

IMPORTANT RADIUM DISCOVERY CLAIMS BRITISH ATTENTION

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ETA RAYS BEING CAPTURED AT LAST

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London, March 26 (By the Associated Press).—The experts of Middlesex Hospital in London, the center of British research, claim to have made an important discovery enabling the curative value of any given quantity of radium to be multiplied by thousands of times. The discovery consists of bottling radium gas, known as radon, in tiny glass tubes. Radium emits three kinds of rays, known as alpha, beta and gamma, but hitherto only the gamma rays have been harnessed. The present success concerns the beta rays which are now being captured, purified, condensed and confined in glass tubes a little thicker than a human hair, to give them the name "seeds." These "seeds" are prepared to distribute them to hospitals for curative purposes. It is suggested they may prove useful in the treatment of cancer, although they depreciate the idea that they are likely to prove curative or offer a certain cure.

PUTTING TEMPORARY QUARTERS IN SHAPE

At Street Rooms Being Redded for Bank Occupancy During Reconstruction Period.

Operations are now being made to the storefronts on East Depot street in order that the Concord National Bank may move in during the time the bank and hotel building is being reconstructed.

Work was commenced the first of the month. The partitions between the two floors which occupied the ground floor were being torn out at the corner of the former annex of the hotel building. With the partitioning, a room of suitable size has been secured. Details of the bank are of the opinion it will take over a month and perhaps two months before the building is in a condition for them to move. After all the partitions are torn a new floor has to be laid and a built, all of which will take much time. During this time the bank will occupy the quarters at the corner of the former annex of the hotel building. Work has already commenced the leveling of the old hotel. The construction of the new bank and hotel will probably be delayed for several weeks if it takes as long to finish the quarters as officials seem to expect. Members of the hotel committee seemed to think that it would not take over three or four weeks to finish down the hotel.

HARRIETT THOMPSON DIED THIS MORNING

Death Occurred in Charlotte Hospital.—Mrs. Harriette Thompson, seventy-seven years of age, died at 10:30 this morning in the Charlotte Sanatorium where she was taken Wednesday for the removal of a gallstone. Final arrangements have not been made for the funeral but it is thought it will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 or 3 o'clock at the home, burials to be made at Oakwood cemetery.

TEAPOT DOME LEASE SUIT DUE TO END DURING DAY

Final Argument in Case Will Be Made By Owen J. Roberts, Government Counsel.

Cheyenne, Wyo., March 26 (By the Associated Press).—The trial of the Teapot Dome was due to end here today with the final argument in the case to be made by Owen J. Roberts, government counsel.

Spring Opening and Before Easter Sale at Parks-Bell Co's.

The Spring of 1925 is here, and Easter is just around the corner. Before you buy your suit, shoes or hats, be sure to see the big stock of the Parks-Bell Co. Here you will find a wonderful selection, and at prices that will certainly please your pocketbook.

Morrison Invited to Address Assembly.

Charlotte, March 25.—Rev. Bunyan McLeod, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, Lexington, Ky., by wire to day extended an invitation to former Governor Cameron Morrison to go to Lexington to address the General Assembly of the Southern Presbyterian church on April 24.

Banker Missing



E. A. Wickham of Council Bluffs, Iowa, bank president and financier, has been missing for several days. Relatives fear that he has been abducted and is being held for ransom, possibly in St. Paul, Minn.

PRESIDENT OF LENOIR-RHYNE COLLEGE RESIGNS

Dr. Peery and Officials At Odds Over Rejection of Member of Faculty.

Hickory, March 25.—Dr. John C. Peery, president of Lenoir-Rhyne college, resigned as head of the local institution this morning, his announcement at chapel coming as a bolt from the blue. Members of the faculty and board are sitting tight while developments take place, or are expected to take place.

For sometime there has been friction between the faculty of Lenoir-Rhyne college, according to authentic information gathered here this morning. The main point of difference starting last year when charges against Dr. L. C. Longaker began circulating within school officialdom. It was alleged that Dr. Longaker's degree of Ph. D. was not authentic, owing to the fact that the Potomac university, where he obtained that title, was listed as a "diploma mill."

