

American Peace Congress Opened Today at St. Louis

Notable Men From all Over the Country Assemble to Discuss Means for the Promotion of International Peace---College Presidents, Politicians and Diplomats Taking Prominent Part in the Proceedings---Andrew Carnegie Among the Speakers at Today's Session---Canadians to Discuss Plans for Celebrating a Hundred Years of Peace

St. Louis, Mo., May 1—The fourth American Peace Congress, a gathering of peace advocates from every section of the country, assembled here today and will continue in session until next Monday. Few events in the history of St. Louis have ever brought together so many representatives of such different belief, birth and breeding. Farmers and financiers, statesmen and artisans, college presidents, diplomats, clergymen and representatives of many other professions and trades—all are here to lend a hand in promoting the general movement for a permanent basis of arbitration among the nations of the world.

Congressman Richard Bartholdt, president of the congress, called the initial session to order in the Odeon theatre at 9 o'clock this morning. The proceedings opened with an invocation by Bishop Tuttle. Governor Major and Mayor

Kiel delivered addresses of welcome and United States Senator Theodore E. Burton, president of the American Peace Society, responded for the visitors. Senator Burton was followed by Andrew Carnegie, whose address on the meaning and progress of the movement for international peace was the principal feature of the opening session.

Sectional conferences, each of which was addressed by men and women of national prominence, were held this afternoon. John Barrett, director of the Pan-American Union and Senor Don Ignacio Calderon, the Bolivian minister to the United States, were the chief speakers before the meeting to consider inter-American relations.

President Hill of the University of Missouri occupied the chair at the sectional meeting devoted to the discussion of the universities and the peace movement. The speakers at

this meeting included President Thwing of Western Reserve University, President Hutchins of the University of Michigan, President McVey of the University of North Dakota, President Mitchell of the University of South Carolina, Chancellor Kirkland of Vanderbilt University, and Mrs. Fannie Fern Andrews, secretary of the American School Peace League.

Another of the meetings of the afternoon was devoted to a symposium discussion on the subject of Disarmament. President David Starr Jordan of Leland Stanford University presided and among the noted participants were Andrew Carnegie and Dr. Jenkin Lloyd Jones of Chicago.

Many other noted men and women in addition to those already named are to be heard at the subsequent sections of the congress. At the

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12th ANNIVERSARY OF DEWEY'S VICTORY

Washington, D.C., May 1—Today is the fifteenth anniversary of the momentous battle of Manila Bay, that brilliant victory of the American fleet under Admiral, then only Commodore, Dewey, which led to such far-reaching changes in the policy of the United States. It was at the beginning of the conflict between Spain and the United States, following the destruction of the battleship Maine in the Harbor of Havana. When war was declared the American fleet under Commodore Dewey, which had been ordered away from Hong Kong by the British authorities, made a quick dash across the South China Sea and headed straight for Manila, the most important port of the Philippine Islands. On the morning of May 1, 1898, just before dawn, the American fleet, under cover of the darkness and regardless of the mines in the channel, steamed into the inner harbor and at sunrise opened fire upon the Spanish fleet, completely destroying every one of the enemy's ships, without the loss of a single man on the American side. The Spanish fleet suffered a loss of more than 400 officers and men, killed or wounded.

LIBERALS WILL HAVE 40 SEATS

Edmonton, Alb., April 30—According to final counts, the Liberals have a majority of twenty-two members over Conservatives in the new legislature. Seats which are definitely given to the Liberals now numbering 33, while 16 have been given to conservatives. There are two deferred elections, Athabasca and Peace River which will probably return Liberals, increasing the Liberals to forty.

In Edson Hon. C. W. Cross wins by a majority of 27. Official count in Vermilion increases Sifton's majority by twenty, his final majority over the Conservative candidate being 201. Final figures from Medicine Hat give Hon. C. R. Mitchell eight over Mayor Spencer. There are seventy-six ballots tied up and they have not been counted.

PRICE OF ICE SOARING

New York, May 1.—The new schedule by which the price of natural and artificial ice to consumers in Greater New York was raised from \$3.50, the price charged a month ago, to \$6 a ton, went into effect today, to the dismay of large and small consumers alike. So far as natural ice is concerned the advance in price is explained by the alleged scarcity of the supply due to the unusually mild winter, but no explanation has been given to account for the advance in the price of artificial ice the manufacture of which is in no way influenced by meteorological and climatic conditions.

