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REV. HENRY ON REED SMOOT

Pastor of Butte Church, Who Was in Salt Lake as a Minister and Knows of Conditions as They Actually Are, Talks of Mormonism-- People Are Industrious and Have Been Maligned Much.

Rev. Alfred H. Henry stands by Apostle Smoot in the present political broil in Utah. There is not a man in Montana who is more conversant with the doctrines of the Mormon faith than is Mr. Henry, and an interview which he gave a representative of the Inter Mountain this morning is of especial interest at this time.

For five years Mr. Henry was pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal church in Salt Lake City. He has made an exhaustive study of Mormon doctrines and history and of present social and political conditions in Utah.

He has written extensively upon the subject, among his writings being the recent novel, "By Order of the Prophet," which is being widely read and is everywhere recognized as a highly dramatic but unexaggerated picture of life in Utah 50 years ago. Said he:

Mormons Are Industrious.

"I have learned from experience that the Mormon people are industrious, frugal and hospitable. They love their country, are kind to strangers who mind their own

in Salt Lake City. This is true not only of the Mormons in Utah but also of those in neighboring states, such as Idaho, Nevada, Wyoming and Colorado, and will in all probability remain true as the Mormon church increases its colonies in those states. Mormonism would cease to be Mormonism if it should relinquish its political ambitions, and these ambitions are recognized as a serious menace when we remember that the great mass of Mormon people, seemingly sane on other topics, yet implicitly and fanatically believe that their church will ultimately represent the kingdom of God for all people upon the earth and will in the near future shape the laws and execute righteousness for all nations.

Polygamy in Abeyance.

"Polygamy as a doctrine of the church is not dead, but its practice is held in abeyance. President Woodruff, in his famous manifesto, did not abolish polygamy; he simply suspended its operation until such time as the pressure of hostile legislation might be removed. Whether such pressure will ever be removed or not depends upon the very uncertain temper of the American people and upon the political power that the Mormon church may be able to wield in the future. It may be said, however, that there seems to be an increasing number of young Mormons who would not be in favor of the resumption of the practice of polygamy even if the law against it should be repealed or modified. They have had the advantage of education and have seen enough of the outside world to prefer to be like other people and to have the kind of homes that other people enjoy.

"Concerning Reed Smoot. He is undoubtedly an improper candidate for the United States senate--just as a bishop, archbishop, or cardinal of the Catholic church would be an improper candidate, but if he should be elected by the legislature of Utah I do not see how it will be possible to exclude him, 'apostle' though he claims to be, and even if such a thing should be desirable. It is reported that he is not a polygamist and so his case differs materially from that of Mr. Roberts. He doubtless believes in the doctrine, but his beliefs have nothing to do with his qualifications, and the fact that he is a Mormon does not affect the case any more than if he were a Methodist. His position as a high church dignitary is the only point that the senate has to consider and, as far as I am able to learn, the matter will have to be decided without much aid from precedent.

"I have always deprecated every form of persecution of the Mormons, either as a people or as religionists. I believe in opposing their doctrines and in an effort to check the spread of their influence in every legitimate way, but anything that partakes of the nature of persecution, and everything that may be construed into an unjust attack upon them as a people or as individuals, strengthens their cause."



REV. MR. HENRY.

business, and are naturally interested in building up the work of their church. Their spirit of self-sacrifice and devotion, mistaken even though it may be, is certainly praiseworthy. It would be difficult to calculate the results if as large a percentage of the members of the Christian churches were willing to travel and preach 'without purse or scrip' as are found among the Mormons."

"The element of danger to this country and its institutions from Mormonism lies in the power of the priesthood, which is absolute in things temporal, political, social and industrial, as well as in things of a distinctively religious character, and in the ready, almost slavish, obedience of the people. It is a startling fact that the political action of the vast majority of the Mormon people is predetermined, whenever it seems necessary or desirable, by a small coterie of high church officials

HAWAIIAN RULE IS UNIQUE

Governor Dole Is Now to All Intents and Purposes a Monarch --Has Absolute Appointive Right Through the Island-- Expected Adoption of the Municipal Code Bill.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

Honolulu, Dec. 19.--Absolutely unique among the states and territories of the United States is the present government of the Territory of Hawaii, which will be radically changed when in February the legislature adopts the municipal bill now being prepared by the republican central committee for its consideration.

