

BODY OF EDWARD VII. OF ENGLAND IS COMMITTED INTO THE TOMB

The Greatest Procession Since the Jubilee of Mother, Late Queen Victoria.

TO AMERICA AND FRANCE FELL PLACE FAR IN REAR

The Pettiest Princeling Was Given Position of Precedence Over Great Republics Representatives.

LONDON, May 20.—The body of King Edward VII. was carried through the streets of London this morning in the presence of many hundred thousand subjects, the kings of nine European nations, several future rulers, members of the royal family of the world, and the former president of the United States following the casket from Westminster hall to Paddington station.

Cortege moved through solid double lines of red coated soldiery standing with rifles reversed and regimental colors dipped to the ground. At the railway station the casket was placed in the funeral car, conveyed to Windsor where after the Church of England service, conducted by the Archbishop of Canterbury in St. George's chapel, it was entombed in Albert Memorial chapel adjoining.

No such processional spectacle was ever witnessed before in London since Queen Victoria's jubilee. King George, Emperor William and other members of Royalty wore the uniforms of British generals. No personage attracted greater interest than Theodore Roosevelt, the special American ambassador, whose civilian clothes contrasted curiously with the gilded coach, with white-wigged and silk stockinged flunkies, within which he rode. The representatives of the two great republics, the United States and France, were given position at the rear of all the royalties, and the princes of the petty states of European states. They were last in the line of foreign governments' representatives.

The booming of minute guns and the tolling of bells accompanied the procession movement while bands played the "Dead March" from "Saul" and Chopin's Funeral march. The morning was clear, a hot sun beating upon the great mass of humanity lining the route of the procession.

The Royal Party. King George, the queen mother, Alexandra, and Princess Victoria entered Westminster hall before the procession started, spending some minutes before the casket. The procession proceeded through Parliament street to Whitehall. The public buildings were heavily draped with black and purple. The route was lined with thousands of troops, behind whom were massed countless thousands of people in deep black. King George rode between the German emperor and the Duke of Connaught, all in brilliant uniforms. Next in line were rulers, heirs to thrones and special ambassadors. It was a bitter winter day when Queen Victoria's body was borne up the hill to the mediæval chapel of St. George's. But today when the castle gates at Windsor opened to receive the casket of the seventh Edward, there was the green of an English spring upon the trees and grass within the massive walls. The gray towers and battlements, over which the Union Jack was flying, never appeared more impressive.

The chapel reached, the casket was placed on a purple catafalque. King George as chief mourner stood at the head of the casket. There was a moment of profound silence when positions were taken and then the Archbishop of Canterbury and Bishop of Winchester advanced to the casket. The service of the Church of England was followed throughout. After the solemn services the procession withdrew from the church in the order of its entrance.

Memorial Services in Washington. Washington, May 20.—A memorial service to King Edward VII. was held simultaneously at 14 o'clock in three of the city's largest churches by delegates of the World's Sunday School convention.

President Taft, members of the cabinet, Justices of the United States Supreme court, the diplomatic corps and practically all official Washington attended a service in memory of King Edward at St. John's Episcopal church.

HOW TO FIGHT HOOKWORM Education and Reform in Sanitation Will Do the Work, According to Dr. C. W. Stiles.

New York, May 20.—Education and reform in sanitation will be the chief means by which the hookworm will be eventually wiped out, according to Dr. C. W. Stiles, scientific secretary of the Rockefeller hookworm commission.

GREAT CHANGES ARE RECOMMENDED

Report to General Assembly of Co-ordination Committee Almost Revolutionary.

Lewisburg, W. Va., May 20.—Almost revolutionary changes in the organization of the Presbyterian church in the United States (south) were recommended this afternoon to the general assembly by the committee on co-ordination of executive committees. The greatest change recommended is a reduction in the executive committees, corresponding to boards in the northern church, to four.

This arrangement would discontinue the independent executive committee of colored work and that on schools and colleges. Radical changes in the method of raising funds are recommended. It was urged that stated beneficiaries of the church be separated from its current expenses and local work for charity, and that the number of special collections be reduced to eight, two each for foreign missions, home missions and ministerial educational relief, one for Sabbath school missions and one for publication and for the Bible cause.

