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David Starr Jordan Theorizes on War

COWGIRL WRITER VISITS YUMA ENROUTE COAST TO NEW YORK

To cross the continent on horseback is a feat seldom recorded, yet a frail woman, Miss H. H. Thinglestad, of Seattle, has undertaken such a strenuous task and she is now in Yuma on her way to New York.

She is taking plenty of time for the trip, leaving Seattle one year ago. She arrived in Los Angeles at Christmas tide and has spent the past few months touring in Southern California, on her

trusty steed, collecting data for an account of her trip after it has been completed.

Although strongly advised by her friends not to make the desert trip in mid summer, nothing daunted, she ventured the trip from San Diego to Yuma, arriving here Tuesday, and she is now ready to leave for the East.

To the Examiner she confided that she had found the heat trying and the loss of sleep more so. It being too hot to travel by day, even when crossing the mountains between San Diego and the Imperial country. She

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LANE TO HEAD COMMISSION TO FIX DIFFERENCES WITH MEXICO

(By B. F. FLY.)

Secretary of the Interior Franklin K. Lane is to be chairman of the commission to attempt a settlement of the differences between the United States and Mexico.

Such, at least, is the announcement made from Washington, which also says that Associate Justice Brandeis will be a member of the commission, the third member not having been announced, though the place has probably been offered to ex-President Taft.

In the selection of Secretary Lane, the President has pinned his faith on "the right man for the right place," for, of all men in the United States, Secretary Lane is probably the one man who

will be acceptable to everybody in America.

He is not only a man of unusual attainments, but a broad-minded, liberal thinking statesman of the very highest type, and, having been a member of the Cabinet all during the recent troubles with Mexico, he is familiar with every phase of the various questions that will come before the Commission for final adjudication.

It is not known at this time just what questions are to be settled, beyond the withdrawal of our troops from Mexico, indemnity for American losses, and agreement as to future movement of troops to keep the peace along the frontier.

It is hoped, however, that the scope of the commission will take in every question that has been a thorn in the side of both countries ever since the Gadsden purchase. This question will naturally lead to a settlement of the water rights of the Colorado river, and on this particular question Sec-

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SAN DIEGO, Aug. 11.—

Future generations of European countries now at war with each other not only will have to pay the costs of that war in material wealth, but also in the lowered standards of their physical, mental and moral efficiency, according to Dr. David Starr Jordan, Chancellor Emeritus, Leland Stanford, Jr., University, who today addressed the members of the Pacific Division of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, on "War and Eugenics."

He concludes "that war weakens the breed by depriving it of its finest strain is now an unquestioned fact in biology as in history."

He said in part:

"Every army insists, in its enlistments, on obtaining men above the average in physical efficiency. Its ideal is the red-blooded man with dash and daring, a bit of an adventurer to begin with, to be reduced to a cog in a great machine by the pressure of military discipline. In general, those who fight best are most likely to be killed.

"The bravest men," says Darwin, who were always willing to come to the front in war, and who freely risked their lives for others, would on an average perish in greater numbers than other men. Better men would make better history. The demands of battle and camp cut off men from parenthood in the prime of life. This leaves the men war cannot use to be the fathers of coming generations.

"By the laws of heredity, like the seed is the harvest and the future of the races rests with those who are its actual ancestors. 'Lions breed lions,' says the Spanish proverb, 'a brave man has brave sons.' Of like import is the Moorish proverb, 'The father a weed; the mother a weed! Do you expect the daughter to be saffron root?'

"A nation does not miss that which it has not had. If it did, it would realize that the longest cost of war is that of impoverishment of the breed. 'War's greatest cost,' says Paul Dan-

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DREDGES ASTRAY BREAKS DAM AT HANLON; SITUATION SERIOUS

The suction dredger, El Centro, operating just above the rock and pile dam at Hanlon heading, broke loose from its moorings at 5 o'clock last evening and went crashing against the trestle, tearing out five bents of piles (80 feet) and wedged itself firmly between adjacent piles, where it is now, stuck hard and fast.

The accident was caused by the slipping of the in-

mense cable holding the dredger.

In a telephone communication with Hanlon heading this morning it was stated that the dredger was not damaged and that it would be pulled out of the trestle within a short time—work in that direction having already begun.

When asked as to what effect the break in the dam would have on the flow of water through the Hanlon head-gates, it was stated that at this time it was impossible to tell, but that it was hoped all the damage

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YUMA LOCAL AND PERSONAL NEWS OF IMPORTANCE

The Twenty-first infantry band concert last night was unusually largely attended, the announcement having been previously made that the ladies of the Baptist church would serve ice cream and cake during the evening, the proceeds to go to the church. Reclamation park was filled with men, women and children, and if they didn't enjoy the evening it was because they did not like a fine musical program, or enjoy ice cream. Now that the Baptists have set the example, it is presumed that in due time all other churches will take advantage of Mr. Lawson's good nature and give the people occasional chances to eat ice cream and cake while the band plays "in the good, old summer time."

W. H. Heyser, of Bard, who for several months has been connected with the Overland company, is now connected with Winn & Huss in handling the seductive little jitney.

The County Fair directors will

meet this afternoon in regular session, one of the main questions for consideration being the method to be pursued to force Glenn Wheeler, the former fair commissioner, to give up the exhibit fruit jars which he now claims as his personal property. It is unnecessary to say that Mr. Glenn Wheeler's friends are surprised at his actions, for every subscriber to the fund, which went to purchase the exhibit jars, was told the jars were to serve Yuma county for all time to come. However, the fair directors will see what can be done to gain possession of these much needed jars.

The Colorado, after reaching a gauge of over twenty feet, is falling quite rapidly. In the meantime work is progressing as rapidly as possible on the Hanlon heading dam, the flow down the canal now being something like three thousand second-feet.

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