

Minutes of General Conference 1920

PRECONFERENCE CENTENNIAL AND MEETING OF PRIESTHOOD

The General Conference of 1920 was preceded by two important events:

1. The formal celebration of the One Hundredth Anniversary of the First Vision of Joseph Smith, the Seer, which occurred "early in the spring of 1820," was observed by a well-arranged preconference program of missionary revival services, which were held in every church of the Saints in the Independence Stake—The Stone Church, South Side, Walnut Park, Enoch Hill, Liberty Street, also Central Church, Kansas City. The subjects presented included the doctrinal principles of the gospel, with a brief outline of the history of the church. The series was well advertised in the press, also by carefully prepared circulars describing the sermon subjects, which were distributed among the homes of the entire population of the city of Independence, by committees of missionary and local assistants. Results were apparent in large attendance of the citizens of Independence, a number of whom were baptized at the close of the meetings.

2. The general ministry of the church had been called together by the First Presidency to attend a series of lectures on doctrinal, social, and related subjects. The ministry assembled in the lower auditorium of the Stone Church on Monday, March 22, at 10 o'clock a. m. Copies of the memorandum booklets, "Notes and outlines, lectures to the general ministry, Independence, Missouri, March 22 to April 3, 1920, Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints," had been published and dis-

tributed to the brethren. The lecturers were: Walter W. Smith, J. A. Koehler, J. F. Garver, James A. Gillen, Frederick M. Smith, Elbert A. Smith, Benjamin R. McGuire, J. F. Keir, and Samuel A. Burgess. Subject outlines were included in the booklet. The subjects were: Religion, The Godhead, Agency, The Atonement, Principles of the Gospel, Authority, The Church, Revelation, Spiritual Gifts, The Fruits of the Spirit, Zion, Liberty and Government. The subjects and subject matter included that presented to the missionary class at Graceland College the present year. The ministry manifested deep interest in the lectures, attending regularly and giving the lecturers close attention, and characteristic of their training, asked questions and discussed the subject matter presented from almost every possible point of view. Included in their discussions were the general questions of theological doctrine, ministerial and general church policy, practice, and aims, until under the influence of the spirit of candid inquiry and brotherly counsel, together with the inspirational influences attending the assembly, a greater degree of unity of spirit and a better understanding resulted.

Several sessions were held, devoted to fasting and prayer, in charge of President Elbert A. Smith and Gomer T. Griffiths, president of the Quorum of Twelve. The prayer meetings were remarkable gatherings in the history of the priesthood of the Reorganized Church. A greater degree of spiritual power—an earnest of the endowment—was bestowed upon the assemblies, and under its divine love and grace the brethren were fused into a spirit of brotherly humility and harmony that prepared them for the work of the conference to follow.

The prayer meeting of the priesthood held Sunday, April 4, at 8 a. m., was very marked and gratifying in its experiences. Brethren E. A. Smith and

G. T. Griffiths were in charge. Following administration of the sacrament the spirit of revelation was manifest in rich abundance, through Brethren E. A. Smith, Richard Bullard, J. W. Wight, W. W. Smith, J. A. Davis, W. W. Weston, and others. Some of the statements were very remarkable, especially the communication given through President E. A. Smith, published in the SAINTS' HERALD, No. 16, dated April 21, 1920, "A message to the ministry." The degree of the Holy Spirit accompanying this communication was so powerful and so convincing that the Master himself seemed almost to be present. Everyone sensed deeply the wonderful, spiritual presence, and every man reconsecrated himself to the service of his divine Lord and Redeemer. Practically all past causes of misunderstanding and division were dissipated by that great solvent—the spirit of love and light and power. Men who had attended General Conferences for many years and had participated in the discussions and experiences which had marked the unfolding, growth, and progressive evolution of the Reorganization, attended always as such had been by the manifest evidences of the divine leading and overrulings toward final victory, were surprised and gratified beyond measure. They had anticipated by the kindly ministrations of the Spirit of revelation a decided step forward, but were not expecting so great and so rapid strides toward "the consummation designed of God for his people—unity, honor, sanctification, and glory." Ministry and laity were thankful, appreciative, and greatly comforted by the rich abundance of the condescension of God. Another prayer service later was marked by similar inspirational experiences. By the time the General Conference convened the brethren were so fused in the spirit of brotherly kindness and unity, that the sessions of conference were but manifestations of unanimous action upon

the very important and significant matters presented by their earnest and competent leader, President Frederick M. Smith. The usual lengthy discussions, which often had consumed so much time and added to the expense of the gatherings, were conspicuous by their absence, though the assembly passed nothing without comprehending it intelligently—the matters presented having been practically predigested in other years and recently through the church press. The conference served also to establish President Frederick M. Smith more firmly and strongly in the esteem and leadership of the people. There ripened a fuller, mutual understanding between both, with a consequent strengthening of the very great bond of gospel spirit and fellowship which now binds all departments of the church indissolubly. Such developments are indeed heartening, strengthening, and mean under the blessing of God complete victory in the redemption of Zion and all that her redemption implies. The glory of God and the redemption of humanity embodies the high purpose toward which his church is striving and pushing forward under the magnificent oversight and divine inspiration of Jesus Christ, the Son of God and brother and friend of man. The sessions of prayer and testimony in the interest of the general membership were also seasons of inspirational power and likewise blessed the people.

SUNDAY, APRIL 4

Sunday services were provided by the Presidency. The weather for some days had been wet and cold followed by a heavy fall of snow on Sunday. Large numbers of delegates and visitors had arrived and the auditorium was crowded to its capacity to accommodate them. Services were held as follows: (We quote from the booklet, "Program General Conference.")

Introduction

One hundred years ago a young man came from his season of prayer in the seclusion of the forest with an announcement that startled the world. He announced that he had received a heavenly vision, that the Lord had revealed himself, and that Jesus had been manifested to him, with the admonition, "Hear ye him!"

That vision was the initial act of the great restoration. That admonition, "Hear ye him," is the keynote of all our message. As this great event was said to have occurred "early in the spring of 1820," it has been thought fitting to observe the centenary at the General Conference of 1920.

As the conference, proper, begins on Tuesday, while many of the elders are expected to be present at an earlier date, the Presidency has decided to include Sunday, April 4, in the program.

1820-1920

Sunday, April 4

8 a. m. Communion Service

Stone Church, upper auditorium, Presiding Bishopric in charge.

Stone Church, lower auditorium, mass meeting of the priesthood, First Presidency in charge.

South Side, Walnut Park, Enoch Hill, Liberty Street, and Central, local pastors in charge.

At 9.30 a. m. Sunday school. Local Sunday school officers in charge at all meeting places.

At 11 a. m. preaching. Theme: "The vision of 1820."

Speakers:

Upper auditorium, Walter W. Smith.

Lower auditorium, F. G. Pitt.

South Side, Richard Baldwin.

Walnut Park, John A. Dowker.

Enoch Hill, C. Ed. Miller.

Liberty Street, George H. Wixom.

Central Church, F. A. Smith.

(Local pastors in charge.)

At 2.30 p. m. preaching. Theme: "The vision of 1920—Zion's outlook from the viewpoint of our young men."

Speakers:

Upper auditorium, Floyd M. McDowell.

Lower auditorium, Cyril E. Wight.

South Side, Cornelius M. Clifford.

Walnut Park, Frank B. Almond.

Enoch Hill, E. D. Moore.

Liberty Street, W. R. Kapnick.

Central Church, Heman Hale Smith.

(Local pastors in charge.)

At 7.30 p. m. preaching. Theme: "The seer of Palmyra—his mission and message."

Speakers:

Upper Auditorium, J. A. Gillen.

Lower Auditorium, U. W. Greene.

South Side, D. Macgregor.

Walnut Park, J. F. Curtis.

Enoch Hill, W. M. Aylor.

Liberty Street, Gomer T. Griffiths.

Central Church, Joseph Luff.

(Local pastors in charge.)

MONDAY, APRIL 5

On Monday, the 5th, at 7.30 p. m. Brother Heman Hale Smith, of the Historical Department, delivered a lecture in the upper auditorium; subject, "Historic setting of the restoration."

TUESDAY, APRIL 6

The Sixty-seventh General Conference of the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints convened in the Saints' church, at Independence, Missouri, on Tuesday, April 6, 1920, at 10 o'clock a. m.

President Elbert A. Smith called the assembly to order. Hymn No. 158, "Redeemer of Israel," was sung. Chorister A. N. Hoxie, jr., in charge of the music. Prayer was offered by Elder G. T. Griffiths, president of the Twelve:

Almighty God, the redeemer of Israel, we come into thy presence at the commencement of this another General Conference. We come to thee with holy reverence in our souls and deep gratitude in our hearts, because we know from past experience in thy service that thou art the giver of all that is good, that thou art ever mindful of those who put their entire trust in thee and in thy precious promises, and who diligently seek to do thy will as contained in thy perfect law of liberty that thou hast given unto us, thy people who comprise thy great church here on earth. We realize that it has been through thy abundant mercy and the protection that

has been vouchsafed to us that so many of thy people have been granted the glorious privilege of assembling in this place at this time in the capacity of a General Conference to transact business in the interests of thy great and wonderful church that thine only begotten Son sacrificed his life for and purchased by the shedding of his blood.

We pray, O Lord, that thou wilt endow us with thy Holy Spirit, that it may direct our minds aright and that in our hearts the power and unadulterated love of God may abound, and that as thy ministry, as ex officios, and as delegates, we may deport ourselves with dignity and in that way and manner that will redound to thy glory; that the love of God may assist us to say and do those things that will be acceptable to thee; that thou mayest approve of what we do; that it may be in the interests of the great cause we love. We pray thee therefore as the Holy One of Israel, to come to our help by the power of God that emanates from thee.

We realize, O Lord, and sense the stupendous burdens and the grave responsibilities that are placed upon the shoulders of our brethren who shall preside over this conference. We ask thee, dear Lord, to place thine arms of love and power about them; and we uphold them before thee, we trust, in faith and confidence. We ask thee to equip them for the onerous duties imposed upon them, that they may feel that the Holy Spirit will qualify them for the duties that have been assigned them and that they may perform the same with an eye single to thy glory.

We read in thy word that no man or woman can assist in carrying on thy great work of redemption here among the sons of men unless he be humble and full of love in his heart. We realize, O Lord, that we need thy love in our hearts to-day and throughout the sessions of this conference, as it moved thine only begotten Son to leave the eternal world and the glory that he had there with thee and take upon him the tabernacle of flesh; and as he devised means whereby if we will live in harmony therewith we will be emancipated from the thralldom of sin and the power of death, we ask its presence to be with us.

We pray thee to bless thy ministry wherever they are in foreign lands, those who have gone across the mighty deep to proclaim the gospel of peace and salvation unto their fellow men in strange lands. O do thou bless them that they may be successful in winning souls to thee, and comfort their hearts and cheer their drooping spirits in the hour of despondency when called upon to pass through great trials! We have had such experience, and we realize that our absent brethren are with us to-day in spirit. Remember their loved

ones whom they have left behind, and by thy power do thou protect them from the ravages of disease and the power of death.

We pray thee to bless our President, whom thou hast raised up to be the head of thy church; qualify him for the great responsibility that rests upon his shoulders. Bless, also, his counselor; may he be strong and vigorous in body. We pray thee, O Lord, that they may place themselves in that attitude before thee that thou canst speak to thy people and impart that information we need for the welfare of thy kingdom, that the gospel may go forth in mighty power and great rapidity until it has reached all the honest in soul.

Pardon our sins; forgive our transgressions. We are prone to wander, but we crave thy Spirit that we may work together as men of God; that we may withdraw our minds from the things of the world and concentrate them upon thee and the things that pertain to thy kingdom, that thy name may be glorified and honored throughout the world.

Rebuke the powers of darkness that they may not be permitted to come into our midst to destroy our peace and weaken our confidence in one another, that as men of God we may be united, and by the help and strength given us go onward until victory has been attained.

These blessings we ask, commending us now into thy hands, and committing the conference unto thy direction from the beginning to the end, that it may be said by us ere we depart from this place that it has been one of the best, grandest, and most spiritual conferences we have ever experienced in the history of the church. And all the honor and the glory we will ascribe unto thee, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; even so. Amen.

The President called attention to the printed program, a neat folder published for the information of delegates and visitors. The hymn "Blessed be the tie that binds," was sung.

CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

Elder U. W. Greene, of the Twelve, read from the history of Joseph Smith, the Seer's account of his first vision, as published in volume 1 of the History of the Church.

A season of congregational singing followed under the direction of the General Chorister. The hymns, "God is marshalling his army," "The ad-

monition," "Praise ye the Lord," "Glorious things are sung of Zion," "Guide us, O thou great Jehovah," "How firm a foundation," "The holy city," and "Pray, men, pray," in part or in full, were sung from a songbook entitled Songs of the Legion, compiled by Director Hoxie and distributed among the congregation as contributed by him. The assembly responded with much spirit and the volume of song from the vast audience was very inspiring in evidence of appreciation of the proposal of the chorister to develop congregational and community singing as a significant feature in the development and extension of the spirit of our work among people in general.

ADDRESS BY PRESIDENT FREDERICK M. SMITH

President Frederick M. Smith received close and sincere attention of the assembly as he delivered his annual message to the church. Without completing his statement which was postponed until the afternoon session, the session was adjourned at 11.50 a. m. We insert the complete address:

To commemorate a special event to-day we have changed the usual order and our first session is not the usual one of organization. Yet I shall not attempt an address other than one which will be a prelude to the message to conference. The text I have chosen is one which quite unexpectedly came to me as fit for the occasion. It is not new to you. Many of you have used it. Many of you have quoted it. And without doubt, many of you have used it to present the eschatological aspects of our religion, and I wonder if not a few of you have failed to see the economic aspect of this text. You will find it in the latter part of the 11th chapter of Saint Matthew, the last three verses: "Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart—and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

This is a favorite text with our people who are desiring to present to the people of the world an invitation for coming into the fold—to introduce the message that will bring cheer and comfort to those whom they may have before them as

listeners, and I challenge anyone to produce anywhere in religious literature an invitation which is more appealing, more enticing, which is more encouraging than this invitation that was given by the Master to those who might be weary with the affairs of this world: "Come unto me, all ye who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."

Perhaps at no time in the history of the world was the necessity for this invitation greater than it is to-day. Perhaps at no time can it be presented with more appealing force, with more significance than to-day, if the import of that message is understood as Jesus intended we should understand it.

The world is war-weary, and yet is not permitted to rest. Anyone would have supposed a few short months ago that of all nations in the world that would be disposed to make haste to consummate peace, it would be the United States, and yet we have seen the Senate of the United States discussing for months this document as a basis upon which peace might be introduced, and finally rejected, leaving us technically at war. For over a year since the armistice we have been trying to establish peace, and yet it is significant that this morning the French Army is on German soil, and the French themselves have been disposed to disregard the terms of the treaty they were anxious to introduce a short time ago for their own protection. Not only that, but the Balkan situation, as we all know, is still uncomposed. Consult any European politician and he will put his finger on that situation as the keynote to the whole trouble; the fire, if you please, that keeps the European kettle still boiling, and is likely to for some time. The world is war-weary, and yet it cannot rest.

The laboring class is striving hard to improve its condition. The laborer has become toil-weary. He has worked at his machine; he has worked at his trade for the purpose of gathering wages, that he might aggrandize his interests, ameliorate his own condition, not only toil-weary, under the conditions that exist to-day, but added to the weariness of body is that most awful of things which we call homesickness, and the homesickness of the masses of the laboring people to-day is intensified because of the hopelessness that exists in many instances of their ever having what they can call their own home. Add to the weariness of toil the heart-weariness of homesickness and you can appreciate the spirit the laboring man is fast getting into to-day, and the significance of what it means to society because it is arousing a bitterness within the heart of the masses of the laboring people that is bound to find its expression sooner or later,

even though it might find it in destructive ways, for the time being. The world is weary not only of war, but it is toil-weary, and many of its masses are weary because they have added to the discomfort of aching muscles the heaviness of heart that comes from the knowledge of the fact that they have no home.

The favored classes, therefore, find that the laboring man is banding and the organizations of labor are becoming more powerful and there is growing up within the organization of labor itself a spirit of domination, a spirit of determination to have their own way and to alleviate their condition that makes it inevitable that the crash will come sooner or later. The favored class is still trying to maintain its position of advantage.

