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BISHOPRIC ORGANIZED.

To the Officers and Members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Greeting: We have great pleasure in informing you that the Presiding Bishopric of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints is again organized, with Charles W. Nibley as presiding bishop, and Orin P. Miller as first, and David A. Smith as second counselor, these brethren having been this day ordained and set apart to these offices in the priesthood.

Henceforth officers and members of the Church and others having business with the presiding bishopric will please address their communications to Bishop Charles W. Nibley, at the presiding bishop's office, 12 North Main Street, Salt Lake City, Utah.

JOSEPH F. SMITH,

JOHN R. WINDER,

ANTHON H. LUND,

First Presidency.

PRESIDENT WINDER'S BIRTHDAY

The Deseret News takes great pleasure in joining the numerous friends of President John R. Winder in congratulating him on the 36th anniversary of his birthday. May he have many more such anniversaries! May his life of usefulness be extended for many years! President Winder today is strong in body and mind, full of vigor and vitality, and fully able to perform the various and important duties of his calling. His long, faithful services in the Church have given him an experience that is of inestimable value and we can only congratulate the Saints as long as he is permitted to remain among them, a wise counselor and valiant leader.

President Winder has made life a success, and, like other prominent men of the Church, he ascribes this to the character-forming influences of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. That teaches its followers to be loyal, industrious, faithful, moral, temperate, etc., and also imparts power to apply these principles to every-day life. He, with a many others of his associates, is a shining example to the youth of Zion, who may desire to lead useful lives on earth and at the same time lay up treasures for eternity. Again we congratulate Brother Winder on his birthday. May he enjoy the measure of life still allotted to him, to the fullest extent!

SUGGESTS MURDER.

Only a short time ago the Salt Lake Tribune, from its offices in the submerged district, presumed to issue, on its front page and in big type, an address to the President of the United States. Now it prints what looks like a suggestion that he be assassinated. This appears in its issue of Dec. 9, not on the first page; nor on the fourth; only on the seventh. But, no doubt, it expresses the true sentiment of some of those interested in that paper, all the same. Under the caption: "Observers' Observations," we read:

"I observe that Teddy is undertaking to smash another trust; the trust to which all our fathers belonged; the 'In God We Trust.'

"That while Teddy failed in reforming college."

"That 'Czar' had his Brutus, Charles the First his Cromwell, and there are some today who might profit by their example."

That, if it means anything at all, which is not absolutely certain—places President Roosevelt in the category of Caesar and Charles I. The former, as well known, was murdered in the Senate, in the year 44 B. C. The latter was executed in 1649, as a "tyrant, murderer, and a traitor," being condemned by a self-appointed court of justice.

Of course, the quotation in the Tribune is not original. Nothing is original in that paper, except its brutal meanness, and that is inspired from below. The lines quoted are from a speech made in the Virginia convention, 1652, by Patrick Henry, who said:

"Czar had his Brutus, Charles the First, his Cromwell, and George the Third [Treason] cried the speaker]—may profit by their example. If this be treason, make the most of it."

There was no doubt in the minds of those who heard him that he meant to say that the King deserved the fate of Caesar; nor can there be any doubt as to the interpretation of the quotation as employed by the Tribune writer, provided, of course, that it is not meaningless.

That eminently "Christian" organ has, under its present influence, recently advocated assassination. Only a few months ago, at the time of the anniversary of the martyrdom of the Prophet Joseph and his brother, the Patriarch, that sheet offered an elaborate apology for the assassins, and endeavored to prove that they were fully justified in committing that dark deed. April "Mormonism" for revenues, such as that sheet represents, has never hesitated, whenever it has been able to secure the support of mobs, to resort to lawlessness, including crimes of violence, for the furtherance of its purposes. It is the same in nature as it ever was. Hence its danger to the free institutions of this country. The demagogues who clamored in the Senate, for the setting aside of the Constitution in favor of what would have been, practically, lynch law, cannot be expected to hesitate at any atrocity. They have not hesitated at character assassination.

PLAYING WITH FIRE.

According to Russian sources of information, Europe is about to have war, in which the integrity of Belgium will be sacrificed. The visit of the German Emperor to England has been interpreted as a guarantee of peace. According to the rumors referred to, this is a mistake. It portends, rather, an armed conflict, next year.

The Russian authority claims that the policy of France in Morocco must result in hostilities. France cannot retreat from her position there, and if Germany should demand her retreat, war would be declared. Then, he says, Germany would invade Belgium and enter Brussels within a year. Belgium would be compelled to enter the German Bund. Her independence would belong to the past.

The forecaster of this calamity adds that those who are on the spot

blind and deaf to the risks they are exposed to, while those who look on from a distance can see the trend of events, and that to them it is plain that a serious conflict is threatening the peace of Europe.

This is extremely plain language to come from a diplomat. But Russia has a grudge against Germany. The impression prevails largely in Russian circles that Germany was responsible for the war with Japan. It is even charged that the German government tried to bring on a war with England at the same time, and that German torpedo boats were responsible for the North Sea incident, which came near causing a break between Russia and Great Britain. It developed, it is claimed, during the hearing concerning that incident, that Russian anarchists, in collusion with some German officials had managed to get hold of some torpedo boats at Kiel, and that the plot to involve Rojestvensky in some act that could be construed as hostility to the British government came dangerously near being successful.

Whether this story is true or not, Russia would, no doubt, see Germany involved in war, and this may account for the forecast that war is pending. To talk war is to throw sparks among inflammable material. Unless they are promptly extinguished, they may cause an explosion.

MONEY PROBLEMS UNSOLVED.

The Chronicle of San Francisco is of the opinion that "the United States will never be relieved from these almost periodical money famines until all connection of the government with the volume of the currency be utterly cut off, save only that measure of control which is essential to make sure there shall nothing circulate as money which the holder cannot change into gold at will. That is the state of things in other solvent countries." It says that the sooner we get on to the same basis we shall be as financially safe as they are; and that at present the people of the United States are the laughing stock of all in any country, who know anything about finance.

In applying for a position use the tactics of every successful salesman. Be tactful and enthusiastic, and above all things don't misrepresent your goods.

Trifles light as air—balloons.

Helicon Hall on wheels! Hall's well that ends well.

With children the bone of contention is the wish bone.

It is impossible to make the beef trust eat humble meat pie.

"The tariff must go," says an exchange. Up or down?

Thus far Congress has been almost as quiet as a Quaker meeting.

In an eager and a nipping air there is never a breath of suspicion.

"Who does not love dogs?" asks the New York Herald enthusiastically. Cats.

"Winter comes to rule the varied year," and westward the weary Willies take their way.

Don't put all your eggs in one basket and do not keep all your money in one stocking.

As you cannot have your cake and eat it, too, so cash payments cannot be resumed and the cash hoarded, too.

Yesterday the Republicans and Democrats alike were sure of carrying Boston. Today only the Republicans are sure.

A movement has been started to preserve the American eagle from extinction. It is in danger of extinction for already it has been snatched bald headed.

Governor Hughes' boom has been launched for the second time. Will it be a case of "first the worst, second the same, third and last best of all the game?"

Mr. Carnegie is doing what he can for the land of the free. He has covered it with free libraries and is now making football free. Next let him make baseball free.

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