All of this year the matter has been brewing until within the last few days a printed sheet bearing information regarding Dr. Longaker's degree was mailed to various persons connected with the school and others in the community. This sheet was not signed and no information can be gained as to its author. Dr. Peery would make no public statement regarding the matter, saying the press was welcome to whatever information it could gather. He will prepare a statement for the papers tomorrow, it was said, that will doubtless throw some light on the situation.

While none of the officials of the college would make any definite statements, it is generally agreed that the real trouble underlying Dr. Peery's resignation is the fight against Dr. Longaker. When questioned about his degree this morning as contained in the charges made against him in the anonymous sheet sent out, Dr. Longaker told newspaper men that he realized his degree would not be recognized by higher authorities and he declared that when he first came to the local college he protested against its use in the catalog.

According to Dr. Longaker, he joined with eight or nine other pastors in his section in Pittsburgh in 1909 in enrolling for a correspondence course with the Potomac university. He was one of three who completed the courses prescribed and he was given a degree for his work. It was also charged that he claimed two years' graduate work in the University of Pittsburgh. According to the registrar of that institution he had enrolled during the fall of 1912-13 for a course in sociology.

No members of the board could be reached this morning, although it was believed that various conferences were being held over the city. It was the opinion of all approached that the members of the present faculty would even be made temporary president of the institution. Some suggested that a member of the board of trustees may act as president until a permanent head is decided upon.

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SAYS STOCKHOLDERS OF C. AND O. HAVE RIGHT TO MEETING

Judge Moncre Denies Petition of Minority Stockholders of Company for Injunction Against Majority.

MAY LEASE THE ROAD, IT IS SAID

Nickle Plate Wants Lease of 999 Years and the Minority Stockholders Are Said to Oppose the Lease.

Richmond, March 26.—After having been assured by attorneys for the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad that no steps would be taken toward leasing the road until it could be adjudicated by the Virginia courts, Chancery Judge Moncre today denied a petition of minority stockholders for an injunction to prevent a stockholders meeting March 30th.

Chancery judge also ruled his court had jurisdiction in the matter. It was around this point that attorneys for the two factions waged their skirmish during the four days' hearing on the matter.

The meeting, which the minority group sought to enjoin had been called for the purpose of considering a lease of the Chesapeake and Ohio properties to the Nickle Plate for a period of 999 years.

DOROTHY ELLINGSON AGAIN COLLAPSES IN COURT

Believed She Will Not Be Physically Able to Go Through Trial at Present Time.

San Francisco, Cal., March 26.—The trial of 16-year-old Dorothy Ellingson, charged with having shot and killed her mother, Mrs. Anna Ellingson, was resumed here today with attorneys for the defense and prosecution making in the case painstaking selection of the jury which will try the young defendant, and with precautionary measures in force to guard against a physical and mental breakdown of the girl.

The fourth collapse of the girl in court yesterday, during the third day of the trial led her attorneys to announce last night they might petition the court to have the girl examined by a physician each day before she is brought into court. The girl's father is quoted as expressing the belief that his daughter will not be able to stand the uninterrupted course of proceedings and an intermission might be needed.

THE COTTON MARKET

Opened Steady at Advance of 7 Points to Decline of 2 Points With Near Months High.

New York, March 26.—The cotton market opened steady today at an advance of 7 points to a decline of 2 points, with near months higher in response to relatively steady Liverpool cables. There was some trade buying and covering, but the demand was limited, and prices eased off under liquidation, with southern and western selling. July declined from 25.70 to 25.57, and October from 25.08 to 24.96, with the general market ruling about 7 to 11 points net lower at the end of the first hour.

Private cables said Liverpool was steadier on the dry weather in the southwest, and that American selling in that market had been absorbed by traders and continental buying.

Cotton futures opened steady. May 25.42; July 25.70; Oct. 25.08; Dec. 25.05; Jan. unquoted.

RECONSTRUCTION SUBJECT IN STORM SWEEPED AREAS

American Red Cross Went Apace With Plans to Replace And Furnish Homes.

