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## SUNDAY STARTS HIS OMAHA CAMPAIGN

### OPENING DAY OF REVIVAL SEES THE STAGE WELL SET

Tabernacle Packed to Capacity When Great Preacher Makes His Appearance on the Platform.

USES ALL TRICKS OF TRADE  
Plunges Into His Work Without Hesitation and Gives Full Exhibition of Methods.

### ON WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Billy Sunday delighted his first tabernacle audience in Omaha yesterday morning by exhibiting nearly all the platform thrills for which he is famous. He mimicked and acted, and beat the pulp with his fist and stamped upon it with his foot, and perspired so that the drops rolled from his brow, and shouted and slanged enough to satisfy the most expectant in all the vast audience that filled the tabernacle and crowded in the ten-foot corridor surrounding the seats.

He seemed to bid glad defiance to his critics, by sailing right into the two strongest objections brought against him, namely the collections and the slang.

### Explains About Collection.

One of the first things he did after making his vigorous way to the platform was to explain about the collection. He mentioned that Omaha is reported to be in the midst of the most prosperous part of the most prosperous country in the world. In regard to the collection he said:

"Not one cent is guaranteed me, not one penny. These collections are taken up to pay for the lumber in this building and the work of erecting it and other expenses in the campaign. It is taken to pay your debts. All I get is the collections taken on the last day of the campaign. Nothing more."

### Soon Gets Into Slang.

The first ten minutes of his sermon were as classic in language as any sermon of the most "proper" preacher imaginable. Then he suddenly passed to the very midst of slang. It was in describing one of the missionary journeys of Paul. Paul asked a native of a city who certain people were whom he saw talking and was told that they were church members. The evangelist continued:

"Paul says, 'No, that's a bum steer,' and he went over to where they were chewing the rag."

This brought tremendous applause and laughter from the audience. Billy smiled and when he could be heard, said: "I cut out all my slang because I was coming to Omaha."

### Greeted with Applause.

Mr. and Mrs. Sunday entered the tabernacle together just as the service started. The big building was packed to the doors and probably a thousand were standing in the corridor looking in to the main part of the building. And the crowd applauded as the evangelist walked seriously up and took his seat on a wooden-seated chair on the green-carpeted platform.

Not a smile did Mr. Sunday give nor any recognition of the ovation. After the choir under direction of H. C. Brewer had led in singing several hymns and after Mr. Brewer and Mrs. Asher had sung "Let Jesus Lead," he leaped to his feet and took his place at his pulpit. The audience applauded for probably thirty seconds. Billy seemed somewhat bored by the demonstration.

### Wedding Anniversary.

He spoke a word of appreciation and then announced that the day was great to him and Mrs. Sunday for another reason.

"Twenty-seven years ago today 'Ma' and I were married," he said. The audience applauded again. "And I suppose you would like to see 'Ma,'" said Billy with a smile, turning to where Mrs. Sunday sat behind the platform. The people's applause gave vociferous evidence of their desire and Mrs. Sunday came forward smiling and stood beside him.

### The Weather

Temperature at Omaha Yesterday	Hours	Deg.
5 a. m.	54	54
6 a. m.	53	53
7 a. m.	52	52
8 a. m.	51	51
9 a. m.	50	50
10 a. m.	49	49
11 a. m.	48	48
12 m.	47	47
1 p. m.	46	46
2 p. m.	45	45
3 p. m.	44	44
4 p. m.	43	43
5 p. m.	42	42
6 p. m.	41	41
7 p. m.	40	40
8 p. m.	39	39
9 p. m.	38	38
10 p. m.	37	37
11 p. m.	36	36
12 m.	35	35

Temperature and precipitation departures from the normal:  
Normal temperature..... 59  
Excess for the day..... 13  
Total deficiency since March 1..... 460  
Normal precipitation..... 10 inch  
Deficiency for the day..... 3.5 inches  
Total deficiency since March 1..... 38.5 inches  
Deficiency for year period, 1914, 8.15 inches  
Deficiency for year period, 1915, 5.59 inches  
L. A. WELSH, Local Forecaster.