MORE MONEY REQUIRED FOR UPKEEP OF CITY SCHOOLS

Government's Generous Increase in Salaries to Model School Teachers Will Cost City \$300 Per Year---F. A. Good's Resignation Accepted---To Advertise For a Successor

The regular monthly meeting of the School Board was held yesterday with Dr. VanWart presiding. The other members in attendance included Mrs. Clark, Mr. Sterling, Mr. Sharkey, Mr. Spurden, Dr. Crockett and the Secretary. Several matters of importance engaged the attention of the Board and considerable business was disposed of.

Early in the session Mr. Sterling from committee reported respecting available finance to undertake and complete the sanitary changes in the York Street School as ordered by the Board of Health. This work it is thought will cost between two and three thousand dollars. He stated that Committee met City Council and that body thought that as the proposed work was of a permanent nature they did not care to assess for the full amount, but agreed to give one thousand dollars this year in addition to the annual assessment, and this extra amount would be continued until amount was paid. Mr. Sterling also spoke of arrangement made with Ald. Clark, chairman of the finance committee, whereby monthly payments would be made on account of assessment, thus escaping interest on overdrafts.

INSPECTOR'S REPORT

Inspector Hanson's report upon the condition of the city schools was in the main satisfactory. In the High School the high standing so generally acknowledged is maintained. This officer in speaking of the teaching staff says it is at least the equal of any high school in the Province. However he has not reported favorably upon the efficiency of all the teachers in the other schools. He complains of the overcrowding of the several departments and recommends the appointment of four additional teachers. Of course this came as a great shock to the Trustees who have been financing with great keenness to provide for payment of the salaries of the present staff with the available assessments. The report has been relegated to a committee of the Board. According to a statement of the Secretary the enrolment of pupils in the city schools is, no bigger today than it was twenty-five years ago.

MR. GOOD RESIGNS

A letter was read from Mr. F. A. Good, science instructor in the High School, resigning his position to allow him to join the Normal School

staff. The resignation was accepted with regret for Mr. Good's services were much appreciated by the Trustees.

In anticipation of this resignation two applications were received for the vacancy. One from Mr. J. Thaddeus Hebert, B. A., principal of the Bathurst Grammar School. His course through the University N. B. was a brilliant one, and he was able to present a flattering testimonial from Principal Bridges of the Normal School. An application was also received from Mr. Fred J. Patterson, who has been teaching four or five years, and is at present a member of the graduation class of the U. N. B. He was able to present an excellent testimonial from Chancellor Jones. Before any appointment is made the Secretary was instructed to advertise for a teacher for the science department in the High School, and the appointment will probably be made at a special meeting to be held about the middle of the month.

Applications for positions in the other schools were read from Misses Bessie B. McElvaney, Edith E. Coyle, Jennie H. Reid, Cecil M. Gallagher and Agnes S. Crickard. Some of these were renewing former applications, and all were given a place on the record book.

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CANADIAN WOMEN IN COUNCIL

Montreal, May 1—Club women from every section of the Dominion have gathered in Montreal for the twentieth annual meeting of the National Council of Women of Canada, which had its formal opening today. The sessions will last an entire week, during which time well known speakers from the United States as well as Canada will be heard on subjects of live importance, such as woman suffrage, prison reform, compulsory education, and the care of the feeble minded. Dinners, receptions and other features of social entertainment will intersperse the business sessions.

Atlantic coast line March net increase \$330,506. Nine months net increase \$534,524.

CANADA INAUGURATES NEW MAIL ROUTE

Ottawa, Ont., May 1—The new plan of the Dominion government under which Canadian steamers will transport all Canadian mail matter between Canada and Great Britain went into effect today. Heretofore a large part of the mail went by way of New York. The new contract which is with four companies, the Allen, Canadian Pacific, Canadian Northern, and White Star-Dominion lines, calls for mail service by 12 steamers in summer from Montreal and Quebec and eight in winter from St. John and Halifax. The new service is subsidized to the amount of \$1,000,000 a year.