Chicago, March 26.—Reconstruction and replacement were the objects of activity today in the storm swept areas of five states where a week ago ruin and death were left in the wake of the previous day's tornado.

The American Red Cross went apace with its plans to replace and furnish homes, clothing and all necessities of victims to re-establish them as nearly on a pre-disaster basis as possible.

Premier Mussolini In Public Again.

Rome, March 26.—The Associated Press.—Premier Mussolini made his first appearance in the chamber of deputies today since his recent illness.

Complete Arguments in Denniston Case.

London, March 26.—Arguments by counsel on the legal points of the jury verdict on Mrs. Dorothy Maribel Denniston's suit against her former husband were completed today. Judge McCarris reserved judgment.

Opening an umbrella in the house or bumping a traffic cop with your car are signs of bad luck.

Unshorn Tresses Win Honors



Adolescent modernists may refer to the unbobbed as "horse and buggy," but when it came to selecting the most beautiful girl in San Diego's high schools and colleges, Madelein Prosper, with unshorn tresses, won out. She was selected out of 4,000 pretty California girls.

The Law as to Operation of Motor Vehicles in North Carolina

Raleigh, N. C., March 25.—Motor vehicles operated by competing carriers shall not leave a station in a given city or town, or other point, for the same destination or destinations on the same time schedule, the state corporation commission has ruled. It is provided further that where competing carriers operate motor vehicles over the same highway, all schedules shall be arranged, as nearly as practicable, to leave termini at alternating periods on even space of time between departures.

The commission, which now has supervision over motor carriers operated on a commercial basis between towns and cities of North Carolina, has compiled a set of rules based on the "base" law.

Some of the rules, in addition to those named above, are as follows: "That each motor vehicle carrier may continue over the same route, and at the same fares and rates with which service is being rendered on the date the act becomes effective, pending the action of the commission upon its application by complying with the following requirements: "To pay two hundred (\$200) dollars to the commissioner of revenue as provided by Section 8 of the act, and amendments thereto, and file with the commission, subject to the provisions and conditions of the act, an acceptable liability and property damage insurance policy, in a company authorized to do business in this state, covering each motor vehicle used or to be used by the carrier in the following amounts:

- "Classes A and B: "Twelve passengers and under: Five thousand (\$5,000) dollars for injury or death to one person, and subject to a limit of five thousand (\$5,000) dollars for injury to, or death of, more than one person in any one accident, and one thousand (\$1,000) dollars for damage to property of persons other than the assured.
- "Class C: "Any vehicle: One thousand (\$1,000) dollars for injury or death to one person, and subject to a limit of five thousand (\$5,000) dollars for injury to, or death of, more than one person in any one accident, and one thousand (\$1,000) dollars for damage to property of persons other than the assured.
- "Class D: "Any vehicle: One thousand (\$1,000) dollars for damage to property of any person other than the assured.
- "Class E: "Any vehicle: Two thousand five (\$2,500) dollars for injury or death to one person, and subject to a limit of five thousand (\$5,000) dollars for injury to, or death of, more than one person in any one accident, and one thousand (\$1,000) dollars for damage to property of persons other than the assured.
- "Class F: "Any vehicle: One thousand (\$1,000) dollars for injury or death to any one person, and subject to a limit of five thousand (\$5,000) dollars for injury to, or death of, more than one person in any one accident, and one thousand (\$1,000) dollars for damage to property of persons other than the assured.

Under the regulatory legislation, the corporation commission has ruled that all common motor carriers shall be equipped with proper lights, brakes, horns and other accessories as will insure safety, convenience and comfort for passengers.

The amount of express or baggage that may be carried in a motor vehicle with passengers shall not be greater than can safely be carried without causing danger or discomfort to passengers.

Any license obtained by misrepresentation shall be revoked. Also, it is provided that failure to comply with any of the rules, which may be modified from time to time, may result in revocation of license.

