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BIBLE'S BIRTH IS OBSERVED IN LONDON

TERCENTENARY CELEBRATION OF TRANSLATION OF THE BOOK OF BOOKS IS HELD.

WHITELAW REID SPEAKS

Strong Sentiment in Favor of Arbitration Between English-Speaking People Is Keypnote of Address by Premier Asquith—Congratulatory Letter From Taft—Suffragettes Busy.

London, March 29.—Premier Asquith and Whitelaw Reid, the American ambassador, at a meeting of churchmen and statesmen this evening took occasion to eulogize the arbitration movement. They were the principal speakers at the tercentenary celebration of the revision of the English translation of the Bible by a commission which completed the King James version in 1611.

Suffragettes interfered with the proceedings and when the prime minister began they unfurled banners bearing the inscription: "Votes for women." The banners were torn up after a fight. In his address Mr. Asquith said: "The English Bible belongs not only to the subjects of King George, but to the whole English-speaking world. One of the truths which has been slowly realized and which now I believe is firmly rooted in the faith of Christian men and women on both sides of the Atlantic, is that war between English-speaking people would be not only a crime against civilization, but an unforgivable breach of those commandments which are enshrined in the new testament on which both nations have been bred."

Make War Impossible. Speaking of how the Bible furnished the strongest and most indestructible bond for present practical unity in the aims and aspirations of the English-speaking family, Ambassador Reid said:

"From the men and from the peoples nurtured on the precepts of the Bible and mainly on this version, came the recent statesmanlike proposal of the president of the United States and the inspiring response of King George, through Sir Edward Grey, which promise to make war as a settlement of any dispute henceforth between any English-speaking peoples impossible and between any other civilized nations discreditable."

From Taft.

Washington, March 29.—Felicitations on the Bible tercentenary ceremonies at London today were expressed in a message sent through Ambassador Reid by President Taft, dated March 7, as follows:

"To the tercentenary celebration of the publication of the King James version, Royal Albert hall, London, England:

"It affords me very great pleasure to present through Mr. Reid my congratulations to those who, in the mother country, are commemorating so signal an historic event as the publication of the Bible in the English language. This book of books has not only reigned supreme in England for three centuries, but has bound together as nothing else could, two great Anglo-Saxon nations, one in blood, in speech and in a common religious life.

"Our laws, our literature and our social life owe whatever excellence they possess largely to the influence of this, our chief classic, acknowledged as such equally on both sides of the sea."

Americans must, therefore, with unfeigned satisfaction, join in thanking to the God of the Bible who has thus bound together the old and the new world by so precious a tie.

"I can speak, I am sure, for my fellow countrymen in congratulating you on so significant a commemoration. (Signed) WILLIAM H. TAFT."

FUR-SMUGGLING PLOT UNEARTHED BY WILKIE

Washington, March 29.—A system of wholesale smuggling of furs from Canada, in which innocent purchasers in the United States have been the ultimate losers, has been discovered by Chief Wilkie of the secret service department.

Houlton, Me., is said to have been the base of operations. Chief Wilkie says the plan has been for dealers in Montreal and other Canadian cities to sell furs to Americans, collecting their pay in advance and promising to deliver the goods duty free.

An exhaustive investigation will be made and all smuggled furs will be seized.

IN STATE OF COMA LIES WOMAN

Great Falls, March 29.—For four weeks Miss Gustie Zappa has lain in the Deaconess hospital in this city in a state of coma, and physicians are baffled. Practically every physician in the city has studied her case and while they are generally of the opinion that it is hysteria, they are unable to find in their books any case exactly like it, and none of them has known such a case in their practice. For the first two weeks the woman was able to take nourishment occasionally, but appeared to be unable to distinguish taste, taking bitter medicine as readily as she did tasty foods. For the last two weeks she has taken nothing and appears to be growing weaker.

KOHLSAAT REFUSES TO GIVE ANSWER TO QUESTION

JOURNALIST REFUSES TO TELL WHO INFORMED HIM OF LORIMER'S BRIBERY.

Springfield, Ill., March 29.—H. H. Kohlsaat, publisher of the Chicago Record-Herald, told the senate investigating committee today that he knew \$100,000 had been used to procure the election of William Lorimer to the United States senate. He then refused to give the committee the source of his information, notwithstanding the committee has the power to imprison him because of his refusal.