Competition is what has crippled industry to a large extent. There are people to-day who still are devoted to the doctrine of competition, though they fail evidently to recognize its mercilessness as it drives to despair and distraction not only the laboring man but the man who employs labor, as well. The evils of competition have augmented the bitterness of the struggle that is being waged between the laboring man and the employer. Living without labor has become a false idea of success. Almost within a stone's throw of this auditorium, there occurred an incident not long ago that will illustrate what I mean. A man who had been making a comfortable living by selling stocks, writing insurance, etc., said that as a young man he had completed learning the trade of shoemaking and one day he was boasting to a banker that he had learned a trade. He had evidently been raised among those who held it out as an ideal to be accomplished by an individual that every man should have a trade to fall back on if necessary. The banker who was listening ridiculed the idea and said, "That is all right to have a trade, if you haven't brains enough to get a living without work." The man had boasted that he had taken that statement to heart, that he hadn't worked since, although he had made a living. Living without labor is a false idea of success, and it has left its impress upon the condition of the world and has become a factor in contributing to the conditions that exist to-day.

The deplorable condition of society as we find it to-day increases the burden of the laboring class, for every man who is detracted from the ranks of honest labor it means an additional burden placed upon those who remain therein. I am not going this morning to take the time to analyze this question of labor, to say what is or is not labor; it does not mean,

of course, to say that just because one does not work with his hands, he is therefore not doing honest labor.

Ceaseless toil for the mere privilege of existing (let me repeat that) ceaseless toil for the mere privilege of existing has brought not alone weariness, but has brought despair. And that is another factor that is functioning to-day that makes the condition critical. The fear of dependency through disability has added to the gloom. A man who feels that he has years of service before him, who goes to work rejoicing in his physical powers, that his muscles are working without aching, that his joints are not rusty, that he is robust in health, that he can breathe to the bottom of his lungs, that he can do more or as much work as any alongside of whom he works, has constantly the fear over his head that a misstep, a miscalculation might take off a hand or a foot and leave him disabled for life, and his family, who depend upon him, be left without means of support. The fear of dependency in the laboring class in this age of competition has added to the gloom that exists, that is driving organized labor towards the clash, towards the conflict.

The fear of debt through sickness adds to despair. Any man who has had experience through his own family, or has seen what comes to the family of his friend, knows that the small savings are dissipated as snow before the June sun when the doctor comes into the house, when medicine must be secured, when the sick must be nursed. So that the fear of sickness adds to the despair that is creeping over the laboring classes.

And fear of still another kind adds and intensifies the bitterness of the struggle for gain; and that is the fear of old age without means of support. One of the most dreaded things in the life of the average man is the advent and advance of senility, and the fact that he has to rely upon others for his support. This embitters and intensifies the struggle for gain. Poverty, looking through the mists of misery, glimpsing the luxurious extravagance of opulence, has in resentment engendered hatred, jealousy, and smoldering desire for revenge. Class consciousness, aroused by the evidences of disparity, is easily fanned into class hatred by the efforts of those deliberately attempting it, especially when the pinch of poverty, the hungry cry of loved ones, the moan of un nourished, unsuccored sick augment the efforts towards discord. That is the purpose of creating class consciousness and the realization of the disparity that exists in society creates this class consciousness and sets it on fire as nothing else can. And when to this effort to arouse class consciousness and class hatred there is added the pinch of poverty, the

hungry cry of loved ones, the moan of the unnurtured sick, the efforts toward discord are tremendously augmented and multiplied.

Let me paint you a picture. We see a man some bright morning, a man whom we recognize to be in his prime of physical condition, who apparently is in good health, and who is going to his work; and yet he goes droopingly, no spring in his step, his shoulders are forward, and when he looks up towards the factory he is about to enter no joy is reflected in his face. He approaches the machine almost with hate, for he feels that he is tied to the machine, and almost as mechanically as the machine he operates he goes through the movements of the day, for wages—a mere chance to live. He leaves his machine and the factory when the whistle blows, and if when dragging his weary muscles across the street, he comes close to being hit by a rapidly moving motor car, can you not see the strong inclination to raise the threatening fist of hate when he sees within that car his employer riding in ease to his home, while he is left to walk wearily the long distance to his? Joy in his work has long been taken away from him. And can you imagine how the despair, the bitterness can be augmented and will be augmented if on coming to that place he calls home, which might be a mere hovel, he finds in his absence while operating the merciless machine, disease has stealthily entered his house and stricken one of his family? Can you picture the despair when he sees in imagination the small savings account disappear and in place thereof come the burden of debt? I can picture him telling his troubles to a fellow laborer, and I can imagine somewhat his surprise when he learns that his fellow laborer is also a fellow in misery; and this bond of sympathy between men in misery is bound to expand its circles and draw together the laboring men until they can remove the conditions against which they revolt and protest.

And the employer who was apparently riding home in the machine in luxury—what about him? Is it as well with him as the laboring man perhaps misguidedly judged? I imagine that in nine cases out of ten if you could scan carefully the face of such employer you would find it was marked and seamed by the traces of care, and would he unburden his heart to you he would tell you stories of hours of meditating, contemplating, and thinking in trying to meet the problems that come to him—problems everywhere, problems of maintenance, problems of machinery, problems of difficulties in settling strikes, of satisfying discontented laboring men, of trying to get the raw material and considering its cost, the problems of converting the raw material into the finished

product, always counting the cost, the problems of putting the product on the market, ever considering the problem of cost. Costs as offset against profits. Profits for what? Trying to protect himself, perhaps, against the same thing the laboring man is, an old age of incompetency, or an old age of dependency, because of sickness. Profits for mere gain for selfish purposes to protect himself and loved ones from the fear to which all seem to be heir. And so the struggle goes on and on towards the inevitable clash. Let me put the old trite expression, the conflict between labor and capital. Now I hear some of you perhaps who are optimistically inclined say, "Why ring that old cry in our ears? Has it not been in the world almost since the introduction of steam and power machinery, when it became impossible for one man to own and run machinery by himself, when companies were organized to carry out these things, always has the cry been the inevitable clash or conflict between labor and capital?" Yes; it is true that it has been. It has been looked for, and the looking for it will continue; but let me ask in all sincerity, let me ask in all earnestness, Can you students of history put the finger on a page of history that records a time that was more propitious for the clash between labor and capital than it is to-day? Higher wages, higher costs; higher costs, higher wages—reckless extravagance on every hand; people buying because they have the money, turning away from low priced things because they have the money in their pockets which they never had before, and not counting the cost. They want the thing that is highest priced.

Extravagance in every direction! The Government itself going into extravagance of expenditure despite the fact that its treasurer is constantly calling out the fact that its treasury is being fast depleted, the Secretary of the Treasury indicating how by hundreds of millions of dollars almost monthly we are plunging into a condition of national debt with no promise of getting out. (I don't want to get into politics here, so will stop right there; I might go too far.)

Labor is organized, offsetting this organization of employers. Labor is organized to an extent not known before. Walking delegates everywhere are not only watching and safeguarding the interests of labor, but are constantly on the alert to stimulate the laborer to anger, if you please, and resentment against the conditions he is laboring under. And you who have come in contact with those conditions know that is true. Recently I have learned indirectly, but not very far removed, of a conversation between a large shipper and a railroad official of one of the most powerful railroad organizations in the country, one of the few which came through

the United States Railroad Administration without financial deflection in which the railroad man said, "We don't know what to expect, but we do know this, that from the stenographer in the office of the president down to the humblest man working on the roadbed, our employees are organized to a man; and we do know that smoldering in their consciousness somewhere are demands they are going to insist upon to which we cannot yield." They are looking for a clash.

We are going it blind as a nation, economically, socially, and I doubt not but what we might be ecclesiastically. We are going it blind—no, not entirely; there are some who are calling attention to the condition into which we are plunged, but the man who is pointing out these dangers to the church is likely to be swept aside as an obstructing pessimist and told to get out of the way. Yet, talk with the leaders of finance, talk with the princes of business, and if they will speak frankly (and most of them will) their minds to you, they will confess to you that they do not see where they are going. I recently talked to the president of one of the strongest banks in the Middle West. It happened he was a man who felt free for the occasion to speak frankly, and when I said, "What is the outlook financially, so far as the country is concerned?" he replied, "Any man on the street knows just as well where we are going as do any of us men who call ourselves financiers. We don't know where we are going; we are going it blind." And you men who quote scripture know what is likely to happen when the blind lead the blind.

And perhaps just as significant, and I don't know but what more significant, is the fact that to the alert eye there is evidence everywhere (now please note this) that everywhere in every organization there are not only the seeds but also the systematic propaganda of disloyalty, until the whole social fabric of this Government, and every other government in the world is shot through with decay and precarious condition due to disloyalty. I have been rebuked by some of my brethren for crying out against disloyalty, but I shall keep on crying out against disloyalty as long as I see the insidious inroads that it is making in our own ranks by those who seem to be determined to split this church by creating disloyalty in its ranks, for I see the processes of disloyalty going on not only here but in our Government, and you have only to look at the condition in the world to-day when we see governments crumbling over night to realize that there is nothing that can bring about such conditions except a widespread dissemination of the spirit of disloyalty. I will admit it has been engendered by causes that exist; and I admit, too, that this

condition of despair in which the laboring man is finding himself compelled to work—this condition of despair that follows in the wake of the competitive system—I admit that there are perhaps reasons for this development of disloyalty; and yet on the other hand people who are alert and wise know that when processes are put into effect to disrupt an organization that is founded for good, any other organization built out of the fragments of the first organization is just as likely to be unstable.

Not only do governments crumble over night, but the news of strikes has become so commonplace that nothing short of a "scarehead" attracts attention any more. Switchmen walk out by hundreds in Chicago over trouble that nobody knows the cause of. They are immediately joined by other switchmen, though they do not know why. So the strike spreads until one of the biggest industries of one of the biggest cities of the United States is suddenly disrupted, and yet we read it with the utmost complacency and think nothing of it because it has become so commonplace. And if you have had your eye open to the signs of the times, you have seen lawlessness and crimes sweep over the country and over the cities in constantly growing waves until each wave that succeeds the other is larger and more ominous.

What is the answer to all this? It is useless for me to add myself to the numbers of hundreds of others who are calling attention to these conditions unless we might offer some solution. Social reformers have given many answers to the question, but frequently the answer is too simple, due to inadequate analysis and therefore simple in the application of the remedy. It is difficult of course to put your hand upon any one thing that might offer the remedy, unless that one thing is so constituted that it becomes fundamental to the whole social organization, that will constitute a basis on which this thing is built. If one is going to maintain the basis of competition, then one has a most difficult task in presenting an economic theory that will eliminate all the evil that exists in the world to-day and bring about the good condition we desire. But if the whole situation can be so analyzed that we can find what are foundation stones on which the superstructure has been wrongly built, and then passing down to those foundation stones see to it that the proper basis is put in, then our superstructure will carry its own weight.

And a question of equal importance to this is one that we as a people should ask, "What is the church going to do about these conditions, and what has the church to offer?" It seems to me that the church to-day should be alert to the invitation

that we read as the basis for our remarks, "Come unto me, all ye who labor and are heavy laden." It did not stop at labor, it did not mean to say, Come unto me all ye who labor and I will teach you how to work without labor. Jesus did not say that, did he? He did not establish that false basis. But he did say, "Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." In other words, those who find their work burdensome, driving them into a constantly growing weariness—these are the ones who find labor burdensome. It was useless to come unto Jesus or anybody else, for a weary man, unless there was offered to him that that would relieve his weariness permanently, and I think Jesus meant to say, and that would be the interpretation of his message, the interpretation of this passage we would present to you—Jesus meant to say, "If ye come unto me and adopt the plan I have or will institute, then I can promise that every man who labors will labor joyfully and without burden, and every man must labor, for in my economy there is no place for the idler," for "in my kingdom there is no place for the idler," he says in another place. And so the economic significance of this passage is just that, that this church has the burden placed upon it of removing the burden from the laborer, that drives him home with aching muscles and a heart heavy with homesickness—in other words, the answer to this economic condition that we would change must be found in the instituting of a system that will enable us to work for the joy of working, produce for the pleasure of producing and producing for service, because that is the one thing that will bring pleasure.

Let me in imagination now go back to the man we saw going into the factory, and let us imagine conditions changed, and see him again. This time as he approaches the factory his step is springy because there has been granted to him sufficient time to recuperate so that his industrial efficiency, his human machine, if you please, has been kept to the top-notch condition. He leaves his family joyfully because he knows they are comfortably located in a home they call their own, with enough food on the shelves so that there is no danger of his family becoming hungry; and he knows that in case sickness comes into that family while he is gone there are resources at his command to relieve that despair, and he approaches the machine almost with a song in his heart because he says, Here is the thing that is permitting me to bring my contribution to society; this machine is mine, I love it because I am master of it, and from its whirring wheels I can bring that and lay on the altar of the community that is protecting me, and I can make my contribution to society.

as well. Then when he leaves the factory at night he will not leave with his weary limbs dragging until he is in fear of being run down, but he will leave saying, It is only to go and rest, to keep me in condition, that I leave you, dear machine; I will see you again and we will still further produce that we can contribute to the welfare of society.

Let us take the case of the employer, the same one we saw riding down the street in his machine, luxurious, perhaps, to the casual observer. What about him? He has problems to meet. He is a man of capacity; he is a man of initiative, recognized to be able to accomplish much good, to direct great enterprises. He is still meeting problems; yes, problems; still considering the question of production, the question of output, but this time considering the question of profits not because it is selfish, but because profits measure the service he can bring to the community; and he, too, like the laboring man we have seen going home joyfully, is happy because his stewardship is bringing in his contribution to the community that is standing by *him* and protecting *him* against fear as well.

I spoke the keynote just then, stewardship. I do not mean the stewardship that is being taught perhaps even falsely to-day—another one of those peculiarly attractive things that will be seized by individuals who look to organization for selfish commercial purposes and thereby are permitted another instrument by which they can extract money from the people, I am speaking about the stewardship that Jesus Christ himself brought to the world. I am glad the world is making some steps towards it, but there is yet to be made a demonstration of this question of stewardships. It will take as its foundation stone that which is the deepest laid of all the stones on which any human endeavor is built, and that is true religion. Unless there is true religion as the basis of a social economy, that will even introduce the doctrine of stewardships, it will not accomplish its purpose. Christ lived, and worked, and died for the people, and the spirit and genius of his work, working not for wages, not for the mere chance to exist, but for the service, irrespective of the discomfort which it might bring to him—that is the spirit and genius with which this church must work, or any other that it attempting to introduce social reform to-day.

“Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.”

What is the church going to do? To the question of Zion's conditions I must confess to you this morning I have given much thought. It has occupied in my attention a far greater amount of time, energy, and thought than have the ques-

tions we might call theological. I might be approached by a person who would ask me whether the Saints shall occupy the highest degree of glory. I do not know, and I do not care, for that will take care of itself; but between now and the time this glory will be meted out to us there lies a period of such tremendous work and responsibility and so much to accomplish that I am more concerned about that which lies just before us, and I would like to ask this people, not as to whether you are concerned about the degree of glory you are going to have on the other side, but what are you going to do now, to-day, to-morrow, to relieve the awful condition of misery that is existing in the world? A man's pockets may be bulging with money, but that does not mean that he is out of his misery; the very possession of the money under certain conditions intensifies the misery with which he finds himself dominated. But the conditions existing in the world to-day make it apparent to any man who may observe, that misery is extant, that people are unhappy, that they are hungering and thirsting for the very thing this church is qualified to give to them. Are we going to give it, or are we going to withhold it?

For nearly a century this church has been holding out the theory of the doctrine of stewardships in a system which makes the most appealing attraction to the individual that you will find anywhere. Take the theory of communism and the theory of socialism as suggested to-day and they fade in their light and brilliancy when placed beside this system of stewardships as was introduced to the world by the Seer whose message you heard this morning, and to me that is one of the greatest evidences of the divinity of this work, that an individual situated as was this individual could bring to the world that thing which will offer the solution of the difficulties and misery of the world and yet come from a man who was considered unlearned.

