

HE SURELY SAID

Young Lost in Politics With It Against Him.

SMOOT INQUIRY AGAIN ON

Witness Said Mormon Consent Made Him Congressman.

TRUE TO HIS PLURAL WIVES

He Places the Law of God Above That of Man—Last Marriage Kept Secret So as Not to Embarrass His Helpmates.

WASHINGTON, April 20.—With the reopening of the investigation in the Reed Smoot case before the Senate committee on privileges and elections, the prosecution devoted considerable time to drawing from Brigham H. Roberts, the character of the oaths which are said to be necessary for a Mormon official to take in order to have the support of the church for political office. Members of the committee showed an equal interest in the obligations, which are said to be taken by Mormons who "go through the endowment house."

His Connection With Church.

It was announced that seven witnesses would be heard before the adjournment of Congress, and it is practically certain that the committee will then adjourn to convene July 13. At that time will be examined witnesses who were unable to come to Washington and others who could not be reached with summons to come here.

The hearing opened without formality of any character. Mr. H. Roberts was called to the stand by Mr. Taylor. He was questioned to bring out a statement of his official connection with the church. Mr. Roberts said he was elected to the position of one of the first 20 presidencies in 1888, and entered politics about 1893. His interest was manifested in making speeches, but he was not a candidate for office until 1894. He was then elected as the chairman of the constitutional convention which met in 1895. He explained his candidacy for Congress and the opposition that had developed from Mormon sources.

He said the church had opposed the election of high officials to church membership of the constitutional convention and that he had accordingly consented not to urge his candidacy. He was nominated during his absence and was informed that the order had been rescinded.

He said that Joseph Smith was the member of the first presidency who said the ruling had been modified. He explained fully the reasons which had been made of an alleged influence which the first presidency and apostles had brought to bear against the present aspirations of himself and others. Mr. Roberts said he protested and later the church took up his protests. Mr. Roberts was defeated the first time he ran for Congress.

He thought his last child was born three or four years ago.

In response to questions by Mr. Taylor Mr. Roberts said his first plural marriage was performed by D. H. Wells, counsel to the apostles. He explained his ceremony was performed at the home of Mr. Wells' son.

Senator Overman inquired of Mr. Roberts whether he had ever had a second wife had consented to his marriage to his third wife.

"No, sir," said Mr. Roberts. Continuing he said they did not learn of the marriage for three or four years.

"How was that?" asked Senator Beveridge. "Do you mean to say that the marriage was not known to anyone?"

said he believed the Woodruff manifesto was divinely inspired, and that now, in practicing polygamy, he knows he is disobeying the laws and the law of God. He was asked why he continued to disobey the laws of God if he believed them to be the highest laws, and with a resigned air he said:

"Well, the manifesto left me in the midst of obligations to these wives. I am trying to do the best I can to live within the laws, but these obligations I cannot shirk."

The committee adjourned until this afternoon with Mr. Roberts' examination unfinished.

At the afternoon session Mr. Taylor asked questions regarding Mr. Roberts' conviction in 1894 of the crime of polygamy. Senator Bailey objected to the line of inquiry in regard to Mr. Roberts' conviction and Mr. Roberts' services in the penitentiary. He said he had violated the laws and was sufficient. Mr. Taylor said this was to determine whether the authorities of the Mormon church had taken any action in respect of the witness living with more than one wife.

Mr. Roberts said no action had ever been taken by the church.

Questions were asked respecting Mr. Roberts' views regarding the manifesto of 1890 regarding plural wives and living in polygamous habitations, and the witness said that he regarded the manifesto as an administration act of the church of binding force upon all members. He admitted that he disobeyed any of these laws would subject the members to liability to church discipline.

The witness was asked then in regard to polygamous cohabitation, and said that he and many others were living in polygamy at the time the rule was made against such cohabitation, and that they considered themselves under obligations to live with the wives they had married.

"Do you think you are morally bound to cohabit with all of your wives?" Chairman Burrows asked.

"I do."

"How many children have you?"

"Thirteen living."

"How many not living?"

"Two."

"When was the last one born?"

"About two or two and a half years ago."

VanCott opened the cross-examination. Merely a Leave of Absence.

Mr. VanCott asked in regard to the rule which permits officials of the church to be absent from their duties during absence from church official duties during absence from political office. He said he did not regard it as an endorsement by the Mormon Church. It was brought out that in his first canvass for office, when he had not the consent or leave of absence, he was defeated, and his second time he obtained the "leave of absence," and was elected.

Senator Bailey asked the witness' views of his obligation as a citizen, and whether there could be a religious obligation which would justify him in denying his citizenship to his state to discharge duties which would devolve upon him by the acceptance of a political position.

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which ought to be kept from the world?"

"I think there are some things that should be kept."

"Can you name one thing in that oath which should be kept from the world?"

"I ask the committee that I may be excused from stating."

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PASSES ON LABOR DISPUTES.

American Federation Devotes the Day to Matters of Detail.

DENVER, April 20.—The third day's session of the executive council of the American Federation of Labor was taken up largely with consideration of matters of detail.

The action of the United Hatters of North America in placing hat manufacturers upon the unfair list was approved.

Robert A. McKee, representing the International Union of Steam Engineers, of Peoria, Ill.; Timothy Healy, of New York, and C. L. Shamp, of Omaha, president and secretary of the International Brotherhood of Stationary Firemen, appeared before the council and demanded the revocation of the charter of the United Brewery Workers' International Union.

