

HOW ROOSEVELT BROUGHT PEACE IN 1905, TOLD

Magazine Articles Describe Dead American as Peacemaker, Dealer With Kings.

(By Associated Press)

NEW YORK, Aug. 25.—Joseph Bishop, for 30 years a personal friend of Colonel Theodore Roosevelt, who, five years before the former President's death, was commissioned by him "to write the history of the period which covered his public career," presents in the September issue of Scribner's Magazine, the first of a series of papers which gives the first time many interesting sidelights on the life of the famous American.

The paper, entitled "Roosevelt—Peacemaker," selected and arranged from the former President's public and private correspondence, amounts to more than 150,000 letters, deals with Mr. Roosevelt's efforts to end the war between Russia and Japan and which resulted in the Portsmouth Peace Conference of 1905.

For the first time, apparently, is revealed the fact that Japan made the initial overtures for peace. Four days after the great Japanese naval victory over Rojstvensky's fleet in the sea of Japan on May 27, 1905, the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Japan, the letters show, cabled Minister Takahira, in Washington, to invoke Roosevelt's aid as a mediator.

"I was amused," wrote the President, "by the way in which they asked me to invite the two belligerents together directly on my own motion and initiative. It reminded me of the request for contributions sent by campaign committees to office holders wherein they were asked to make a 'voluntary contribution of ten per cent of their salary. It showed a certain naivete' by Japanese."

According to his biographer, every step in the negotiations extending over a period of three months, was taken by Mr. Roosevelt without the aid of any of his most trusted counsellors, John Hay, his Secretary of State, being critically ill. Secretary Root having resigned from the cabinet many months earlier and Secretary Taft being absent in the Philippines.

"One reads the thick volumes of his correspondence with amazement bordering on incredulity," writes Mr. Bishop. "It is incredible that one man could do so much and so well. In no other task of his life was the abnormal energy, mental and physical, of Theodore Roosevelt put to a severer test and from none did he emerge more triumphantly. His activity was as tireless as his resourcefulness was inexhaustible."

Brought Influence to Bear.

The President's activity was directed he said, to "not only steadily and irresistibly forcing the two warring nations into a conference, but bringing other nations like England, France and Germany to the support of his efforts. If Russia balked and showed signs of refusal, he persuaded the Kaiser to bring pressure upon the Czar in the interest of peace. If Japan showed similar signs, England was appealed

to, bring pressure upon her. In the end Germany alone really helped, and Roosevelt gave unstinted praise to the Kaiser ever afterward for what he did then."

In all of this correspondence the Colonel wrote "without restraint or reservation." In a confidential letter to Secretary Hay he referred to the Kaiser as a "monomaniac and a jumpy creature who has had another fit." In another missive he thus characterizes the former Emperor of Russia: "The Czar is a preposterous little creature as 'the absolute autocrat of 150,000,000 people.'

Every day, and often several times a day, he urged the Emperors of Russia and Japan to agree upon terms of peace. Once he wrote a friend: "The more I see of the Czar, the Kaiser and the Mikado, the better I am content with democracy, even if we have to include the American newspapers as one of its assets—honesty would be a better term."

Refused All Credit.

While the conference was in session, the President had occasional doubts of ultimate success. "I have led the horses to water," he wrote, "but heaven only knows whether they will drink or start kicking one another beside the trough."

When victory crowned his efforts, however, continued Mr. Bishop, he was not elated by it. King Edward of England said of him to the American Ambassador in London: "I am simply lost in admiration for the President; nobody else could have done it." Mr. Roosevelt's own verdict was:

"I am overpersuaded. I am credited with being extremely long-headed. As a matter of fact I took the position I finally did not of my own volition but because events so shaped themselves that I would have felt as if I was flinching from a plain duty if I had acted otherwise."

Indiana News Brevities

EDINBURG—Two steel shacks belonging to a company here, were blown down by a terrific windstorm with a loss estimated at \$20,000.

NOBLESVILLE—Cyrus R. Heath, 52, former publisher, died here of a complication of diseases. A widow and three children survive.

MISHAWAKA—The Rev. Benton H. Beall, 71, one of the oldest and best-known Methodist ministers in the state, died here.

MUNCIE—The annual meeting of the Junior Order United American Mechanics and Daughters of America will be held here next Thursday and Friday.

HAMMOND—The Indiana Homes company, composed of Indiana Steel longing to the interstate Public Service, will build 2,000 homes, involving from 12,000,000 to \$15,000,000 for employees of the various companies.

