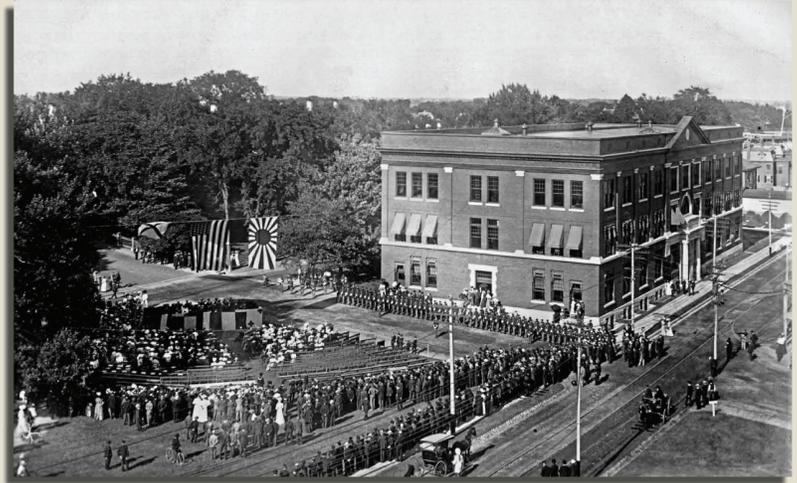


*The treaty commemorative plaque on Building 86 at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard.*



*Peace Day, September 4, 1906 at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard. Courtesy of Portsmouth Athenaeum.*

### **DIPLOMATIC LEGACY - 外交の遺産**

Beginning in 1994, the Japan-America Society of New Hampshire and the Russia Society of New Hampshire have sponsored a series of four diplomatic forums with United States, Japanese, and Russian academic and diplomatic representatives discussing the historic and current relations between the two North Pacific nations. The purpose of the forums is to foster a continuing dialogue “in the spirit of the Portsmouth Peace Treaty” and to develop diplomatic lessons for the world from the Portsmouth Peace Treaty process.



*Counselor Vladimir O. Rakhmanin, Embassy of the Russian Federation, Washington, D.C., addressed the Portsmouth Peace Treaty Forum in City Hall's Council Chamber in 1994. Courtesy of C. B. Doleac.*

### **MULTI-TRACK DIPLOMACY - 多元的外交**

Although the term had not been coined in 1905, multi-track diplomacy best describes the events surrounding the Portsmouth peace conference. In between the formal direct negotiations, the U.S. Navy and the people of Portsmouth hosted informal meetings and recreational and social events throughout the local area to foster interpersonal relations between the Russian and Japanese delegations. This form of peace negotiation using non-formal participants and organizations on many tracks is becoming a new, broader approach to resolving international conflicts, especially when the formal parties are unable to resolve their differences by traditional diplomacy. Portsmouth is not only an example of the ability of local people to influence international diplomacy, but is also a sterling example of multi-track diplomacy before scholarship identified it.

### **LOCAL PORTSMOUTH ARTIST RICHARD HAYNES DESIGNED THE PORTSMOUTH PEACE TREATY CENTENNIAL SYMBOL.**

The design incorporates five themes:

- The red flag on the right represents Japan.
- The red and blue flag on the left represent Russia.
- The gray dove and gray bell represent the United States Navy providing the protocols for peace at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard and announcing the peace to the world through the bell.
- The olive branch of peace, rather than a big stick, represents Roosevelt's peace diplomacy.
- The white steeple in the middle represents the North Church of Portsmouth, New Hampshire, symbolizing the role played by the state, city and many local people who hosted the two delegations and provided informal venues for peace.



*The symbol of the Portsmouth Peace Treaty centennial. Richard Haynes, © Haynes Images.*