What are we going to do about it? If I have my way about it, as your leader, you will do a good deal and do it quickly, for I am burdened with this responsibility that here is a people who, for nearly a century, have been holding out the ideal of stewardship and yet have made little or no progress to put it into application, and I say it here, I shall as your leader no longer take the responsibility of refusing to call on this people to put into effect its doctrine of stewardship, to gather to the place called Zion, to institute the Zion condition and establish the condition that will organize us economically and industrially on a religious basis. That, this church alone offers and I wonder if we are going to be equal to the task. The times are portentous; a place of

safety must be built, and we must build it or make an effort, and I bear this testimony to you this morning, that the evidences we see and discern in the church indicate that the Spirit of God is working mightily among his people. Testimonies are being borne everywhere of the presence of God working among his people until the spirit of altruism which is essential to organization on this religious basis is being disseminated throughout the church. Young men with their lives before them, with all the ambition of a young man who is in his vigor and feels his power, and is therefore somewhat reckless of the fear that seizes the mind of an older person, and who feel confident that they can extract from this world a decent living—they are offering their all, laying their talents on the altar of service and saying, What I am, what I possess, it is for the church to own and direct. And when that spirit is common, as it is, and we sense it; and when we see manifested in the meetings of the priesthood and of the Saints still widening the circle of this splendid influence, can we not arise in our joy and sing, Zion shall be redeemed; she shall put on her beautiful garments and stand as a flaming testimony to the world that the Spirit of the Master is having its perfect work.

May God's Spirit be with us to bless us to this end, is my prayer.

AFTERNOON ADDRESS

STEWARDSHIPS

If I conveyed to you this morning the meaning that I intended, you have been impressed with the thought, as it has impressed me, that beside belief in the restoration of the priesthood, and in the doctrine of continuous or continued revelation, the next most distinctive belief that differentiates this church from all others, is its doctrine of social economy; the very crux of which is found in the doctrine of stewardships. Let me repeat, too, what I said, viz, that so far, our presentation of the doctrine of stewardships has been largely theoretical. I make one glorious exception to this, and one of which I am proud, and that is the splendid spirit of the ministry of this church, who have, to all practical intents and purposes, been upon a basis of stewardship in all the years they have worked for this church. So far as the work of the church is concerned, then, the time is *here* for the establishment of the practical aspects of the doctrine of stewardships, and for that the Presidency stands, and *that* we recommend to you—that we enter upon the establishment of stewardships without delay. Let me emphasize those last two words, *without delay*—for the time demands it. Now there may be

those who will place themselves in opposition to this. There may be those who will attempt to delay the establishment of these stewardships. Let them take the consequences, if they succeed. My responsibility ends, as your leader, when I say the time is here for the establishment of stewardships, except that I expect to work for it with all the vigor of my powers if I remain the leader of the church, by your choice.

Any church which fails to be vitally interested in the welfare of its people in every one of the aspects of the manifestations of its life, comes short of its duty to-day; and any Christian church has upon it this duty more specifically and more burdensomely than others and that is especially true of a church such as is thus operated on the expressed belief, not only in the Christian principle, so far as religion is concerned, but in the belief of a society organized on the basis of stewardships in its economic and industrial life.

For long your leader has been calling for education. Calling for it with a vigor and a zeal that was backed by an intuitive knowledge—I can go farther and say an inspired knowledge that things were before this church, the imminence of which was not at the time appreciated, that have now plunged this church in the midst of a time that we have been hoping our people would be prepared for. I thank God that the manifestations of the Spirit, the workings of the Spirit in the church have been that we come into this time with a far greater degree of preparedness than I, in my deep concern, had thought we would manifest. For the Spirit of God, let me repeat what I said this morning, is working mightily among this people, if I can read aright the signs of the times, leading them surely and even rapidly towards the consummation of this application of the doctrine of stewardships.

Do you read the signs of the times thus? The time is here when these young people, and older ones, who have with the idea of being useful to the church in this economic Zionie condition—who have been pursuing courses of study, and amassing a wealth of knowledge—the time has come, let me repeat, when they are to be put to the test, to make a practical application of what they have gleaned; and so I will make a slight change in the note of my pleading with you, then, this afternoon, and that is that the education of the people of the church go on with even increased speed until every man and woman can feel the importance of seeing to it that every energy that he or she possesses, every ounce of nervous force that he has command of, is being spent towards his own betterment, not from a selfish motive, but with the idea of being, ultimately, of greater service to God and

his church; and yet at the same time that the educational forces are in progress, we must take on an additional burden, and against that I have been warning you—and that is the burden of organizing, in a practical way, and demonstrating to the world the feasibility of the doctrine of stewardships in a society which is founded on religion. And so, recognizing the progress that we have made, feeling the weight of responsibility of the leadership that you have imposed, the Presidency unhesitatingly make some recommendations to this conference, and have some things to present to you that will require your careful and your prayerful consideration, because the adoption of them means the undertaking of a task the like of which few persons have ever undertaken.

REORGANIZATION OF INDEPENDENCE STAKE

The Independence Stake, in the opinion of the Presidency, has reached a condition in its evolution where we can easily and logically complete its transition into the "center place." The organization of the stake has gradually been brought into a condition where the final changes can be made with little or no interruption in the work, or jar in transition. The Presidency and Presiding Bishopric should therefore assume control of its affairs. To accomplish this, and to provide for the final steps, it is only necessary to authorize the dissolution of the present stake presidency and high council, and the reorganization of the present Standing High Council of the church into such an organization as will enable it to function freely as the Standing High Council of Zion. To so reorganize the Standing High Council has long been in the mind of the Presidency, but we have awaited this occasion. We recommend an enactment fully authorizing the Presidency to complete the transition already so nearly consummated.

TRANSFER OF HEADQUARTERS

This will involve transfer of the legal headquarters of the church to where now its real headquarters is; namely, Independence. Closely connected with the establishment of the center place is the question of establishing the Saints on the land and in the industries of the regions round about, according to the law of stewardships as we understand it. To meet the many practical problems in working into a reality the theory of stewardships, affords a task which is great, but which must be accomplished. That from a multitude of counsel might be assured safety in this movement, the President of the church purposes calling the business men of the church into frequent consultation, and of forming commissions of qualified men and experts to intensively study and practically work out the many problems connected with the

endeavors we must foster, encourage, promote, or develop, according to the aspect of the stewardship which is contemplated. The heads of these commissions we expect to form into what might be termed an industrial council. From the workings of this council we expect to see the practical obstacles to stewardships gradually overcome.

I appreciate the difficulties that we as a body of independent thinking men confront in attempting to evolve a common conception of what a stewardship means. I appreciate the task, too, of ironing out all the difficulties that will arise. I appreciate even the difficulty of holding in check those who are convinced that they have followed the right line of reasoning and have reached the only and indisputable result of those conclusions, and who therefore are not easily converted from the error of their way, if they have fallen into an error, or, to use a common expression, they must be clearly shown before they will retrace; and, appreciating as I have, some of the difficulties of the question of stewardships, especially on this matter of how they shall be held, I have thought how we could overcome these difficulties, and remembering in my own experience as an executive how, frequently, almost apparently insurmountable difficulties have disappeared before the free exchange of opinion, the widening of the circle of our common understanding, rather than an attempt to fight to the end our differences, I have finally concluded that perhaps the solution lay in calling into counsel with the spiritual authorities of the church the men who have become experienced in business, men of affairs, men who have shown themselves to be equals and even the superiors in some instances, to men in similar industries in the affairs and activities of the world. Meditating over this, in its general aspects, I was not long ago, while riding on one of the railroad trains in the East, permitted to see the unfoldment of this plan in practically all its details, to such an extent that I felt there lay the solution, ultimately, of all our difficulties, in regard to the working out of the problems of stewardship. Many of the men to form these commissions or head them were presented to me; and it is only a matter of detail or clerical work to notify these men and ask them to come to Independence for this conference; and the details of this we expect to present to the proper authorities in due time.

SANITARIUM

There is urgent necessity for enlarging the capacity and widening the field of activity of the Sanitarium. It will be seen that the board of trustees has made some recommendations looking in this direction. In addition to those recom-

mentations, the Presidency recommends the changing of the articles of incorporation of the Sanitarium so that the Board of Trustees shall be an ex officio one, rather than one composed as it now is. The location of the Sanitarium within the limits of the center place, the growing general character of its work, together with the strong probability of the Sanitarium becoming the center of the health movement of the church, the logical ex officio board is the First Presidency and the Presiding Bishopric and Church Physician, and so we recommend. We feel that this would pave the way for the necessary expansion of the work of that institution and placing it upon the basis from which it can best function.

I imagine I hear some right here say, Yes, taking more details of responsibility upon your shoulders. Yes. When it cannot be shirked, Yes. But I have an idea that the work of the new board will be such that it will not require a great amount of time. In the past in a number of instances when the time has come for the development of an institution such as that, and the time is ripe for its expansion, we find that God has had in process of preparation the man to relieve the authorities of the church of the responsibilities of the detail. And such a man is in sight for the Sanitarium. The step we recommend is expected to get it in such shape that the work of that institution can go on, and keep pace with the growing demands likely to be made upon it. That it has not done in the past.

BUILDING PROGRAM

And this perhaps leads very logically to a next recommendation that the Presidency desires to make on a matter which we have to present to you, and that is the question of a *building program*. You will remember last year in our presentation to the conference of some of the things for which we expected to stand, we spoke of a building program. Too long has this church delayed in having formulated a well-developed building program. Perhaps I can say, without any disrespect to those who have held responsible positions in the church in the past, in the line of construction, that we have not to-day in the church one building that is adequate for the purposes for which it is intended. Not one.

Here is the center place, for such I conceive it to be, for I am sure you cannot stand in the way of that step of progress—here in the center place is to-day, within the corporate limits of the city of Independence, a body of people within a few hundred as large as the entire membership of the church when they constructed Kirtland Temple; and yet, when we think of the thousands who come in as visitors, when we

think of the curtains of Zion furnishing their hundreds and thousands, and then think of a building in our midst capable of seating twelve or thirteen hundred people, to accommodate nearly five thousand almost within the sound of the speaker's voice, you can see how we have failed to live up to our opportunities, much less to be in advance of our time. We are not even up to our time.

I presume if I were to say to you to-day that the needs of this the center place should be an auditorium the capacity of which is not one less than seven thousand you would think the figures were large, but I will venture the guess that if an auditorium is erected here within even two years that will seat seven thousand, you will see it jammed to the doors inside of the first year after its erection.

This building program therefore should include not only such things as general office building and assembly hall, but it ought to include a well-defined building plan; such as perhaps exists in a most beautiful form of imagery in the mind of our splendid young architect—a plan of a system of buildings which will meet every social need for us as an organization. A community of buildings, if you please. And we cannot possibly outline, conceive, or imagine a building program that will touch the center place, but what we find it will carry its ramifications farther than its environs, into the Kansas City Stake on the west; Holden Stake, in several directions; Far West on the north; and even the Lamoni Stake, for this is the organized form of the regions round about, and the building needs of these themselves in their general aspects must be taken into consideration when we are outlining this building program. And I suspect under the direction of our church architect it will not be difficult to form a commission of consecrated men who will study the building needs of the center place and regions round about, who can bring to us a well-definitized plan towards which we can work; and know that every brick that goes into place is going into place according to a plan worked out in all its details from the first, and working towards a definite goal. This is the building plan I should like to see instituted, and it must be formulated.

I had expected just here to speak a little bit about the church architect, but have given you a small idea of some of the tremendous responsibilities that we are likely to throw upon him, and on his behalf I would like to call your attention to the appeal that he makes in his report, that the scientifically trained men of the church, and especially the young men, come to his aid. And the Presidency, from the bottom of our hearts, reecho that appeal. We need them.

It might have been perfectly proper, and I think perhaps

even more logical, for me to have spoken briefly of the work of the Church Physician when I spoke of the Sanitarium. But I want to say this, that I hope, oh, how sincerely I hope, that the splendid zeal that has come to this man as a result of the long years that he has steadily, persistently, and tirelessly prepared himself for this position, will never be chilled and dampened by our refusal to support him in an adequate way; to foster and build up and propagate the health movement of the church which he so well recognizes; and I hope, therefore, that our recommendations touching the Sanitarium, as offering him his workshop or headquarters, if you please, will not be neglected or displaced, but that it will be given an adequate support, and an impetus in the right direction.

GRACELAND COLLEGE

Reverting once more to the question of education, it would scarcely be logical for us, in the light of what we stated a few moments ago, to do anything else than call your attention to the report of the trustees of Graceland College, and to the recommendations that are made therein, and especially in their budget, where the church is asked to support the college in their efforts to enlarge the activities of this, one of the most devoted servants and potential servants of the church. It seems to me that the college has so established its right to exist, well supported, that there is little need for us to plead for it, though we might well ask that you strain your generosity to give this institution the means that will put it on its feet, to function as it has not yet fully functioned, as one of the greatest of the institutions of the church, looking to the welfare of the future generations.

Several things arose during the year, which brought our attention to the fact that we were frequently just a little bit behind the opportunities that present themselves to us, in the way of taking advantage of opportunities for advertising. There were attacks made on the church in certain quarters, concerted attacks, and, let me say in passing, that in all probability those concerted attacks are likely to multiply, rather than decrease. But in those attacks, made in various places, a splendid opportunity to attract attention of the people to our work was lost because we were not prepared to take advantage of the advertising opportunity at the time. Several of these things coming into the office, as so frequently happens, almost simultaneously, aroused us anew to this fact; and, calling into counsel several of the brethren, the Bishopric, and the members of the Twelve that were here, we took the matter up, and acted by creating a new office in the church. We appointed a man who had been

trained, almost unknown to the majority of the church, for the very position. I find great pleasure in seeing go into the position of the publicity agent of the church. Brother Arthur E. McKim. His work will speak for itself. He needs no further recommendation from me, I am sure.

CHILDREN'S HOME

Touching the Children's Home, the First Presidency recommends that to the First Presidency and Presiding Bishopric be referred the question of a revision of the work of this institution with authority to change articles of incorporation or reincorporate.

There have been a number of things connected with the Children's Home with which I have not found myself in full accord. I do not favor the maintaining of large children's homes. It is a trite saying among those who have made a study of child delinquency and dependency, "Only one thing can take the place of a broken home, and that is another home." Our Children's Home as an institution, should only be a channel, if you please, through which the unfortunates from broken homes may find their way to other homes that are waiting to welcome them.

SANITARIUM ANNEX

In this connection we also suggest the advisability of providing an annex to the Sanitarium as a home for delinquent children. "Why Sanitarium?" I imagine most of you saying. It is a question of health, nine times out of ten. Many a child has been started on a career of crime because some medical man who knows his business has not had opportunity to analyze the child's deficiency. That is why I say our delinquent children should be fostered under the shadow of the Sanitarium, the headquarters of our health movement. There have been several things happen during the course of the years that have made this need apparent to us.

Now, the hardy annual—the question of two-year conferences. We recommend biennial rather than annual conferences. There is a former action on our books recommending or approving this, but the ink was scarcely dry from the secretary's pen until we emasculated it by passing another resolution. My reasons for recommending biennial conferences are, briefly put, these: Annual conferences are expensive. I think I can say, too, as I said before, without reflecting upon the men of the church, our conferences, in the past, maybe in the present, have been lavish in their waste of time, and many comparatively trifling things have received attention of the assembled ex officio and delegates

of the church, when they should have been spending their time in constructive legislative work in debates.

I am not unappreciative of the worth of the educational aspects of the conferences, but those educational factors can be conserved in other directions. Briefly put, my policy would be to hold conferences every two years, and then at a joint council meeting of the Presidency, Twelve, and Bishopric, who are the recognized appointing powers of the church such changes as have been made apparent during the year can be made. Surely the joint council of the church can be trusted in this work. This is not to say, by the way, that we will be in danger of wrecking the old ship of Zion, because we do not come to conference once a year, for in order to prevent this fear from seizing the hearts and chilling the souls of those who have been used to coming to conference once a year, we might make a proviso that if in the opinion of the Presidency, Twelve, and Bishopric the church was in imminent danger because an annual conference was not held, they could call a conference extraordinary. And let us hope that it would be some other time of the year than in April.

We recommend that the permanent meeting place of the conference be Independence, Missouri. Further, that an adequate conference building be erected without undue delay.