PACIFIC IS GOING STRONG

New York, May 1—A more healthy tone prevailed in the market this morning and stocks had a decided upward tendency. C.P.R. as usual, led in the advance, with an increase of four points over yesterday's closing.

The London market and Berlin bourse are closed today.

The strength displayed in the New York market is largely the result of a "good news from Vienna" cable received by Putnam & Co.

(By direct private wire to J. C. Mackintosh, Fredericton, N.B.)

	Open	Noor
Copper	71½	72½
Smelters	65½	66½
C.P.R.	236	240
Great Northern	125	126
Lehigh	153½	154½
Soo	131	131
Northern Pacific	133½	134½
Pennsylvania	114½	114½
Reading	159½	160
Rock Pacific	148½	148½
U. S. Steel	59½	59½

MONTREAL MORNING SALES

(Quotations by J. M. Robinson & Sons, Bankers & Brokers, St. John, N.B.)

Bank of Montreal—3 @ 231½; 4 @ 231
Brazilian—1 @ 94; 30 @ 93½; 150 @ 93½; 60 @ 93½
Car Com.—25 @ 78
New C.P.R.—25 @ 235½; 35 @ 235½; 100 @ 236; 50 @ 236½; 100 @ 236½; 50 @ 236½; 125 @ 237; 125 @ 237½
Cement—150 @ 24
Crown Reserve—200 @ 48½; 25 @ 48

GOVERNMENT FINISHED BUSINESS AT NOON

A delegation composed of Richard O'Leary, Matthew Lodge and others waited upon the local government yesterday afternoon and made application for a lease of barren bottoms in Westmorland County for oyster culture. They promised if their request was complied with to develop an important industry. The members of the delegation returned home last evening well satisfied with the result of their interview. It is understood that it will be granted a lease of a large territory at Bay Verte.

The government met again this morning and disposed of the business on the regular schedule. Some applications for charters were favorably passed upon and a number of appointments were put through in connection with the new highway act. The sheriffs were also re-appointed.

The government is said to be having some difficulty in finding an engineer to take charge of the road work under the new act. Chief Morrissey wants a high class man for the job and this kind are none too plentiful, at least among those who have put in applications.

It is rumored today that Premier Fleming may take a trip to the old country this summer. He has been on a trip to the coast since taking over the leadership of the government, and his friends think the time has arrived for him to cross the pond.

Attorney General Grimmer is said to be slated for a judgeship and Hon. George J. Clarke is mentioned as his successor.

Secretary McAdoo to transfer \$10,000,000 of treasury cash to county banks.

Earnings of Erie Railway for March net increase \$12,131. Nine months net increase \$10,378.92.

Governor Sulzer to veto bill limiting to 15 per cent. rate of interest on call loans.

GOVERNMENT BACKS DOWN ALL RAILWAY RESOLUTION

Liberal Criticism of the Measure in Parliament Had its Effect---New Resolution Was Substituted Which Will Make it Possible for Government to Acquire Branch Lines of the Intercolonial Without Delay

Ottawa, April 30—Premier Borden and his minister of railways, Hon. Frank Cochrane today justified the criticism of Liberalism on Friday last in regard to the unprecedented blanket power sought by the minister of railways to enter into contracts for the leasing or construction of any railway lines throughout the dominion simply by order in council and without first consulting parliament.

The government promptly backed down from this untenable position today, withdrew the original resolution of Mr. Cochrane and substituted another making it plain that all that was sought was the acquiring of the branch lines of the Intercolonial.

When the resolution was first brought down the strenuous protest by Liberalism against the attempt to usurp authority of parliament and substitute government by order in council resulted in the bill being temporarily held up. Today Premier Borden explained that the resolution as originally drafted had been intended to include the restriction that parliament must be consulted before any new railway undertaking was finally put through. He blamed the "omission" on the law clerk.

During the course of the discussion which occupied the whole of the afternoon sitting, the maritime and Quebec members took advantage of the opportunity to urge upon the minister the necessity of enlarging the Intercolonial system by taking in a large number of branch lines now privately operated and by constructing new lines in parts of the country now without railway facilities.