### Sunday Firsts

"I say to the forces of damnation in Omaha, the God-forsaken, weasle-eyed, pus-gutted, hog-jawed spawn of hell, come on, we're ready for you, and you cannot harm us, for we are ambassadors of God."

"A lot of people were mighty plous when they had to walk, but now that they can afford a Ford or a Pierce Arrow or a Packard, it's 'good-bye, God; I'll see you later.'"

"An angel from heaven couldn't come to Omaha and live for a week and associate with some of the people you train with and go back to heaven without being fumigated, carbolized, formaldehyded, dry-cleaned and made over altogether."

"If a man doesn't settle his salvation before the undertaker pumps him full of embalming fluid, he's all in."

"Any time you think you can do this stunt better than I can, butt in, old man."

### CZAR SAYS ENEMY MUST BE EXPELLED

Russ Emperor Declares for War Until Victory Has Been Accomplished.

### PRESIDES AT SLAV CONGRESS

LONDON, Sept. 5.—A Petrograd dispatch to Reuter's Telegram company, says:

"Presiding today at the first meeting of a special congress, having for its subjects measures to be taken for national defense with special reference to the organization of supply and the transport of stores, munitions and fuel, the emperor declared that Russia would continue the war until complete victory had been achieved."

"The question before the congress," he said, "is of the gravest importance. It concerns the more speedy equipment of the army with munitions, which is the one object for which our valiant troops wait in order to stop foreign invasion and bring success once more to our arms. Parliament has given me resolutely and without the least hesitation the only reply worthy of Russia—a reply which I expected from it, namely, war until victory is complete."

### Voice of Nation.

"I doubt not that this is the voice of the whole Russian nation. Nevertheless the great task we have undertaken implies the greatest effort on our part. This thought has become universal, but it is necessary to put it into action without delay."

"This conference has brought together in the common work of solidifying the government's delegates of Parliament and the public institutions and industries. In a word, the representatives of all business in Russia have entrusted you with the complete confidence with powers of an exceptional extent. I shall always follow with the most profound attention your labors and will take a personal part in them if necessary."

### But One Object.

"Nothing must distract our thoughts, our will and our strength from what is now our single goal, which is to drive the enemy from our borders."

"With this end in view, we must make certain the complete military equipment of our active army and other troops called to the colors. The task is now entrusted to you, gentlemen. I know that you will devote all your strength and all your love for the fatherland to its accomplishment. Set to work with the help of God."

### Bryan Will Address "Friends of Peace"

CHICAGO, Sept. 5.—A resolution declaring against the shipment of war munitions from this country to European belligerents and urging congress to buy up all munition factors so as to make shipments impossible will be brought before the national convention of the Friends of Peace which will be opened here tomorrow.

Hundreds of delegates arrived and more are expected tomorrow. A big majority are German-Americans. Chairman John Brisson Walker said:

"The organization is not pro-German, though," he added, "German naturally want to see the war ended, because of the fearful sacrifice it exacts from their brothers. German-Americans exceed in number any other portion of our citizens who are of foreign blood. That is why they predominate in this convention."

It was announced tonight that William J. Bryan will address the convention Monday afternoon and probably will speak also at a mass meeting in the evening.

### Aldrich Will Run Against Hitchcock

(From a Staff Correspondent.)  
LINCOLN, Sept. 5.—(Special.)—Chester H. Aldrich, former governor of Nebraska, will be a candidate for the republican nomination for the United States senate to fill the place now occupied by Senator Gilbert M. Hitchcock, democrat.

### SUNDAY RECRUITS SOLDIERS IN THE ARMY OF JESUS

"God's Grenadiers" is the Subject of the Stirring Afternoon Sermon at the Tabernacle.

MILITARY DRESS AND KEYNOTE Arouses Enthusiasm of Audience by Stirring Pictures of Events During This Country's Wars.

### ALL SING THE BATTLE HYMN

Billy Sunday was a recruiting officer for the army of Jesus Christ at the afternoon meeting at the tabernacle yesterday.

