MOUNT SINAI SACRED IN EYES OF MOSLEMS

Mohammed, Conqueror, Gave Monastery Protection.

MOSES HELD TRUE PROPHET

Wonderful Treasures Within Fortress Beside Mountain Where 10 Commandments Given.

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ST. CATHARINE'S MONASTERY, Mt. Sinai, June 15 .- From ever new angles one confronts the unique place value of Mount Sinai and the antiquity of the monastery. This church citadel many was more than half a century old was have Mohammed, whose home was in tury. blecca, across the gulf of Akaba, traveled these ways as a poor camel driver. He received the hospitality of the monks, and it may have been from them that he learned of Christianity. At any rate, after he became the conquering prophet, he gave the monastery a letter of protection which later was a letter of protection which later was a letter of protection which later was a required by a Constantinople sultan eager for every relic of the founder of Islam, who left the monks a copy and a firman of imperial protection. During the present war the monks had to show these marks of Islamic favor and when the sound the monks repair to across the gulf of Akaba, trav- this co At any rate, after he became the con-quering prophet, he gave the monastery a letter of protection which later was avquired by a Constantinople sultan enger for every relic of the founder of Islam, who left the monks a copy and a firman of imperial protection. Dur-ing the present war the monks had to show these marks of Islamic favor and Vanis from being drafted into the Turkish army and possibly also their own sanctuary from being violated.

Mount Sinal is sacred in the eyes of Moslems because Moses is accepted by the Koran as a prophet and because also Mohammed himself journeyed among these impressive mountains. In his famous legendary "night journey his camel is supposed to have rested ours fool on Mount Sinal one at Merca.

"Safety first" seems to have been a lifelong motto of the monastery, for when Mohammedanism was sweeping over all of western Asia and eastern Europe in the 15th century the prudent monks built a mosque inside the citadel! The mosque is now never used the same property of the source minarci serves as a secretal shrine. Once a month mass is and its square minarct serves as a

What the early martyrs would have what the early martyrs would have said to this may be surmised. The mon-astery servants all became Moslems and are such to this day. The monks do no missionary work.

They distribute bread daily, five lowest apiece to members of the Jebi-leyah tribe, which consist of monastery servants and three lowest to other

servants, and three logyes to other Arabs. This bread is the size of a base-ball and the color and hardness of a mud brick. It cannot be eaten except after it has been soaked in liquid. A medern charitable organization would modern charitable organization would monastery earned its teeth over the pauperization and ignorance of the Bedouins about the monastery; nothing is required of hem in return for bread except loyalty of the monks and their establishment.

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Members also are urging action to repeal the luxury taxes on soda founciation. There explanation is almost everything and entered to the polarity and almost everything and entered to the polarity and entered t

Originally called the Church of the Transfiguration, this shrine later took A horny-hand Originally called the Church of the Transfiguration, this shrine later took the name of a popular saint. Catherine was a beautiful and cultivated Alexandrian lady of the early Christian centuries who was martyred for her faith. In a dream it was revealed to tell me in most fragmentary English and French that he had once one of the monks that her body had been borne by angels to the neighboring mountain which now bears het name. Investigation proved the correctness of the vision, say the monks, and now they have St. Catherine's had and hand in a marble sarcophagua in the appendict of the church to be shown to favored visitors!

gruous indeed.

One cannot get away from America.
A horny-handed, gray-bearded old monk the short increased to tell me in most fragmentary English and French that he had once been in Pensacoia, Fla., for a year, long long ago. Another monk, Deacon Nilus, who is shortly to be made a priest, a young man with luxurious hair and beatific face, could speak in English phrases if given time to prespace them. Usually we talked Arabic, through Professor C. P. Russell, who accompanied the two Herald representatives.

Fruits Are Plentiful.

and hand in a marble sarcophagus in the apse of the church to be shown to tavored the church to be shown to tavored the church to be shown to tavored the church some conturies, in on the cover of a jewelled silver relieves, done within recent centuries, in on the cover of a jewelled silver relieves, the magnificent vestments of the church, some of them enrusted with a control of the same place. Within are kept the magnificent vestments of the church, some of them enrusted with and dissillation such as this, Most gresping the same place with gold and consoleration of the church, some of them enrusted with and dissillation such as this, Most gresping high bones in the crypt under the same place. First the bodies are intered in the cart for three years to get rid of the flesh and then they are sometimes the case, they are stacked in orderly plies—stulis in one heap—count them, more than 1000—leg bones and arm hones in all another. Fride has moved in this place, for now archanous highest the case, they are stacked in orderly plies—stulis in one heap—count them, more than 1000—leg bones and arm hones in all another. And the control of this state, and other the case of the control of this state, and other such three sheets of the control of this state, and other such three sheets of the control of this state, and other such three sheets of the control of this state, and other such three sheets of the control of this state, and other such three sheets of the chart of the church of the chart of the church of the church such three sheets of the church which was out. Aaron's of the church three sheets of the church three sh

That is how there have been gathered within the strong walls of the citader wint was, and perhaps still is, the most remarkable collection of incient minuscript books and parchments in the world. Later menks so little knew the value of these that they are reported to have used them for fuel.