Our conferences should be educational and legislative, something more than a delegate and mass meeting, to listen to a lot of reports, the details of which are familiar to the church before they came together. You have plenty of opportunity to tell what is going on in the church. The *Herald* and *Ensign* are full of it. I hope, further, we can eliminate a lot of other expenses by getting these conferences so organized that real constructive work can be done by action had on well presented outline or detail of legislation needed, and thus avoid the sporadic legislation of the past.

One other thing: The joint council of Presidency, Twelve, and Bishopric, shortly after last conference made a change in the Recording Department by releasing Claud I. Carpenter and appointing Frank A. Russell.

The appellation of the department has been changed to that of the Department of Statistics, and that change in itself ought to indicate something of the object in the minds of those who fostered it. It may or may not have occurred to you that the question of vital statistics in the United States is a most chaotic one. Reliable, accurate sources of vital statistics are scarce. In the old countries, vital statistics were kept much more accurately than here, and so far as our own church is concerned, there is every

reason why there should be organized in the church a department of statistics in which the gathering of statistics will be far more greatly widened than we have ever had in the so-called recording department, until we can have at the disposal of the church a source of vital statistics that will be of value to its membership. This is the ideal we have held before the statistical department.

With a few words of closing, this will be all we have to present to you to-day, but I simply will say that we have some things to present to the conference I feel sure you will be greatly interested in, and which will have a close bearing on some of the activities we have tried to outline in the message of to-day.

Let me say that the workings of the Spirit of God among his people, the deep devotion, the readiness to consecrate talent and labor as well as wealth, the turbulence of the times, the restlessness of the world, the absence of peace, as well as the testimony of the Spirit all indicate the advent of the hastening time. Let us be up and about the Master's business.

Hymn No. 34, "Awake ye saints of God, awake," was sung; President E. A. Smith pronounced the benediction.

The assembly reconvened at 2 o'clock p. m., President E. A. Smith in the chair. Hymn No. 83 was sung. Elder Joseph Luff offered prayer.

While messengers distributed the printed official annual reports to members of the conference, the hymns, "The angel message" and "In the light," were sung.

ORGANIZATION

It was moved that the First Presidency be appointed to preside over the conference, to make appointments necessary to complete the organization, and to provide for appointment of speakers, character, and time of sessions, etc. The motion prevailed by unanimous vote.

COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

The chair called attention to the published report of the committee on credentials:

To the Presidency and General Conference: The credential

committee beg to report as follows on credentials furnished by the First Presidency's office:

AUSTRALIA

Northern New South Wales, 559 members, 5 votes: E. F. Robertson, J. W. Davis, F. G. Pitt, Mrs. A. C. Barmore, Mrs. F. G. Pitt. Alternate: A. C. Barmore.

Southern New South Wales, 620 members, 6 votes: Mrs. P. M. Hanson, Mrs. G. R. Wells, Mrs. F. G. Pitt, Mrs. J. W. Davis, Miss Lena Wells, E. P. Robertson.

Southern Queensland, 184 members, 1 vote: G. T. Griffiths, Mrs. P. M. Hanson. *1 in excess.*

Victoria, no credentials.

Perth Branch, 44 members, 1 vote: G. R. Wells. Alternate: J. W. Davis.

GREAT BRITAIN

Birmingham, 237 members, 2 votes: U. W. Greene, William Worth, J. E. Meredith. *1 excess. Not instructed.*

London, no credentials.

Manchester, 690 members, 6 votes: G. W. Leggott, William Worth, F. Lewis, Abel Hall.

Sheffield, 153 members, 1 vote: G. T. Griffiths, U. W. Greene. *1 in excess.*

Eastern Wales, 79 members, 1 vote: Bishop R. May.

Western Wales, 99 members, 1 vote: U. W. Greene.

Leeds Branch, no credentials.

Exeter Branch, no credentials.

CANADA

Alberta, no credentials.

Chatham, 1,527 members, 15 votes: John C. Dent, Wilbert Wood, James Pycock, Mary E. Dent, Joseph H. Yager, David W. Johnston, James H. Tyrrell, Wilber C. Hewitt, Lawrence D. Campbell, A. W. Freear, Richard D. Weaver, Cornelius M. Clifford, John L. Brown, Anthony R. Hewitt, Mary E. Hewitt. Alternates: Fred A. Smith, Mrs. Fred A. Smith, Annie Wood, Isaac Andrews, Mrs. Isaac Andrews, Minnie Conliffe, Cecil Wismer, Stewart Lamont, J. L. Fryer, George Elgie, Jessie Gilbert.

London, 1,086 members, 10 votes: William M. Grice, A. W. Bordridge, Mrs. Ella Bordridge, Mrs. M. Fligg, G. C. Tomlinson, J. L. Gurger, Mrs. Lillie Burger, John McKenzie, W. A. Hardy, Mrs. Clara Hardy. Alternates: William I. Fligg, John Shields, James Pycock, James Reiley, Mrs. Mina Reiley, C. C. Raison.

Nova Scotia, no delegates chosen.

Owen Sound, 1,613 members, 16 votes: D. B. Perkins, N. E. Leeder, jr., James A. Morrison, R. J. Wilcox, Ernest

Clark, Chester Smith, S. W. Tomlinson, S. G. St. John, John Shields, J. Hannah Leeder.

Saskatchewan, Northern, no credentials.

Saskatchewan, Southern, no credentials.

Toronto, 2,213 members, 22 votes: G. E. Harrington, T. W. Williams, Philemon Pement, J. T. Whitehead, Mrs. Philemon Pement, S. G. Clark, Mary Clark, Frank Clifton, Sadie Clifton, J. A. Wilson, Hazel Lottridge, Addie Whitehead, James Pycok, Minneta Pycok, Louvisa Law. Alternates: May E. Hathaway, Joseph Yager, Sr. A. J. Leslie, A. Pearl Mortimer, F. G. Long, Mary Whitehead, Leslie Prentice, E. G. Law, Mary Wilson, Alex E. McMullen, Eva Milligan, J. R. Osborn, A. J. Leslie, Harry Alexander, Lulu Prentice.

Winnepeg, no credentials.

GERMANY, no credentials.

SOUTH SEA ISLANDS, no credentials.

ALABAMA

Alabama, no credentials.

Mobile, 937 members, 9 votes: T. C. Kelley, N. L. Booker, T. J. Booker, A. G. Miller, W. L. Booker, Ollie Booker, Sr. N. M. Miller, Bennie Lu Cockran, Mrs. N. L. Booker.

ARIZONA:

Bisbee Branch, 58 members, 1 vote: Annie Lamb. Alternate: E. R. Davis.

Phoenix Branch, 53 members, 1 vote: A. T. Gray.

Sulphur Springs Valley Branch, no credentials.

ARKANSAS

Bald Knob Branch, 84 members, 1 vote: Miss Ida Emde.

Fisher Branch, no credentials.

Hardy Branch, 60 members, 1 vote: J. T. Riley.

Hot Springs Branch, 37 members, 1 vote: J. T. Riley.

CALIFORNIA

Northern California, 1,904 members, 19 votes: C. W. Hawkins, J. B. Carmichael, A. J. Damron, O. L. Newcombe, William E. Case, J. T. Smith, jr. R. C. Blohm, Chester Young, John Ely, M. A. McConley, A. C. Barmore, Mrs. O. L. Newcombe, Lily Barmore, Mrs. R. C. Blohm, Sarah J. Case, A. R. Lawn, Mrs. A. R. Lawn, J. C. Holmes, Mrs. J. C. Holmes. *Not instructed.*

Southern California, 1000 members, 10 votes: F. B. VanFleet, Effie VanFleet, G. H. Wixom, D. E. Dowker, Hannah J. Farley, Lyle Mitchell, Bertha Ball, Alice Wixom, J. S. Swain, Sarah Swain. Alternates: Amy T. Lewis, Peter Kauffman, May Carmichael, Nathaniel Carmichael,

Celia Wixom, Emma Burton, W. H. Garrett, Mrs. W. H. Garrett.

COLORADO

Eastern Colorado, 1,743 members, 17 votes: Charles A. Zion, John L. Fletcher, Mrs. Vida Fletcher, A. E. Tabor, Mrs. N. A. Tabor, Maynard Brollier, A. E. Bullard, Mrs. Alice Keck, Katherine Keck, Mrs. Emma B. Savage, Mrs. Louisa Fishburn, Mrs. Dora Shupe, Fenner D. Bullard, Mrs. Florence Bullard, Mrs. M. L. Brennen, Mrs. J. M. Fletcher, Arthur Curtis. *Not instructed.*

Western Colorado, 259 members, 2 votes: Mrs. Mary A. Farley, Amos T. Higdon. Alternates: Mrs. Hattie J. Grace, Miss Lilah Schlotteo.

FLORIDA

Florida, no credentials.

HAWAII TERRITORY

Hawaii, 375 members, 3 votes: M. A. McConey, Mrs. M. A. McConley, C. Ed. Miller.

IDAHO

Idaho, 400 members, 4 votes: Robert C. Chambers, Arthur Condit, Mrs. Emma Smith, Mrs. Ammon White. Alternates: W. P. Bootman, L. G. Holloway, J. L. Benson, G. T. Griffiths.

ILLINOIS

Central Illinois, no credentials.

Kewanee, 834 members, 8 votes: J. W. Smith, F. G. Pitt, C. I. Carpenter, O. W. Okerlind, Mary E. Gillin, Joseph E. Asay, Joseph G. Cole, George Sackfield. Alternates: Mrs. C. I. Carpenter, Mrs. George Sackfield, Mrs. F. G. Pitt, H. J. Archambault, Mrs. Kitty Pine.

Northeastern Illinois, over 1,000 members, 10 votes: J. O. Dutton, W. L. Christy, Lenore Christy, W. A. McDowell, O. A. McDowell, Grace Johnson, John A. Daer, Jennie Cooper, Maggie Warlick, LaJune Howard. Alternates: F. G. Pitt, Rosa Parks Pitt, Ella Burwell, R. N. Burwell, F. B. Baldwin, F. M. Cooper, L. O. Wildermuth, Daisy Faulkner, S. D. Heavener, Leeta Sherman.

Southeastern Illinois, no credentials.

INDIANA

Southern Indiana, 536 members, 5 votes: Maude Warne, Edna S. Gage, Wesley Burwell, Jessie Mast, Hazel Burwell. Alternates: Louise Welch, A. E. Jaegers, Harrison Thompson, Margaret Ferguson.

IOWA

Des Moines, 1,207 members, 12 votes: H. H. Hand, H. Castings, A. E. Warr, Mrs. D. A. Emslie, C. E. Mc-

Donald, C. Malcor, E. G. Beye, Wayne Wolf, Roy A. Cheville, Mattie Hughes, Bessy Laughlin. Alternates: H. T. McCaig, Margaret Davis, Mary Rudkin, Frank Mussell, William Robinson, Mrs. C. Malcor, W. C. Hidy, Katherine Wolf, Mrs. F. T. Mussell, Ruth Lewis, Frank Lhomme-dieu, Mrs. E. G. Beye, Frank Hall.

Eastern Iowa, 581 members, 5 votes: Elmer Welch, Elsworth Welch, James Houghton, Rena Rich, Glen Welch. Alternates: Milo Burnett, Dot Volpel, Bell Houghton, Amos Berve.

Fremont, 604 members, 6 votes: Mrs. T. A. Hougas, Sr. E. E. Barber, Jessie Vance, Sr. S. S. Clark, Ruth Knight, R. B. Leeka. Alternates: Jennie Becksted, Sr. J. F. Redfield, Sr. W. M. Leeka, J. F. Redfield, W. M. Leeka. Not instructed.

Gallands Grove, 1,054 members, 10 votes: J. B. Barrett, J. W. Smith, Dan Macgregor, Drayton Holcomb, Floy Holcomb, Mrs. J. B. Barrett, Albert Crandall, E. R. Butterworth, William Pett, Sarah Pett. Alternates: George Juergens, Mary Juergens, Bertha Wight, Lillie Marks, Wave Cross, J. L. Butterworth, Mrs. Daniel Macgregor, Virgil Butterworth, Alta Schafer, Orris Salisbury.

Lamoni Stake, 3,416 members, 34 votes: J. F. Garver, Albert Carmichael, F. A. Smith, G. R. Wells, S. A. Burgess, J. A. Koehler, Peter Muceus, W. E. Haden, F. M. McDowell, G. N. Briggs, Thomas Williams, Parley Batton, H. C. Burgess, Lonzo Jones, Frank McDonald, F. B. Almond, J. A. Evans, I. A. Monroe, John Weedmark, Joseph Braby, C. E. Burk, C. F. Church, C. F. Engle, H. H. Smith, E. J. Giles, A. B. Church, Martha A. Young, Helen R. Bootman, Susan L. Hayer, Vida E. Smith, Jessie Morant, Stella Williams, Viola Sharp, Lena Prall. Alternates: William Stoll, William Johnson, Alice M. Case, Luella F. Wight, Flavius Sharp, William Wilson, Dorothy F. Case, Nellie M. Prall, Rebecca Weld, C. E. Blair, Bertha F. Burgess, James Robinson, J. A. Gunsolley, Chester Young, Daniel Sorden, Roland Kapnick, Ray Whiting, J. W. Wight, A. J. Yarrington, D. T. Williams.

Little Sioux, 2,243 members, 22 votes: Joseph W. Lane, Sidney Pitt, Joseph Seddon, Arthur Lane, C. S. Kennedy, Esther Kennedy, Nellie J. Kennedy, Nellie Kennedy, Louise Kennedy, Mrs. Joseph Lane, A. E. Lewis, Mrs. Sidney Pitt, F. C. Oviatt, Mrs. F. C. Oviatt, Mrs. Orren Barr, Orren Barr, David Gamet, Alice Hupp, Mrs. Daniel

Macgregor, Mrs. Arthur Lane, R. Pearl VanEaton, Reuben Gamet. Alternates: Charles F. Putnam, Mrs. Charles F. Putnam, Fred A. Fry, A. F. Harper, Mrs. A. F. Harper, T. F. Jones, Mrs. T. F. Jones, D. M. Vredenburg, T. O. Strand, Mrs. T. O. Strand, J. M. Baker, Mrs. J. M. Baker, George M. Vandall, E. B. Purcell, Mrs. E. B. Purcell, Charles J. Smith.

Nauvoo, 670 members, 6 votes: D. J. Williams, Ethel A. Lacey, P. R. Burton, J. H. Reed, Mrs. P. R. Burton, George P. Lambert. Alternates: Sr. B. A. Smith, Elmer Sherman, Sr. H. N. Snively.

Pottawattamie, 1,092 members, 10 votes: O. Salisbury, John Salisbury, Peter T. Anderson. Sr. Houghton, K. W. Klopping, Mrs. K. W. Klopping, Nels P. Johnson, O. A. Currie, Sr. Whitnel, Mrs. John Salisbury. Alternates: Sr. J. R. Lapworth, Elsie Lapworth, D. M. Hall, Mrs. D. M. Hall, Mrs. O. Salisbury, H. N. Hansen, J. A. Hansen, Mrs. H. N. Hansen, D. E. Butler, J. C. Jensen.

KANSAS

Northeastern Kansas, no credentials.

Northwestern Kansas, no credentials.

Spring River, 2,256 members, 22 votes: Charles Fry, William Haynes, Mrs. William Haynes, Sr. Cadmus, W. W. Chrestensen, Nellie Chrestensen, Thomas J. Sheppard, Daniel Gray, Sr. T. G. Williams, Effie J. Suman, Bertha Simmons, Francis M. Connor, Mattie M. Connor, Sarah Mullen, A. E. Stoff, Myrtle Allen, Lee Quick, J. F. Jenkins, Mrs. J. H. Jenkins. A. C. Silvers, Virgil E. Sheppard, Marie Sheppard, Winnie I. Park. Alternates: Otto Hempel, Nellie Hempel, J. T. Riley, Mrs. J. T. Riley, Charles Petentler. 1 excess. Not instructed.

Wichita Branch, 138 members, 1 vote: E. A. Curtis.

Winfield Branch; 18 members, 1 vote: W. W. Chrestensen.

LOUISIANA

Eros Branch, 1 vote: Mrs. F. A. Rowe.

MAINE

Eastern Maine, 441 members, 4 votes: A. B. Phillips, J. F. Sheehy, W. C. Smith, W. E. Rogers. Alternates: N. M. Wilson, David E. Joy.