HUNTINGTON—The annual meeting of the Northern Indiana Editorial association will be held here Sept. 26 and 27, according to word sent out by the secretary, Morton Stults.

WASHINGTON—The ninety-first session of the annual Indiana conference of the United Brethren adjourned at Plainfield, near here, Sunday.

Diamonds worth \$100,000 have been obtained in two months in the Orange Free State.

MRS. VOORHIES, BORN HERE, IS DEAD AT LOS ANGELES HOME

Elizabeth Ann Crawford Voorhies passed away at her residence, 1705 South Kinsley drive, Los Angeles, California, at noon Saturday, August 16.

She was the widow of Joseph Oscar Voorhies of Keokuk, Iowa, who died July 19, 1894. They were married at the home of her parents, Daniel B. and Agnes Corrie Crawford in Richmond, Indiana, September 24, 1863.

They made their home in Keokuk, Iowa, residing at 724 Bank street, for many years. Soon after the death of her husband she moved to California where she resided until the time of her death.

She was born January 1, 1846, in Richmond, Indiana, and had she lived until her next birthday would have been seventy-four years of age. Her death was the result of a fractured hip caused by a fall from which she was unable to rally. Prior to her accident, Mrs. Voorhies enjoyed the best of health.

She is survived by a sister, Agnes Crawford Williams of Richmond, Indiana, and by five of her nine children, Mrs. Alice Voorhies Gilchrist, Hugh Edson, Daniel Crawford, Oscar Williams and Roy King Voorhies, all of Los Angeles; also six grandchildren, Robert Voorhies Smith, Zetta Elizabeth, Dorothy, Cleveland Greenfield, Earl Crawford and Marjorie Louise Voorhies.

The funeral services were held in the Breske chapel Monday afternoon August 18, the Rev. J. M. Schaefer of the Congregational church officiating. According to her expressed desire the body was then cremated and her ashes will be taken by her son, Roy K. Voorhies, to Oakland cemetery, Keokuk, and placed in the family plot beside her husband.

Farmer Saves Life of Child Asleep in Burning House

NEW HOPE, O., Aug. 25.—Frank Bresher, a tenant on the J. H. Mook farm, saved the life of a small girl, the daughter of Mrs. Carrie Chappel, of Richmond, by carrying the child to safety when the house in which she was sleeping caught fire. The family which the child was visiting had gone to Eaton to shop and had left the child alone. When Bresher discovered the blaze he broke in the door and found the child lying on the floor of the front room.

An overturned coal oil stove is thought to have caused the fire. The greater part of the house was burned inside before the blaze was discovered. The loss is set at about \$1,500, partially covered by insurance. The Mook farm is a mile west of New Hope.

H. C. L. CRUSADE FIRST

NEW YORK, Aug. 25.—Asserting that the crusade against the high cost of living was as good a gospel as could preach at present, the Rev. Dr. Jonathan Day, the Revisionist public marks for New York, announced to-night that in all probability he would call a meeting of the congregation of the Trinity Presbyterian church of San Francisco, Cal.

Sheep are Imported From Ranches to Middle West

(By Associated Press) MILWAUKEE, Wis., Aug. 25.—The importation of sheep from western ranges to grazing fields of northern Wisconsin and the upper peninsula of Michigan, started three years ago, now has become an annual practice. No fewer than 50,000 head of sheep and 10,000 head of cattle have been moved into Wisconsin from western ranches during July and August.

The movement is centered about Douglas, Washburn, Marinette and Oneida counties with, however, practically the entire tier of counties in northern Wisconsin and upper Michigan participating to some extent as a grazing country.

Thomas Hadley, Farmer, Died of Heart Failure

ECONOMY, Ind., Aug. 25.—Feeling an attack of heart failure, to which he was subject, coming on, Thomas Hadley, 58 years old, stopped his car while driving around his farm Saturday morning about 10 o'clock. He died while in the machine.

Hadley leaves a widow, four daughters, Mrs. Cleo Hutchins, Mrs. Ann Howell, of Greensville, Mrs. Madge Cheesman of Hagerstown, Miss Fay Hadley, and 20 grandchildren.

Funeral services were at the home at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon, the he was buried at Economy.

Greensfork, Ind.