Mr. Chisholm of Antigonish drew attention to the fact that during the recent provincial by-election there the Conservative candidate and his agents had made scandalous use of all sorts of promises of government expenditures in the district. In addition to the publication of Hon. Mr. Rogers' list of "supplementary estimates" of expenditure in the county, definite assurances had been given that farmers would be allowed free transportation of hay on the Intercolonial and alleged letters from the minister of railways were made public declaring that the government would build a branch line of the railway from Antigonish to Country Harbor.

A further announcement was made (Continued on page four)

NUMEROUS REMOVALS IN CITY THIS SPRING

Moving Day has seen about the usual amount of change in places of business and of residence. Although today is considered to be the day for moving many removals have taken place prior to this date. Desirable dwellings to rent are at a premium this spring and that taken as an indication there has been considerable influx of population within the past few months. The reconstruction of the Royal Bank Building and the Sampson Building has caused some changes among business firms and changes have had other causes.

BUSINESS CHANGES

Mr. J. D. Plunkney has removed his law offices from the Colter Building, Queen Street to the recently renovated Morrison Building, Carleton Street.

Robin Cropley has removed his job-printing establishment from the Royal Bank Building to the premises in King Street lately occupied by the Fredericton Brass Band.

Edward Hurley, plumber, has removed from the Sampson Building to the store in Regent Street vacated by M. E. Doohan, grocer, who now is occupying the premises in Regent Street near Queen, recently purchased by him.

W. Butcher, baker, has removed to the Greaves Building at the corner of King and Regent streets.

RESIDENTIAL CHANGES.

Mr. J. A. Reid, who recently purchased a residence in University Avenue from Mrs. B. B. Manzer, has removed to that property. Mr. Fred P. Colter has rented part of the "Chimes" property, opposite the Cathedral, which is owned by Mr. R. W. McLellan. Mr. W. W. Heard, United States consular agent, has moved into part of the same residence. Mrs. Scammell has taken part of a McLellan house in University Avenue and the family of Mr. George Bidlake, which has returned from Chatham, is to occupy the upper flat of the same.

Mr. Edwin H. Clark has removed from 531 Brunswick Street to a dwelling in the upper part of George Street owned by Mr. M. L. Stevenson. Mrs. Mary Whitehead has occupied the premises vacated by him. Mrs. E. P. Hunt has removed from the Fowler house, Regent Street, to 523 Brunswick Street.

Mr. Joseph Desanliner has removed from St. John Street to 186 Queen Street.

Mr. Vernon Cameron of the I.R.C. has sold his property in Gibson and will occupy a flat in a dwelling in the lower part of Charlotte Street, formerly occupied by Prof. McGinnis of the University. Prof. McGinnis is moving to the Ryan house at the corner of Union and Church streets.

The dwelling next that and owned by Mr. R. W. McLellan, is to be occupied by Mr. Prince, who has removed here from St. John, and by Mr. Harry Harvey.

Mr. A. B. Kitchen and Mr. A. M. Gibson have given up house-keeping for the present and with their families will board at Windsor Hall for the summer.

Mr. A. V. Rowan is moving into the house vacated by Mr. Kitchen and the one vacated by Mr. Gibson has been taken by Mrs. F. E. Blackmer. Both of these houses were recently purchased by Mr. Rowan.

The Hamilton house on George Street, which is being vacated by Mrs. Blackmer has been leased by Mr. A. G. Turvey provincial horticulturist, who it is said will shortly enter the benedict ranks.

Mr. R. T. Mack is moving from the Walker house York Street to the dwelling on George Street vacated by Mr. A. M. Rowan.

Mr. Charles D. Richards will move into the house vacated by Mr. Mack. Mr. A. D. Parent has leased the dwelling on George Street lately occupied by Ex-Ald. Moore.

WORLD'S NEWS IN SHORT MERET

New York, May 1—Secretary McAdoo announces that beginning June 1st all government depositaries will be required to pay 2 per cent. annually on live government deposits.

Alien land bill to be passed by California legislature today. Japan is expected to protest.

Governor Sulzer's direct primary bill was killed in the senate by a vote of 42 to 8.

Assembly at Albany passes bill increasing interest rate of state bonds to 4½ per cent.

Twenty railways decreased 6.29.