Western Maine, no credentials.

MASSACHUSETTS

Massachusetts, 1,073 members, 10 votes: D. F. Joy, M. C. Fisher, E. B. Hull, Rebecca K. Carter, E. L. M. Traver, C. E. Miller, Evelyn Joy, R. Baldwin, G. F. Robley, E. H. Fisher. Alternates: Lillian M. Carter, Sylvia C. Baker, W. A. Sinclair, Alpha N. Baker, Josephine Hull

E. A. Fox, G. E. Carter, Georgia Spinnett, F. P. Spinnett, Stephen Wentworth, F. S. Dobbins.

MICHIGAN

Central Michigan, 2,130 members, 21 votes: O. J. Hawn, Ida Hawn, E. M. Orton, Maude Orton, Fred Methner, B. H. Doty, Matthew Umphrey, Martha Umphrey, Willis Morgan, G. W. Burt, Margaret Burt, E. S. White, Esther White, C. C. Rippberger, Edith Rippberger, John Sloat, Mary Sloat, L. A. White, Cora White, Lura Falconer, G. A. Pringle. Alternates: E. L. Pringle, W. D. Ellis, Earl Falconer, E. N. Burt.

Detroit, 1,550 members, 15 votes: J. S. Parrish, Dellas Perry, S. A. Theil, A. E. Grant, William F. Sage, Lloyd Haviland, George McDonald, Glenn Hardy, Theodore Alldred, Goldie Theil, Addie Grant, Elizabeth Umphrey, Mrs. C. H. Robertson, V. D. Schaar, Albert Notter. Alternates: J. R. Grice, J. A. Grant, Emma Hardy, Walter Hardy, William Tuttle, R. W. Fredericks, Mrs. R. W. Fredericks, Leland McNamara, Hermine Bennett, Stella McGrath, George Pangman, Walter Vance, Minerva Pangman, Emma Schaar, J. D. Gault, R. D. Bennett.

Eastern Michigan, 1,901 members, 19 votes: E. J. Harriman, Mrs E. J. Harriman, J. R. Grice, Mrs. J. R. Grice, O. J. Hawn, Mrs. O. J. Hawn, C. C. Whitford, Mrs. C. C. Whitford, Fred Newson, Mrs. Fred Newson, F. S. Brackenbury, Mrs. F. S. Brackenbury, William Grice, R. W. Kenny, Mrs. R. W. Kenney, M. W. Liston. Alternates: Grace McGuinness, May Skinner, Sr. R. Brown, Gilbert Booth, John Weaver, Delta Anderson, Mrs. Gilbert Booth.

Northern Michigan, 800 members, 8 votes: A. E. Starks, Sarah M. Starks, W. E. Alldread, Ada Alldread, R. D. Davis, Hannah Davis, C. N. Burtch, Bertha Burtch, Hannah Davis. Alternates: Allen Schreur, Hector McKinnon.

Southern Michigan and Northern Indiana, 1,271 members, 12 votes: G. A. Smith, O. H. Storey, William Schaub, S. W. L. Scott, E. A. Blakeslee, E. K. Evans, Louise Evans, Carl Smith, J. W. McKnight, E. B. Blett, E. C. Evans, F. F. Wipper. Alternates: Sr. E. B. Blett, S. Stroh, J. L. Roarh, C. Garnett, Mrs. C. Garnett, S. A. Barss, Mrs. S. A. Barss, J. C. Goodman, G. J. Reeves

Western Michigan, 1,216 members, 12 votes: E. N. Burt, John Schreur, J. E. Bennett, Bessie Bennett, W. D. Ellis, Effie Ellis, James Davis, Maila Davis, F. W. Hastings, H. A. Doty, Mrs. H. A. Doty, J. W. McKnight.

Alternates: F. S. Brackenbury, Carrie Hastings, A. R. Ellis, B. H. Doty, Samuel Long, Robert Morrison, Della Hartnell.

MINNESOTA

Minnesota, 544 members, 5 votes: W. E. Shakespeare, E. H. Bennett, C. A. Kress, D. A. Whiting, Lester Whiting. Alternates: J. E. Wildermuth, W. F. Perry. Mrs. W. F. Perry, Leonard Houghton, Mrs. Leonard Houghton.

MISSOURI

Clinton, 1,171 members, 11 votes: Carrie Nafus, Ross Higdon, J. A. Marsteller, A. C. Dempsey, Mrs. A. C. Dempsey, Lizzie Quick, H. E. Moler, Lee Quick, R. T. Walters, A. C. Silvers, Mrs. F. C. Keck. Alternates: Velma Duzan, Ralph Murdock, T. E. Belkham, Sallie Belkham, A. Lloyd, Lucy Silvers, Bertha Johannes, J. W. Higgins, L. A. Lyon, Emma Cheezen, Mable Braden, F. A. Hawley.

Far West Stake, 2,527 members 25 votes: V. M. Goodrich, W. A. Tabler, John Hass, G. Scott Daniel, Delpha Piepergerdes, W. B. Constance, G. W. Mauzey, G. B. Koger, W. B. Torrance, S. P. Carpenter, Henry Hamann, Coleman Snider, S. J. Hines, Mrs. R. S. Salyards, Minnie Scott Dobson, Edna Christiansen, Mrs. L. A. Keck, E. E. McCormick, F. R. Gist, George Glenze, B. J. Dice, Mrs. Elizabeth Hinderks, Fay Gates, Mrs. J. D. Proffit, George Hinderks. Alternates: Mrs. Albert Hansen, C. W. Ethridge, Pearl Kinnaman, Elma Scott, A. T. Kinison, Mrs. Mary Hopkins, Mrs. S. J. Hines, Mary Roberts, Mrs. Guy Johnson, Mary Omans, Mrs. John Davis, Mrs. S. P. Carpenter, Mrs. J. H. Hitch, Mrs. E. E. McCormick, Mrs. Julia Farr, Mrs. W. W. Scott, Amelia P. Hinds.

Holden Stake, no credentials.

Independence Stake, 4,431 members, 44 votes: Mrs. J. A. Becker, W. W. Smith, M. H. Siegfried, Mrs. Eunice Smith, R. V. Hopkins, Mrs. F. M. Smith, R. J. Lambert, I. N. White, J. F. Keir, Eugene Closson, Joseph Arber, F. A. Russell, E. C. Harrington, J. T. Curtis, B. J. Scott, Mrs. J. F. Keir, Mrs. William Aylor, E. L. Kelley, B. R. McGuire, W. H. Kelley, A. K. Dillee, C. A. Gurwell, Mrs. M. T. Short, J. A. Becker, J. L. Gray, Mrs. Joseph Arber, Mrs. J. F. Curtis, George A. Gould, Mrs. John Schwab, W. D. Bullard, Mrs. Flo McNichols, Louise Geisch, A. E. McKim, Arthur Allen, Mrs. F. M. Sheehy, J. M. Lloyd, Mrs. B. R. McGuire, Mrs. F. A. Russell, William M. Aylor, Mrs. Royal Brocaw, Mrs. J. T. Curtis, P. G. Fairbanks, Mrs. W. H. Kelley, F. M. Sheehy. Alternates:

Mrs. H. B. Roberts, Mrs. A. K. Dillee, F. H. Esgar, Mrs. G. A. Gould, Thomas Crick, Mrs. C. A. Gurwell, D. H. Crick, J. G. Smith, Mrs. Eva Short, Mrs. A. E. McKim, Mrs. H. L. Loosemore, Mrs. Myra Brackenbury, A. Morgan, Nettie Kemp, G. H. Shearer, J. P. Warren, Mrs. J. W. Adams, C. E. Guinand, J. A. Dowker, Mrs. O. O. Tanberg, Mrs. A. J. Closson, Glaude Gouldsmith, Mrs. R. D. Etzenhouser, H. B. Roberts, Mrs. William Haden, Mrs. Thomas Crick, Mrs. P. G. Fairbanks, Mrs. Ella Whitehead, Mrs. J. G. Smith, William Bushnell, B. E. Peterson, Mrs. J. M. Cockerton, C. N. Millard, D. R. Hughes, Ada Koehler, C. R. Smith, O. O. Tanberg, W. L. Vail, D. J. Morgan, Mrs. J. R. Curtis, E. T. Atwell, H. J. Badder, Mrs. G. B. Miller, Lenora Redfield, Mrs. J. J. Jenkinson, Mrs. James Sappenfield, J. F. Gunsolley, Mrs. D. R. Hughes, Mrs. C. O. Leeka, Mrs. D. F. Winn, Arthur Whiting, Lillie Haines, Mary Parsons, Mrs. William Erickson, Mrs. Joseph Sturgess, Mrs. J. P. Warren, Mrs. M. T. Williams. Mrs. Claude Smith, Maggie Berg, Mrs. Laura Mosier, Mrs. B. J. Davis, Mrs. W. L. Vail, Mrs. Clifton Resch, Cassie Haines, Mrs. Carl Richter, Helen McKenzie, Mrs. A. A. Ward, Harry Leibold, Mrs. Anna Highland, Mrs. C. N. Millard, Hattie Savage, Robert Leibold, Mrs. Corine French, Mrs. Robert Leibold, Minnie Warnock, Mrs. Vernon Lee, Mrs. G. Gouldsmith, William H. Snead, Mrs. Ida Johnson, G. B. Miller, C. O. Leeka, Mrs. George DeFray, George DeFray.

Kansas City Stake, 2,057 members, 20 votes: J. A. Tanner, S. S. Sandy, T. J. Elliott, Harvey Sandy, F. B. Blair, C. D. Jellings, John Tucker, Joseph Arber, F. S. Anderson, Lulu Sandy, Bernice Griffiths, Mrs. F. B. Blair, Mrs. C. D. Jellings, Mrs. D. H. Blair, Mrs. T. J. Elliott, Phoebe Tucker, Mrs. D. J. Kennedy, Mrs. E. W. Lloyd, T. C. Lentell, James Stobaugh.

Northeastern Missouri, 510 members, 5 votes: Verna D. Ruch, F. T. Mussell, Benjamin S. Tanner, Carrie Richards, Verna Ruch. Alternates: Kate Rogers, John Harris, Mrs. Luke Sharp, Ethel Harris, William G. Chapman.

Southern Missouri, no credentials.

Saint Louis, no credentials.

MONTANA

Eastern Montana, 245 members, 2 votes: Bessie Constance, Ethyl Bronson. Alternates: Mrs. James Page, Eli Bronson.

Western Montana, 425 members, 4 votes: Esty Smelser, Mrs. Esty Smelser, Thomas Reese, Sr. Kirk. Alternates:

Mrs. Thomas Reese, John Eliason, Roscoe Davey, Mrs. Roscoe Davey.

NEBRASKA

Central Nebraska, Over 400 members, 4 votes: Zada Derry, J. H. Butler, Caroline Patras, Etta Rutledge. Alternates: E. E. Long, Levi Gamet, T. J. Patras, Lulu Butler. Not instructed.

Northeastern Nebraska, 778 members, 7 votes: Carl T. Self, Otis Gardiner, R. W. Scott, Nelle Kelley, Lorena Leeka, H. A. Merchant, Jay Leeka. Alternates: W. E. Staff, Anna Hicks, James Kelley, jr. E. F. Evans, Audentia Anderson, W. N. Hill, E. L. Ware, J. W. Peterson.

Southern Nebraska, 864 members, 8 votes: H. A. Higgins, E. E. Long, C. H. Porter, W. A. Blodgett, James Croft, Samuel Broliar, Blanche I. Andrews, Grover Wall. Alternates: J. L. Parker, George Johnson, Sr. Orr, M. A. Smith, Sr. Dunlavey, Mrs. J. L. Parker.

Bayard Branch, 63 members, 1 vote: C. W. Prettyman.

Gering Branch, no credentials.

Pleasant View Branch, no credentials.

NEW YORK

New York, 377 members, 3 votes: P. L. Weegar, Herbert Voltman, Mary Mesle. Alternates: Mrs. P. L. Weegar, G. F. Robley, G. W. Robley, J. E. Bishop.

New York and Philadelphia, 1152 members, 11 votes: C. H. Rich, Mrs. C. H. Rich, Mrs. William Nichols, William Osler, W. E. Nichols, A. N. Hoxie, J. Zimmermann, sr., William B. Hartley, Ephraim Squire, Mrs. Ephraim Squire, Mrs. J. R. Lentell. Alternates: J. R. Lentell, Lillian Zimmermann, E. J. Gleazer, Eva Stadler.

NORTH DAKOTA

North Dakota, 555 members, 5 votes: Mrs. M. Rasmussen, F. E. Hammel, Mrs. F. E. Hammel, Thomas Leitch, William Sparling, J. E. Wildermuth. Alternates: M. Rasmussen, F. E. Mollison, N. C. Anderson, M. J. Spaulding, Mrs. M. J. Spaulding, F. C. Spaulding, Mrs. F. C. Spaulding, W. E. Shakespeare, Mrs. F. E. Mollison, 1, in excess.

OHIO

Kirtland, 843 members, 8 votes: R. Watkins, Pearl Newton, Herbert Morrison, Charles Ronig, Mary Ronig, Susie Benbow, Brother George, Mary George, George Kirtz. Alternates: Mrs. George Kirtz, Bernice Watkins, J. Martin, A. R. Manchester, James McConnaughy, J. W. Davis, A. Angus. T. G. Neville. 1 in excess.

Northwest Ohio, 226 members, 2 votes: J. M. Harden, O. J. Hawn.

Southern Ohio, no credentials.

Youngstown and Sharon, no credentials.

OKLAHOMA

Central Oklahoma, 1,036 members, 10 votes: Mrs. Edgar Dillon, J. M. Carter, Mrs. J. M. Carter, Mrs. L. M. Sordin, Mrs. J. A. Davis, Mrs. G. A. Kelley, Mrs. Myra Bailey, Mrs. Pauline Bailey, Mrs. Madge Kueffer, Mrs. Iola Kueffer. Alternates: Mrs. Belle R. James, Mrs. W. N. Robinson, Mrs. J. W. Parshall, Mrs. J. S. Right, Mrs. Edward Rannie.

Eastern Oklahoma, no credentials.

Western Oklahoma, 600 members, 6 votes: Jesse Oglevie, J. E. Vanderwood, J. D. Showers, A. J. Oglevie, Mrs. A. J. Oglevie, Lester E. Dyke. Alternates: Morris Moldrup, Della Moldrup, Lemuel D. Dyke, Mrs. J. E. Vanderwood, S. W. Simmons, B. F. Renfrow.

OREGON

Portland, 536 members, 5 votes: M. H. Cook, C. E. Jones, Ida E. Jones, Mrs. M. H. Cook, G. M. Appleman.

Southwestern Oregon, no credentials.

PENNSYLVANIA

Pittsburg, 450 members, 4 votes: Mrs. L. F. P. Curry, Mrs. Alma Booker, Harriett McDowell, Emmett Simpson. Alternates: Bertha Shank, Samuel Gaskill.

SOUTH DAKOTA

Spearfish Branch, no credentials.

TEXAS

Central Texas, 570 members, 5 votes: A. J. Banta, W. J. Birkhead, Lanora Birkhead, J. M. Nunley, Mrs. L. R. Wells.

Southwestern Texas, 425 members, 4 votes: W. M. Aylor, Lizzie Edwards, Sr. M. D. Kuykendall, G. R. Kuykendall.

TENNESSEE

Kentucky and Tennessee, 600 members. 6 votes: T. C. Kelley, J. T. Overcast, Nellie Overcast, Alma McClain, M. H. Gore.

UTAH

Utah, 815 members, 8 votes: S. S. Holm, M. A. Etzenhouser, B. L. McKim, Mrs. M. A. Etzenhouser, Keith Rogers, Oscar Johnson, Chancy Bogue. Alternates: R. L. Fulk, L. G. Holloway.

WASHINGTON

Seattle and British Columbia, 805 members, 8 votes: S. S.

Smith, Mamie Kinghom, C. F. Oliver, Daisy Oliver, Jacob Berringer, Mrs. Jacob Berringer, R. J. Holman, J. E. Johnston. Alternates: F. V. Elliott, Lillian Pope, G. T. Griffiths, C. N. Heading, Peter Anderson, William M. Aylor, Henry Stade.