"Any man who will violate a confidence is not worth a snap," said Mr. Kohlsaat. "No newspaper man can violate a confidence. This is my code of morals."

"You have been demanding this investigation and now you refuse to aid us."

"I appreciate the position, but I will not violate this confidence," concluded Mr. Kohlsaat.

The committee then went into executive conference.

Must Answer.

Again Mr. Kohlsaat refused absolutely to answer the questions.

The doors were then reopened and Mr. Kohlsaat was given a third opportunity to answer. This he again refused to do.

Mr. Kohlsaat was excused until 10 o'clock Thursday morning. He was informed by the committee that its members had agreed that he must answer the questions regarding the \$100,000.

Knew of No Corruption.

State Senator Robert J. McElvain of Murphysboro was the only witness examined this afternoon. He testified that he knew nothing of alleged corrupt methods used in the election of Lorimer to the United States senate.

Contrary to the plans of the committee, former United States Senator Albert J. Hopkins did not appear today as a witness.

Attorney Healy was instructed by Chairman Helm to write a letter to Mr. Hopkins informing him that he is expected to appear and that unless he does so the matter will be presented to the senate.

Senator McElvain testified he was a member of the legislature at the time of Mr. Lorimer's election. He said he never had a conversation with anyone regarding improper methods to effect the election of any candidate.

Attorney Healy then asked Senator McElvain if the latter had talked with any of his friends or neighbors near Murphysboro regarding alleged corruption in the federal senatorial election. Senator McElvain denied that he had done so.

Throughout Senator McElvain's further examination along this line he said he had no knowledge either before or after Mr. Lorimer's election of alleged corruption.

LOVE FOR AN AFFINITY CAUSED MAN TO MURDER

Spokane, March 29.—John McDowell was found guilty today by a jury at Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, of murder in the first degree for the killing of his wife in their lonely cabin near Harbison, Idaho, last November. The penalty may be either hanging or life imprisonment.

Love letters of McDowell to Mrs. Lulu Trainor, with whom he was infatuated, formed one of the strongest links in the chain of circumstantial evidence that convicted him.

BERTRAND IS PRESIDENT.

Washington, March 29.—Dr. Francisco Bertrand is now provisional president of Honduras, in accordance with the peace agreement recently negotiated between the government and the revolutionary forces of the republic. The ceremonies of his inauguration yesterday, according to a telegram received by the state department today from American Minister McCreeary at Tegucigalpa, were conducted in the presence of the diplomatic corps and the national congress.

HERE'S THE RECORD

The two years of Andrew Logan's administration of the affairs of Missoula and the record which the administration has made certainly entitle Mr. Logan to re-election. The best interests of the city call for the continuation of the policy which Mayor Logan has carried out with such conspicuous benefit to the city. Important improvement projects are under way which should be carried through by the hand which has directed them thus far. It would not be good business sense to change at this time.

The sewer-construction work is well organized and is progressing at a good rate; the work on the north side is well advanced; the construction south of the river is outlined and will proceed as soon as the formalities can be complied with.

Pavement plans will be ready for execution as soon as the sewer work is out of the way, leaving the streets ready for the surfacing which is to transform Missoula into a real city.

Sidewalk construction has been general and thorough. The city has benefited greatly by the policy of the Logan administration.

Two valuable pieces of real estate have been bought for the city, a fire station has been equipped on the south side, a substantial temporary city hall has been built, an automobile fire truck has been bought. Yet all this outlay has been accompanied by a betterment in the condition of the city treasury.

When Mayor Logan entered office, the road-fund warrants were four years and five months in arrears. Now they are but two years and seven months behind and all road-fund warrants will be cashed by December 1 of this year.

General-fund warrants, nineteen months behind two years ago, are now eleven months in arrears; the fund is gaining despite the fact that out of this fund has been paid \$45,000 for sewer work which will be repaid from the sewer fund, as soon as it is created, and from the improvement districts when their funds are in shape, which will be soon.

Idle city funds have been invested in profit-bearing securities.

The administration has been harmonious and beneficial. The man who has been at its head has given practically all of his time to the city. Is he not entitled to another term and will it not be to Missoula's interest to give it to him?

