

## SERVICES AT THE TABERNACLE.

Elders B. H. Roberts and James E. Talmage the Speakers Yesterday Afternoon.

### WAR THE THEME DWELT UPON.

England's "Splendid Isolation" Referred To—Joseph Smith's Prediction.

The services at the Tabernacle yesterday afternoon were presided over by President Angus M. Cannon and the speakers were Elders B. H. Roberts and James E. Talmage, who dwelt upon the present struggle in the far east and the terrible consequences of war generally.

The choir sang the hymn:  
Prayer is the soul's sincere desire,  
Uttered or unexpressed.

Prayer was offered by Elder Frederick K. Barker.

The choir further sang:  
Captain of Israel's host, and Guide  
Of all who seek the land above.

Elder B. H. Roberts was the first speaker. He began by expressing his gratitude for the privilege afforded him in meeting with the Latter-day Saints to worship God. It was also a source of gratitude said he, to know that he had a common interest with the Saints of latter days in this great work. The contemplation of the relationship of this dispensation to those preceding it was also something to be thankful for, and for which the speaker felt to praise the Lord.

Elder Roberts spoke of the signs of the times and expressed the conviction that conditions in the present time portended great events in the near future. In this connection the speaker quoted from the writings of Isaiah to show that in the last days the mountain of the Lord's house should be established in the top of the mountains, when the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. In that day war should cease among the nations, their swords should be made into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks. Men should not lift up sword against man, neither should they learn war any more. They should sit under their vine and fig tree, and peace should prevail throughout the earth.

The speaker said that this was a glorious condition to contemplate, for war was terrible and a calamity to be avoided by men and nations. However, there was a time for war, for conditions were sometimes such that the principle of self-preservation must be employed and men be forced into conflicts they vainly would avoid. There was such a thing as a righteous war, precipitated when those holding unrighteous dominion over their fellows were no longer to be tolerated.

Elder Roberts spoke in terms of commendation of the movement inaugurated at the close of the war in 1812. The peace movement then instituted was worthy the applause of all men, and while it had but a feeble beginning it was not long until it became so widespread and was received with such favor by the people generally that it soon assumed an international phase.

The war between Japan and Russia was referred to and this in the face of the prediction that the time would come when the study of war would be no more. In this connection the speaker said that he had said something. He was an invitation to the mighty ones of the earth to gather together in great conflict, but with the reassurance of the people of God that His people would be preserved. Joel appeared and sounded a discordant note when viewed from the light of the predictions made by Isaiah and Micah. But it simply meant that prior to the era of peace to be ushered in, nations would war against nations, and country against country, and that many would be destroyed and only those seeking for righteousness left. For generations men had been exhausting their inventive genius in the production of engines of destruction. This was going on until the appliances of war would become so perfected that they would sweep the earth and lay low many nations.

The speaker quoted the words of the Prophet Joseph Smith predicting the war between the north and the south, a prediction, the first part of which, he said, was marvelously fulfilled in all its details. He spoke of England's splendid isolation as a world power, a condition, however, which was fast being overthrown and which it was generally believed, had been broken by the formation of a treaty with Japan. England was preparing herself for approaching emergencies and it was an open secret that English statesmen had done all they possibly could to join the government of the United States in treaty alliance. The provisions of the Monroe doctrine were referred to and the point made that they had not been strictly adhered to by Great Britain, evidenced by attempts to gain foothold in Asia and other lands.

Reverting to the prophecy of Joseph Smith, the speaker called attention to the significance of the statement that the southern states would call upon other nations, even the nation of Great Britain, to help them, and that this nation would later call upon others to assist her and thus war be poured out upon all the world. The manuscript of this wonderful prediction, now on file in the Church historical office, made the latter statement even more emphatic than now published, for it clearly stated that when Great Britain had called upon others to assist her, then war would be poured out upon all nations. This, thought the speaker, would be a sure sign of an approaching calamity.

The speaker closed by endorsing the spirit of the peace movement, and said that while it would perhaps not succeed in shutting off war, it was prompted by a desire to benefit mankind and was therefore much to be admired.

The selection, "Who Are These Arrayed in White?" was beautifully rendered.

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ELDER JAMES E. TALMAGE.

Elder James E. Talmage next spoke. He said that though war was terrible to contemplate and the spirit which it implied it was generally bad, he believed it brought out the strongest efforts of mankind and caused a healthy re-awakening among them. It overcame apathy and made men strong because of having something to contend against. The history of the Church was evidence of this, for when all was peace and serenity, idleness crept in among the people, spiritual and physical inertia came upon them and they were in a very sorry condition, indeed. War was to be deplored. It was a condition whose results were terrible to think about, but with it all it was vastly preferable to that tranquility which caused men to forget their God.

