

CORNERSTONE IS LAID BY W. W. C. A.

Interesting Exercises Mark Completion of First Step in Erecting Building.

MANY PERSONS TAKE PART

Principal Address Delivered by Bishop Scadding—Mrs. W. J. Honeyman Officers at the Ceremony Proper.

The cornerstone of the new home for the Young Women's Christian Association of Portland, at Seventh and Taylor streets, was laid at 5 o'clock last evening by Mrs. W. J. Honeyman, second vice-president and head of the Trustees' Aid Department. The ceremonies began with a gathering of the members of the association at its present home, Sixth and Oak streets. After a short service, during which Miss Helena Skorton, for seven years secretary of the Portland Association, read a brief history of its work, the women marched in a body to the site of the new building.

After Mrs. W. S. Kliney, chairman of the building committee, had placed the iron box in the aperture in the stone which had been left for H. Mrs. Honeyman proceeded to lay on the mortar. The box contained the following:

Articles Placed in Cornerstone. Copy of sacred scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, belonging to William Westman, Catholic, Presbyterian Church, to the early years of the association; copy of constitution of the Young Women's Christian Association of Portland; copy of the articles of incorporation; miscellaneous budget of literature representing work of each year; picture of W. W. C. A. Exposition building and account of work there; annual report of 1907-1908; Treasurer's Aid Department literature; Exposition Travelers' Aid Department literature; copy of the book "The Campaign of W. W. C. A. and Y. M. C. A. 1908," clippings from Oregonian, News, W. W. C. A. and Y. M. C. A. 1908, clippings from Oregon Journal Sunday, April 12, 1908, clippings from the Portland Astorian, April 12, 1908, history of the Portland Association, Miss Helena Skorton, list of past presidents, current year's budget of literature, leaflet about work of each year; copy of day's deposits for April 15, 1908, in Security Department; copy of letter from Miss Stella Maki, our W. W. C. A. representative in Japan.

Dedication of Cornerstone.

Regarding the purpose for which the building is being erected, Mrs. Honeyman said, just before laying the mortar: "We lay the cornerstone of a building to be erected here in the name of the Young Women's Christian Association in the spirit of our world's motto, 'Not by might, nor by power, but by the Spirit of the Lord.' It is to be dedicated to the fulfillment of the lives of the women of this city. I am sure that they might have Christ and that they might have peace and joy and that they might have the best of all worlds. The exercises were concluded by the singing of the Doxology and prayer by Dr. Luther R. Doyt, pastor of the First Congregational Church. Upon the completion of the laying of the cornerstone, the Young Women's Christian Association, A. D. 1858." While the building committee of the Women's Association has economized in the selection of the building, it has not neglected to put into what is known as a slow-burning structure, yet they are sparing no pains in the selection of the best material. When the building is completed, which will be in October, if present plans do not fail, it will be one of the most handsome and complete in the Northwest.

Schooner Defiance Sale.

PELLINGHAM, Wash., April 15.—The lumber-laden schooner Defiance, Pellingham to Sidney, Australia, 12 days out, was sold here today by the Young Women's Christian Association. The schooner was reported today by cable as in harbor at Suva, Fiji. The Defiance is owned by the E. K. Wood Lumber Company, San Francisco and Pellingham, and had not been reported since leaving Flattery. It is presumed she put into Suva for supplies.

THE DAY'S HORSE RACES

Results at Oakland. Six and a half furlongs, purse—Adena won, Saint Modan second, San Gu third; time, 1:02.3. For furlongs, selling—Alice Collins won, Cupid second, Trecha third; time, 0:58.1.5. Mile and a half, selling—The Blue Bird won, Election second, Joe Coyle third; time, 2:34.4. Mile and one-eighth, San Rafael handicap—Cable won, Johnny Lyons second, Dan Patrick third; time, 1:51.2. Mile and 70 yards, selling—Lucy won, Wagon second, Mill Song third; time, 1:24.1. Six furlongs—LAW of the Forest won, Native Son second, Cloudlight third; time, 1:15.1.5.

Aqueduct Park Results.

Five furlongs—Fountain won, Voorhees second, Frank Lord third; time, 1:02.4. Five furlongs, handicap—about 2 miles—Percy won, Jimmy Lee second, Jim McMill third; time, 4:32. Mile and half, selling—Apron won, Intrepid second, Madrina third; time, 0:57. Quarter handicap, 2-year-olds and up, guaranteed cash value \$10,000, 7 furlongs—Jack Atkin, 122, (Mistake) 8 to 1, 2 to 1, and 2 to 1, 10 to 1 and 4 to 1 second; Rappelle, 105, (McDaniel) 3 to 2, even odds, 1 to 2 third; time, 1:27. Brookdale Nympe, Mettick, Riffeman, Welbourne, Don Enrique, Oxford, Berkeley, Angelus and Astoria, etc. Seven furlongs—Sea Won, Gallivan second, Ella third; time, 1:28.5. Mark Anthony finished second, but was disqualified for fouling. Troublesome third; time, 1:18.

Bryan Wants No Contest.