The present government of Hawaii, often termed the "oligarchy," is a queer combination of the various forms of the monarchy, republic and provisional government, which it was attempted to Americanize by the organic act passed by congress two years ago. The transformation from an independent kingdom to a government dependent upon the United States has not been altogether a brilliant success and two years of use has not as yet worn off the rough edges.

Government Highly Centralized.

The present government of Hawaii is highly centralized in form and the taking over of the islands by the United States has little diminished the powers of the governing body. The organic act, though providing new names for the officials, did not affect their old powers and Governor Dole is as much the ruler today as he was five years ago as president of the republic of Hawaii. Fortunately for the people of the islands and despite the incessant attacks upon him, the power conferred upon the governor has not been abused by him.

Under the present system the governor has nearly the same powers as had the president of the republic and almost as much as was given the later monarchs of Hawaii with the constitutional limitations provided by the whites. The governor at present has the appointment of nearly all the officers in the territory and the approval of the senate is required only as to the choice of department heads. There are neither city nor county sub-divisions and the governor is mayor for all the cities and the board of supervisors for all the counties. The courts, except as to the judges appointed by the president, are also within the control of the governor. The police are also beneath his sway, the attorney general being at the head of the entire system of the territory, and all appointments must be approved by the appointee of the governor and even the election machinery is in his hands, as he appoints personally the registration and election boards.

Can Pardon All Offenses.

The governor can pardon for all offenses against the territorial laws and may relieve for offenses against the United States laws until the decision of the president is made known. He has the general powers given state governors to call out the militia or summon the posse committatus and "whenever it becomes necessary he may call upon the military and naval forces of the United States in the territory of Hawaii." He is also given power to suspend the writ of habeas corpus and can place the territory under martial law until communication can be had with the president.

Many of these powers were conferred because of the necessarily long delay in getting into communication with Washington,

and now that the cable will soon be completed many of these powers will be taken away.

The city and county bill now being prepared by United States Attorney R. W. Breckons, which it is expected the legislature will adopt in February, will put an end to the unlimited powers as at present conferred upon the governor. There will first be a subdivision into counties, making the islands of Oahu, Kauai, Maui, Molokai and Lanai each separate counties. Hawaii, the largest island in the group, will probably be made into two counties. There will be but few towns in the territory, the only ones probably being Honolulu, Hilo, Lahaina, Waikuku and one of the smaller villages of Kauai.

Municipal Ownership Puzzles.

There will be some trouble probably in inaugurating the new system because of the necessity of the transfer of property, which now rests with the territorial government and can be turned over only by an act of congress. The territory now owns a number of waterworks plants and buildings in all parts of the islands. There will be some trouble over the adoption of the proposed county bill. Both republican and home rule legislators are pledged to establish a county form of government and opposition to the measure on the part of the wealthy classes who

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fear increased taxation had died away. Governor Dole has also expressed his willingness to sign any bill which legally and rightfully decentralizes the present system, for he has long been willing to give up the reins of government, which he has held for years. Another year will see the greatest change of government which the Hawaiian islands, with all its transitory governments, monarchy, provisional and republic, has yet experienced.

Don't forget the dance at Scandia hall, South Main street tonight. Admission 50c. Given by the Knights and Ladies of Security.

CHRISTMAS CHEER IS HARD ON THEM

POSTAL CLERKS AND EXPRESS COMPANY EMPLOYEES HAVE TO WORK OVERTIME THESE DAYS.

The Christmas holidays are a season of good cheer to the average man, but did you ever stop to think what it means to the postal clerks and expressmen? For three weeks before the Yule-tide they lead a decidedly strenuous life. Packages must be sent to friends and relatives out of town and letters must be written in regard to the selection of gifts. These things fall heavily on the shoulders of the men who earn their daily bread in the offices of the express companies and in the United States mail service.