Elder Talmage expressed the conviction that the trying experiences of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, had done more to develop its devotees than anything else. It had made of them, strong and vigorous exponents of the truth, and had placed them in a position to withstand the assaults of opposing forces. Opposition had done much to make the Church what it was today, and it would continue to be a factor in shaping the destiny of this people.

Referring to the investigation about to be opened up at Washington, Elder Talmage expressed the hope that it would be thorough and searching, for he felt that there was no better way of preaching "Mormonism" to the nation. He believed that the hearing decided upon by the senate of the United States, was for the best good of this people, and when it was all over the Latter-day Saints would have just cause to be thankful that it had been brought forth.

Of late years, said the speaker, the enemy had changed his tactics towards this people. He has adopted more modern weapons of warfare, and while at times peace seems to hover over us, Satan is not idle in plotting schemes to destroy and annihilate the Saints of God. The only force which would successfully repel the attacks made, would be the force of truth, of justice and of right, which would eventually triumph over all who oppose it.

The choir rendered the anthem, "Glorious is Thy name, O Lord," and the benediction was pronounced by Elder George A. Smith.

### BITUMINOUS MACADAM.

Will be Used in Street Paving—South Temple Mural Retaining Walls.

The engineering committee of the city council has decided to recommend to the council that bituminous macadam be used in the paving of east First South street from State to Second East, and also First street from State to A. The macadam has a rough surface which will be a great advantage in getting a good start from central station on First South street. The macadam will also be a good thing for First street because of the steep grade on that street.

The committee also decided to recommend that plans and estimates be prepared by City Engineer Kelsey for the paving of east South Temple street without a retaining wall. All plans heretofore for that paving have included one and two retaining walls. The board of public works will be authorized to advertise for bids for the construction of a steel and wooden pile bridge across the Jordan river on Eighth South street.

### A BIG SNOW STORM.

That of Saturday Night the Heaviest of the Winter.

The expected snowstorm came Saturday night, but was more extended than anticipated, for the fall was 8 1/2 inches, the heaviest for any one storm this winter. It was a wet snow, and packed pretty solid, and the street railway management was busy all night, working plows and running the big sweeper, so that street car travel was not much interfered with. The wet snow, however, caused a good deal of trouble with the telegraph and telephone wires, but as the following morning was Sunday, the annoyance was reduced to a minimum. The sun came out warm, as on a day late in March, and by noon it was slush everywhere. By nightfall, a large part of the snow had disappeared, leaving, however, plenty of mud. Last night was cold, but the sun is so far north now, that this afternoon, is quite warm and the snow is fast going.

### A Light Skirmish.

Southern, Feb. 28.—Details of a skirmish at Pingyang shows that 50 Russian cavalrymen approached the north gate of the Japanese camp and fired at 1,000 men. A sharp fusillade took place and the Russians retired. All foreigners are safe.

The fight took place on the morning of the 28th. The emperor has contributed 100,000 yen and the crown prince 50,000 yen to the Japanese relief fund.

### Capt. W. H. Thompson Dead.

New York, Feb. 28.—Capt. William H. Thompson, who was commander of the White Star line a quarter of a century ago, is dead here from heart failure, following an operation. He retired from the sea several years ago. He commanded the Britannic in 1877, when the vessel crossed the Atlantic in the phenomenal time for that period of seven days.

## FOURTEEN DEAD AS RESULT OF FIRE

Occurred on Steamer Queen, Majority of Victims Drowned by Capsizing of Lifeboat.

### THREE SUFFOCATED TO DEATH.

Passengers Say a Heavy Sea Was on And Ship Pitching When Flames Started.

Seattle, Wash., Feb. 28.—Fourteen people lost their lives as the result of the fire on the steamer Queen from San Francisco to Seattle early yesterday morning. The origin of the fire is as yet unknown. It started in the social hall of the vessel at about 4:30 in the morning and raged for three hours before it was gotten under control. When the conflagration was first discovered, the lifeboats containing the women and children and many men, were launched, but three of these, owing to heavy seas, capsized, spilling the passengers in the water and causing the loss of nine lives. Three men, who were in the lifeboats, were suffocated before they could reach the outer air in safety from their bunks in the "glory hole" in the aft part of the ship, and one woman died later from exposure.

According to the stories told by passengers and crew of the Queen, which arrived in this port at 5 o'clock this afternoon, the vessel was off Tillamook and about 30 miles from land when the fire was discovered. There was a heavy sea on and the ship was pitching badly. When smoke was discovered coming out of the social hall on the after main deck of the vessel, an alarm was sounded and the crew and passengers all tumbled out in wild alarm.

When Capt. Cousins, commander of the vessel, discovered the extent of the fire, which embraced practically all the rear portion of the vessel, he immediately ordered the lifeboats launched. Four filled with women and children and sufficient men to man them, were dropped over from the leeward side of the vessel, which contained about 15 people. The first boat capsized almost as soon as it touched the water by getting under the stern of the ship.

