

TALMAGE TALKS OF EARTHQUAKE

Says Salt Lake City Is in Danger Belt, but Will Not Be Destroyed.

Dr. James E. Talmage, in an interesting discussion of volcanoes, earthquakes and kindred phenomena at the Twenty-seventh ward meeting house last evening, declared that although Salt Lake City was in the center of an earthquake belt, it was his opinion that there would never be any danger to the people of Utah from earthquakes. He said there was a constant gradual readjustment of the earth's crust on the west slope of the Wasatch mountains and this fact forestalled the possibility of a serious displacement of the crust blocks which caused earthquakes and volcanic eruptions. He added, however, that scientists were not unanimous in this opinion, and said that a prominent geologist had recently predicted that some day Salt Lake City would be completely destroyed by earthquakes.

The lecture of Dr. Talmage was illustrated with lantern slides illustrating seismic action in all parts of the world. Among his views were some of the faults in the mountain ranges in Salt Lake county, caused, he said, by mighty earthquake shocks, and others of the extinct volcanoes in Millard county. Other views shown illustrated earthquake and volcanic action in Yellowstone park, the Hawaiian islands, Mexico and Italy, with some excellent scenes of the excavations of Pompeii and Herculaneum. Dr. Talmage said that Vesuvius did not destroy Pompeii; rather it preserved it for future generations.

Following the lecture, Bishop Maxwell circulated several petitions addressed to the Utah legislature urging the adoption of an absolute prohibition law and asked that the people at the meeting place their signatures on the petition.

In addition to the lecture, there were several musical numbers on the program, which was given under the auspices of the junior class of the Mutual Improvement association of the Twenty-seventh ward.

WHEN RAILS SPREAD CONFUSION REIGNS

Street Car Passengers Bruised and Frightened, but Escape With Slight Injuries.

Passengers on Murray-bound car No. 407 were thrown into confusion early yesterday morning and escaped with not a few severe bruises, in an accident caused by spreading rails at the corner of State street and Vidua avenue, near Thirteenth South street.

As the car reached that point the spreading rails literally threw it in the air, and its passengers into a jumbled mass. Miss Ann Taylor, residing at 4 West First South street, fainted in the excitement of the moment and was removed to the nearby residence of W. Poole, where she was cared for until the arrival of a physician.

Others in the car received bruises, particularly the motorman, Richard Rogers, who after the accident had to make his way out of the front vestibule through the windows of the door, and who sustained several severe cuts from the jagged glass of the door.

It required several hours to clear the track for traffic after the accident.

HUMAN BILL BOARD SUES FOR HIS PAY

Passersby on Main street cannot have failed to be greatly impressed with the dignity and bearing of a man well over six feet wearing beautiful English mutton chop whiskers and clad in a long blue coat with brass buttons. Across his broad chest were letters of gilt advertising a dental company. The man, whose name is J. Franklin, went to work as a piece of decorative furniture Dec. 10, and at noon of Jan. 7 became disgusted with his job and quit. Immediately after leaving he entered suit in the district court for \$15.25 alleged to be unpaid wages at \$2.50 a day.

BADGER FAVORS CHANGE. Talks to L. D. S. Students on Des Moines Plan.

Carl A. Badger, who recently returned from Des Moines, where in the company of a number of prominent men of this city, he looked into the Des Moines plan of city government, addressed the students of the L. D. S. university at Barrett hall yesterday morning. He spoke of the good that could come of such a plan; how, if it were adopted in Salt Lake City, it would kill the "howl," how it would do away with much red tape in city business. With five commissioners holding office instead of three, councilmen from each ward as in the case, the work could be carried on more promptly. He told of the many advantages and was quite enthusiastic about the prospects of Salt Lake City adopting the Des Moines plan.

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PARSON SIMPKIN COMPLETES EIGHTH YEAR OF PASTORATE



Something About a Minister Who Lives the Gospel and Preaches Through Countless Acts the Sermon on the Mount.

Tomorrow will mark the eighth anniversary of Rev. P. A. Simpkin's entry upon the pastorate of the Phillips Congregational church. He has become one of the busiest and best loved men who ever set foot in the city.

