

HEARST PLAN REMARKABLE, SAYS BRITON

Famous English Author Asserts Anglo-U. S. Project Will Advance Peace of World

LONDON, Feb. 3.—William Harbutt Dawson, prominent author and educationist, writes to Universal Service from Oxford:

I have read with the greatest interest Mr. Hearst's remarkable utterance on the subject of American relationships with the British Empire, and I believe profoundly that the course which Mr. Hearst proposes will advance the peace of the world far more effectively than the half-hearted efforts of diplomacy.

That this view is no isolated one in this country must have been made clear already by the newspaper comments on Mr. Hearst's letter, though here, as in America, there is a section of public opinion which still needs to be converted to the idea of America and Great Britain associating in friendly association the moral leadership of the world.

STATEMENT IN BOOK.

In a book which he has just published, entitled "Richard Cobden and the Foreign Policy," Dawson writes: Yet more than ever before the importance of Anglo-American friendship needs to be emphasized, for the one reason, if for no other, that amongst the larger powers America today is practically England's only safe, straightforward and disinterested friend.

To be candid, she is also a friend with whom we cannot afford to fall out. Cobden used to contend that the danger of serious naval rivalry should bring home the value of American co-operation even to those whom higher considerations failed to influence. The same argument holds good today.

POWER OF AMERICA.

Wise politics is three parts interest to one part sentiment; and dislike it as we may, it would be folly to ignore the fact that if America were disposed she could build ships against us as fast as we could build them. Rivalry of that kind would be the most senseless and disastrous known to history, but there can be no doubt as to which power would be exterminated first. Every consideration of prudence and safety points to the cultivation of closer association with America.

The choice which has to be made is the most momentous in national history. It is the choice between the empire and Europe; for the time has come when Great Britain must face the fact that she cannot at the same time do her full duty as the head of the great commonwealth of English-speaking nations and as the burden-bearer of the continent.

Senator Hoke Smith Lauds Hearst Plan

ATLANTA (Ga.), Feb. 3.—(By Universal Service.)—Former United States Senator Hoke Smith, of Georgia, one-time member of President Grover Cleveland's cabinet, and known throughout the country for his statesmanship, Friday gave his indorsement to the proposal of William Randolph Hearst, as contained in an editorial carried in the Atlanta Georgian and other Hearst publications, urging the association of the two English-speaking peoples of the world to maintain peace.

"While I would consider it unwise and impractical for the United States to enter the League of Nations," said Senator Smith. "I believe that a co-operative plan entered into by the English-speaking peoples of the world to maintain peace would be desirable.

"I do not say that the time is ripe for such a plan to be put into execution, but I do believe that the time will come when such a course will be proper and advantageous for all English-speaking peoples.

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HAWK ATTACKS MOTHER, BOY

SAN MATEO, Feb. 3.—A giant hawk, believed to be the largest seen on the peninsula, attacked a 9-year-old boy on a San Mateo estate today.

Fighting with wings and beak, the big bird wounded the boy in a dozen places about the face and arms. When the child's mother, attracted by the boy's screams, attempted to drive the hawk away, she was attacked in turn. The mother was badly buffeted by the bird's wings, measuring 54 inches from tip to tip. She was cut about the arms.

Lloyd Petty, son of Arthur Petty, gardener on the estate of R. P. Schwern, came upon the hawk when he ran into the dovecote, containing scores of prize birds, to investigate a commotion. The hawk, clutching a mutilated pigeon in its claws, flew viciously at the boy.

Trying to protect his eyes and face from the hawk's dagger-like beak, young Petty screamed for help. His cries brought Mrs. Petty, and the infuriated bird then centered its attack on her.

Finally Petty heard the conflict, saw his wife and boy fighting the bird, and got his rifle. After merrily firing for several minutes, he succeeded in getting a shot at the hawk and brought it down.

Welsh Singers to Meet. LOS ANGELES, Feb. 3.—(A.P.)—Welsh singers, musicians and writers are gathering here today for the annualisteddoff which will open tomorrow and continue through Saturday.

The dove-cote invader, which fell before rifle fire, measures 54 inches from tip to tip.

Lloyd Petty, 9, is here seen with hawk which attacked him and his mother and was shot by his father.

JURY DECIDES NUDE IS ART

Is a picture of a nude young girl, dancing on some greensward someplace or other, Art? Or is it obscenity? That's the question that was settled yesterday afternoon by a jury of twelve good men and true, in the juryroom of Federal District Judge A. F. Sore's courtroom in the Federal building.

They looked at the picture of the young nude girl on the greensward. And they looked at other pictures of pretty naked ladies. And after a while they came back into the courtroom and solemnly said the pictures were Art, and not obscene, as the Government had charged.

And so it came about that Albert Arthur Allen, San Francisco and Oakland photographer, was acquitted of the charge of sending obscene matter through the mails.

SACASA AIDE ACCUSES NAVY

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—(A.P.)—American marines in Nicaragua were charged tonight by the representative here of the Sacasa Liberal faction with having seized and dumped into a river 1,800,000 rounds of its ammunition.

The seizure, Dr. T. S. Vaca, the Sacasa representative in Washington, said he had been informed by cable from Porto Cabezas, occurred last Thursday. The cablegram, which was from Dr. Espinosa, foreign minister in the Sacasa cabinet, said a protest and demand for reparation had been made to the State Department through the United States consul at Bluefields.

In making public the message, Vaca reiterated that Sacasa was willing to resign his claims to the presidency in favor of a third candidate to be agreed on by the Diaz and Sacasa factions.

DEATH TAKES JIM WILKINS

A pillar of old San Francisco society softly crumbled under the weight of time yesterday when James Malcolm Wilkins, manager of the first Cliff House and host to presidents, breathed his last in the Savoy Hotel.

It was such a death as the courtly, affable host of years gone by would have chosen for himself. In his own hospitable, surrounded by old friends, the man who had lived to the full his allotment of fourscore and three years, passed away quietly, smilingly.

He claimed to have invented the first automobile ever to stir up New World dust. It was in the early '80s, in the heyday of the Cliff House career, when the affable host decided the horse and buggy were too slow for patrons anxious to taste the hospitality of his menage. So he planned the horseless carriage and a German engineer built it for him and upon his plan he had always asserted it was conceived the Selden patent upon which Ford made his millions.

Wilkins was really the owner of two Cliff Houses. The first burned down on Christmas Eve, 1894. Rebuilt, the ancient hostelry withstood the shocks of the 1906 fire, only to succumb, in 1917, to a fire that nearly trapped Wilkins himself into an untimely death.

The funeral will be held at 1 o'clock tomorrow afternoon from the California Undertaking Parlor on Fillmore street.



"Jim" Wilkins.

JACKSON LAST RITES PLANNED

Funeral services for the late C. M. "General" Jackson, veteran newspaper man who died Wednesday night, will be held in San Rafael tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock. Hundreds of Jackson's friends and members of the newspaper fraternity are expected to attend the ceremony from Sawyer's Undertaking Parlor.

Jackson is survived by a widow, Mrs. Louise Jackson; a son, Charles L. Jackson, and a daughter, Mrs. L. R. Cracraft of Watsonville.

Lincoln Day Plans to Be Discussed. An open meeting of the citizens committee, appointed by Mayor James Rolph Jr., to arrange for the official celebration of Lincoln's Day, will be held this afternoon in the chambers of the Board of Supervisors. The meeting is for the purpose of giving the public opportunity to co-operate in planning for the holiday.

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