Recognizing the unavoidable rush of business that attends the holiday season, the postal department has provided four extra clerks in the Butte general office this year. They were put to work on the 6th of this month and will continue to sort mail until the sixth of January. Postmaster Irvin states that the greatest amount of mail is sent out at the fag-end of the holidays. Everything has been done to facilitate the proper handling of the matter that will come through the office during the next week or so, and it is stated authoritatively that there will be absolutely no congestion or delay because of the increase in business.

At the express offices the officials are prepared to take care of an immense amount of expressage. There is not so much business in the express line as there was at this time last year, but there is more than enough to keep them busy for the coming week.

At the Great Northern express office the force has been doubled, and the Northern Pacific express company has found it necessary to add four new men to their staff.

In other businesses an increase in the work means an increase in profits, but for those who are employed by Uncle Sam it is quite different. The holidays are not all beer and skittles for some folks, at any rate.

PARTIAL RESPONSES TO MESSAGES

(Continued From Page One.)

some of the allied powers, and it is one of the points which is disposed to lead to the consumption of much time and which must be disposed of before a final arrangement can be made to arbitrate the case.

Secretary Hay today laid before the cabinet the latest phase of the Venezuelan situation as shown by the correspondence he had had with our ambassadors and the foreign officers at London, Berlin and Rome, and also acquainted the members with the substance of the verbal exchanges which had taken place with the ambassadors in Washington.

The cabinet gave its unqualified approval to everything that has been done by Secretary Hay and also to his plans for the future, so far as they were outlined. It is gathered that the attitude of the United States is, for the present, a waiting one in the hope that the three allies will be soon able to agree upon the basis upon which they are willing to accept arbitration. So far no notice of the projected blockade of Venezuela has been officially served on our government.

FRANCE DOES NOT ASK TO BE FAVORED IN IT

Paris, Dec. 19.--The foreign office here desires to have it understood that the note sent to the French charge d'affaires at Caracas does not ask Venezuela to give preferential treatment to French claims, but only treatment equal to that which the other powers may receive through their recourse to force. This applies only to claims which have arisen since 1899, previous claims having been submitted to arbitration. Concerning recent claims, France first offered to permit the Venezuelan courts to pass upon them, but since Germany and Great Britain expect to secure preference by the adoption of forcible collection, the French charge d'affaires has now been ordered to inform Venezuela that France expects the same advantages in the adjustment of the claims as Venezuela grants to Germany and Great Britain.

This is not intended as a coercive measure, but only to secure for France equal treatment with the other powers.

London, Dec. 19.--The owners of the British steamer Topaz, which was seized by a mob of Venezuelans at Porto Cabello Dec. 10, resulting in the bombardment of the forts there by vessels of the allied powers, have received a cable message announcing her safe arrival at Cienfuegos, Cuba.

Guayaquil, Ecuador, Dec. 19.--There was a large parade in the streets of Quito last night as a manifestation of sympathy with Venezuela.

President Castro has replied as follows to President Plaza's message: "Profound gratitude towards the government and noble people of Ecuador. The national honor is saved, although the right of force reigns."

Lima, Peru, Dec. 19.--A number of army officers here propose calling their names to the president of Venezuela, offering their services in the case of the situation becoming more complicated.

FOR LIVESTOCK ASSOCIATION

Railroads Grant Special Rates From Montana Points.
Secretary C. F. Martin of the National Live Stock association, which meets at Kansas City, announces that a rate of \$40 for the round trip has been secured from Great Falls, Helena, Butte and inter-

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- Choice mutton chops, 10c pound.
- Fancy fresh eggs, 35c dozen.
- Fancy creamery butter, 35c pound.
- Fancy veal apples, select, 4 fruit, only 75c box.
- Parsnips, 10 pounds for 25c.
- Beets, 10 pounds for 25c.
- Rutabagas, 15 pounds for 25c.
- Carrots, 10 pounds for 25c.
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mediate points by the way of Pocatello. For points in Northern Montana the rate will be based upon Great Falls and will not exceed \$60.75. The tickets sold will be limited to continuous passage going, but with stopover privileges on return within thirty days.

ABOUT BUTTE.

