

NET RESULT OF MORMON CRUSADES

Wars Waged For Gain Against
Organized Societies Only
Strengthen Them.

AN EXAMPLE FOUND IN UTAH

Campaign of Slander Against Utah
And Its People Commented On by
V. S. Peet in Letter to "News."

Editor Deseret News:

Spasmodic religious persecuting crusades are usually of mushroom growth and are always started by real or semi-religious fanatics who wish to gain for themselves notice or pelf. The pendency of the crusades and the husbandless, childless female, are the ones who lead the procession. These crusaders beat a to-morrow to call attention, a yellow flag to stir up passion, and a red flag to urge on the laggards. American history is full of the crimes committed by the spasmodic religious crusaders. In the first settlement of this country, the Puritan fanatics, Roger Williams from Massachusetts to Rhode Island, just because he was a Baptist and between 1651 and 1661 they hung 27 Quakers because the Quakers believed in peace, harmony and truth. Then, again, in 1795 the Quakers thought they saw the map of hades stamped upon the brows of a few Methodists. In Provincetown, Massachusetts, so they burned the Methodist meetinghouse and passed a city law that there should be no more meetings in this town. Solomon Cook Moderator. In 1832 the crusaders thought that they saw in the Free Masons a bad, evil, criminal and traitorous society, they wanted to get control of the government and from 1832 to 1836 the crusaders in New York waged a bitter warfare on the Free Masons. Between 1870 and 1878 the Western Methodists were bitter anti-Masonic crusaders in Pennsylvania. And from 1880 to 1886 the crusades known as the A. P. A. crusades, waged a bitter warfare against the Roman Catholics. One of the principle speakers in the anti-Catholic crusade was the Rev. J. G. White, a Presbyterian preacher in Illinois.

In 1898 to 1902 the crusaders were somewhat quiet, when they suddenly woke up and started a crusade against the state of Utah and the Mormon Church in a campaign of falsehoods, vituperation, slander and misrepresentation. The anti-Utah and anti-Mormon crusade was started by the Rev. William M. Padon and the Rev. John L. Leitch of Salt Lake City, assisted by Charles Moore in Ogden, the Rev. Wesley Hill, Mrs. Frederick Schott, James Elliott, and a little later, Thomas Keenan, Fred Davis, Frank J. Cannon and Joseph Lipman joined them as leaders.

Look into the results of persecuting crusades. The Baptists increased faster than their persecutions. After Roger Williams was banished, when ever they hanged one Quaker, another took his place. Real witches never existed and therefore could not increase. The Methodist Episcopal church soon outnumbered their tormentors two to one. The Free Masons in spite of their enemies have grown to the largest secret society on the face of the globe. The Roman Catholics have doubled the membership of any other Christian church in the United States in spite of the A. P. A. crusade. And each semi-humane Mormon conference is larger, more enthusiastic and more determined than the one previous. The blatant religious persecutor who helps his enemies and injures himself, although he sometimes makes money in his crusade. In the last anti-Mormon and anti-Smoother crusade, the state of Utah was induced to banish, deport, emigration and capital for the purpose of the state was stopped and the fair name of Utah was besmeared and placed in a false position before the whole world. The Mormon Church was greatly helped; it is stronger in Utah today than ever before; her students and missionaries throughout the world have risen over 100 per cent in the estimate of all. When Senator Smoot first entered the United States senate, he was looked upon by many of the senators as a black sheep in the midst, but they soon began to know him as he is. After the investigation brought on by the anti-Utah crusaders, two thirds of the United States senate vindicated Senator Smoot and carried the falsehoods back to the crusaders.

To a bright and progressive man the length of time he serves in the senate adds to his strength, and should the people of Utah return Senator Smoot for a second term, his advancement would be greater during it than the past, because he is now well known by his colleagues and would not be handicapped by another investigation.

The anti-Utah, Smoot, "Mormon" crusaders enriched themselves financially by about \$400,000 they collected to unsent Senator Smoot and injure Utah. While they were busy in their crusade, their reputation for truth, veracity and honesty, dropped below par. On Feb. 20, 1907, the great anti-Utah, anti-Smoother crusade, John D. Nutting, Delos Phin, Robert M. Stevenson and many other preachers of high and low degree denigrated themselves hoarse collecting money and injuring Utah. But today the Latter-day Saints papers and the anti-Utah crusading preachers are as quiet as stuffed monkeys in a museum. And in summing it all up I have to conclude that the anti-Utah, anti-Smoother, anti-Mormon crusaders are either cowards or slandersers of the Mormons and Utah, or that the Mormons have greatly improved since Feb. 20, 1907, they should, if they are honest, come out from their hiding place and acknowledge it before the world.