Declared Guilty on Immorality Charge. Charlotte, March 25.—Eula Causey, young white woman who is suing Chief of Police W. E. Snoddy for \$20,000, alleging defamation of character, following her arrest on a charge of immoral conduct, was Wednesday sentenced to serve a term of from six months to three years in the Mecklenburg Industrial Home after conviction in police court on a charge of occupying a hotel room for an immoral purpose. She served notice of appeal and bond was placed at \$500. She will later face the charge in Mecklenburg Superior court. A. G. Smith, her companion in alleged offense, failed to show up for trial and forfeited a \$50 bond.

Cabinet Predicts Business Prosperity. Washington, March 24.—Cabinet members at today's regular session with President Coolidge were asked to give him a summary of their views on the business situation and they agreed generally in predicting a continuance of business prosperity.

SCIENCE BACKS TRUE RELIGION, SAYS DR. REILAND

Ethical Basis of Love and Sacrifice Demanded as New Christian Stimulus.

A friend of this paper who formerly lived in Concord but who now is a resident of New York, writes as follows: "Dear Mr. Sherrill: "Enclosed is a clipping from the Herald-Tribune of Monday giving extracts from a sermon which was preached at the First Presbyterian Church on the morning, March 22nd, by the Rev. Dr. Karl Reiland, pastor of St. George's Episcopal Church of this city. It gives some of the views of one of the modernists and is radically different, though not necessarily opposed in all respects, to the views which we have held for so long. Something is taking place in religion and I am sure I do not know what the outcome will be. I feel that the outstanding feature, and one which I think is hopeful, is that there is a disposition to talk about religion upon any and all occasions. I hope the Christian people can take advantage of this sentiment, or lack of sentiment, and make the most of it. "This minister is even bolder than Dr. Fosdick in his utterances but his communion doesn't bother him at all. "The following is the clipping referred to:

The Rev. Dr. Karl Reiland, rector of St. George's Protestant Episcopal Church, declared yesterday in his sermon that science and religious faith were not inimical. The light of science on the Scriptures, he held, led to a clearer understanding of the teachings of Jesus. "There is a feeling," he said, "that science has no business in qualifying religious satisfactions; that somehow it is opposed to religion, especially in its doctrine of evolution. This makes for a perverted view of God, who must be behind a biological fact as well as behind a Bible truth. The same God is back of every 'ology' or 'onomy' and must be responsible for them as the creative cause.

New Attitudes Demanded.

"The scientist is in no danger of discovering what is to God's discredit. The more he can unfold to us of God and His work, the better we shall understand the Creator and the better will our religion be on account of the truths which must result from the resolution of scientific fact with religious assertion. The creation story in the Book of Genesis, the teaching of the fall of man, resulting in death, entailed upon the race an account of an original sin, must go in the face of the establishment of evolution. This is, in reality, the only fall that man has sustained—the fall of this nation.

"So our scientific learning is driving us to feel that the Christian religion demands, among other things, four new attitudes. First, a new ethic as a basis of our religious stimulus—not an ethical basis of fear and a hope of reward, but an ethical basis of love and sacrifice. Second, a new focus—not some heaven to be achieved or hell to be avoided in the future, or, as the early Christians, to distrust the reason, despise the body and disparage the world—but a spiritual focus upon the value of this life here on earth where Jesus came to meet it and deal with it and help it to greater abundance. We know no heaven beyond this until we get there, no life but this until we take it. Third, a new sanction to accept and follow the teaching of the Master, not because of prophecy nor the physical miracle of a Virgin birth nor any other miracle, nor the atonement satisfying an angry God—for none of these reasons—nor for dogma nor for creed which the Church prevail and Jesus be worshipped.

"Jesus' 'Moral Need.' "Jesus will be worshipped because He will be seen to be the economic spiritual and moral need of civilization in general and of character in particular, and Christian satisfactions will be where Jesus put them—not in the variegated faiths which you can express, but in the unimpeachable fruits of life which you can produce.

"Fourth, a new enthusiasm; not for something above and beyond our sense of reality, but an enthusiasm where Jesus found it for and among his fellow men; an enthusiasm for the kind of life they should lead; the way they should walk. And so we need a new enthusiasm for humanity, for our common life among our companions of earth."