Every one knows "Parson" Simpkin. Some of his congregation may address him as Rev. Peter A. Simpkin, D. D., but the ordinary individual whose friend he is, and that classification takes in every one he knows in Salt Lake, greets him as "Parson."

The Phillips Congregational church is not one of the largest in the city, nor is its membership so extensive as some others, but the size of his congregation does not indicate the number of his parishioners. Every one in Salt Lake, especially the unregenerate, is among his charges, and he not only has the desire and inclination, but finds the time to aid them, both physically and spiritually.

One of "Parson" Simpkin's days would make the ordinary business man who thinks he works ashamed of himself. He is called upon to aid and advise all sorts of people all the time, and no one ever found him too tired, or too busy, to give them his time, his sympathy and his money. Often his day's work ranges from the sublime to the ridiculous. He is called upon to minister to the sick and comfort the afflicted, he rustles food for the hungry and shelter for the homeless, watches over the fatherless and comforts the fathers of unregenerate children, and through his every act runs a sympathy and understanding which is unending.

It is to the man's wonderful personality that much of the good accomplished by him during his eight years as a resident of Salt Lake is attributed. He has never been too busy to cultivate the social side of life. His list of acquaintances is remarkable, and there is not a gathering, from the highest to the lowest, where his presence is not hailed with delight.

Men who have not been to church for years, and to whom "sky" is out of their way to get his cheery greeting and hearty handclasp. As one of them expressed it, "I'd rather have Parson Simpkin come along and say 'Good morning, Billy,' than to get money from home." Although he never obtrudes religion on any one, his influence for good over those he meets in a social way, both through his personality and through his broad-minded, liberal view of life and his knowledge of human nature, is widespread.

He is a man of the world as well as a minister of the gospel, and he works upon the theory that there is a lot of good in every one. Relying in his gentleness of judgment, men and women have brought him troubles and secrets which the ministerial products of the sheltered life could not have wrung from them by torture, and none of them was ever dismissed by him without aid.

Notwithstanding his multitude of other duties, he has never neglected the literary and artistic side of life. His sermons are not only remarkable for their eloquence, something which the pulpit is fast losing, but they are models of diction and construction. His verses which have appeared from time to time in local papers and magazines have excited most favorable comment from literary men, and his knowledge of literature, both English and classic, extends far beneath the surface.

He is one of the few men of Salt Lake who really know anything about art, and he has done much toward the encouragement of western art and artists. His criticisms are characterized by an insight and a fairness which make them specially valuable, both to the artist and the public.

"Parson" Simpkin has lived here eight years. He has made thousands of friends and no enemies. He is one to whom the brotherhood of man is more than a cant phrase. He is a gentleman and a scholar, which cannot be said of all ministers, and all who know him will wish him joy on the anniversary of his coming to Salt Lake.

IN RAILROAD CIRCLES

Colonel Ira A. Benton, general representative of the Denver & Rio Grande railway, has received official notification from Denver that a special car carrying hotel proprietors from that city and intermediate points will arrive in this city over the system on Monday morning.

Temporarily, for the next 60 or 90 days, J. W. Ellingson, chief clerk in the local office, and W. H. Lee, traveling freight and passenger agent for the Salt Lake Route, will change positions. Mr. Ellingson going out on the road and Mr. Lee remaining inside. Both are experienced railway men, very capable of taking any position within the jurisdiction of the Salt Lake office.

According to reports being received daily in Salt Lake the construction work on the Western Pacific at each end is being pushed along very satisfactorily. It is reported that on the western end of Oakland, Cal., 224 miles are now in operation. This leaves less than half of the length of the road to be connected up in gaps now under construction in Nevada and California.

W. H. Jones, superintendent for the Oregon Short Line railway at Pocatello, was a business visitor in Salt Lake on Wednesday. He reported business in his department gradually increasing and said extensive preparations are being made for the C. M. & St. P. for Colorado, beginning Jan. 14. A large number of railway representatives will be present at the meeting.