Dr. Bachman, the moderator, completed the organization by announcing standing committees. Dr. W. E. Boggs of Atlanta is made chairman of the committee on bills and ordinances; Dr. Russell Cecil of Richmond, chairman of the committee on judicial business. These are the most important committees. The greatest honor in the gift of the Southern Presbyterian assembly was conferred upon Dr. J. W. Bachman of Chattanooga, when it elected him moderator. The first days' session of the assembly also was marked by the election of Dr. T. H. Law of Spartanburg, S. C., as stated clerk.

The election of Dr. Bachman was the first contest of the assembly, his opponents being Dr. Russell Cecil of Richmond and Dr. Walter L. Lingard of Atlanta. Dr. E. W. Coakley of Kentucky led off, referring to his learning in church law and his long service in Alabama and Virginia. He also suggested that the assembly return to "the line" by choosing a preacher as moderator.

Arto Rev. C. R. Hyde of Little Rock, Ark., fell the honor of nominating Dr. Bachman. He named his father-in-law. He said that Dr. Bachman had labored long for the south, that he had never added a straw to the flames of sectional hatred and told how the south had honored him. Rev. Mr. Hyde recalled how Dr. Bachman had been delegated to the south to bear a message of sympathy to the widows of Presidents Garfield and McKinley upon their respective bereavements and how the city of Chattanooga had come to wish him joy upon his seventieth birthday anniversary two years ago. He closed by urging that "the hand of age had the first claim on the good."

Rev. Byron Clarke of Salisbury named Dr. Langie. He said briefly that the assembly did not need such a soldier nor an aged man but a moderator. The roll call showed 198 votes for Dr. Bachman, 59 for Dr. Cecil and 30 for Dr. Langie. Dr. Bachman was installed as moderator forthwith. "We have fought for the south and Jesus Christ," said Dr. W. E. Boggs of Atlanta, the retiring moderator, to Dr. Bachman. "You never deserted your colors in a great epidemic in your city, you completed the conquest there of every heart that was worth knowing. To one so beloved by his people and by his church it is a great joy to turn over for a moment." Dr. Bachman hesitated, then he said: "I have been called to accept several honors, but nothing has given me more pleasure than to receive this gavel from you."

Then these two great leaders in the church threw their arms around one another in a tender embrace. The ballot for stated clerk resulted in Dr. Law's receiving exactly a majority, 99. Rev. Dr. Leslie of Baldwin, Tex., received 48 votes, Dr. George Summey of New Orleans 24, Dr. Joseph Lumpkin of Memphis 10, and Prof. G. F. Nicholson of Southwestern Presbyterian university 7. Last night Rev. Mr. Tucker of Bristol addressed the presbytery on Bible work in that country.

Naval Appropriation Bill Taken Up. Washington, May 20.—The railroad bill was displaced in the senate today by the naval appropriation bill. Special interest is felt in the provision for two new dreadnaught type battleships. Negro Editor Driven Out. Brookhaven, Miss., May 20.—Following the publication of alleged defamatory articles in his paper, E. N. Bryant, a negro, has been driven out of Brookhaven and his plant and residence have been burned.



KING GEORGE V

QUEEN MARY

BODY WAS SHIPPED BY MRS. WATSON

The Lascelles Mummy Reaches Washington, Where It Will Be Cremated.

Washington, May 20.—The mummified body of Sidney Lascelles, alias "Lord Beresford," whose eccentric career ended in death at Asheville eight years ago, reached here from Asheville this morning to be cremated. A woman giving the name of Mrs. Watson, a relative, claimed the purified body, which she ordered shipped here.

