

# ROOSEVELT TO CALL CONGRESS AT HAGUE

## Will Ask the Nations to Take Up Arbitration Question Again.

### MEETS FOREIGN DELEGATES

#### Announcement Received with Cheers from Interparliamentary Union

##### Visitors at White House Reception.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 24.—President Roosevelt announced this afternoon that, at an early date, he would ask the nations of the world to join in a second congress at The Hague for the promotion of arbitration.

The occasion of the announcement was the reception by the President of the delegates of the Interparliamentary Union, which recently held a session at St. Louis. At that session the following resolution was adopted unanimously:

Whereas, Enlightened public opinion and the spirit of modern civilization alike demand that controversies between nations be settled in the same manner as disputes between individuals are settled; that is, by the judgment of courts in accordance with recognized principles of law. This conference requests that the several Governments of the world send delegates to an international conference to be convened at The Hague and to be agreed upon by them for the consideration of the following questions:

- 1. Questions for the consideration of which the conference at The Hague expressed the wish that a future conference be convened at The Hague.
2. The negotiation of arbitration treaties between the nations represented at the conference to be covered.
3. The advisability of creating a congress of nations to convene periodically for the discussion of international questions.

#### Delegates Cheer Enthusiastically.

The President's acceptance of the terms of the resolution and the announcement of his purpose to promote the peace of the world by inviting all nations to participate in a second peace conference whose work should be supplemental to that of The Hague Conference was received with those present with enthusiastic applause. The delegates cheered and clapped their hands for nearly a half hour at the conclusion of the President's address, and they embraced the opportunity personally and individually to congratulate him very cordially.

At 2:30 o'clock about 150 delegates to the Interparliamentary Union, accompanied by perhaps a score of women and headed by Representative Bartholdt of St. Louis, the President of the union, marched in a body to the White House.

#### Considered Friend of Its Cause.

This organization has looked upon you, Mr. President, as a friend of its cause ever since you by actual performance recognized The Hague Conference and referred to it as the Venezuela controversy, though you had yourself been asked to arbitrate. It is now generally admitted that this year's action, together with the Plus fund precedent, which also occurred under your Administration, saved the life of that great international tribunal.

"The American people being committed by these and many other precedents to the principles of international arbitration, it is the belief of those present that the people, irrespective of party, would regard you as taking the initiative in the convening of a second conference of Governments, which, we hope and trust, would result in the completion of the work begun at The Hague, in the negotiation of further arbitration treaties, and in the establishment of an international parliament for the consideration of questions which are of common concern to all."

Mr. Bartholdt then introduced to President Roosevelt Dr. Albert Gobat of Switzerland, General Secretary of the Interparliamentary Union, who presented formally to President Roosevelt the resolution of the union requesting him to call a second conference. Dr. Gobat addressed the President in French, with which the President is familiar, his speech being, in part, as follows:

"The Hague conference, unfortunately, had to postpone several questions it had to postpone one of all-especially for Europe—that concerning the limitation of armaments. Five years have since elapsed, and no one has thought of these questions in conference at The Hague, the new conference of the Hague convention of July 19, 1880, had itself provided for."

"We look upon this institution as the starting point of the most important evolution ever entered into by mankind, and we just embody the brotherhood of peoples, that community of the intellectual and material interests of nations that has always existed, but never until this day so imperatively demanded that it be recognized, furthered, and protected."

#### Compulsory Arbitration.

"The general conferences of States will regulate for the private persons for fifty centuries; they will make international arbitration compulsory; they will see to it

### BEQUESTS TO TRADESMEN.

Grocer, Baker, and Servants Named in Wealthy Man's Will.

Special to The New York Times. WEST CHESTER, Penn., Sept. 24.—Benjamin Mattack Everhart, who was this town's wealthiest citizen and a noted botanist as well, remembered all his old servants and even his baker at his will in his will. There are several friends, too, who will share the money that relatives expected to get. The will was read to-day, and some of the bequests to servants are: To Bridget Carroll, \$2,000 in cash and three houses and lots. To Annie Lynch, \$5,000 in cash and two houses and lots.

To William Welch, coachman, two houses and lots. Mrs. Mary Groecker, who conducts a bakery, and had served the family for many years, was remembered to the extent of \$25,000 in cash and two mortgages against her property for \$4,500 and \$1,400 was cancelled.

Dr. B. H. Warren, Dairy and Food Commissioner, who had been a friend of Mr. Everhart for many years, received a cash legacy of \$25,000 and a plot of ground. Chief of Police Robert O. Jensen, who was Everhart's manservant, and his deceased, and who looked after his comfort and safety, will get \$5,000 and a house and lot. George D. Haines, who served the family with groceries, received \$2,500.

Mrs. Mary Fawks Lee, a cousin, gets the estate of the deceased, with the exception of \$15,000 in United States bonds and considerable bank stock. Mayoneta Lee, her daughter, receives a house and lot and fifty-one shares of stock in different banks.

### FORMER WHITNEY HORSE TAKEN

Stolen Animal Offered to Dry Dock Hotel Man.