NEW YORK STATE BUILDING SUFFERS IMMENSE DAMAGE THROUGH DISASTROUS BLAZE

Twenty-Seven-Million-Dollar Structure Catches Fire From Defective Electric Switch and Fierce Conflagration Rages for Four Hours.

Priceless Documents, Including Famous Official Records of Old Governors, Covering Years Between 1630 and 1674, Are Destroyed—Washington's Farewell Address Is Saved.

Albany, N. Y., March 29.—Fire swept, smoke strewn and water drenched, New York state's magnificent, \$27,000,000 capitol stands this morning a partial wreck by flames that started in the assembly library, burned away the entire west wing and did damage estimated at \$5,000,000 before the flames were got under control, after raging for more than four hours. It is believed that the fire was started by a fused electric push button becoming electrified.

The fire was discovered by a night watchman and the alarm was sounded at 2:16 o'clock. Before the firemen reached the massive structure, priceless documents, books and records stored in the assembly library, had been destroyed and other departments were being threatened. The imitation oak ceiling of the assembly chamber, composed of paper mache, was partially destroyed, as was also the famous million dollar staircase in the west wing.

On the third floor, where the flames gained their start, the departments wholly, or partially destroyed by fire, or seriously damaged by water were:

The state library, containing 600,000 volumes, among them the most valuable genealogical works in the United States, priceless documents, some of them dating back to 1776 and irreplaceable.

The assembly and senate libraries, stored with thousands of volumes of law and code books, also a number of documents and manuscripts that can never be replaced.

No Fire Extinguisher. The democratic caucus last night did not adjourn until nearly 1 o'clock and a few stragglers remained in the building when the fire broke out.

An attaché of the assembly library, returning for some overlooked papers, discovered a tiny blaze near his desk. There had been a complaint filed during the day that an electric switch was out of order and this is supposed to have started the fire. Running out into the corridor the clerk summoned a night watchman and with the assistance of two newspaper men efforts were made to put out the fire, which probably could have been done had a fire extinguisher or bucket of water been available. Lacking these, the flames spread until the room, with its inflammable furnishings and papers, was all ablaze.

It was some time before the firemen arrived and before they could get streams playing these flames were racing toward the state library.

The grand western staircase, which was regarded as one of the most beautiful in the world, occupied the center of the western wing and consisted of an immense double stairway of Corse Hill sandstone, elaborately

carved. It was surmounted by a glazed dome, which soon fell. It may have been rebuilt.

The structure was commenced in March, 1884, and took five and a half years to build.

State Commissioner of Education Andrew S. Draper stated today that the state library contained 600,000 volumes, 400,000 pamphlets and 300,000 historical manuscripts.

Five Million Dollars. Five million dollars probably could repair the damage done by fire, but money cannot restore the historical records that were the pride of its state library. After examining the exterior walls with a transit, State Architect Ware said the building was plumb and true as ever.

Although the fire started in the northwest corner of the building, it caused the greatest havoc in the southwest corner. Here the red tiled pointed cupola fell, carrying down part of the carved granite work which supported it and a towering stone chimney.

The entire west wall above the second floor was blackened and many of the stone window frames were ruined. Conservative estimates place the damage to the exterior stonework at \$2,000,000.

The interior masonry was damaged to the extent of \$1,500,000, and the same sum will represent the loss on the contents of the state library.

No trace has yet been found tonight of Samuel J. Abbott, the aged night watchman in the state library.

The flames licked up the state library, the court of claims, the assembly library, the document rooms, most of the offices of the excise department and the quarters of the senate finance committee, and water and smoke took up the work that the flames laid down. The damage from this cause extends to every part of the building.

Still Burning. The fire was still burning tonight in the ruins, beneath which was the beautiful painted ceiling of the state library reading room, and the water kept pouring in from seven lines of hose. Water

still dripped through the ceiling in nearly all parts of the west wing and cascaded down the stone stairs; but the fire was subdued and the work of repair has already begun.

A hundred national guardsmen stood guard in the deserted corridors tonight, and 50 policemen patrolled the streets outside to protect the dismantled end of the building.

Next to the financial loss, the chief effect of the fire will be to delay the machinery of the state government. Although the senate chamber stands practically untouched and a few thousand dollars can restore a work of art in the lower house, a week or longer may intervene before legislative business can proceed in its accustomed channels. Both houses met today in the city hall across a park from the capitol building, the senate in the common council chamber and the assembly in the county courtroom, where the joint session also was held, and the same arrangement will be followed tomorrow.