A surprise was given Friday evening as a farewell party for Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Smith and family, who will soon move to their new home in Hagerstown. The evening was spent in a social manner and refreshments were served. Those present were Mrs. John Nicholson, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Breen, Mr. and Mrs. Merritt Glimer of Walnut Level, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Nicholson, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Dean, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Simpkins, Misses Olive, Erman and Helen Nicholson, Margaret Carol, Lois Breen, Lela Kitterman, Georgiana Gilmer, Anna Jean Simpkins, Mrs. Mary W. Hill, Esther, Agnes, Juliet, Elizabeth and Miriam Smith, Messers Lester Kitterman, Kenneth and Lowell Nicholson, John and Bernard Breen, Frederick Nicholson, Horace and Howard Dean, Paul Simpkins and William Bane.... Miss Helen Roller spent the weekend the guest of friends in Richmond.... Mrs. Jonathan Cloud spent a few days in Richmond the guest of her son, Orr Cloud and family.... Irvin Breen has been spending the week with Joseph Keever and attending the Connersville fair.... Miss Elizabeth Hill of Richmond, returned home after spending the week with Mrs. C. C. Smith.... Herbert Cortwright of Hartford City is spending a few days here.... Miss Margaret Breen spent Thursday night the guest of Miss Edna Altic in Richmond.

West Alexandria

W. L. Cruse is spending several

Ind., for a few weeks.... Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Cook, accompanied by the

is the guest of friends at Middletown,

weeks vacation at various points in

Michigan.... L. C. Mendenhall, of near

Gratis, has purchased the Ella Gregg

residence, on the corner of Smith and

Church streets.... Miss Myra Creager

Misses Little Willner, of Dayton, and

Edith Long, of Germantown, left a

few days ago for a motor trip to Chat-

anooga, Tenn., Mammoth Cave, Ky.,

and other points of interest.... Mrs.

Flo Saylor and Mrs. Mahala Dewitt

left for Petoskey, Mich., Wednesday.

Mrs. Dewitt has been a sufferer from

hay fever for years and they will be

gone during that season.... Mrs. Lu-

cinda Saylor was visiting her sister

Mrs. Ben Bell and family, of Eaton,

last week.... Miss Vida Dewitt, of

Dayton, was the guest of her aunt, Mrs.

Frank Gazell and other relatives in

this vicinity last week.... J. E. Davis

left Wednesday to join P. A. Saylor

and Dr. E. C. Smith in their fishing

season at Dorsett, Minn.... Mrs. Dora

Laird, of Lewisburg spent the first of

last week at the home of Mr. and

Mrs. John Ehler, Jr.... Mrs. Mary

Mause is making an extended visit

with her sister, Mrs. Sallie Brower,

of Sonora.... Mr. and Mrs. Vernon

Furry are the guests of friends at In-

dianapolis.... Keith Creager left for

Columbus, last week, where he will

enter his second year at Ohio State

University.... Mrs. Ella Gregg, of Day-

ton, visited friends here Tuesday....

Charles Spessard was off duty from

the N. C. R. the first of the week on

account of sickness.

Masonic Calendar

Tuesday, Aug. 26.—Richmond Lodge No. 196, F. and A. M. Called meeting. Work in Master Mason degree begin-

ning at 7 o'clock. N. J. Haas, W. M.

Wednesday, Aug. 27.—Webb Lodge No. 24, F. and A. M. Called meeting. Work in Entered Apprentice degree,

beginning at 6:30. Clarence W. Foreman, W. M.

Thursday, Aug. 28.—Richmond

Lodge No. 196, F. and A. M. Called

meeting. Work in Master Mason de-

gree, beginning at 7 o'clock.

Friday, Aug. 29.—Webb Lodge, No.

24, F. and A. M. Called meeting. Work in Entered Apprentice degree,

beginning at 6:30.

BRICK VS. ASPHALT CAUSE WAR OVER OXFORD STREETS

OXFORD, Ohio, Aug. 25.—Saturday

evening injunction papers were served

on Mayor Hughes, Clerk D. P. Beaton,

Treasurer K. W. Smith, members of

council and J. M. Hennessey & Bro.,

contractors, stopping the paving of

East High street, between Campus

and Patterson avenues.

Five women owning property on the

street secured the injunction in com-

mon place court. They are: Mrs. Tel-

la Richey, Miss Jessie Richey, Miss

Daisy McCullough, Miss Helen Bishop

and Mrs. Laura Kumler.

These women would rather have the

street paved with mud as it now is,

but should the material be changed,

they want asphalt, not brick, which

was decided upon by council. Council

and the contractors will fight the case

in court.

A heap of sausages on a steamer

coming into San Francisco harbor

looked so toothsome that a customs

inspector lifted one to admire it. Al-