Charged with having stolen a horse that was formerly in the stable of the late William C. Whitney, but now the property of Joseph Fair of 613 1/2 Hudson Street, Joseph Cavanaugh of 76 Charles Street was arrested yesterday by Detectives Butler and Keogh of the West Twentieth Street Station. The horse was missed from a stable at 83 Fourth Avenue on the night of Sept. 9, and Mr. Fair reported the matter to the police.

### PRIZEFIGHT IN BROADWAY.

No Effort by Police to Prevent Set-To in Uncompleted Structure.

Without any attempt on the part of the police to prevent it, a group of men conducted an impromptu prize fight in an uncompleted brick structure at Forty-seventh Street and Broadway just after 10 o'clock last night. The fifteen or twenty men, in parties of three and four, coming from the saloon at the southwest corner of Forty-seventh Street and Broadway, made their way to the top of the structure.

### CANADIAN PACIFIC STRIKE.

Mechanics Fail to Get Increase in Wages and Walk Out.

WINNIPEG, Manitoba, Sept. 24.—The demand of the allied mechanical trades employees on the Canadian Pacific Railway for an increase of wages culminated today in a strike. Representatives of the men concerned had notified the company that unless their demands were acceded to by 11 o'clock they would leave their work.

### DIVORCE IN TWENTY MINUTES.

Wife Also Gets More Than \$50,000 Allowance in Chicago Case.

Special to The New York Times. CHICAGO, Sept. 24.—Judge Gibbons to-day granted a divorce to Mrs. Anna A. Cummings, a resident of Chicago, from her husband, a real estate dealer. The proceedings occupied only twenty minutes. Cruelty was alleged by Mrs. Cummings.

### EMBEZZLER WED AFTER ARREST

Ex-State Official of Ohio Caught at Kansas City.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Sept. 24.—George M. Cummins, ex-Governor of Ohio, former chief examiner of steam engines of Ohio, who disappeared from Columbus a year ago, is under arrest here, charged with having embezzled \$2,700 of the State's funds. Collier James, a police officer, secured his capture.

### BLEW WIFE'S HEAD OFF.

Then French Keymaker Killed Himself with the Gun.

# JAPANESE MARCHING TO SEIZE THE TIE PASS

## Russian Troops Impatiently Awaiting Another Battle.

### WINTER ALREADY SETS IN

The Mikado's Soldiers in Summer Uniforms Suffer from the Cold—Fortifying Liao-Yang.

HARBIN, Sept. 24.—A Japanese column is reported to be advancing along the Liao River to the Tie Pass, and the Russian troops are impatiently awaiting an engagement.

MUKDEN, Sept. 24.—A correspondent of The Associated Press reports from Mukden that the Japanese are renewing their advance, and had attempted a junction with the Eastern Division, (Kuraki's army). Learning, however, that the Mukden road was occupied, they were compelled to return and take a northern route.

Quiet prevails here. The Russian advance guards are several miles south of the Hun River, and the cavalry has penetrated twenty miles to the southwestward. According to a Chinese report, received from the Japanese are actively engaged in fortifying Liao-Yang, and have completely demolished the railroad bridge across the Tsai-tse River, of which the Russians only succeeded in burning the woodwork.

Two spies were captured this morning near the bivouac of the Fourth Corps. One was a Chinese bandit attired in the uniform of a Chinese officer, and the other a Japanese soldier wearing the costume of a Buddhist lama. Both were armed with bows and arrows. The Japanese spoke some Russian. He was suffering from a bullet wound recently inflicted. Scouts from Gen. Mitchenko's command yesterday found two Japanese frozen to death. The temperature is now degrees Fahrenheit.

### NOT ENOUGH REINFORCEMENTS.

Troops from Russia Only Suffice to Counterbalance Losses, It is Said.

P. GEN. OKUI'S HEADQUARTERS IN THE FIELD, Va. Fusan, Sept. 24.—Before the retreat northward began Russian officers told foreigners that the reinforcements brought into Manchuria since June last were only enough to counterbalance the losses during that date. If this is true the Russian forces now in Manchuria are no larger than when the battle of Wa-fan-gow was fought on June 12.

### JAPANESE GOT DA PASS.

But Russians Tell What a Gallant Russian Victory It Was.

BERLIN, Sept. 25.—Col. Gaedeke, the Tagellathal correspondent from East Prussia, telegraphed from Mukden under date Sept. 24, says the Japanese occupied Da Pass on Sept. 22, after a light engagement.

HARBIN, Sept. 24.—Further details received of the fight at Da Pass say that on the evening of Sept. 19 the Russian scouts reported strong Japanese forces to be moving behind the pass.

### FLOOD DAMAGE IN TEXAS.

Railroad Bridge Swept Away and Farming Property Deluged.

DALLAS, Texas, Sept. 24.—News of considerable flood destruction in Southwestern Texas has been received from the State. The big steel bridge of the Southern Pacific over the Arroya River, a branch of the Rio Grande, has been swept away and immense railroad, farm, and live stock property deluged.

### "ELIZA SMITH" IDENTIFIED.

Prisoner Who Died in Yorkville Jail Was Mrs. Nordmark.