The Salt Lake office of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway will be well represented at the Pocatello convention of wool growers. Three men from this office will go to Pocatello on Jan. 22. They will be C. S. Williams, commercial agent, in charge of the office in Salt Lake; P. J. Plasted, traveling freight agent, working from this office, whose headquarters are in Boise, Ida., and C. P. Pruitt, traveling freight agent. Aside from these, Jesse Harris, live stock agent for the C. M. & St. P. for Colorado, will attend the convention; also Hugh Chittick, general live stock agent, whose headquarters are in Sioux City.

Speaking about close application to business, a clerk in the Salt Lake office of the Rio Grande yesterday remarked that Colonel Ira A. Benton, general representative of that system in this territory, had not missed a single day since four years ago next month. In February four years ago Colonel Benton took a trip to Honolulu, since which time he has taken no vacation.

D. B. Eldredge, traveling freight and passenger agent for the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific, returned yesterday from a trip to Ogden.

Kenneth C. Kerr is expected to arrive in this city today from Riverside, Cal., to enter upon the duties of the position to which he was recently promoted, district passenger agent for the Salt Lake Route.

T. J. Wyche, Western Pacific division engineer, is making an inspection trip over the road.

According to official information received by telegram to the officials of the passenger department at the O. S. L. office, a serious landslide at tunnel No. 11, west of Truckee, Cal., is causing delay of trains over the Southern Pacific. Telegraphic wires are down and a heavy snow is raging at Boca, Cal., from which place the telegrams were sent.

Fred L. Dewey has accepted a position as clerk in the general offices of the O. S. L. He was previously in the local office of the Rock Island railroad.

Some changes are noted in Southern Pacific offices consequent to the recent order abolishing the offices of train agent, which was effected over the whole Harriman system. Will Cook, formerly train agent at Ogden, has been transferred to the Salt Lake office.

You Can't Cure Constipation By taking purgatives, salts, or other drugs that act harshly or violently upon the stomach or bowels.

Ask any doctor, and he will tell you that purgatives of any character distend the bowels and weaken the elastic tissue.

To cure constipation, remove the cause. The cause of constipation is indigestion. If your food digested properly it would continue on from the stomach through the bowels, and would be eliminated without effort and with regularity.

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Try Mi-o-na for constipation. One box will cure you of indigestion; two boxes will relieve you of constipation; and, best of all, Mi-o-na is such an economical remedy. A large box only costs 50 cents, and then, if you are not satisfied with results, F. C. Schramm, the druggist, will give you your money back.

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LOCAL BRIEFS

MISS KATHLEEN SHANNON of Toledo, who will be the official stenographer for the Grand Army encampment in Salt Lake, has arrived and is already at work in the office of executive director, Colonel Frank M. Sterrett. Miss Shannon is new to the business, having occupied the same position for the encampment last year in Toledo.

CANNON & CANNON, the architects, are erecting a neat little bungalow on C street between First and Second avenues for Joseph Howells, Jr., to cost \$2,500. The same firm is supervising the erection of a double house for Nicholas G. Smith on Apple street, to cost \$2,500.

L. C. KELSEY, city engineer, has written the city council calling attention to the fact that the poles are being removed from Main street as far as from South Temple to Fourth South and asks authority to have hitching posts and other obstructions taken down also. Mr. Kelsey also suggests that as the poles are coming down from the center of the street it will be necessary to rearrange the lights at once.

BANK CLEARINGS yesterday amounted to \$20,843, compared with \$45,444.99 for the corresponding day of last year.

A DEAL IS PENDING for the sale of the Kimball property on Brigham street between Second and Third East streets. The property has a frontage of forty-three feet; the consideration is \$3,200 and the prospective purchasers are investors from Idaho.

SOME TIME AGO the Salt Lake Route prosecuted thieves who had been stealing brass from the yards. Following this a suit was filed in the city court yesterday against J. Swen, a junk dealer, who is alleged to have bought the brass, of which, according to the complaint, there were 222 pounds, valued at \$27.50.