CHICAGO, April 15.—William J. Bryan spent almost an hour in this city today on points from Peoria to Grand Rapids, Mich. He held conferences with a number of persons known to be devoted to his interests, and it was reported after he had left that he disapproved the plan to send a contesting delegation from this state to the Denver convention.

For Taft Till Finish.

ST. PAUL, April 15.—The Fourth District Republican Convention today selected delegates instructed to vote for Taft "until he is nominated."

14 CONGRESSMAN W. R. KELLS.

His enemies, if he has any, have never accused him of dishonesty.

PLOT TO EXTORT BY THREAT FAILS

(Continued From First Page.)

"I not can tell that."

"Have you got any more like it?"

Letter for Ben Selling.

"Yes, here is one more," and Adler handed out a similar envelope addressed to Ben Selling.

"Who is at the bottom of this—are you one of them?" again demanded Mr. Sichel.

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Forced to Do Bidding.

"These people they make me do this," he told Hyneman. "They follow me from New York to Denver and from Denver to Los Angeles and from there to San Francisco and then to Portland. I was picked for the work and I must do it. If not, it is going to be a very bad thing for me. I would like protection. I do not care if Mr. Sichel tell the police."

"Have the fellow arrested at once," was Mr. Sichel's advice when he was located by Mr. Sichel at the Moyer Clothing store. The two then went to the District Attorney's office, where the facts were explained to Deputy District Attorney Haney, who called in Captain Moore and Baty, of the police department. The arrest of Adler was made at once. While in San Francisco he was drawn up charging him with attempting to extort money. As it was feared that the fellow, being desperate, might be equipped with a dynamite bomb, strategy was decided on.

Returning to the Third-street store, Mr. Sichel and Mr. Selling found Adler still seated in conversation with Mr. Hyneman. When asked if he would go to the police station and talk the matter over he consented at once. Walking between them he went to the station, although looking back anxiously several times at the officers, who kept close behind. At the station he admitted freely having written and delivered the letter to Mr. Sichel and said he had intended taking the other letter to Mr. Selling. The final page of the letter was the same as the first.

Papers Add to Mystery.

Little was found in the man's pockets to add to the solution of the case, his papers rather adding to the mystery. A card of identification revealed that he had worked as a reporter for a Socialist paper at Brunn, Austria. The paper was the "Volkstreuend," meaning "friend of the people," paper of the Socialist Arbeiter party of Austria.

His passports were issued at Brunn and authorized him to travel over Europe for one year from June 1, 1902. The passports were renewed August 8, 1903, for another year, and a notation was appended in German, directing him to report to the Austrian Consul at Constantinople upon his arrival at that place. The final page of the passport showed that he sailed from Genoa for New York, January 15, 1904.

As to his whereabouts thereafter he said he went to South America, where he remained until 1905, when he returned to the United States by way of Mexico and Panama, landing at El Paso. From El Paso he said he went to New York, where he was selected to raise funds for the cause of Socialists who had been exiled to Siberia. His work has been watched since then. He went from New York to

Denver, thence to Los Angeles and San Francisco, and arrived in Portland five weeks ago. He has been working as a waiter in the Pop restaurant since his arrival here, he said, being reluctant to take up the work assigned him. After writing the letter to Mr. Sichel he said he carried it about in his pocket five days trying to get up courage to deliver it.

Trace Course of Adler.

The fact that Adler was working in a restaurant indicated he was not in good circumstances, while three paw prints in his pockets would seem to indicate he was in financial straits, unless put there as a ruse by instruction of confederates. The fact that he has been traveling extensively and that he wore clothes of an expensive make and cut, show he must have been well supplied with funds in the past. While in San Francisco he says he worked as steward in a hotel and did similar work in Denver, although previous to that time he was unable to tell where he had done any useful work.

Resents Term of Anarchist.

Adler resented the term Anarchist when it was applied to him. "I am not an Anarchist," he said sharply. "I do not like that name. You people in America do not understand. Here the Anarchist, the Socialist and the Nihilist are all alike. We do not know any difference. We do not like the Anarchist."

As to the precise nature of the organization of which he said he was the agent, he refused to say anything. "The letter tells all that I can say," he said.

"But I will say this, I feel I am glad to be here in your jail. I feel safe. I hope they will deport me from this country. I would like to escape and get back to Austria, where they cannot get me for what I have done. I could change my name and go to work some place where I would not be bothered."

Gain Nothing by Queries.

At 9 o'clock tonight another protracted questioning process was taken up by the police, but nothing was gained. Adler seemed to enjoy it, smiling frequently at the questions put to him.

"I'm glad I'm in jail," he told the officers repeatedly. "But do not like the kind of jail you have. It is not fit for a dog." He refused to answer any question as to the location of his room, and up to last night his lodgings could not be located. When his abode or rendezvous is located, it is hoped to find papers that will aid in sifting the case out.

Although much worried over the incident last night, Mr. Sichel was inclined to take a quiet view of the letter, accepting the theory that Adler was alone in his attempt to extort money and that the story of a Nihilist plot was concocted by Adler in the hope of being deported.

Gear for Congress and a deeper Columbia River, with our commercial interests correspondingly advanced.

ROGER B. SINNOTT—34 For District Attorney, "Indict by Grand Jury."

Tans! Tans! Tans! at Rosenthal's.

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