Spokane, 616 members. 6 votes: J. A. Bronson, George Leach, S. N. Gray, George Thorburn, W. F. Yates, Pearl Reed. Alternates: Grace Huffert, Grace Fry, George Wilcox, Dana McDole, Oliver Shirk, Eli Bronson.

WEST VIRGINIA

West Virginia, 450 members, 4 votes: Thomas Newton, Frank L. Shinn, E. G. Hammond.

Wheeling, 469 members, 4 votes: L. A. Serig, Amelia Serig, John Carlisle, John Martin. Alternates: O. J. Tary, Thomas Newton.

WISCONSIN

Northern Wisconsin, 674 members, 6 votes: W. A. McDowell, Leroy Colbert, J. B. Wildermuth, A. L. Whit-eaker. Alternates: Leda Colbert, Leonard Houghton, William Livingston, Irving Bowen, S. E. Livingston.

Southwestern Wisconsin, 601 members, 6 votes: E. J. Smith, George Noble, Almin West, E. A. Townsend, Leonard Houghton. Alternates: W. A. McDowell, E. J. Lenox, Julia Dutton, J. O. Dutton, B. C. Flint.

The following districts have not instructed their delegates to cast a majority and minority vote in case of division: Birmingham (England), Northern California, Eastern Colorado, Fremont, Spring River, and Central Nebraska.

The following districts have appointed an excess of delegates, as indicated: Southern Queensland (Australia) 1, Birmingham (England) 1, Sheffield (England) 1, Spring River 1, North Dakota 1, Kirtland 1. We recommend that the delegations from these districts be requested to meet and determine which names should be dropped and advise the credential committee before any of their number are certified.

It will be necessary for delegates from districts appointing alternates to meet and decide whose names are to be dropped and who of their alternates shall be seated to fill the vacancies, and notify the credentials committee before their alternates can be certified.

All persons entitled to a seat in the conference shall be required to register with the credentials committee and will be furnished with badges and copies of reports to the General Conference and General Conventions; this will include all

necessary employees and properly accredited representatives of the press.

Respectfully submitted
FRANK A. RUSSELL.
C. I. CARPENTER.
P. G. FAIRBANKS.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, March 17, 1920.

The report was adopted subject to necessary corrections.

At 2.25 p. m. President Frederick M. Smith completed his annual message interrupted by adjournment of the morning session.

The chair stated that the organization of the conference had now become practically automatic; that prearrangements of work of the conference indicated not who would be appointed, but those already at work in behalf of the body by the Presidency.

At the close of President Frederick M. Smith's address he suggested that following the usual announcements the body adjourn that members of the conference might have opportunity to examine published reports and thus be prepared to act intelligently upon matters to be considered.

The chair adjourned the session at 3.10 p. m.

The hymn, "This God is the God we adore," was sung; Elder W. M. Aylor pronounced the benediction.

At 7.30 p. m. in harmony with the celebration of the centennial of Joseph Smith's first vision, Elder T. W. Williams addressed the assembly, theme: "Creedal revision and evolution of the past one hundred years." He was assisted by Elder R. V. Hopkins.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7

At 8 a. m. address to the priesthood, lower auditorium, by Elder F. A. Russell, head of the Department of Statistics.

At 9 a. m. prayer meeting, upper auditorium, El-

ders J. F. Garver and R. V. Hopkins in charge.

At 10.30 a. m. upper auditorium, session of the Religio Department, Elder T. W. Williams and assistants in charge.

At 2.30 p. m. business session, President Frederick M. Smith in the chair. Hymn No. 34 was sung; prayer was offered by Elder F. A. Smith, Presiding Patriarch.

STATEMENT AND REVELATION

President Frederick M. Smith made the following statement and read the document to which it referred:

I have still one other matter to present to the church, but I wish to presage it by saying that as much as I should have desired, and as badly as is needed a third member in the Presidency, I am not yet permitted to suggest the name.

I have been admonished that a number of changes will eventually be made in the Quorum of Twelve. Some I present to-day. Others will be presented in due time, contingent upon the development of conditions.

To-day I wish to present for your consideration this document to the church:

To the Church: Having given to the general missionary needs of the church and the condition of the Quorum of Twelve much thought and prayer, I am permitted to say to the church by way of instruction, through inspiration received:

Let Francis M. Sheehy and Peter Anderson be released from the Quorum of Twelve; and to fill the vacancies created by these releases let Myron A. McConley and Thomas W. Williams be ordained apostles.

Let the Quorum of Twelve be admonished that to discharge the responsibilities of the burden of the missionary work upon them, they should in humility before God and in sincerity of purpose apply themselves to this great task with unreserved devotion. The work in this line must be hastened. Let them not be unduly concerned with the work of the standing ministry, only as they shall be directed by the Presidency therein; and let contention cease concerning the prerogatives of the leading quorums. The work awaiting the efforts of the missionary forces is great and there is no time for contentions. Let the apostles move out, as they have in the past been directed, in the task of taking to

the peoples of the world the message of peace, and they shall find comfort and satisfaction in their labors.

FREDERICK M. SMITH, *President of the Church.*

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 7, 1920.

He suggested that the session adjourn at an early hour that the quorums of the ministry might be permitted to consider the document presented, copies of which were distributed to presidents of quorums comprising the ministry.

The chair called attention to the printed annual reports, which were inserted in the minutes subject to necessary corrections:

SECRETARY

To the First Presidency and the General Conference: The work of this department is mostly routine, hence largely formal in the manner of presentation in report. I have given the secretaryship such personal attention and oversight as requirements demanded. Most of the detail work has been done by the assistant secretary, Brother P. G. Fairbanks, located in the office of the First Presidency. My time has been given almost entirely to the presidency of the Far West Stake. The usual course of work for the year has covered ground reported heretofore—general correspondence, keeping and publishing of minutes, proof reading, corresponding with ministers and others, furnishing information for publication, public bodies, etc. The General Conference Resolutions have been compiled and reported to date.

Railroad Rates to General Conference: The several transportation bureaus this year granted a reduction in passenger fares, certificate plan, equivalent to fare and one third, round trip, and covering entire territory of the United States. This was made possible by restoration of the regular three cents per mile passenger rate, continued following cessation of the late war.

Clergy Credentials.—The secretary being located at Saint Joseph, Missouri, the First Presidency, after consultation with the undersigned, arranged to supervise the issue of clergy credentials by providing that all applications receive indorsement of that department. It will be well for the appointees and local men of the church to carefully inform themselves as to the details of application for certificates, as failure to do so entails unnecessary work in the office of the Presidency.

Under existing rules, general church officers and local appointees, including missionaries devoting entire time to church work; also pastors in charge of churches, having no other occupations than farming, are entitled to the clergy credentials. Credentials issued by any of the bureaus entitles to reduced transportation in entire territory covered by the several bureaus. In cases where women are under church appointment and in other cases where devoting their time to department work, where such are considered to be eligible, credentials have been secured for them, as unordained ministers, by indorsement from the office of the Presidency. It is unnecessary to specify further concerning privileges granted by clergy credentials. The ground is fully covered in application blanks issued by the bureaus. We understand that no such concessions are granted in Canadian territory. Where possible to aid anyone in meeting special cases covered by independent rail or water lines of transportation, such doubtless will be given on request.

Appointments of 1919.—General authorities appointed as follows: Of the First Presidency 2, Quorum of Twelve 11, Presiding Bishopric 2, Local Bishops 4, Evangelical Ministers 14, Standing Ministers 86, Missionaries 158. Changes during the year: Additional appointments, Local 2, Missionary 3. Transferred 7, Released 3—Total 395.

Business Deferred of Referred.—Minutes of 1912, page 1629; Status of a Seventy expelled from his quorum: Referred to joint council of Presidency, Twelve, and Seventy.

Minutes of 1915, page 2044; Matter affecting officers of Branches: Referred to Committee on Rules of order and Debate. Minutes of 1915, page 2057; Atonement question from Eastern Colorado District: Referred to Presidency, Twelve and Seventy, Minutes 1916, page 2246; Committee on Rules of Order and Debate. Minutes of 1916, page 2188; Detroit Branch resolutions asking amendment to Rules of Representation: Referred to Committee on Rules of Order. Minutes of 1916, page 2219; joint council of Seventies report on rules governing appointment of seventies. Minutes 1917, page 2435, building for General Conference purposes: To the presidency, Twelve, Presiding Bishopric; also General Conference Minutes 1918, page, 2613-2615, Minutes 1919 page 2815; petition on voting by children: To Presidency and Twelve.

1. Routine Business, etc., Reports of general officers, quorums, boards, committees, departmental organizations, etc., including: The First Presidency, Quorum of Twelve, Presidents and Quorums of Seventy, Presiding Bishopric, Order of Bishops, Order of Evangelists, General High Council, Quorum of High Priests, Mass Quorum of Elders; Architect,

Auditor, Chorister, Historian, Physician, Recorder or Department of Statistics, Secretary, Board of Publication, Bureau of Publicity, Library Commission, Order of Enoch, Children's Home, Graceland College, and Sanitarium Trustees; Bureau of Graphic Arts, L. D. S. Sales Association, Sunday School, Woman's Auxiliary, and Religio Department. Standing Committees: American Archaeology, as appointed by the Presidency; on Bible Normal Book; on Coordination; Joint Committee on Church of Christ; on General Conference credentials, as appointed by the Presidency; on Memorial to Joseph and Hyrum Smith; on Revision of Rules of Order and Debate; on Saints' Homes, Lamoni, Iowa.

2. Election of Trustees: Of Children's Homes; Graceland College; Sanitarium.

3. Time Limit on New Business.

4. Time and Place of Adjournment.

5. Sustaining of officials, boards, committees, orders, organizations, etc.

6. Appointments of Ministers.

Personnel of Boards, Officers, Standing Committees, etc.—Board of Publication: B. R. McGuire, J. F. Keir, A. Carmichael, F. B. Blair, M. H. Siegfried. Children's Home Trustees: A. Carmichael, Jay Barr, M. H. Siegfried, A. J. Yarrington, M. B. Nicholson, L. L. Resseguie, C. B. Stebbins—last three nominated by Women's Department. Graceland College Trustees: A. Carmichael, J. W. Wight, T. A. Hougas, G. N. Briggs, J. F. Garver, G. R. Wells, C. B. Woodstock. Sanitarium Trustees: W. D. Bullard, G. H. Hulmes, R. J. Lambert. J. A. Tanner, J. A. Becker. M. H. Siegfried, B. R. McGuire. Bible Normal Book: S. A. Burgess, J. A. Gunsolley, F. M. McDowell. Committee on Church of Christ: B. R. McGuire, I. A. Smith, E. L. Kelley, W. W. Smith, M. H. Siegfried, F. M. Sheehy. On Coordination: F. M. Smith, Church, G. R. Wells, Sunday School Department, T. W. Williams, Religio Department. Mrs. D. J. Krahl, Woman's Auxiliary, G. N. Briggs. Department of Education, B. R. McGuire, Department of Publication, B. R. McGuire, Department of Remedial and Corrective Agencies. On Memorial to Martyrs: B. R. McGuire, J. F. Keir, M. H. Siegfried, G. P. Lambert. General Conference Building: Presidency, Twelve, and Presiding Bishopric. On Revision of Rules of Order: F. M. Smith, F. M. Sheehy, H. O. Smith, J. A. Tanner, E. L. Kelley, A. B. Phillips, T. A. Hougas: Sub-committee, F. M. Smith, S. A. Burgess, C. O. Leeka. Saints' Homes, Lamoni, Iowa: M. H. Siegfried, Manager.

March 10, 1920.

R. S. SALYARDS,
Church Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS

With the closing of each conference year, among the questions which arise in the minds of many are these: How many baptized during the year? How many lost from our number? What is our net gain? To these questions we submit the following brief reply: The number of baptisms for the past conference year is considerably less than for the preceding year. During the year 1919, 2,988 baptisms were reported to this department. For the same period the church sustained a loss of 1,067 by death and expulsion, leaving a net gain of 1,921. This added to number reported in April, 1919, brings the total membership of the church up to 92,746.

Since being placed in charge of this department on July 15, 1919, we have been very busy in an effort to so arrange the affairs of the office that we could not be justly accused of camouflage in using the term "Department of Statistics."

A new system of securing the data for our general church record and of adding to and removing names from various group enrollments has been inaugurated, and is proving to be of special advantage in many ways. In this arrangement, we have sought diligently to emphasize the fact that membership is in the church and that branch enrollment as defined by General Conference Resolutions, Nos. 456 and 706, is a matter of geography—determined by the place of residence of the member.

Our present plan provides for but one place to report items for the general church record, namely, to the Department of Statistics, Independence, Missouri. In the case of a baptism, the minister officiating is expected to report his work to this department without delay. The new name is then entered in the general register, where it is assigned its special number for identification purpose. At the same time the name is enrolled with the branch suggested by the minister. If the location of the person baptized does not justify branch enrollment the name is carried upon the General record only. All necessary papers, including individual enrollment page, certificate of baptism for the new member, enrollment card, etc. are sent to the clerks of the branches concerned, the first of each month. Thus the general records have become the place of original entry for all names, the information required by the branches going out from the department to the respective branch clerks for use in the branch records. Heretofore the plan as provided for reports to be made by the ministry to branch clerks, the latter to prepare a report to be sent to district conference which report was expected finally to reach us for the purpose

of making up a permanent record. We will not, at this time, attempt a detailed account of the difficulties encountered in this roundabout method other than to say that they were practically numberless.

The handling of transfers of branch enrollments under the "Letter of Removal" plan has long since proven inadequate and exceedingly unsatisfactory, not only to this department but to the branch as well, a fact well attested by the records themselves, page after page containing evidence of partially completed transfer of enrollments, a thing impossible under our present system. The new arrangement has been fully explained in the church periodicals.

For the purpose of putting into effect the change above suggested, the various branches in the United States and Canada have been provided with uniform loose-leaf binders, together with the necessary supplies, the cost for same being as yet charged up as departmental expense. Branch clerks have exhibited a splendid spirit of cooperation and a large proportion of them have completed their work incident to the change and have deposited their old records with this department. When all have been received this church will have stored, in its vaults, the books which have, in reality, been the general church record, scattered from one end of the country to the other. Checking these books with the general records will, though a large task, mean many changes in both additions and losses. The small amount of checking up of these records, already done, has convinced us more than ever of the necessity of a change in our methods.

There is another item which should be mentioned. Some ten years or more ago the General Conference authorized the transfer of all names from the old record books to cards. Upon assuming the duties of the department, we learned that but a small portion of this work had been done. A double system of recording was in operation. It was apparent that immediate attention should be given to this task. Accordingly, as many as could work upon the books to advantage have been laboring diligently since the latter part of August in an effort to finish this work of transferring. Many difficulties are encountered, but we indulge the hope of being able to complete the work early in the summer.

Our church record is very incomplete. Why? The answer is simply this: In the minds of many of the men of the ministry, but little importance has been attached to the necessity of reporting their official acts: and when as in the past, report of work was made to the branch clerk, the latter frequently either forgot it entirely or transcribed the items

incorrectly. Those who have heretofore labored in this department deserve special credit for persistently trying to chase down error's which were constantly appearing in the old branch statistical report—an effort frequently ending in failure.

The gathering and analyzing of statistics is an important feature in the work of any organization. But before attempt is made to collect data the reason for such undertaking should be clearly understood and defined, in order that the assembled items may serve the purpose intended. In other words, if the product of the Statistical Department is not a special asset, what good reason could be assigned for its existence? The perpetual census suggested in Doctrine and Covenants 17:25 must have a place in the general development of the work. Not only has an attempt been made to "keep a regular list of all the names of the whole church in a book," but also to group these names according to localities where the members reside. This has developed a very elaborate system of transferring of names from group to group, which with its attendant difficulties is responsible for by far the greater portion of the expense of this department. After counseling with various ones on this subject we have already undertaken a thorough revision in this part of the work, some changes contemplated not yet having been put into operation.

We especially invite branch and district officials, also the ministry, both general and local, to visit our room; and you will be able to understand in a few minutes that which would require an hour to explain in writing. The office will be open during each forenoon. We hope each branch clerk in attendance at conference will make it a point to meet us personally. We want to get acquainted with you.

Our purpose: Eliminate nonessentials, in order that time may be devoted to the development of essentials, thus making the department to be a real, as well as valuable asset to the church.