The burned out department forces occupied temporary quarters.

No Insurance. The state carried no insurance, as the capitol building had been regarded as fireproof. It was, in fact, not the building which burned, but its contents. The fourth floor space in the west wing did nearly four times the service for which it was originally intended. When the fire, starting among the papers in the assembly library, reached this portion of the building, it swept ahead with a fury that fused like wax the stone, granite and marble.

Most precious, from the historian's standpoint, of the fuel which the flames found in their path, were the 23 manuscript folio volumes of the famous official records of the governors of the colony of New Amsterdam, covering a period from 1639 to 1874. These were in course of translation by J. F. Vanlaer. His translations were burned with the original Dutch documents.

In addition to these, the state lost the correspondence of Governor George Clinton, 5,000 pieces in all, and the original letters of Sir William Johnson and Governor Daniel D. Tompkins.

The priceless colonial and Washington and Lincoln relics in the custody of the educational department were in the big safe on the ground floor and were unharmed. These include the original manuscript of Washington's farewell address, the original of Lincoln's emancipation proclamation, all the original copies of the state constitution and the Major Andre papers. Among the documents lost were records dealing with the history of South Carolina during the revolution. At the request of that state a bill was pending in the legislature here to permit the department to turn them over to their original possessor.

SUIT IS BROUGHT FOR BIG SUM

Wallace, March 29.—(Special).—A sensational suit was commenced here today by the Mathews family and Mr. and Mrs. Logan against the Pittsburg Mining company, claiming \$200,000 damages for ore the plaintiffs.

The complaint, filed by Featherstone & Fox in the district court, alleges that ore to the value of the above amount has been willfully abstracted from the Monarch and Fraction Lode claims, adjoining the Pittsburg company's holdings, by means of underground workings driven into the plaintiffs' territory, alleged to have been mined by the company from claims belonging to the plaintiffs are C. G. Mathews and wife, William M. Mathews and wife, Eliza and Henry Mathews, J. D. Logan and Mrs. Logan.

APPROPRIATION CUT BY THE STATE BOARD

UNIVERSITY FUNDS BEAR HEAVY SHARE OF REDUCTION ORDERED BY EXAMINERS.

In faculty meeting at the state university yesterday, President Dunway announced to his associates that he had received formal notice from the clerk of the state board of examiners that \$102,000 of the \$290,000 appropriated by the legislature for the university has been "suspended." The items, "suspended" by the board of examiners, are: \$50,000 for a mechanical engineering building, \$10,000 for a summer school, \$2,000 for the biological station, \$40,000 for the purchase of additional grounds. Accompanying the notice was the statement that these "suspensions" are made upon items which "could only be expended on contracts entered into and upon authorization and approval by the board." The "suspension" leaves \$2,000 yet available for the biological station.

Recently the state board of examiners announced that the appropriations made by the state legislature exceeded the estimated revenue of the state and that it would be necessary to reduce the appropriations by about \$300,000. Yesterday The Missoulian was informed from Helena that reductions, besides those made in the university fund, had been made as follows: Agricultural college, engineering building, \$60,000; state fair, \$20,000; school of mines, building and grounds, \$55,000; school for feeble-minded children, \$55,000. This is a total of \$190,000 taken from four institutions, while the university is cut, of itself, \$102,000.

President Dunway, asked by The Missoulian reporter for his view in the matter, said: "Of course, I am disappointed. But the order of the board makes the reduction in the form of a suspension, and I hope it will prove to be only such. Some men, other than the members of the board of examiners, believe the revenue of the state will be sufficient to meet all of the appropriations. The leading members of the appropriations committee believed so, and I hope it will prove that there will be money enough to warrant the restoration of our suspended appropriations before the two years expire. Our law school fund is left intact."

DETECTIVES INVESTIGATE LOOTING OF N. P. BOX CARS.

Wallace, March 29.—(Special).—Extensive boxcar robberies between Wallace and Missoula during the past few months have led to the beginning of a careful investigation by detectives in the employ of the Northern Pacific railroad. It is alleged that goods have been taken from the cars while standing on the sidings at various points and also while in transit, the thieves boarding the cars and throwing out stuff to be collected afterwards while the freight trains are in motion.