These old writings, some of them gorgeously illuminated, are in Greek, and Syrian, and Latin, and Perian, and Advissinian, and Arabic, and Siavonic, and Georgian, and Coptic name and Advissinian, and Arabic, and Siavonic, and Georgian, and Coptic name of the section of the collessatical controversies which raged translated many.

This was in the hope that another such find as that of Tischendorf might result. In 1887 Professor C. Tischendorf might result. In 1887 Professor C. Tischendorf might here a complete Greek manuscript, dating back to the year 400. This made in the oldest, or next to oldest, copy of the Christians arciptures in existence, the other being the Codex Vaticanus, in Rome. The importance of such a discovery is obvious, for all the Ciristian world is eager to compare the Bible of today with the translation

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A Him trick was played upon the unsuspecting menks by the German professor. His spirit was that of the ravagers of the Penin astronomical observatory and of the library of Louvain. For on the pretext that the library was too cold for his work, he borrowed the priceless manuscript to copy, giving his word of honor and a written receipt, which I have seen, that he would return the book. Both piedges were equally valueless, for he carried the treasure off to St. Petersburg, where I have seen it as the central prize of the library. Later the emperor of Russia made a substantial gift to the monastery, which was helpiess to recover the manuscript. Now, however, they wonder whether, if the precious pages have survived bolshevik depredations, they may not hope for their return?

The oldest Syrian version of the New

The oldest Syrian version of the New Testament still remains at Sinal. Oth-Testament atill remains at Sinal. Others, pelimpsest parchments, ancient manuscript lives of the saints and martyrs and doctrinal writings, are in great number. If the library were more accessible they would all be translated. It is interesting to note the remarks of scholars upon certain ponderous and beautiful volumes, a common one is "very recent," meaning thereby some time after the tenth century.

Sweet Bells Jangled Out of Tune.

At the cost of infinite labor and many camels a great chime of bells was brought to Sinal in the last cen-(It is to be remembered that emmunity of 20 monks and their

When they sound the monks repair to the church for service. That in the afternoon lasts for only an hour; the afternoon lasts for only an hour; the early morning service continues from half-past two until half-past five. There are no seats in a Greek church, and in this case no worshipers except the occasional visitors, of whom we were the first for five months. Down the center aisle are double rows of stalls, facing the center, with arm pieces at the height of a man's shoulders and on these the manks rest while his camel is supposed to have rested one fool on Mount Sinal, one at Mecca, and on these the monks rest while ders, and on these the monks rest while going through the formal service. There is something impressive about the camel's foot in the solid red rock of one of the heights of Jebel Musa!

Mosque Within a lonsstery.

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At stated periods service is held in the various chapels that surround the central shrine. Once a month mass is said in the rude chapel on the top of Mount Sinat. The archbishop, who had been absent for the entire period of the war, was at Tor, en route, at the time of our visit, and he told me that he meant to go to the top of Mount Sinai to celebrate a sunrise mass for the peace of the world—which he characterized as "very poetic, very religious, very beautiful—to pray on Mount Sinai at sunrise for the peace of the world."

Flood of Speech-Making Is Scheduled for Today.

SENATOR McNARY TO TALK

Continued Contest Expected in House of Representatives Over Measure for Prohibition Enforcement.

WASHINGTON, July 20.-Continued contests on the peace treaty in the senate and on prohibition enforcement in the house are the outstanding feaures of this week's congressional pro-

A flood of speech-making on the reaty and league of nations is to be loosed tomorrow in the senate. For every day but Saturday addresses have Conferences between republican sen-

ators and President Wilson, inaugu-rated last week through invitation from the White House, will be resumed tomorrow. The names of the senators who will go to the White House have

Shantung Reply Expected. Shantung clause are expected during

the week. Three addresses on treaty subjects have been announced. Senator Mc-Nary, republican, Oregon, a league supporter, has announced he would speak Tuesday. Senator Robinson, democrat, Arkansas, plans to speak Thursday and Senator Pittman, demo-crat, Friday.