FRANK A. RUSSELL.

BOARD OF PUBLICATION

To the President and General Conference Assembled: Herewith is submitted the annual report of the Board of Publication.

THE PAPER CONDITION

2. The past year has been one fraught with much danger to the publishing interests not only of the whole civilized world but also of the church.

3. The condition of the paper market has been and is still

in a chaotic state. Prices have fairly soared and it has not been so much a question of paying the price as it has been of being able to get the paper at any price. Through the efforts of those who have taken a personal interest in our publishing affairs, we have been fortunate enough to be able to keep our presses going. These and other untoward conditions have handicapped us in keeping our stock of books up to normal.

THE LABOR QUESTION

4. Another disquieting condition obtaining is that of labor and wages. A readjustment has been made in the wages of the publishing house employees, the Board of Publication feeling that justice required an advance in their wages. This, with the heavy advance in material of all kinds, has occasioned an advance in

THE SELLING PRICE

5: The members of the conference will remember that a substantial increase in the subscription rate of our publications was made last summer. This advance is not in any way out of proportion when compared with the advance of material and labor entering into the cost of production. That the Board of Publication has not made an unwarranted advance in price, we submit the following:

COMPARATIVE PRICES OF PUBLICATIONS

Name	Price	Total pages	Aver. reading	Aver. adver. reading	Per cent	Per cent adver.
Saints' Herald	\$2.25	24-32	23-30	1-1½	95	5-Unpaid
*Youths' Companion	2.50	24	16	8	67	33-Paid
Gospel Trumpet	3.00	32	26	6	81	19-Paid
Christian Work	3.00	32	26	6	81	19-Paid
Christian Herald	2.50	32	17	15	53	47-Paid
The Presbyterian	2.50	32	24	8	75	25-Paid

*Equal to 24 pages in Herald.

6. All other papers (*Youths' Companion* excepted) charge from 50 cents to \$1 extra on foreign subscriptions. We have refrained from doing this so that our brethren in foreign countries would receive their church literature as cheaply as possible. On these foreign subscriptions we have lost financially.

7. The fact that one of the principal (if not the principal) factors constituting the financial success of any paper is that of the income derived from the paid advertising matter and that we do not carry such advertising, makes the subscription price of our paper moderate indeed.

8. The policy of the Board of Publication has been to eliminate all paid advertising and give to our readers a paper full of solid reading matter. The size of the subscrip-

tion list of the *Herald* does not permit it to become a successful competitor for advertisements. The subscription list is too small.

9. The board also feels that it is its duty to call the attention of the conference representation to the fact that the best interests of the publishing concerns of the church would be conserved by placing the publishing houses as far as possible under one roof and one management. A big saving financially would be the result not to say anything of an increased efficiency in management both financially and editorially. The board has sensed the necessity of this for several years but has not felt that the time was propitious for the change. We submit this for your consideration.

FINANCIAL REPORT

10. We submit also our financial report from February 1, 1919 to June 30, 1919. This report shows a loss for the five months due to the fact that it was thought best not to list certain plates and cuts as assets which had heretofore been so listed. The amount approximately credited to depreciation was \$2,180. It should also be remembered that most of the subscriptions are paid during the last half of the year; so that a statement covering the first half year cannot be justly compared with the next report without taking this fact into consideration.

11. Also we note that this report is only approximately correct. The inventory used in making up this report was the same as was taken February 1, 1919. This financial statement also emphasizes the necessity of an advance in prices. During and previous to the time covered by the following financial report, material had greatly increased and our advance in prices had not kept pace with this increase. The financial report follows:

STATEMENT OF THE HERALD PUBLISHING HOUSE FOR 5 MONTHS ENDING JUNE 30, 1919

Cash on hand February 1, 1919	\$ 6,688.17
Cash received, February 1, 1919 to June 30, 1919	40,241.70
	<hr/>
	\$ 46,929.87
Cash expended, February 1, 1919 to June 30, 1919	42,840.52
	<hr/>
Cash on hand, June 30, 1919	\$ 4,089.35
Resources	
Cash on hand	\$ 4,089.35
Real estate	39,278.37

Type, tools and fixtures	29,356.87
Merchandise	29,016.38
Supplies	8,006.12
Bills receivable	29,301.06
Accounts receivable	11,713.50
Liberty Bonds	600.00

\$151,356.65

Liabilities

Bills payable	\$ 397.03
Accounts payable	15,180.59
Depreciation fund	18,904.37

\$ 34,481.99

Present worth June 30, 1919	\$116,974.66
Present worth February 1, 1919	118,451.03

Net loss\$ 1,476.37

Following is the financial summary of the Ensign Publishing House from February 1, 1919 to June 30, 1919:

Cash on hand February 1, 1919	\$ 609.59
Received from February 1, 1919 to June 30, 1919	7,954.90

\$ 8,564.49

Expended from February 1, 1919 to June 30, 1919	\$ 8,299.21
Cash on hand July 1, 1919	265.28

\$ 8,564.49

Assets

Fixtures	\$ 1,000.97
Unexpired insurance	84.67
Merchandise	3,144.06
Plates and cuts	189.79
Postage	3.48
Printing plant	5,673.64
Printing material and job work	1,670.19
Ensign stock	1,080.05
One stock	43.20
Real estate, building and improvements	7,921.98
Cash on hand	265.28
Accounts receivable	3,227.76

\$ 24,306.07

Liabilities

Bills payable	\$ 6,012.48
Accounts payable	4,095.73
Present worth	14,196.86
	<hr/>
	\$ 24,305.07
Present worth July 1, 1919	\$ 14,196.86
Present worth February 1, 1919	12,142.43
	<hr/>
Net gain	\$ 2,054.43

R. J. LAMBERT, *Manager.*

12. The following statement and balance sheet from the Standard Publishing House in Australia will be of considerable interest:

"I forward you a copy of our trading and profit and loss account and balance sheet for the year ended June 30, 1919, which was submitted to our mission conference at the end of December and approved.

"The balance sheet will give you the opening amounts of the real accounts at July 1 and you will be able, by comparing the trial balances from month to month, to see just how the asset and liabilities accounts progress."

Trading Account

Dr.			
Percentage of Sales.			
40.47	.....to Stock at July 1, 1918	476	15 0
40.87	.....to Purchases	481	6 10
23.01	.....to Wages	272	2 3
4.46	.....to Linotype	52	10 1
1.21	.....to Power	14	6 6
26.12	.....to Gross Profit	307	11 7
		<hr/>	
136.14		160	12 3
Cr.			
100.00	.....by Sales	1,177	14 6
36.14	.....by Stock at June 30, 1919	426	17 9
		<hr/>	
136.14		1,604	12 3

Profit and Loss Account

Dr.			
1.18	.....to Bad debts	14	0 0
1.92	.....to Depreciation plant, etc.	22	12 6

.53	.....to Discounts allowed	6	7	3
1.78	.....to Traveling expenses	21	.	4
1.12	.....to Freight	13	5	7
2.46	.....to General expenses	29	1	0½
.25	.....to Lighting	2	19	3
1.72	.....to Postage and telegrams	20	7	1½
.55	.....to Printing and stationery	6	12	2
.45	.....to Rates and taxes	5	1	5
6.62	.....to Salaries	78	.	.
.12	.....to Signwriting	1	10	0
.89	.....to Telephone	10	10	9
6.841	.....to Net profit transferred to capital account	80	12	3
<hr/>				
26.431		311	18	8
Cr.				
26.12	.....by Gross profit	307	11	7
.305	.....by Herald periodicals	312		1
.006	.....by Miscellaneous receipts	15		0
<hr/>				
26.341		311	18	8

Liabilities

Sundry creditors 372 12 8

Capital Account:

Balance at June 30, 1918 1,119 14 9

Add

Net Profit for

Year to date 80 12 8 1,200 7 0

1,572 19 8

Assets

Cash at bank 101 6 11

Stock on hand 426 17 9

In depots 4 16 11

431 14 8

Debtors 346 0 2

Less doubtful debts re-

serve 14 0 0 332 . 2

Plant 452 9 7

Less depreciation reserve 22 12 6 429 17 1

Buildings 255 15 8

Furniture 15 12 0

Furnishings

6 13 2

1,572 19 8

G. LEWIS,
A. J. CORBETT,
W. J. HAWORTH,

Members of the Australasian Board of Publication.

We have examined the books and vouchers of the Standard Publishing House and hereby certify same to be correct. We have accepted the manager's figures for stocks on hand.

R. A. STERLAND,
C. A. THEARLE,

Auditors.

(Signed) W. J. HAWORTH, *Manager.*
Respectfully submitted,

MARK H. SEIGFRIED,
Secretary of the Board.

LAMONI, IOWA, February 6, 1920.

GRACELAND COLLEGE

To the First Presidency and General Conference: The attached reports of the president and treasurer and business manager of Graceland College were at a formal meeting of the Board of Trustees of the College held at Lamoni, Iowa, March 1, 1920, adopted and made the report of the Board to the General Conference. Respectfully submitted,

J. F. GARVER, *Secretary.*

LAMONI, IOWA, March 3, 1920.

To the Board of Trustees: The contrast between last school year and this has been most striking. There probably has never been in the history of education a more difficult year than last so far as effectiveness in school work is concerned. With the uncertainties surrounding the length of time the young men might be able to remain in school, the earnestness with which the Government was urging all eligible young men to enter college to prepare as completely as might be possible to serve more effectively in the world war, the organization of the S. A. T. C. in October, the end of the war in November, the demobilization of the S. A. T. C. in December, the ravages of the Spanish influenza for four months, beginning within a month after the college year opened, resulting in the loss of much time and the demoralization of effective work was most heartbreaking. However, in spite of all the handicaps the student body and faculty of

last year rallied as could hardly have been expected, and completed the year's schedule only a week later than contemplated.

This year opened under most favorable circumstances, the opening address being delivered by Honorable George S. Dick from the office of the State Department of Public Instruction at Des Moines. He emphasized the importance of the relation between church colleges and the state, pointing out the very great part played by denominational colleges, especially in higher education in Iowa. That the work and standing of Graceland College is fully recognized by our State Department of Education is evidenced by the following letter from the State Superintendent of Public Instruction:

STATE OF IOWA

"Department of Public Instruction

"P. E. McClenahan, Supt.

"Des Moines, July 14, 1919.

"President George N. Briggs:

"Dear Mr. Briggs: "Permit me to congratulate you upon your Junior college achievement. I am pleased to know that you have entered this field of education as a pioneer of Iowa, and now you are leading in a movement which I believe will accomplish much good in your locality and set a new ideal and a new standard in Iowa education.

"The Junior college in Iowa is yet in its infancy but it fills a place in local educational systems, where it can accomplish much good. It is confined to a field only half as broad as the standard college but this place in our system has been neglected. The Junior college, with its new course of study, with its revival of interest in Freshman and Sophomore years of college work, with its special emphasis upon a modern educational ideal, with its attention to vocational education, comes to fill an educational need.

"A man who has the right ideals and lives up to them fulfills his mission in this world; and in your college you are receiving young men and women and are helping them to form the right habits and to follow ideals that will make them better and happier in the future.

"I have been personally interested in this movement for several years past and am glad that you have a chance to start the work in Iowa. Your broad experience, coupled with your executive ability and scholarly attainments, make you an excellent leader in this new Junior college movement.

"I have been fortunate in knowing some members of your faculty and if all the faculty are as thorough, and well grounded in educational work as those I have known, you are

indeed fortunate to work with such a group of educators and the education of your pupils will be of the highest type.

"Again permit me to congratulate you and to wish you and your college success and to assure you that you have my heartiest cooperation and sympathy in the great educational work that you are doing. Sincerely yours,

"(Signed) P. E. McCLENAHAN."

ACCREDITING

Our college department, academy, and commercial department, as previously reported, are fully standardized and officially accredited, our graduates being admitted to the third or junior year of the Universities of the land, and being granted State certificates to teach which are good for life or for so long as the graduate remains in the teaching profession.

By Iowa law our graduates who enter the teaching profession are guaranteed a minimum entrance salary of \$80 per month which is increased to a minimum of \$100 per month after two years of successful experience. All of our graduates of last year easily secured positions at salaries on the average considerably above the minimum, ranging from \$80 to \$133 per month. There is a very fine opportunity for service in this department of our work and the State fully recognizes what we are doing along this line.

ATTENDANCE

The following statistics will be of interest as showing the growth in the *collegiate* department.

Year	Enrollment	Increase	Per centage
1915-6	22		
1916-7	39	17	77
1917-8	47	8	22
1918-9	79	32	70
1919-20	115	36	45

In the entire institution the enrollment on February first 1920 was 293 as compared with 246 a year ago, an increase of 20 per cent in enrollment while the increase in attendance and regularity is 50 per cent over last year. The effectiveness of an institution's instruction is gauged by the regularity of the attendance of students and with an increase of 50 per cent this year over last in that one respect alone it can readily be appreciated of how much greater value is this year's work.

NEW BUILDINGS

Provision was made by the last General Conference for a new building to meet some of our most pressing needs. We

have been very greatly handicapped during the present year for lack of room, but the new building, which will be ready for occupancy September 1, 1920, will meet our requirements for the coming year, enabling us to make some readjustments in the old building to meet essential needs.

Our most urgent requirement is for added dormitory facilities. All of our rooms in both girls and boys dormitories were engaged several weeks before school opened last fall. Several prospective students who found they could not secure dormitory accommodations decided not to attend this year, while others coming without having made previous arrangements were compelled to find accommodations in the town. Our town people have shown a most excellent spirit of cooperation enabling us to make provisions for many students who could not otherwise be provided for. This arrangement, however, cannot be continued indefinitely. It is not best for the interests of the student, the town, or the institution. Adequate dormitory facilities must be provided at an early date. However, for the coming year it is believed we can meet the situation by using the upper story of the new building for a boys' dormitory, reserving the present girl's dormitory, the cottage and the present boy's dormitory for the accommodation of the girls. The architect is planning the new building with that end in view. Very little change will be needed and the following year when the new dormitory is constructed can be converted into regular college class rooms for which purpose they are permanently planned.

In view of the above facts, and in view of the well-recognized urgent demands from other departments of the church, it is recommended that the request for an additional dormitory be postponed for one year but that the church architect be requested to prepare plans for a dormitory so that there will be no delay in its construction when it is authorized.

It is a matter of general congratulation that when the church was ready to construct a building on the college campus, the first one of a series which will be needed within the next few years to meet our demands, she found a Graceland Alumnus as architect and another Graceland Alumnus as master builder, and a great deal of the work of construction will be performed by Graceland students.

GYMNASIUM

If the recent war demonstrated one thing more than any other it is the necessity for some form of definite systematic physical training for the youth of our land. With one third of our young men between the ages of twenty-one and thirty physically defective, and a large percentage of that defective-

ness preventable and curable it behooves those responsible for the education of our youth to include as one of the requirements of a well-rounded-out curriculum a thorough course in physical education, which will prevent a large percentage of our physical incapacity. To meet this need Grace-land must have at the earliest date possible a large well constructed and adequate gymnasium. The longer this crying need is postponed the further away will be the day when we are prepared adequately to meet the minimum requirements of our young men and women.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

In view of the fact that a systematic course in Religious Education was undertaken for the first time during the present year there is included herewith a brief report from the head of that department which will be of general interest.

"Considering the fact that this work was undertaken in the face of serious handicaps, it is felt that considerable progress has been made toward the permanent establishment of a thorough, worth-while course in religious training.

"The ideals of those instrumental in bringing into being this long desired and needed activity have not been to turn out 'trained preachers.' These ideals, on the other hand, may be summed up briefly as follows:

"1. To cultivate in the individual correct habits of study.

"2. To train the mind to think clearly, logically and independently.

"3. To make possible a broad, general knowledge of history, religion, and philosophy and in particular a specific knowledge of the doctrines, hopes, and ideals of our organization.

"4. To assist the learner in developing and improving his powers of expression.

"It would be presumptuous to say that these ideals have been accomplished. It is not too much to say, however, that satisfactory progress has been made toward their accomplishment.

"It was clear from the beginning that those entering the class during the first year of its existence would be compelled to sacrifice personally in order that the experimental efforts of this first year might be utilized to the good of future classes.

