

packed houses and the enthusiasm was as great as at any time since the beginning of the convention. In fact, it seemed as if every one present desired to express his or her satisfaction with the way the greatest convention of Endeavorers ever held had been conducted.

There was praise for the committee of '97, gratification at the reception all had received at the hands of California in general and San Francisco in particular, and thankfulness for the perfect weather which has blessed the entire meeting.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 12.—Early this morning began the last day's work of the International Christian Endeavor convention. The topic at the prayer meeting was, Ever Associate Members.

The daily hour for Bible study was conducted by Prof. Herbert L. Willett, Chicago, his subject being "John—A Message of Light and Love."

He said that the essence of sin is the denial of the life and the reality of the life and the work of Christ, and argued that love was the essential characteristic of God and His children. Rev. Robert F. Y. Pierce of Philadelphia spoke at the United Presbyterian church on Children's Meetings and How to Make Them Interesting, illustrating his remarks on the black-board.

NEW ORLEANS, July 12.—Robert Ainsworth, who lived at 527 North Francisco street, Chicago, was found dead this morning in an old empty along the track of the Illinois Central railroad. He was last seen in the morning in company of two negroes and appeared to be under the influence of liquor. An axe was found by his side, and his pockets had been robbed. It is presumed he was on his way home when he was murdered and robbed of all he possessed.

PORT TOWNSEND, Wn., July 13.—A letter just received here from Alaska brings particulars of the terrible death of three men Blackstone, Bottcher and Mollique, who were frozen to death while attempting to carry mail from Sunrise city across the glacier to Prince William sound. The letter came from Charles Willoughby.

He found Blackstone dead on the beach lying in blankets and frozen to death with half the carcass of his dog, the unfortunate fellow having eaten part of his faithful companion before he succumbed to the intense cold.

The bodies of Bottcher and Mollique were found some distance away on the top of the glacier where both had perished from the cold.

CHICAGO, July 13.—An open cut in the eastbound Christian Endeavor rates is one of the strong probabilities. California does have been officially notified that one will be ordered if they do not live up to the terms of the original agreement regarding those rates.

Advices from San Francisco showed they were about to set the agreement at defiance in at least three vital particulars. They proposed to pay commissions on the business, they wanted to allow stop-overs in territory east of California and they desire to increase the number of dates of sale of tickets.

The executive committee of the Western passenger association, after considering the matter, decided that

was the only effectual way of stopping demoralization arising from that source. So far as the other two offenses were concerned the lines indulging in them were notified that neither stop-overs east of California nor extra dates for selling tickets could be allowed, as a solemn contract had been entered into with the western lines to that effect and it must be observed to the letter.

WASHINGTON, July 13.—The President today sent the following nominations to the Senate:

War—Lieutenant colonels to be colonels—Guy V. Henry, 3rd Cavalry; L. H. Carpenter, 7th Cavalry; Samuel B. M. Young, 4th Cavalry; John M. Bacon, 1st Cavalry. Majors to be lieutenant colonels—A. R. Chaffee, 9th Cavalry; Michael Cooney, 4th Cavalry; James Jackson, 2nd Cavalry; Louis T. Morris, 3rd Cavalry. Captains to be majors—W. C. Forbus, 5th Cavalry; J. M. Augur, 5th Cavalry; William A. Thompson, 4th Cavalry; J. S. Loud, 9th Cavalry.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 13.—Because some of the details of the order were incomplete, Secretary Bliss was unable to lay before the cabinet at today's meeting his proposition to revoke the order made by President Cleveland closing some of the pension agencies.

There was a good deal of talk over appointments, and as a result the sending of a big list of consular nominations to the Senate was delayed, in order that a few names might be added.

The currency commission message did not cause any discussion because it is now understood that the President is settled in his determination to send it to Congress and awaits notice from the party leaders as to the time when this can be done without interfering with the program arranged for the disposition of the tariff bill. The President himself does not believe that the sending of the message at this time would delay action of the tariff bill in the least, holding that the discussion in open senate and house could be conducted during the time the conferees on the tariff bill are at work in their room. He is, however, willing to defer in this matter to the opinions of certain Republican congressmen who take a contrary view, and will not send in the message until advised that it will not jeopardize the tariff measure.

Foreign affairs, notably the Hawaiian situation, are believed to have absorbed the attention of the meeting today, and while it is stated that there has been no sensible change as to the situation as to Hawaii, it is known that the President much desires speedy action on the annexation treaty, feeling that its approval would do much to remove complications that now threaten.

NEW YORK, July 13.—The head of William Guideneuppe is said to have been found by some boys in Branch Port, N. J. Acting Inspector O'Brien is said to have received this information last night. The head was encased in oil cloth and plaster of paris.

A dispatch from Branchport, N. J., says that nothing is known there to confirm the reported finding of Guideneuppe's head.

CHICAGO, July 13.—C. R. Cummins,

one of the most prominent capitalists of Chicago, died last night of inflammation of the liver. Mr. Cummins was 65 years of age and left a fortune estimated at ten millions.

PORT ANGELES, Wash., July 13.—The officers of the Oregon have been waiting impatiently for two days for the coal to arrive from Comax. It is now coming and the custom house inspectors were asked to hasten their inspection as much as possible.

But 300 tons have been received and 500 were expected. This may prevent the Oregon from getting away before Thursday. It is said the Oregon will sail for San Francisco as soon as the coal is received.

WASHINGTON, July 14.—Maximo Gomez has changed radically his plan of campaign. A letter from him was received in Washington today. Heretofore the commander of the army of liberation has waged a wall-log war. He has maintained that the course of the Cubans to pursue was to let the fever among the soldiers and the financial stringency of Spain win the battles for independence. He has been best satisfied to avoid fighting and to worry the Spanish force. But for reasons which seem good to him the leader of the insurgents has now adopted an entirely different policy. This letter, received here today, brings from Gomez himself the information of the change.

"It must be settled," says Geo. Gomez, speaking of the war. He tells that it is his purpose to force a crisis as speedily as possible. To this end he has left the scene of his long delay near La Reforma on the eastern edge of Santa Clara province and made his way across Santa Clara and Matanzas provinces, and is now within Havana province. He intimates that he regards some quick, hard blows in the vicinity of Havana as vital to the cause, and that he will direct them to person.

The letter was received by an officer of the insurgent army who came to Washington recently.

Its contents cannot be made public further than has been indicated. They are not interpreted as altogether encouraging by the receiver, but rather as showing the near approach of a desperate situation, a crisis in Cuban affairs. The officer in receipt of the letter from Gomez will leave at once for the island, he believes that the fate of the insurrection is now about to be determined.

The feeling that the immediate future is to produce important results in Cuba is shared by the administration. Within the last few days three American consuls on the island located at Matanzas, Sagua and Santiago de Cuba, have asked for leaves of absence. Under ordinary circumstances, the requests would be granted. Mr. Barker, the consul at Sagua, has not been away from his post in three years and has been urged by his physician to take a vacation for reasons of health.

But the state department has notified all of these consuls that it is not compatible with public interests to grant leaves at the present time. Consul Gen. Lee is fully expected to come to this country to July. It is stated that he will not leave Havana now because of possible developments.

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