Two detectives employed on this investigation arrived in Wallace yesterday and it is understood they expect to spend some time visiting the various points along the Wallace-Missoula section of the road.

J. V. COLLINS DIES.

Butte, March 29.—(Special).—James V. Collins, one of the best-known men in these parts, and manager of the Olympia brewery, died tonight of diabetes, aged 48 years. He leaves a wife and one daughter. He was a native of Canada, but had been in Montana for many years, part of the time in Anaconda, but most of the time in Butte.

TRUSKETT FOUND GUILTY.

Independence, Kan., March 29.—A. A. Truskett, 76 years of age, a wealthy business man of Casey, Kan., was today found guilty of murdering T. D. S. Neeley, a millionaire oil man of Lima, Ohio. The jury had been out since 8 o'clock last night and returned its verdict of second degree murder at 9 o'clock tonight.

WOMEN FAINT AT HEARING RECITAL

HYSTERIA ATTACKS MANY IN ATTENDANCE AT THE GREAT MEMORIAL MEETING.

FOR THE FIRE VICTIMS

Funeral of Most of the 143 Bodies of Those Who Lost Their Lives in Great Washington Place Fire Is Planned for Monday, When 150,000 Sympathizers Will Take Part.

New York, March 29.—Thirty women were removed late tonight from a memorial mass meeting for the victims of the Washington Place fire in Grand Central palace, suffering so terribly from hysteria that ambulance surgeons were called to attend them, and to remove some to the hospital. More than 3,000 persons were present, mostly women whose nerves were unstrung by the recital, which some of the speakers made of Saturday's fire horror. The meeting was under the auspices of the Shirtwaist and Dressmakers' union.

Arrangements for a funeral demonstration in which 150,000 sympathizers will be asked to join; identification of four more bodies, leaving but 18 now unidentified; the swelling of the relief fund to nearly \$50,000 and the effort of the district attorney's office and the fire marshal to fix the blame for the catastrophe, were activities which followed Saturday's fire horror today.

Great Funeral Procession.

It is proposed to take the bodies of most of the 143 victims through the streets Monday in a great funeral procession, headed by a chorus of 70 singers from the Jewish Chorists' union, followed by the 600 surviving employees of the Triangle Waist company and as many sympathizing workers as can be induced to join. It is suggested that the procession pass from the morgue by the Washington Place building where the fire occurred.

Twenty-five survivors told their stories of the catastrophe to assistants in the district attorney's office today and others appeared before the fire marshal. Dianah Lufschitz told the district attorney that when the fire alarm was first given she screamed "Fire! Fire!" to the girls on the ninth floor and followed this with a telephone message. Laughter greeted her at the other end of the receiver, she said. In a moment more she ran and made good her escape.

FORTY-ONE CONVERSIONS FOR LOWRY'S FIRST CALL

Butte, March 29.—(Special).—Instead of waiting for Sunday, as he had intended, Evangelist Lowry started tonight calling those to the altar who wanted to experience conversion. Forty-one responded, which was considered a good number for a start. While they were at the altar the choir and congregation sang many of the old, familiar revival hymns. About 3,000 attended. The text was from Platte's words: "What shall I do with Christ?" The singing was of the same high order as before. Now that the real work of making converts has begun, the interest in the meetings is expected to increase, although the capacity of the tabernacle has been taxed pretty nearly every night since the beginning.

PRESERVE ALASKA SPRINGS.

Washington, March 29.—Hot and medicinal springs in Alaska, which are believed to be of benefit to the public, especially to the natives of that territory, are to be preserved. President Taft today, upon the recommendation of Secretary Fisher, withdrew not to exceed 160 acres around each spring or group of springs.

AMERICAN JOURNALIST IMPRISONED IN JUAREZ

El Paso, March 29.—J. Gutierrez De Lara, the former Los Angeles socialist lecturer and magazine writer, reached here today from the interior of Mexico, where until recently he was an insurgent captain. Major officials declared that De Lara refused to fight at Casas Grandes. He was reported killed in that battle at first, but this proved untrue. De Lara was once a judge at Guerrero, Mex.

Rodney Gilbert, a Chicago newspaper man, returning from a trip in the interior of Mexico in the insurgent country, was jailed by Mexicans in Juarez for several hours last night, but was released later.