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According to the appraisers, A. J. Davis, A. F. Bray and Hugh I. Wilson, the estate of the late Joseph Galloway is worth \$14,015.15. Most of this is in cash on deposit in the First National bank, the amount being \$11,391. A note and more than \$1,000 due in wages constitute the balance of the estate.

A carload of canned tomatoes has been attached in the suit of Frank H. Cooney and Howard Cooney against A. C. McKinney, known as the Ogden Canning company. The canned goods were in possession of the Butte, Anaconda & Pacific railroad. Suit was brought for \$883.30, and the property was seized by the sheriff.

Judge Clancy is busy with the damage suit of John E. Thill, an administrator of the estate of Michael Thill, against W. A. Clark and others for \$20,000, on account of the death of Thill in the Butte Reduction works. A jury is hearing testimony in the case, and the time of the court will probably be occupied several days.

The city treasurer's office reports that on the last call for city warrants, there has been paid out \$265,000. This practically cleans up the warrants for that call, as the total amount to be redeemed was something less than \$300,000.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Sebree, and Mrs. Joseph Meilin of Dillon are at the Thornton.

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FUNERAL NOTICE.

Alicks Rheaner, age 64 years, died last night at the family residence, 504 1/2 South Wyoming street, from where the funeral will take place Sunday, December 21 at 2 p. m. Services at Sacred Heart church.

Tower Presents Credentials.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.
Berlin, Dec. 19.--Ambassador Tower presented his credentials to Emperor William at the palace today. All the members of the staff of the embassy were present.

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WAGE MATTER IS BEFORE THE BOARD

STILL INQUIRING AS TO WHAT IS PAID TOILERS IN THE COAL FIELDS AND HOW.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

Scranton, Pa., Dec. 19.--Chairman Gray, when the strike commission opened its session today, recalled the incident of the Wednesday, when the accuracy of the wage statements of two men employed by the Pennsylvania Coal company were questioned. The lawyers for the miners challenged the good faith of the general manager of the company, and Chairman Gray said that if the company could not show how many figures in the wages handed to the commission it might shake the faith of the commission in the wage statement.

Chairman Gray said that he has since been informed that the auditor of the company notified one of the assistant recorders when the figures were handed in that the company was unable to give in all cases the exact number of men working in the earnings. The chairman said he did not wish to convey the impression that the commission impugned the good faith of the company.

The lawyers for the non-union men then called James Elias of Scranton, who testified that an attempt was made to blow up his house. The building was considerably damaged and his wife was beaten by the wives of strikers. Counsel for the non-union men submitted lists of boycotts against merchants in and about Wilkes-Barre, which counsel claim were instigated by the striking mine workers.

Eight witnesses were called up to noon. All of them were non-union men, who testified that boycotts of all kinds, intimidation and violence were committed by the strikers.

WAGNERIAN STRAINS GET SUDDEN JOLT AND CEASE

Car Which Advertises Local Shoe Store Collides With Walkerville Vehicle and It Is All Off.

The musical street car which dispenses Wagnerian melodies upon the quivering atmosphere was shaken up slightly yesterday afternoon by colliding with the Walkerville car at the corner of Broadway and Main.

Motorman McDonald, who handles the musical car, was going up Main street and for some reason the brakes would not work at the right time. The car started back down the street and encountered the Walkerville car.

No one was injured and the fender of the Walkerville car was slightly damaged. When the cars came together the musical director of the advertising car dropped a bar or two of "Goo Goo Eyes," which was never recovered.

WILLIAM HAYDEN KILLED OVER A TRIVIAL QUARREL

Well-Known Professional Pool Player, and Well Known All Through West --G. Lechner Is His Murderer.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

Como, Colo., Dec. 19.--George Lechner shot and killed William Hayden in Odd Fellows hall early this morning. Lechner immediately gave himself up to Town Marshal Dunbar.

The killing is said to have been the result of a trivial quarrel. Mr. Hayden was about 40 years of age and a professional pool player. He was well known in all the mining camps in the West.

George Lechner is a son of George W. Lechner, the well-known pioneer mining man of Park county. The son has been engaged in mining in the Silver Hill district for many years.