All the passengers in this were rescued by the other small boats, with the exception of a Miss Steiner, a first-class passenger, who was drawn under the ship when the boat capsized. The second boat capsized while being lowered. There were no passengers in this at the time, but the crew of four men who were aboard, were spilled out and lost. A third boat spilled about half a mile from the Queen and all but four of its passengers and crew were rescued by the other small craft in the vicinity. The list of the missing is as follows:

First Cabin—Miss Steiner, Cleelum, Wash., drowned in destruction of small boat. Mrs. E. Adams, Seattle, a woman of 80, who died from exposure three hours after the discovery of the fire.

Second Class—D. E. Newberry and H. Buckley, drowned.

Deck Hands—A. Nelson, J. Nelson and B. Prutas, drowned.

Engineer Department—Peter Nuhn and M. Flynn, drowned.

Waiters—W. Heinemann and Raymond, drowned. M. Somers, H. Douglas and A. Donnelly, burned and suffocated.

The lifeboats that were floated safely and two rafts that were thrown over to pick up any who might be thrown in the water, remained in the vicinity of the burning vessel and within view of it while the fire was being fought by the crew and those among the male passengers who remained on board. Every available stream of water was thrown into the burning vessel, the men working coolly and without excitement.

The survivors state that every man kept his head and worked hard to subdue the flames. Despite their efforts, however, it was after 7 o'clock before the fire was under control and the signal given to the small boats to return to the vessel.

Passengers, when interviewed this afternoon, stated without exception that everything was done by Capt. Cousins that was possible to insure their safety. Had it not been necessary to send off the boats, not a life would have been lost, but as it was dark when the fire started and it was impossible to light the vessel or to confine the women to their staterooms, it was absolutely necessary to send them away to avoid a panic.

Practically the entire after part of the ship is in ruins. The intense heat of the flames has bent and twisted the interior iron work into a shapeless mass, and sailors viewing the ruin today, state that they do not understand how it was found possible to get control of the flames. Were it not for the fact that the captain, crew and passengers behaved with the utmost coolness, the vessel would have undoubtedly been destroyed and the loss of life been enormous. The vessel carried more than 200 passengers.

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### THE CAPTAINS ACCOUNT.

Capt. Cousins gave the following account of the disaster:

"At 4:30 on Saturday morning, when we were 30 miles to the westward of Tillamook Light on the coast of Oregon on our way to this port, Second Officer Reese reported to me that the ship was on fire. Reese was on the bridge. I hastened from my stateroom, not taking time even to dress and rang the fire alarm. Getting all hands on deck we started to fight the fire, which was located in the after saloon on the saloon deck. When I came on deck, I saw that the fire had spread and being notified, arrived in my pajamas and barefooted, the flames were shooting 30 feet high out of the saloon skylight. We got met with hose playing the water on the fire, but which continued to gather headway until the whole after part of the ship was in flames. When it looked impossible to keep the fire under control I gave orders to clear away the boats, to swing them out and lower them to the rails. The boats on the weather, or port side, I had lowered into the water. There were three men in each and I ordered them to take the boats around to the lee side and await orders. Then I began to fill up the boats on the starboard side with women and children. At this time it looked impossible to save the ship. The vessel was in flames and the fire gaining headway on us despite our efforts.

"Finally the starboard boats were lowered into the water. One of them, the last lowered, I believe, got under the guard and was stove in and later upset. It was in charge of Second Steward Savage. The moment the boat capsized the boats on the lee side went to their rescue.

"I do not know just how many people there were in the various boats lowered though possibly 60. The boats were out in the open until 8:30 o'clock when, believing we had the fire under control I blew three whistles signalling the boats to gather around the ship and by 9:30 all save those lost were on board again.

"The men in the glory hole when called with the discovery of the fire, came up through flames and blinding smoke. Three of these lost their way and rushed into the cockpit, where they were suffocated or burned to death.

"At the time the fire was discovered the wind was blowing from the south, west probably 15 miles an hour. There was a nasty choppy sea running.

"I have no idea as to the cause or origin of the fire—not enough to base an opinion even. Both the saloon watchmen and deck watchman reported everything O. K. at 4 o'clock. Fourth Officer Meyer went down into the saloon at 4:05 and he neither saw nor smelled fire or smoke. It appears to have burst forth into a full fledged fire very suddenly. It was a vicious, angry fire and but for the heroic work of the crew and passengers in fighting it the ship and all aboard would have burned. My crew behaved admirably. They could not have done better. And too much cannot be said in praise of the splendid service of the passengers."

### BATTLED WITH WAVES.

Astoria, Or., Feb. 28.—Capt. Reed of the bar tug Wallula today braved the unusually rough bar at the mouth of the Columbia river and saved the lives of the seventeen men aboard her. The Grace Dollar was the steamer spoken by the "Thelbank" yesterday and thought to be the Rival.

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