In a sermon on "God's Grenadiers" he pleaded with stirring phrases and gestures and wonderful dramatic ability for recruits to enlist in the battle for God against the devil.

Militancy was his keynote. "I ask no quarter from the devil and I give him none," he shouted, swinging his arms in sledge-hammer blows as he hurled forth his defiance to a demon which to his hearers was almost materialized in living form, by the power which the speaker put into his sentences.

Tells of Victories Won. Sunday told of wars fought "in the brave days of old," when troops charged "over the dead, dying and wounded, over trenches and over horses," to win victories.

He roused the patriotism of the audience by stirring pictures of events during wars conducted by the United States. He told of the drummer boy who in a famous battle in Europe when told to sound a retreat, said:

"I don't know how to beat a retreat; I never learned to do that."

"We don't know how to beat a retreat in the army of Jesus Christ."

As Sunday shouted these words he gave them the effect of the blast of a trumpet, emphasizing in his habitual manner, phrases rather than words, and beating each phrase into the consciousness of his hearers.

The climax of the meeting had arrived. Sunday seized a chair and carried it (Continued on Page Two, Column One.)

"BILLY" SMITES THE DEVIL—The acrobatic revivalist began his engagement in Omaha before three house-filling audiences with a battering-ram assault on the ramparts of His Satan's Majesty.



### EXCITING SCENES IN N. Y. CONVENTION

Constitutional Body Closes Consideration of All Proposed Amendments.

### G. O. P. TO CHAMPION WORK

ALBANY, N. Y., Sept. 5.—New York's constitutional convention closed consideration of all proposed amendments amid exciting scenes.

While friends and foes of the proposal to permit the legislature to enact a living wage law for women and children clamored for a vote on the measure, President Elihu Root, on the motion of Majority Leader Wickersham, declared the convention adjourned until next Thursday. At that time consideration will be given only to the work of the revision committee; and a vote on the wage proposition before final adjournment probably Friday or Saturday will be impossible.

Republicans to Fight for It. Republicans, who are in the majority in the convention, 116 to 62, will immediately launch a vigorous campaign in behalf of the new constitution. It is considered extremely doubtful if the democrats will wage an organized fight against the new instrument.

The chief proposed amendments would provide for:  
Shortening of the ballot so as to make the governor, lieutenant-governor, attorney general and comptroller the only elective state officers.

An executive budget system whereby the legislature might eliminate items from the budget of the governor, but make no additions.

Votes for women: the convention merely provided that if the proposed suffrage amendment is approved at the referendum, this fall, it shall become operative.

A broader power for cities in relation to regulating their local affairs and revising charters.

Raising the annual salary of the governor from \$16,000 to \$20,000 a year and the salaries of legislators from \$1,500 to \$2,500 and railroad fare from their homes to Albany.

Aimed at Tenements. Giving the legislature power to prohibit manufacturing in tenements. Bringing victims of occupational disease under the provision of the workmen's compensation act.

Reapportionment along lines which would prevent Greater New York from having a majority in the senate for ten years at least.

### POPE SENT WILSON NO WRITTEN WORD

Vatican Issues Statement Denying Any Special Message Communicated by Gibbons.

### CARDINALS DID NOT NEED IT

ROME (Via Paris), Sept. 5.—Cardinal Gibbons' interview with President Wilson is considered by the vatican as the most important event in the campaign for the re-establishment of peace, but the vatican wishes to have the attitude of the pope plainly set forth to avoid misunderstanding, and therefore has issued a formal statement to the effect that the pope did not send any special message by the cardinal to the president of the United States.

The situation at the present moment, it is pointed out, does not seem favorable for the pope to take the initiative in the matter of peace, but the pontiff is ready to help in all possible ways in any effort in that direction from whatever quarter it comes. The opinion is expressed in vatican circles here that the United States is in the best position to undertake such a mission.

### Page Ordered to Touch English Up

WASHINGTON, Sept. 5.—Ambassador Page at London has been instructed to make vigorous representations to the British foreign office for the release of American-owned shipments of German goods now held up at Rotterdam under the British orders-in-council. State department officials indicated today they expected an early reply.