A REALTY deal was just closed yesterday by which W. C. A. Vissing secures possession of a desirable lot on First avenue between D and F streets, formerly owned by Mrs. Eliza O'Reilly. Mr. Vissing contemplates the improvement of the property by the erection of an apartment house. The deal was made through J. E. Finch & Co.

THE DANCE given by the Festival chorus at Whitney hall last evening was enjoyed by a large number.

CUNNING, the handcuff expert, will give an exhibition at the Sanitarium at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon, in which the performer will essay to remove a pair of handcuffs from his wrists while beneath the water.

A LA TORRES, Haubach brothers, R. E. Kunswick, Frank Merrill, Thomas A. Boise and Roy Middley, seven of Salt Lake's musicians, have secured control of the old Kennedy dancing academy on Postoffice place and will open with a grand ball this evening. The place has been thoroughly overhauled and is now the first-class dance. The orchestra will be increased to fifteen pieces and dances will be held three or four nights a week, starting next week. The academy will be under the management of A. LaTorres.

Zion's Savings Bank & Trust Co. Transacts a general trust business and pays 4 per cent interest on savings deposits. Joseph F. Smith, president; Anthony H. Lund, vice president; O. C. Beebe, cashier.

agent at Ogden, has been returned to that place as district auditor. All over the system the train auditors are taking the places of train agents. Mr. Cook's district will extend from Ogden to Carlin and the district beyond extends from Carlin to Los Angeles.

Tariffs are now being prepared and will be in readiness for being put into immediate effect upon the announcement of the opening of the Western Pacific road from Shafter, Nev., to Wells, a distance of 44 miles. The opening of this stretch is looked for at any time now. This will give the Western Pacific a completed line west of Salt Lake a distance of 266 miles. The first 100 miles between this city and Shafter, has been in operation since Nov. 5.

HAD BID REVERSED. Midland Bridge Company Makes Mistake in Offer.

If F. E. Idle, representative of the Midland Bridge company of Kansas City, had not put in his bid wrong and foremost his company would have been awarded by the board of works the contract for replacing the White bridge on North Temple street with a modern structure.

His bid was for a bridge with two side-walks, \$3,700; with one walk, \$4,120; and without walks, \$4,800, which was manifestly a mistake. The piling he offered to drive for 75 cents a foot. For a concrete bridge the price of the Midland company was \$6.27.

Bids for this work were opened by the city board of works at its regular meeting last evening. The new member of the board, T. G. Armstrong, was at the meeting for the first time.

The offers will be taken up at another meeting to be held on Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock, when it is expected some way will be found to accept the Midland company's bid.

The board awarded the contract for sewer extension 219 on Linden avenue to Zerbe & Walker at \$53.

The bridge over the Nineteenth ward irrigation ditch was also awarded to Zerbe & Walker at \$46.75.

W. C. T. U. MEMBERS MEET. The regular W. C. T. U. meeting was held yesterday afternoon with Mrs. P. A. Simpkin, and action was taken in regard to the work to be done in the legislature.

An officers' meeting at a later date will prepare the bills to be submitted. A report of the work done at Fort Douglas under Mrs. Schaub was given and showed a very satisfactory state of affairs. Miss Jennie Simons gave a report of the address of Mrs. Louise Stevenson at the annual meeting in Denver. The next meeting will be held the second Monday in February with Mrs. Charles A. Walker.



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ITALIAN RELIEF FUND PASSES \$2,000 MARK

The fund for the sufferers of the Italian earthquake disaster was augmented by \$252.76 yesterday, that being the sum received by Secretary Joseph E. Caine. This brings the sum collected by the local committee to \$2,030.71. The contributors are as follows: Salt Lake Telegram, sales of paper girls... \$141.25 Salt Lake Telegram, Japanese association... 41.00 Zion's Savings Bank & Trust Co... 50.00 Theron Geddes, Salt Lake City... 10.00 Lehl Banner, Lehl, Utah... 10.75 Wesley K. Walton, Randolph, Utah... 5.00 J. Walcott Thompson, city... 10.00 Bank of Vernal, contributed by the people of Vernal, Utah... 155.75 bank and its directors... 130.00 Previous cash receipts... 1,478.95 Total cash to date... \$2,030.71

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