S. V. PEET.

New York, April 21, 1908.

"Dr. Thomas' Eucalypti Oil is the best remedy for that often fatal disease—croup. Has been used with success in our family for eight years."—Mrs. L. Whiteacre, Buffalo, N. Y.

DANCE, WANDAMERE, MAY 1st, 25 cents.

EXCURSION VIA THE NICKEL PLATE ROAD

\$28.50 from Chicago to Boston and return, May 6th to 10th, inclusive. Limit May 15th. Every Meal on Every Train.

Chicago, La Salle St. Station, on the Elevated Loop.

MABELLE GILMAN HAS OPERATIC AMBITIONS.

New York, April 28.—Before sailing on the Hamburg-American liner Deutschland, for Europe, with her husband, Mrs. W. E. Corey, formerly Mabelle Gilman, the actress, said she intended to go to Paris to study for the operatic stage under Jean de Reszke.

"I have several roles entirely learned," Mrs. Corey said, "which I have to finish with Mr. de Reszke, with whom I appear in grand opera this season. I am not doing any more desire to appear again before the public, but simply for the sake of the music, I have always been used to an operatic life, and I hope to be able to do something for a phase of music in this country, which should be developed."

Mrs. Corey said that she intended to have a theater in her own house here, such as she has in her chateau near Paris, so that she will be able to give operatic performances in her own home, and for which she will engage the best singers and musicians procurable. Three performances will be given of each opera, one for her friends, the second for the benefit of the orchestra, and the third to create a fund to develop the talent of those who do not have the means to pursue their studies. She added that the roles she expected to sing were "Aida," "Carmen," "Lohengrin" and "Die Walkure."

DAVID LUBIN REINSTATE.

Washington, April 29.—An order for the reinstatement of David Lubin of California, as the American representative of the permanent committee of the international committee of agriculturists was cable to Ambassador Griscom of Rome, by Secy. Root.

He was removed several weeks ago for reasons not made public, but it was reported that the rift had developed between Mr. Lubin and the department.

The action of the Italian government instructing the American minister in Rome to advise the American representative of the permanent committee of agriculturists was cable to Ambassador Griscom of Rome, by Secy. Root.

Under the terms of the will, which has been made known, Mrs. Willis inherits \$100,000. She and her husband left San Francisco yesterday for New York. Daily is already on his way home.

The body of James Daly will be taken by his son and son-in-law to Ireland to be buried according to his dying request in the family plot, near Limerick.

James Daly came to this country at the age of 19. At the time of his death he was engaged on the work of laying out the New Haven road its six tracks for suburban service.

POPULATION ALMOST STARVING.

Vancouver, B. C., April 29.—With no work in sight for four or five weeks and the majority of them without any money, Prince Rupert's population is in a bad way. Many are depending on existence by living on fish and clams. In spite of warnings issued by the Grand Trunk Pacific and the shipping companies a band of men are camped on every available site, and at present there are a thousand near the wharves.

Provisions are high and the unfortunate men without funds have been reduced to the status of the Swiss and Irish "hags" who are "starving" on the beach and among the rocks for food.

Some of the northern boats are seriously considering the advisability of cutting out the call at Prince Rupert on the homeward trip until a large proportion of the men have found work.

W. C. T. U. PROTESTS.

Against Serving of Intoxicants at Dinners to Officers of Fleet.

Washington, April 29.—The W. C. T. U. of California, has written to Secy. of the Navy, Mr. Clegg, transmitting resolutions adopted by the organization protesting against the serving of intoxicants at dinners or other entertainments to be given to the officers and members of the fleet.

The protest is signed by Sarah J. Dorr, president, and Anna E. Chase, corresponding secretary.

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COFFEE

Don't buy coffee not
packed in airtight pack-
ages; don't buy coffee
without the name of the
roaster.

Companies Get Large Tracts by
Securing Relinquishments from
Persons Who Enter Them.

PLEASANT VALLEY COAL CO.

Charged Much of Its Acquisitions Have
Been Secured Through Fraud
And Perjury.

Washington, April 28.—The interstate commerce commission today forwarded to the senate reports of investigations made by its agents regarding discriminations of railroads in transporting coal in the states of Colorado, Utah and Nebraska.

The conclusion is drawn that the Utah Fuel company and the Pleasant Valley coal company of Utah, both controlled by the Denver & Rio Grande railway company of the Grand system, have secured large tracts of land by securing the relinquishments of persons who have entered the lands for small sums, generally ranging from \$50 to \$100. Many of these entries are said to be young women who do not appreciate the offense they are committing in allowing themselves to be thus used.

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