TWO MOUNTAINS IN COLORADO ARE MOVING

Meeker's Mountain Has Slipped 100 Yards in Two Days—Another Near Denver.

Denver, Colo., March 25.—The antics of Meeker's moving mountain in Rio Blanca county of western Colorado, has led to the revelation that the state has a rival "runaway" peak in the foothills near Golden, according to Charles W. Henderson, mineral geographer of the U. S. Geological Survey. Golden is 15 miles west of Denver.

The condition is a common one, Henderson said. He reported that the Golden foothill has been marching steadily eastward for several years, interfering both with a highway and a branch line of the Denver Tramway company. Every few weeks, according to Henderson, crews of workmen are required to shovel off tons of dirt from both the highway and the railroad.

The Golden disturbance apparently is caused by the same thing as Meeker's phenomenon, namely, that a soft clay base for a heavy sandstone, has become water-soaked, through seepage, and cannot longer hold up the mountain. Meantime the progress of Meeker's "moving mountain" continued uninterrupted. It slipped steadily along yesterday and in two days has moved 100 yards.

Southern's Net Operating Sum Shows Good Gain.

New York, March 25.—Despite a decline of \$77,433 in gross revenues for February compared with the same month last year, the Southern Railway's net operating income increased to \$2,207,332 from \$1,929,879. Net for the first two months this year was \$4,287,479 against \$3,681,411 in the corresponding period of 1924.

MOST TESTIMONY IN BENNETT CASE HAS PRESENTED

Possible That Arguments In Case Will Begin Late Today or Early Tomorrow as Most Testimony Is In.

MRS. BENNETT IS ON WITNESS STAND

Adds Denial of Guilt to That of Her Husband, Who Was One of Principal Witnesses Called Yesterday.

Chattanooga, March 26.—Assurances by counsel that testimony for the defense would be completed during the session today marked the trial of W. H. Bennett and his wife, Mrs. May Bennett, charged with the murder of Miss Augustus Hoffman.

The State brought its case to a close yesterday afternoon and the defense opened with Bennett taking the stand.

Much of the defendant testimony was given on cross examination conducted by Attorney General George W. Chambliss.

BALTIMORE CONFERENCE VOTES DOWN METHODIST UNIFICATION

Merger Plans Are Beaten in the First Test—Loss Is Overwhelming.

Washington, March 25.—The one hundred and forty-first session of the Baltimore conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, today overwhelmingly voted down the proposal for unification of the Methodist Episcopal Church and the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. The vote, 137 for and 141 against, was taken without debate. A three-fourths vote was necessary for approval.

The action, which came on a year and one-half after the conference reversed itself in the matter of voting by ballot, was the first to be taken by an annual conference of the more than forty conferences in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in the United States. The Cuban conference recently voted unanimously in favor of unification.

The proposal now is being voted upon in the northern church conferences and while complete returns are lacking, it is understood that a large majority have adopted it.

Bishop Warren A. Candler, of Atlanta, president of the conference, presided as the vote was taken.

Despite the adverse action, proponents of unification were optimistic that other southern conferences would approve the proposal.

WANT REVIEW OF CONFERENCE VOTE

Appeal May Be Made to College of Bishops as Result of Vote of Baltimore Conference.

Washington, March 26.—An appeal probably will be filed with the College of Bishops in connection with the adverse vote of the Baltimore Methodist Conference yesterday on the proposed consolidation of the northern and southern branches.

Review will be sought, unification leaders declared today, of the ruling of Bishop Candler that one-fifth of the delegates could order a year and may vote. The question will be presented to the College at the May meeting scheduled to be held in Nashville, Tenn.

Marquis Curzon Buried.

Derby, England, March 26.—The remains of the late Marquis Curzon, of Kedleston, were laid to rest today in the family vault beneath the old Kedleston church which adjoins Ked Hall, the Curzon ancestral home.

WHAT SMITTY'S CAT SAYS

Partly cloudy tonight and Friday, probably showers in west portion; warmer tonight in the extreme west portion.