### Mother and Son Die As Auto Plunges

FANETON, S. D., Sept. 5.—Mrs. Eric Kide and her son, Edward, were killed this afternoon when the automobile in which they were returning to their country home from Weir dropped off a bridge approach down an embankment into a creek. The victims were members of a pioneer family.

### TEUTONS SWEEP FOR DVINA RIVER

Series of Battles Are Being Fought South of the Pripet Marshes.

### RUSSIANS CONTINUING RETREAT

LONDON, Sept. 5.—Although they continue their retreatment in some sectors and are being driven back in others, the Russians, on the whole, have stiffened their opposition to the Austro-German advance and the German allies now have to fight, and fight hard, for every yard of ground which they gain.

Away to the north, just below the Gulf of Riga, a big battle is in progress for possession of the river Dvina, and the Germans now occupy the western bank between Lennewa, where they captured a bridgehead yesterday, and Friedrichstadt, where another bridgehead was taken by storm today.

These successes, if they can be carried to a conclusion by forcing a crossing of the town of Riga, which already is being threatened from the west and south by Field Marshal von Hindenburg's army.

### Fight Series of Battles.

From Friedrichstadt south to the Pripet marshes, the Russians and Germans are engaged in a series of battles, and while the Russians by a counter-offensive along the Vlna river, and counter attacks at other points, are inflicting

### ALLEN LINER IS TORPEDOED; NO AMERICANS DIE

Hesperian, Carrying Canadian Soldiers and Mounted and Visible Gun Attacked Off Ireland.

### EIGHT PERSONS REPORTED LOST

U. S. Consul at Queenstown Says Ship Armed with Heavy Rifle.

### CRAFT IS SAID TO BE AFLOAT

BULLETIN. LONDON, Sept. 5.—The Allen steamship Hesperian was torpedoed at 8:20 o'clock last night off the south coast of Ireland, 100 miles southwest of Fastnet. Approximately 350 passengers were on board, one or two of them Americans.

### BULLETIN.

MONTREAL, Sept. 5.—The Allen management today received telegrams from England informing them that the Hesperian was torpedoed and was proceeding to Queenstown under convoy.

### BULLETIN.

LIVERPOOL, Sept. 5.—The Allen line issued the following notice this evening: "All the passengers and crew of the Hesperian were safely landed today at Queenstown."

LONDON, Sept. 5.—The Allen liner Hesperian was torpedoed off the south coast of Ireland by a German submarine. The ship was reported keeping afloat. The passengers and crew are being taken to Queenstown.

The Hesperian carried 600 persons, of whom 350 were passengers. All were saved. The liner was bound from Liverpool to Montreal. It was torpedoed at 8 o'clock last night about 800 miles southeast of Fastnet.

Passengers say the liner was torpedoed without warning. The boats got away quickly. Many wounded Canadian soldiers were aboard.

The Hesperian is now proceeding to Queenstown with the assistance of admiralty tug.

The American consul at Queenstown reported to the American embassy that there were one or two Americans aboard the Hesperian, but that none was lost.

Didn't Sink. The steamer did not sink and is reported proceeding under convoy to Queenstown, to which port most of the passengers and crew were taken by rescue steamers.

Passengers landed at Queenstown asserted that the attack was made without warning. The American consul at Queenstown telegraphed the embassy here that there were one or two Americans aboard, adding that none was lost.

The Hesperian, a vessel of 19,000 tons gross, was outward bound from Liverpool for Montreal. Many of the 350 passengers aboard were wounded Canadian soldiers on their way home from the front. There were approximately 250 in the crew.

The attack upon the Hesperian came just as darkness was falling. Passengers who have reached Queenstown express the belief that she had been chased for some distance by a submarine, which fired as soon as it was within range. The attack came so suddenly, it was stated, that great alarm was felt aboard the steamer.

Calls for Aid. The torpedo struck the Hesperian forward of the engine room tearing away (Continued on Page Two, Column Five.)

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