Lascelles' whirl through southern cities developed tales of deception in high life. He left a trail of weeping brides wherever he went. Rome, Ga., Fitzgerald, Ga., Norfolk, and other southern cities were scenes of his escapades. Confirms Opinion Here. The information from Washington, contained in the above Associated Press dispatch, confirms the opinion in certain quarters here last night that the real name of the young woman claiming and shipping the body of Lascelles was really Mrs. Watson and not Mrs. Summerfield. Efforts today to learn something more definite concerning the arrival and subsequent negotiations of Mrs. Summerfield or Mrs. Watson with reference to claiming and taking away of the body of Lascelles were without result. It is understood that all those concerned in the matter here were pledged to absolute secrecy and that faith has been kept. It is known, however, that precautions were taken for the final disposition of the body, that bond was given for the carrying out of this stipulation and that there is no possibility for the display of the body in a dime museum, or any other place for that matter. It is said that during the eight years the body of Lascelles remained in a local undertaking establishment several hand-takeners for a sale of the corpse, the evident purpose of those wishing to secure possession being to display the body around the country as a curiosity for so much per night. All these offers were naturally rejected and the remains were held and carefully guarded by the undertakers until it was established that wife No. 1 had right to claim and take the body and then it was turned over to the wife's friend or relative with certain binding stipulations.

POPULAR PRICES AND GRAND OPERA

Mr. Bonci Will Make the Experiment. He Says, of Combining These Two.

New York, May 20.—Two of the passengers on board the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, which left for Europe, were Miss Olga Nethersole, who has just closed here season here, and Alessandro Bonci the tenor. The latter announced that he plans to organize a company to present grand opera in this country at popular prices. Until these plans take definite form, however, the tenor said he will go ahead with arrangements for a concert tour of this country next season. He will not sing in grand opera in New York next winter. "My ideas for the new company," he said, "are to have well known artists only at the outset, but gradually to fill their places with young American singers. I believe that there is ample material obtainable among aspirants who would need only such opportunity as this to reveal their worth. I have no doubt that first class singers could be developed from among young women such as are found in the department stores of New York. After a visit of two weeks in Paris Mr. Bonci will open his house, the Villa Baruzzi, in Bologna, and spend the summer there. Miss Nethersole took with her Chi-



MISS OLGA NETHERSOLE

quita, a pet Mexican Chihuahua dog, which was given to her recently when she was playing near the Mexican border. The English actress said she plans to produce here next autumn Edmund Rostand's play "La Samaritaine" (Continued on page 8)

THE PHENOMENON WAS HOME-MADE

A Comet, Fashioned by Montford, or Finite Minds, Set Afloat in Western Sky Last Night.

The joke was on many people here last night, when, away out in the west, they discerned last night a bright moving light and no few, including negroes and some superstitious whites, believing that it was the comet, and that it was headed straight for Asheville, became alarmed and either sought shelter and some comfort and consolation beneath a bed or fell to their knees praying. The thing was a joke but to those who night after night had watched for the approach of the comet or its tail it seemed distressingly real.

It appears that some boys over in the Montford section of the town conceived the idea that since Halley's comet had failed to pay the town a visit; that since it had failed even to bring anything unusual; that they would produce a little comet of their own. Following out this line of boyish mischief a balloon or kite was made ready during the afternoon and while probably hundreds of people were star-gazing or comet-seeking last night the "home-made" comet was sent up with a light attached. It showed distinct and bright in the heavens and, moving with the wind, gave the impression to some of those watching, but uninitiated, of an approaching comet. It is said that some negroes in the west section of the town became terror-stricken and made haste to implore the Almighty for deliverance. Others of a superstitious nature also became alarmed and sought shelter in houses and beneath beds.

The "home-made" comet wandered in space for quite a while and then finally disappeared, although it is probable that the great majority of those watching the "phenomena" were unaware that its appearance was due to the active brains of a bunch of youngsters rather than to any disturbance among the celestial bodies. It was a good stunt and it worked fine.

PRICE ESCAPES TRIAL IN COURTS OF DISTRICT

Indictment Against Cotton King Has Technical Flaw—May Be Tried in New York.

Washington, May 20.—Theodore H. Price of New York, the "cotton king," indicted here in 1908 for connection with the cotton leak scandal, cannot be prosecuted in the District of Columbia, according to a ruling of the Supreme court of the district today. Price's plea that the grand jury which indicted him had a government employe upon it was sustained. Price faces similar charges in New York and may have to stand trial there.