Controversy to Resume. House confroversy over the prohibi-tion enforcement bill will be resumed tomorrow with the time of passage of the bill uncertain. The senate judiciary subcommittee hopes to report out the senate enforcement bill before the end

senate enforcement bill before the end of the week.

A flurry in the senate over the daylight saving repeal controversy is expected early this week with the calling up of the \$34,000,000 agricultural bill, minus the rider for repeal of the daylight law. The senate agriculture committee will take up the flouse measure tomorrow. Advocates of the daylight repeal rider are said to contemplate dropping of their fight in view of the two bouse votes last week sustaining President Wilson's veto of ustaining President Wilson's veto of the repeal plan.

Hearings to Be Resumed. house elections committee plans

The house elections committee plans to resume hearings tomorrow on the contest of Victor Berger, socialist of Wisconsin, for a seat in the house. The house public lands committee plans this week to report out the soldiers' and sailors' land bill fostered by Secretary Lane. House inquiries into many matters, including war department affairs, also will continue this week, with investigation planned of alleged crueity to soldiers and into ordinance and construction questions.

those newly appointed agreeing at privates must enlist for not less than aration account.

Austria renounces all rights as to all

control of this state, and other such establishments shall be closed down or converted. Importation and exporta-tion of arms, munitions and war ma-terials of all kinds are forbidden. Paragraph eight—reparation: The

first before May 1, 1921, without in-terest, the second at 2½ per cent in-terest between 1921 and 1926, and

agrees to deliver up 20 per cent of her

Austria to Deliver Animals.

The silled and associated powers require and Austria undertakes, that in part reparation she will devote her economic resources to the physical restoration of the invaded areas. Withing 60 days of the coming into force of the treaty, the governments concerned shall file with the reparations commission lists of animals, machinery, equipments and the like destroyed by Austria and which the governments desire replaced in kind, and lists of the materials which they desire produced in Austria for the work of construction. Austria to Deliver Animals.

tion.

As an immediate advance, Austria agrees to deliver within three months after ratification of the treaty, 4000 milch cows to Italy and 1000 each to Serbia and Roumania: 1000 heifers to Italy, 200 to Serbia and 500 to Roumania; 50 buils to Italy and 25 each to Serbia and Roumania: 1000 builcoks to Italy and 500 each to Serbia and Roumania: 1000 builcoks to Italy and 500 each to Serbia and Roumania: 2000 sows to Italy and 1000 draught horses and 1000 sheep to both Serbia and Roumania.

Documents to Be Restored Austria agrees also to give an option for five years as to timber, iron and magnesite in amounts as nearly equal to the pre-war importations as Austria's resources make possible. She renounces in favor of Italy all cables touching territories assigned to Italy and in favor of the allied and associated powers the others.

Austria agrees to restore all records.

Austria agrees to restore all records locuments, objects of antiquity and ar-ind all scientific and bibliographical naterial taken away from the invaded or ceded territories. She will also hand over without delay

she will also hand over without drisy all official records of the cuded territories, and all records, documents and historical material possessed by public institutions and having a direct bearing on the history of the ceded territories which have been removed during he past ten years.

Occupation Army Costs Charges.
Paragraph nine—Financial: The first charge upon all assets and revenues of Austria shall be the costs arising under the present treaty, including in order of priority, the costs of the armies of occupation, reparations and other charges specifically agreed to. Austria must pay the total cost of the armies of occupation from the armistice of November 3, 1218, so long as maintained, and may export no gold before May 1, 1221, without consent of the reparations commission. Occupation Army Costs Charged.

reparations commission.

Each of the states to which Austrian territiony is transferred and each of the states arising out of the dismemberment of Austria, including the republic of Austria, shall assume part of the Austrian pre-war debt specifically secured on railways, salt mines and other property, the amount of the fixed by the reparations commission. The unsecured bonded pre-war debt of the former empire shall be distributed by the reparatons commission in the properties that the revenues for the three he reparatons commission in the pro-cortion that the revenues for the three-ears before the war of separated terriory bore to those of the empire, ex-

Responsibility Laid Down. No territory formerly part of the empire, except the republic of Austria, shall carry with it any obligation in respect of the war debt of the former Austrian government, but neither the governments of those territories nor the nationals shall have recourse against any other state including Austria, in respect of war debt bonds held within their respective territories by the control of the con

within their respective territories by themselves or their nationals.

