur Foster of the Osaka plant of the Virginia Coal and Iron company. The body has not been disturbed in any way and will not be until D. B. Wentz and J. L. Wentz, brothers of the dead man, arrive on the scene. They are en route in a special train from Philadelphia. No inquest has been held and will not be until the brothers are on the scene. On making the ghastly discovery the miner ran to Blackwood, a mining settlement, a mile or more distant, and there first told of the fact to Bent Kilgore, a police officer of that section. Kilgore communicated with T. F. Bullitt at Bigstone Gap, shortly before dark Sunday evening, and forthwith a party headed by Mr. Bullitt started for the scene, some twelve miles distant. They arrived shortly after 11 o'clock and at once stretched ropes around the body, enclosing it in a thirty-foot square, and placed a guard, which was not relieved until after daylight.

As no examination of the body has been made, little so far has been learned as to the cause of his death. All seem to agree that he was shot, but whether it was suicide or murder is the question. Two of his front teeth are gone, presumably shot out, while holes, thought to be bullet holes, are found through the coat and vest just below the ribs on the left side. The place in which the body lies has been recently burned off by forest fires, and the dead man's hair and clothing is scorched. The body is lying about thirty feet from the mountain path and is now easily seen for a hundred feet. Last fall when the searching party was held, the spot was hidden by undergrowth and leaves. The color of the clothing is as much like that of the logs upon which the head rests that the searchers failed to find Wentz last fall, though they passed within twenty feet of him. Numbers of men recently have passed near the spot without discovering the body, though from all appearances it has lain there all the time.

## A Warrant for Crawford.

Indianapolis, May 10.—On April 27 Judge Leathers adjudged Harry Crawford, the former magnate in control of the Indiana Midland Railroad company, in contempt for refusing to produce in court the contract under which the Indiana Midland property was sold to the Big Four Railway company. The demand for the contract came up from the suit of Mrs. Sarah Sowerwine to recover on a judgment against Crawford secured before the sale of the Indiana Midland. This morning a warrant for Harry Crawford's commitment to the Marion county jail was placed in the keeping of the sheriff's office to be served whenever Crawford chances to come within the jurisdiction of the court. The sentence standing against Crawford is ten days' imprisonment and a fine of \$100.

Candidates Arrive Early.

Springfield, Ill., May 10.—Leaders are beginning to arrive here to attend the Republican state convention. Only a few of the convention delegates have arrived. A number of candidates, however, are here. Colonel Frank O. Lowden, Attorney General Hamlin, L. Y. Sherman and John H. Pierce, candidates for governor, came in yesterday afternoon. Governor Yates, Mr. Deneen and Colonel Warner will arrive today.

## INDIANA G. A. R.

### Extensive Arrangements For the Coming Encampment at Warsaw.

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HENRY M. STANLEY.

Warsaw, Ind., May 10.—The Central Passenger association has granted a rate of 1 cent a mile from all points in Indiana to the G. A. R. state encampment, which opens here on June 14. The veterans are to be provided with quarters both in Warsaw and at Winona Lake. The Warsaw, the Knightstown and several other bands have been engaged for three days of the week.

Flag day is to be observed on Tuesday, June 14. On Wednesday Governor Durbin and staff will participate in the parade, and there will be a display of fireworks in the evening. Commander George W. Grubbs will have headquarters at the lake, the Ladies of the G. A. R. at the Hayes hotel and the W. R. C. at the White House in Warsaw. During the encampment a flag is to be displayed at every farmhouse in Kosciusko county.

### CONSERVATIVE METHODISTS

#### Move to Incite Sectarian Antagonism Was Promptly Rebuked.

Los Angeles, Cal., May 10.—The attitude of the Roman Catholic church toward the public school system of the United States furnished the subject of a sensational debate in the Methodist general conference. While there was a strong disposition on the part of certain delegates to have the conference adopt resolutions committing it to extreme utterances upon the subject, there was an overwhelming sentiment, as it developed, against any such action, and the entire matter was finally disposed of by referring it to a committee, from which it is unlikely ever to be reported.

Several other resolutions bearing upon the subjects of divorce, the termination of membership of neglectful members, Sunday closing of the Lewis and Clark exposition, endowment of the American University at Washington, the changes in the wording of various paragraphs in the discipline, and other matters of importance to Methodists were submitted and debated by several committees.

Rev. J. R. King, secretary of the church extension society of Philadelphia, having secured the floor, presented a resolution strongly criticizing the Roman Catholic church, declaring that "its efforts to control the secular press, its influence in politics and its assaults on the public school system demand the vigilance of Protestants and patriots."

Dr. King read extracts from a letter written by Vicar General Peter Harritt of the Roman Catholic diocese of Monterey and Los Angeles, in which the latter sought to refute the statements made in the above quotations from the Episcopal address. Dr. King then spoke at length in support of the resolution.

When Dr. King had finished there was commotion among the delegates. Many sought to gain recognition from the chair in order to reply. Charles B. Lohr, chief justice of the Delaware supreme court, lay delegates, was recognized.

After agreeing with Dr. King regarding the public schools, Justice Lohr continued: "But are we to gain anything by any phase of denunciation against any other Christian body?" (Cries of "No, no.")

"The Roman Catholic church has done a magnificent work in this country. It has taken hold of a class of people whom perhaps no other form of religion could have molded so well for the well-being of our common land. I feel like putting my hands under every evangelizing agency in this world that helps to uplift men and not pull them down."

This expression was received with applause by the delegates and the galleries.

A motion by Dr. S. T. Beiler to refer the resolution to the committee on the state of the church was carried. In the opinion of many prominent delegates this disposes of the matter finally. Judge Sibley of Ohio offered an important resolution on the subject of divorce. He wanted Paragraph 39 of the discipline changed to read as follows:

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