WILLING TO GIVE \$100,000 New York Concern Wants Moving Pictures of Jeffries-Johnson Fight as Badly as That.

New York, May 20.—A New York syndicate has offered \$100,000 for moving picture rights of the Jeffries-Johnson prize fight.

CHANGE IN NAME OF CHURCH IS FAVORED BY A MAJORITY

THE ROLL CALL OF THE NATIONS

This Featured the World's Sixth Sunday School Convention in Session at Washington.

Washington, May 20.—The world's sixth Sunday School convention divided into two sections for the first sessions today, and two mammoth meetings were held simultaneously. President P. B. Meyer of London, conducted one in the Calvary Baptist church, and Past President Edward E. Warren, presided at another in the First Congregational church. The roll call of the nations was featured at both meetings.

This afternoon there was a monster adult Bible class parade. Tonight there will be four simultaneous sessions. Among the reports from foreign fields the report of China evoked interest. Forty missionary societies were reported active there, with a total of 1800 Sunday schools, with an enrollment of 73,000 pupils.

EVIDENCE HAS ALL BEEN TAKEN

Arguments of Counsel Will Now Be Heard in the Ballinger-Pinchot Inquiry.

Washington, May 20.—The defense in the Ballinger-Pinchot investigation rested this morning without calling any further witnesses and Attorney Brandies concluded his examination of witnesses in rebuttal. With the exception of arguments this practically closes the investigation.

YERKES OBSERVATORY HAS JOINED MAJORITY

Agrees With Other Scientists That the Tail Was a Day Behind Schedule.

Yerkes' Observatory, Williams Bay, Wis., May 20.—Following closely on the wholly unexpected astronomical condition that prevailed early yesterday when the tail of Halley's comet was plainly seen in the east, astronomers at Yerkes' observatory were further bewildered by a startling apparition across the face of the sun at noon. A broad spectrum of light, extending across and a considerable distance to either side of the sun, challenged the attention of vigilant, weary observers. For the second time in a dozen hours the congregated scientists were excited. Prof. E. E. Barnard said the same. The apparition lasted less than half an hour. The spectrum at once became a topic of interest and conjecture. "I can see no other cause but the comet for the appearance of spectrum," said Prof. Frost. He believes that the two were related in some unexpected manner.

The passage of the earth through the tail of the comet, delayed a day in its schedule, was believed to be taking place last night, although early observations did not give positive proof of this condition. Schooner Sinking. New York, May 20.—The American schooner Sarah and Lucy, New York to Boston, off Pollock Rip lightship, has signalled for immediate assistance, reporting that she was leaking badly and the water was gaining on the pumps. The revenue cutter McIntosh has gone to the schooner's aid.

THE WEATHER

Forecasts for Asheville and vicinity: Partly cloudy weather tonight and Saturday, with possibly rain to night. For North Carolina: Showers to night; Saturday, partly cloudy, showers in east portion. Light to moderate south winds.

Two Trainmen Cremated. St. Louis, May 20.—Two trainmen were cremated by 2,500 volts of electricity when a steamer on the Illinois Tractional system collided with an electric train near Lovelace this morning.

But College of Bishops Vetoes General Conference Action to Refer to Annual Conferences.

VARIOUS BOARDS ELECTED FOR QUADRENNIAL TERM

New Bishops Are to Preside During Remaining Sessions—A Walking Cane Presented to Dr. Detwiler.

The vote of 153 to 83 falling a fraction short of a two-thirds majority for a change of name, the college of bishops this afternoon vetoed the action of the conference this morning in sending the question of change to the annual conferences for a three-fourths vote ratification. It is understood that another vote will be taken by the conference this afternoon in an effort to secure a clear two-thirds vote and thus overrule the veto of the college of bishops.