MILES CITY, Mont., April 20.—At the session of the Montana Stockgrowers' Association today ex-Senator Carter was the first speaker, and he devoted himself entirely to the consideration of the subject of the deprivations of the beef trust at Chicago and the immediate necessity of waking up and maintaining the natural rights of the stockgrowers.

He said laws had been enacted to protect stockmen from the deprivations of wolves and rustlers, but it was nothing to see a stock gentleman with a lead pencil sitting in his Chicago office depicting the range interests to a greater degree in one session than all the robberies of the range rustlers could accomplish in ten years.

Mr. Carter went into the history of the early investigations of the beef trust which resulted in the enactment of the Sherman anti-trust law. He followed the history down to the date of the granting of the injunction, first temporary, then permanent, against this trust, and added that this injunction, though only appealed from, still holds. His strong appeal to the members of the convention was to supply evidence for the Government of the fact that the beef trust is still engaged in violating the injunction and the Sherman law.

He said the Chicago method had been changed, so it is well-nigh impossible to see a stock gentleman with a lead pencil sitting in his Chicago office depicting the range interests to a greater degree in one session than all the robberies of the range rustlers could accomplish in ten years.

DEMOCRATS NEARLY FIGHT.

Western Virginia Delegates for Gorman First, Deporter Second.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., April 20.—The Democratic State Convention held here today was largely attended, and was marked by stormy scenes, in which delegates passed the lie and threatened each other with personal violence. Notwithstanding the expressions of bitter feeling, however, the convention finally closed in apparent harmony, and all the delegates agreed to the National Convention were chosen by acclamation and the platform was adopted unanimously.

While no instructions were given it is known that all but the four delegates from the Fourth and Fifth Congressional Districts favor Gorman for President and Parker a second choice. During a recess of the convention the five district conventions met at different points in the city to name delegates and alternates. What are known as the conservatives won in the First, Second and Third Districts, and William B. Hearst in the Fourth District. The delegates from the Fifth District are non-committal.

WILL MAKE NO SHOW OF ARMS

Bell Denies Report That Guns Will Be Stacked in Courtroom.

MONTROSE, Colo., April 20.—General Bell and the escort of troopers en route to Denver with President Moyer, of the Western Federation of Miners, stopped off here long enough to partake of dinner. Moyer was given in charge of a detail of six troopers and escorted from the train to a hotel nearby.

Adjutant-General Bell took occasion to state that Moyer would be produced in the supreme Court at Denver tomorrow at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. He would be accompanied only by General Bell and an aid, whose only evidence of connection with the military at the time would be the uniform worn by them. No side arms will be carried.

The report that the entire escort would go to the supreme Court room, where arms would be stacked, was vigorously denied by the General, who said that such an indignity the military officials would not be guilty of. The party will arrive in Denver at 7:30 o'clock tomorrow morning.

BURIED BY AVALANCHES.

About One Hundred Miners Are Caught in Italy—Great Storm On.

TURIN, Italy, April 20.—About 100 miners have been buried by an immense avalanche near the village of Prato. A violent storm is sweeping over that locality and it is feared that other avalanches may result. The whole population of the village and a detachment of 40 soldiers have gone to the scene of the disaster, hoping to save some of the buried miners.

THE DEATH ROLL.

T. J. Holland.

OREGON CITY, Or., April 20.—(Special.)—T. J. Holland, the oldest member of Meade Post, No. 34, G. A. R. of this city, died here today, aged 82 years. The deceased formerly resided at Salem, but for a number of years had been living with his daughter, Mrs. McDonnell, in this city.

Writer of Books for Children.

NEW ROCHELLE, N. Y., April 20.—Mrs. Sarah Jane Lippincott, better known as Grace Greenwood, the writer of books for children, died at her home here today in her 81st year.

Well-Known Sporting Man.

NEW YORK, April 20.—James C. Kennedy, a well-known sporting man and former writer on sporting subjects, died suddenly in an elevator railroad train in Brooklyn tonight, aged 37 years.

United States Consul Volkmar.

PUERTO CABELLO, Venezuela, April 20.—William Volkmar, United States Consul, died here yesterday.

San Francisco Gets Hay Contracts.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 20.—The Army Quartermaster's office in this city today awarded the contracts for 2400 tons of hay for shipment to Manila to two local firms who made the lowest bids, \$17.50 per ton.

MAKES CHARGE AGAINST KNOX

Williams Says He Has Not Done His Duty in Trust Cases.

WASHINGTON, April 20.—At a meeting today of the House judiciary committee, Williams (Dem. Miss.) the minority leader, charged that the Attorney-General had failed in his duty to conduct criminal prosecutions against those declared by the Supreme Court in the merger case to have violated the anti-trust law, and also had failed to institute legal proceedings against the anthracite coal-carrying roads, although the Attorney-General had in his possession a report favorable to prosecutions. In a letter to the chairman of the committee which was read, the Attorney-General declared it would be incompatible with the House's intent to give the information to Congress but Williams declared that it was the duty of the Attorney-General to do so and the Government arrogantly failing to observe his oath in the execution of the law.

ALL RETIRE AT 70 YEARS.

House Committee Decides on Reform in the Civil Service.

WASHINGTON, April 20.—House committee on reform in the civil service authorized Chairman Gillett to introduce a bill providing that on June 30, 1907, every office in the classified service of the United States held by a person who is then over 70 years old, shall become vacant, and that thereafter such offices shall become vacant when the incumbent becomes 70 years old.

Twenty Buried in Switzerland.

GENEVA, April 20.—After three days of continuous rains, many avalanches and slides have occurred in the neighborhood of the Simplon Pass. At Gringone an avalanche buried 20 persons and five houses.



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