The war debt held outside the former empire shall be a charge on the republic of Austria alone. All war securities shall be stamped within two months with the stamp of the state taking them up, replaced by certificates and settlement made to the reparations commission.

The currency notes of the former Austre-Hungarian bank circulating in the separated territory shall be stamped within two months by the new governments of the various territories with their own stamp, replaced with 12 months by a new currency and turned over within 14 months to the reparation commission. The bank liself shall be liquidated as from the day after the be liquidated as from the day after the signature of the treaty by the repara-

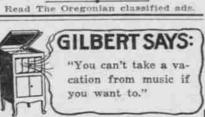
Rights to Be Renounced.

States to which Austrian territory was transferred and states arising from the dismemberment of Austrian shall acquire all property within their territories of the old or new Austrian governments, including that of the former royal family. The value is to former royal family. The value is to be assessed by the reparations commis-sion and credited to Austria on the rep-

Austria renounces all rights as to all international, financial or commiscreial organizations in allied countries, Germany, Hungary, Bulgaria, Turkey or the former Russian empire. She agrees to expropriate on demand of th reparations commission any rights of her autionals in any public utility or concession in these territories, in separated districts and in mandatory and to transfer them to the commission within six months and to hold herself responsible for indemnifying her nationals so dispossessed.

possessed.
She agrees also to deliver within one month the gold deposited as security for the Ottoman debt; renounce any benefits accruing from the etreaties of Bucharest and Brest-Litovsk, and transfer to the allied and associate governments all claims against her former allies.

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ARRIVAL IS EXPECTED TODAY AT RECRUITING STATION.

Marines and Sailors Who Fought in PROJECT DATA COMPLETE A. E. F. Can Have Bronze Insignia, Is Decision.

A shipment of 250 silver Victory butons, issued by the government to those wounded in action, is expected at the local general army recruiting station some time today. There is no supply of bronze buttons, given to all those

of bronze butlons, given to all those who were in the service, on hand, but a shipment of 5000 will arrive some time during the week.

Marinen and naval men who served with the American expeditionary forces in France will receive the Victory buttons, according to the decision of Lieutent-Colonel Sloan, executive officer at the recruiting station. The war department order reads that anyone who served with the army is entitled to the mark of distinction, and on the strength of that phrase, marines who were in mark of distinction, and on the strength of that phrase, marines who were in the 2d division, and naval men who were in the army artillery, can obtain the buttons at the recruiting offices. Third and Oak streets, Charles S. Wallace of Milwaukie, a marine who was wounded on the Champagne front, was the first to draw a silver button.

Many wagers are being made on the straw voice, now being conducted at the recruiting station. Two well-known Portland men yesterday bet on the prohibition ballot, which at the end of last week's voting, stood three votes in the

week's voting, stood three votes in the lead for a national state of dryness. Another wager which has been laid to on the disposition of the former kalser have favored the death penalty to Wilhelm.

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As the count of the ballots must be made after the offices have closed for the day, recruiting officials say that it will be impossible to render a daily report. In the future the results prob-

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Grants Pass Irrigation District to

by any project of its kind in the state. The data were received by the commission from H. D. Norton of Grants Pass.

The Grants Pass irrigation district has asked for certification of \$60,000 bonds. The attorney-general and superintendent of banks will visit the property this week to make the necessary appraisement.

Wheat Prospects at Albany Good.

MANY TAKE RIDE IN PLANE

SALEM, Or., July 20.—(Special.)—Attorney-General Brown today issued a statement to the effect that the data furnished the state irrigation securities commission by the Grants Plass irrigation district, now in course of projection, were the most complete prepared by any project of its kind in the state. The data were received by the commission by the Grants Plass irrigation district, now in course of projection, were the most complete prepared by any project of its kind in the state. Drawing Large Crowds.

ALBANY, Or., July 28.—(Special.)— More corn is being grown in Linn coun-ty this year than ever before. This is ALBANY, Or., July 20.—(Special.)—
Considerable of the fall wheat of Lina county is now cut and threshing will begin soon. In some sections the matchines will begin work this week. The best yield in this section of the state in a great many years is expected.

Mere corn is being grown in Linn county this year than ever before. This is due to the increase in number of silos as the corn is being grown for ensilage. A great many farmers have devoted quite an acreage to corn this year and generally the prospects for a big cropare good.

Chimney Mystery Solved.

SOUTH BEND, Wash. July 20.—(Special.)—Like the hanging gardens of Babylon there was something mys
The first American suspension bridge was erected in 1801 by James Finies across Jacobs creek, Westmereland county, Pennsylvania. It had a span of 78 feet and cost \$8000.

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