When the General conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, south, by a slightly less than two-thirds vote agreed to submit to the annual conferences for their adoption a resolution providing for the change of the name of the church to "The Methodist church," the radical element of the conference at last got hold of the reins. The change cannot become effective until it has been ratified by a vote of three-fourths of the members if the annual conferences. The demand for the change came largely from the churches and conferences of the western states, but some of the other conferences favored the change. The debate this morning was rather lively; in fact, perhaps the liveliest of the session. Some of the speakers attempted to inject sectionalism into the discussion declaring that the name "south" had served to keep alive the remembrances of the civil war and that therefore it was costing the church members. Those who opposed the change took the ground that it was not the name, but that the church needed more or better preaching; that the name did not make the religion and that if the preachers would put forth the proper efforts, they would not be hampered. The new bishops presided at today's session and will preside until the end of the conference. Bishops Denny, Kilgo and Murrah occupied the chair at different times during the morning session and showed that they were able to handle the body, as well as discuss and reply upon points of order as they arise. The conference finally disposed of the question of changes in the ritual concerning infant baptism by changing some of the phraseology, and disposed of routine matters. When the fifteenth day's session was called to order by Bishop Hendrix there was a marked decrease in attendance of visitors. Bishop Hendrix in yielding the chair to Bishop Collins Denny stated that the new bishops would preside at the remaining sessions, two at each session. The following boards were elected for the next four years: Board of Church Extension—Thomas L. Jefferson, president; Dr. R. R. Gilbert, vice president; J. Ad. Stewart, treasurer; Presley H. Tapp, Rev. George S. Sexton, Rev. T. W. Lewis, Rev. M. J. Cofer, Rev. N. L. Linebaugh, Rev. Henry Trawick, Rev. James Thomas, Hon. T. S. Garrison, Rev. S. R. Hay, Rev. E. H. Moore, Rev. W. L. Sherrill, Hon. D. L. Coon, Rev. L. W. Moore, Rev. F. N. Parker, Rev. J. B. Cochran, Rev. Paul H. Linn, Rev. H. B. Johnston, Rev. N. B. Henry, Rev. W. J. Young, Rev. E. E. Stackhouse. Book committee—Rev. O. E. Brown, Thomas Carter, Rev. James Campbell, Rev. R. A. Child, Rev. J. G. Fraser, Rev. E. V. Register, J. B. Morgan, W. C. Dibrail, J. Horton, Fall, Sidney Bass, J. L. Nelson, E. C. Reeves and D. H. Linebaugh. Board of education—Bishop E. E. Hoss, Bishop W. B. Murrah, J. W. Blackard, James Cannon, Jr., J. W. Cooper, T. H. Ware, James Kilgore, T. F. Brewer, H. N. Snyder, C. E. Dowman, W. F. Tillet, R. F. Flowers, J. W. Vaughn, J. G. Trent, W. E. Vaughn, John W. Robbins, Percy D. Madden. Epworth League—J. H. McCoy, president; clerical, R. W. Hood, Paul Kern, W. H. Featherston; lay, E. P. Peabody, Gus W. Thomas, H. B. Lock. A Cane for Dr. Detwiler. Taking the floor on a matter of privilege, Rev. James Duncan, on behalf of the North Mississippi, Mississippi and Texas conferences, presented to the host of the conference, Dr. G. H. Detwiler, a handsome gold-headed cane. He held a tribute to the gentle, dignified and effective manner in which Dr. Detwiler had arranged for everything to make this general conference happy. In accepting this token of appreciation (Continued on page 4)

DISCOURAGE BIG NAVY IDEA, SAYS W. J. BRYAN

This Is the Best Way to Promote Peace—This Nation Should Set the Example.

Mohank Lake, N. Y., May 20.—William Jennings Bryan spoke on "peace methods" to the international arbitration conference today. "Peace," he said, "can best be promoted by discouraging the building of big navies. Our nation is in a position to test the power of example by leading the nations into the path of peace. It does not need to compete with the world in battleships."

Texas and Central Bought by Hawley. Houston, Tex., May 20.—It is announced that Edwin Hawley has purchased the Texas & Central railway.



MR. ALESSANDRO BONCI