# NO DREAMLAND RECEIVERSHIP.

This Coney Island Corporation on an Absolutely Solvent Basis.

The story published yesterday in The New York Times under the caption "Receiver for Dreamland," was an imposition on this newspaper and its readers, as it has just been ascertained by the President and counsel of the Dreamland Amusement Company are warranted in insisting that the corporation be restored to its true footing before the public, that of an absolutely solvent business enterprise.

The captioned question was the inexplicable work of a hitherto trusted agent of this newspaper, who, without any foundation whatever, as it now appears, represented that the company had made formal assignment to the receiver, Dr. J. J. Deane, that its affairs would be placed in the hands of a receiver.

Dr. Deane, the young Boston automobile mechanic who has taken part in many automobile track racing meets, was rescued yesterday from a burning automobile boat in the Hudson River opposite Dobbs Ferry. With him at the time was his engineer, Lewis S. Tepper. The men were in imminent danger of being blown up by an explosion of the gasoline tanks, and evidently realized the danger when they were rescued by a boat from a steam yacht going to the Ardsley Club Mr. Wallace was astride of the auto boat at the far end of the narrow boat, while the engineer was hanging over the side. The engine was knocked overboard and the boat was tilted in the center of the craft. The boat afterward burned to the water's edge.

The burning boat was the Macaroni, and it is the first fast auto boat to be completely destroyed by fire since the launch of Charles L. Seabury's Speedway had an explosion aboard in the Harlem River a few days ago when making a trial spin for the recent Challenge Cup races, and her prow was badly damaged, but she was quickly repaired and made an excellent showing in the races that finished yesterday for the trophy of the Columbia Yacht Club, foot of West Eighty-sixth Street.

# TWO MEN RESCUED FROM A BLAZING AUTO BOAT

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### IN DANGER OF EXPLOSION

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# EX-SENATOR REYNOLDS AND HIS LEGAL ADVISER SUE TO STOP THE SALE OF THE DREAMLAND AMUSEMENT COMPANY.

The sale of the Dreamland Amusement Company, which has been announced in this newspaper and reflected upon the prosperity of the Dreamland Amusement Company, namely: That a receiver should be appointed for the company, and that the receiver should sell all the assets of the company against it; that forty creditors were clamoring at its headquarters Friday night; that one of its officials had repeated the story of the coming receivership; and that President Reynolds had dropped out of the company.

# COURT ORDERS HIM TO APPEAR IN COMPLAINT PROCEEDINGS.

George A. Hillard, Postmaster of Boston, has been summoned to appear in court on Sept. 29, in the case of the Dreamland Amusement Company, which has been announced in this newspaper and reflected upon the prosperity of the Dreamland Amusement Company.

# HITS ROCK TO AVOID FLOAT.

Women on Launch in Danger in the East River.

Five persons were rescued by the harbor police from the naphtha launch Florida, which was run on Table Rock in Bronx Kills early yesterday morning to avoid being run down and sunk by one of the New York Navy and Hartford Railroad (company) launches.

# VESUVIUS MORE ACTIVE.

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The Republican nomination for Congress in the Thirteenth District, which is represented by Francis Burton Harrison, Democratic candidate for Lieutenant Governor, has been offered to Cornelius Vanderbilt and declined.

# FIFTY-FOUR KILLED IN SOUTHERN CRASH

Passenger Trains Meet, Head On, Near Hodges, Tenn.

## 120 PERSONS ARE INJURED

Engineer Who Was Killed Thought to Have Disregarded Instructions—Congressman Gibbons Hurt.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Sept. 24.—Running on a roadbed in a supposedly excellent condition of maintenance and equipped with every safeguard known to modern railroad, two trains on the Southern Railway, carrying many passengers, came together in a freightful head-on collision near Hodges, Tenn., today. Fifty-four persons were killed. One hundred and twenty were injured, several of whom probably will die. This great loss of life resulted apparently from the disregarding of orders given to the two trains to meet at a station which for a long time has been their regular crossing point. The plea of failure to see either the station or signals could not be set up by the engineer of one train, the train, were he alive, as the accident happened in broad daylight, and according to the best information, he had the order in a little frame in front of him as his engine rumbled past the station.

A mile and a half further on it came full upon an eastbound passenger train making for Hodges in compliance with instructions to meet the westbound train which carried the Pullmans from the east for Knoxville, Chattanooga, and other Southern cities.

# Both Engineers Killed.

Both engines and the major portions of both trains were demolished, and why the orders were disobeyed, and whether the engineer would have been asleep, but nothing is known save that the orders were not obeyed. The trains were on time and not making over thirty-five miles an hour, yet the impact of the rushing cars was terrific. The crash occurred at 10:18 o'clock this morning. The colliding trains were east-bound through passenger train No. 12 from Chattanooga to Salisbury, N. C., leaving Knoxville at 8:35 A. M., and west-bound local passenger train No. 15, from Bristol to Knoxville, due to arrive here at 11 A. M. Instead of taking the siding at Hodges, the west-bound train proceeded toward Knoxville.

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