"As a result of the year's work, it is clear that certain changes should be made and such improvements provided as may be practicable. We therefore recommend:

"1. That as soon as possible the course be lengthened to cover a period of at least two years. As at present constituted it is too burdensome for any except those of exceptional

ability and a reasonable amount of previous academic training or its equivalent. A great deal of benefit is received by those who are not so fortunate as to qualify under the above classification, but far more good would be obtained if the course should cover two or more years. Such a change would not only provide for a more comprehensive scholastic education, but would make possible an opportunity for more practical work, such as preaching, visiting, etc. It would also lessen the tendency to discouragement.

"2. That immediate steps be taken to provide satisfactory textbooks for the course in doctrine. These should include texts covering the following: Bible, Book of Mormon, Doctrine and Covenants, apologetics, principles of the gospel and the redemption of Zion. The work during the past year has been made very difficult because of a lack along this line. A text covering Bible study should handle the subject historically and should seek to evaluate the various parts of the book and establish their correct relation to the divine plan as a whole. Since our conception of Bible teaching is so different from that of the sectarian world, the need for such a text is imperative.

"A Book of Mormon text should include a historical treatment of the subject matter; Biblical proof of its divinity; internal and external evidence, including archæology; a study of Book of Mormon literature, etc.

"A textbook for the study of the Doctrine and Covenants should be both historical and topical. However, in view of a divergance of opinion as to certain teachings of the book, a general text might not be considered feasible at present.

"The subject of apologetics should be both general and specific. General in that it should present the best methods for presenting our teachings to the world. It should cover briefly the subject of argumentation and debate. Specifically, it should contain comprehensive analyses of the various questions at issue between us and the sectarian world.

"The last two subjects, principles of the gospel and redemption of Zion could without doubt be presented in a single volume, under some such caption as "The problem of the ages" or "The divine plan of salvation."

"The outlines worked out by the young men's class at the Lamoni Sunday School could well be used as a basis.

"3. That a correspondence course covering at least the doctrinal phases be prepared with a view to enabling those unable to enroll as resident students to obtain the benefits of the course. Such a course would depend largely upon the provision of the textbook above mentioned.

"4. That music be provided as an elective for women.

"5. That the course be altered so as to provide United States history and sociology in place of European history and foreign language for those preparing for local missionary service.

"In view of the expected increase in the size of the religious education class for the coming year, it will be necessary for the instructor in church doctrine to use the lecture method very largely. This can be made very effective, however, by a continuance of certain methods used this year, e. g., the assignment of various topics for report on the part of individual students, and the duplication of outlines worked out for distribution to the entire class.

"The work has been very arduous but has been done with an earnest desire to further the work of God. Many lessons have undoubtedly been learned which should be of assistance to those undertaking the direction of the course in the future."

EXTENSION DEPARTMENT

This new department is just beginning to function in a way which is going to be of very great service to the church at large. The work of organizing and conducting this department is of such a nature as to require the services of one especially fitted by training, education, and experience. We have been unsuccessful in securing the services of such a person until quite recently, so that the department has not been able to accomplish what might otherwise have reasonably been expected of it. With the director who has recently consented to undertake the work there is every evidence that great good will be accomplished and that the department will be able to make as good a showing as any other department of the college.

RELIGIOUS NORMAL TRAINING

This department, taken over from the General Sunday School and Religio Associations, has actively entered upon its functions, but has just begun to be of service in any adequate way. There are at present two hundred active members enrolled.

During the year, up to February 14, the date of the last statement from the director of the department, there had been conducted two hundred twelve examinations and forty certificates granted, while there are fifty-five newly enrolled students who had up to that date taken no examination.

The possibilities for good in this department are very great, and the direction which is now being given to it will, with the cooperation of all Sunday school and Religio workers

throughout the church, enable it to begin to function up to its maximum capacity within the next year.

MONEY VALUE OF THE YEAR

As was pointed out in the report of a year ago the United States Government had interested itself in determining the value of an education from the standpoint of money returns.

Taking the basis used by the Government in making its calculations we find that the earning power of Graceland students up to February first had been increased to the extent of \$218,549 by reason of their attendance, and that the close of the year will record an increase in the earning capacity of the young people of the church of \$382,063 as a result of the institutions year's work.

The money returns from the educated young people of the church is one of the least important results of the institutions work, but it is by no means to be overlooked and should be one of the factors in determining the effectiveness of the college.

CLOSE

I cannot close this brief review of the year's work without an expression of my deep conviction of the real awakening in all parts of the Lord's vineyard to the clarion call of President Smith, "for preparation by education for greater usefulness, an appeal, made by your leader, as he believes under the impulses of inspiration, calling upon you for earnest preparation against the coming of that day when the burdens that shall be thrown upon you will be greater than you can carry in your own strength only as you shall have qualified under the inspiration of Almighty God, and the development through your own energies of abilities that God endowed you with."

Nor can I neglect an expression of my very great appreciation of the very hearty spirit of cooperation and helpfulness from all interested in the welfare of the college, the members of the Board of Trustees, the faculty, the student body, the citizens of Lamoni, and the general membership of the church at large. They have all seemingly united to further the interests of our one institution of higher learning in the church. With such a spirit and with such helpfulness there is but one result, that of the accomplishment of the maximum amount of good.

It is the ambition of the college to perform so well the tasks allotted that there will be no question on the part of the state or the church of her ability to perform equally well other and more important tasks when either the state or the church is ready to enlarge her responsibilities.

To the end that she may be ready to meet these added responsibilities to be placed upon her by the state or church she needs the continued loyal devotion of faculty, students, alumni, and the membership of the entire church.

G. N. BRIGGS, *President.*

LAMONI, IOWA, February 28, 1920.

To the Board of Trustees: 1. Following the order of making pre-conference reports of the status of the work of Grace-land College, herewith is presented a general statement of the year's work as concerns the financial and industrial features of the institution. A detailed statement of assets and liabilities, profits and losses, with itemized inventories of all the properties is made at the end of the fiscal year, June 30, and submitted to the Bishop of the church and the Board of Trustees of the college.

THE BUDGET

2. Comparing expenditures for the various items composing our budget with the appropriations made, counting actual amounts expended to February 10, 1920, and estimating balance required to June 30, the following showing appears:

BUDGET ALLOWANCE				
	Allowed	Used to	Est. for	Total
		Feb. 10	bal. of yr.	
Allowance for faculty	\$12,000.00	\$ 5,840.67	\$6,084.36	\$11,925.03
Ext. dept.	2,000.00	882.34	685.00	1,567.34
Heating plant	1,800.00	2,274.00	490.17	2,764.17
Insurance	300.00	1,015.97		1,015.97
Library care	750.00	403.00	302.00	705.00
Adv. inc, cat.	300.00	302.85	65.05	367.90
Office help	720.00	420.00	300.00	720.00
Light and water	450.00	409.59	253.24	662.83
General expense	400.00	308.02	91.98	400.00
Repairs, upkeep, Improvement	1,200.00	414.19	713.95	1,128.14
Repairing and replac- ing furniture	300.00	255.00	55.00	300.00
	\$20,370.00	\$12,662.41	\$9,333.97	\$21,716.38
Receipts				
	Estimated for year	Estimate bal. year	Received	Total
Tuition and Receipts	\$10,500.00	\$ 250.00	50.00	\$16,932.77
Offering	500.00		\$17,750.09	1,017.32
Endowment	100.00		\$16,682.77	50.00
	\$11,100.00	\$ 250.00	1,017.32	\$18,000.09

3. On allowances we have kept within the budget and have a small balance.

4. The amount provided for the extension department has not all been used. Developments in this department have not been all that was expected, though not at all disappointing.

5. The item heating plant has run considerably above the budget. Everyone knows of the unprecedented advance in fuel, so that the excess of fifty per cent above the estimate is no surprise.

6. Two insurance policies were renewed and additional insurance added, by advice of the executive committee, so that this item has more than tripled the amount asked for. It was thought by the executive committee that more insurance should be carried in order to have adequate protection, which, with the increase in rate, accounts for the showing.

7. Library care is a little less than the budget; and new books about even.

8. Advertising, including catalogue, is above the budget, owing to the advance in printers' stock, and labor.

9. Office help is even. Some additional help has been necessary, made so because of the handling in connection books and supplies, but this added expense has been charged to the bookstore.

10. The item of light and water is above the budget for the reason that the rate has been advanced on both since the estimate was made.

11. General expense has been held within the budget allowance.

12. Repairs and upkeep is within the amount asked for, but some of the important work is still to be done, which, it is expected, will be done before the close of the fiscal year.

13. Repairing and replacing of furniture is the same as the budget.

14. Taking the total of the budget, it is seen that the expenditures are \$1,348.38 in excess of the amount authorized. Against this is the fact that the income from tuition, offerings, and endowments is \$6,900.09 more than the amount estimated; so that there is a net margin of \$5,553.71.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

15. This department has proven entirely satisfactory, though it is in its experimental stage. The increase of tuition as a result of the addition of this department amounts to about \$1,200. Two instructors on part time have been provided, and a number of volumes for the library have been

supplied to meet the special needs of the students in this department.

EXTENSION DEPARTMENT

16. This new department has been all that could have been reasonably expected. The amount appropriated has taken care of the work leaving a small balance. Three individuals have given quite a considerable time to it, and some furniture and other equipment has been purchased, and an office room fitted up.

SCHOLARSHIPS

17. The number of students taking advantage of the general scholarship fund this year is eighteen, and the amount of money borrowed is \$1,417. This fund is supplied by the annual College Day Collection on the first Sunday in October, as a result of church action in General Conference asking that all Saints in their branches, or as individuals, upon this day make an offering for the benefit of the college. We do not know how much from this reached the Bishop, but the applications for such scholarships or loans, considerably exceeds the income at the Treasurer's office. No proper application, however, for this assistance, has been denied.

18. The Religio fund has been overdrawn, however, and some requests have been received that could not be accommodated. The amount allowed to any one student has been increased by the executive committee of the society from sixty to one hundred dollars in consideration of the increase in tuition and advance in cost of books and supplies. The number taking advantage of this means of help this year is more than in previous years, but having no account with this fund we do not know just the number. It would seem that this connecting link between the Religio Society and Graceland College should be strengthened, since the young of the society should naturally come to look upon the college as their school.

19. The Sunday school loan fund is still doing service, and there are several private scholarship funds, to some of which additions have been made during the year. A few small trust funds also are serving as aids to deserving young people seeking an education. The college would be glad to cooperate with any persons who might have it in their hearts to join in this good work, and will undertake to make the best possible use of funds for the purpose for which they are intended.

COMMISSARY

20. The unprecedented and unexpected increase in the cost of food supplies resulted in our boarding department ledger account showing a balance on the wrong side last

year. In view of this, the price of board and room was advanced from \$4.50 to \$5.75 a week for the present year. The individual, or self-service plan of serving has been installed and some necessary improvements made. We are feeding many more students than the former year, in fact, we could scarcely have taken care of the number we now have by the old system. The monthly reports of the steward show a safe margin. Most of the work in this department is done by students, and affords a means of assisting many young people the opportunity for an education. The income from this department for the year will approximate \$12,502.81 in cash and credits.

FARM

21. The farm was purchased primarily with the idea of making a place for more young people to work for school expenses. An effort has been made to carry out this idea and at the same time make it a profitable factor in conducting the institution. The dairy herd supplies the commissary with milk, the garden, with a considerable amount of vegetables, and the orchard, with a goodly quantity of fruit, and the poultry flock, with eggs. None of these phases of farm activity, however, can be developed to a high degree of efficiency until there shall be found individuals who will make such work their stewardship and enter into it with a view to making it contribute in the largest way possible to the development of the ideals of the church. The books indicate a profit for the fiscal year of \$791.35, which is a fairly good showing, considering the frequent changes in farm help that have been necessary.

RECOMMENDATIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS

22. In the budget for 1920-21 is shown, the aggregate of funds to be appropriated for the coming year; but some other desirable improvements might be set out which should be made as soon as practicable.

THE FARM

23. In order to bring the farm up to a highly profitable condition several things are needed. *First:* An adequate water supply should be provided, either by the construction of good wells and tanks, or by extending the city pipe line from the college to the farm buildings.

24. *Second.* A shed for housing machinery, and granary and cribs for grain.

25. *Third.* A modern dairy barn to provide for from twenty-five to thirty cows.

26. These improvements logically should grow out of the

proceeds of the farm; but it would take a long time for the farm to earn enough for these improvements; while if the money could be appropriated to supply them, it would take a much shorter time, because of the increased earning capacity, to pay it back. The amount needed is from eight to ten thousand dollars.

COLLEGE BUILDING

27. The old building, now nearly a quarter of a century old, needs quite extensive repairs. The outside brick work needs painting, or to be covered with stucco.

28. The natural expansion incident to increased attendance renders our office accommodations too small, and plans are under way to remodel room two, the northwest room on first floor, so as to provide adequate office rooms for both the president and business manager, retaining present offices for bookstore and extension department. This remodeling will cost approximately \$200.

29. A door should be put in between the library and room four so that the reading and study room facilities might be adequately increased.

30. Some painting, varnishing and decorating will be necessary.

DORMITORIES

31. The usual amount of painting and decorating incident to a thorough cleaning up and renovation should be done with some renewal of furniture, etc., in the two dormitories.

ARBORVILLA

32. This is the cottage formerly occupied by Brother C. B. Woodstock and which we have rented with option of purchase. This with one acre of ground well set to fruit will cost \$2,100, provisions for which is made in our annual budget. Some repairs on this building are needed, probably not to exceed \$50.

SUPERINTENDENT'S COTTAGE

33. A home for the superintendent of buildings and grounds is much needed. With new buildings being added, the need for this man's residing convenient to the campus becomes more urgent. There will probably be enough lumber, or nearly enough, used in the forms for the concrete work in the building now under construction to build the frame work for this cottage. Some plans have been considered, and it is estimated that \$3,000 would cover the cost. It would seem economy to undertake the providing of this building the coming year. Twelve dollars a month would be saved in room rent and a place for taking care of the

lumber to good advantage that otherwise might be in large part wasted, to say nothing of the better service resulting from comfort and contentment of those rendering us excellent service.

COMMISSARY

34. With the increasing attendance and the expansion expected to come with the improved facilities afforded by the new buildings comes the question of enlarged capacity for boarding. Our present kitchen and dining room are taxed to their utmost to take care of the present number. It will be necessary to make some improvements which will cost approximately \$200.

BUDGET 1920-21

Allowance for faculty	\$16,000
Extension department	2,000
Heating plant, fuel, labor, etc.....	4,000
Insurance	1,200
Library care	850
Library new books	150
Advertising, including catalogue	450
Office help	1,00
Light and water	700
General expenses	500
Repairs, upkeep and improvement	1,500
Repairing and replacing furniture	400
Purchase of Arborvilla (Woodstock cottage)	2,000
Superintendent's cottage	3,000
	<hr/>
	\$33,850

Estimated receipts

Tuition	\$23,000
Offerings	1,200
Endowments	50
	<hr/>
	\$24,250

36. It will be observed that the budget for 1920-21 exceeds that of the previous year \$13,480. This increase is necessitated for the following reasons:

With the growth of the institution in its effort to meet more and more the legitimate educational demand naturally calls for additional courses from time to time, and that means additional instructors. The unprecedented advance in the cost of living has made some increase of allowances necessary. The allowance item is, therefore, \$4,000 more than last year.

37. Arrangements have been made for the purchase of

the cottage that we have been renting the past two years; and the erection of a cottage for the superintendent of buildings and grounds is regarded as a necessity. These will cost \$5,000.

38. The addition of the new building will add to the fuel bill; and this addition with further advance in prices of coal and labor warrants an increase in our estimate on this item of \$2,200.

39. Minor advances: Such items as insurance, office help, light and water, repairs and upkeep, and the few others, make up the remainder of the increase.

40. Upon the other hand attention is called to the fact that the estimated increase in tuition upon what is thought to be a conservative basis is \$12,500; so that the deficit to be supplied by the church is only \$330 more than last year.

41. This department desires to express the appreciation felt because of the greatly improved conditions brought about by the adoption of a budget system. The church is to be congratulated and the membership and councils commended, for the loyal support given to our college, as the logical consequence of such support has made it possible to put it upon an accredited basis educationally and a creditable basis financially. No one any more questions our worthiness to be credited for work done in the class room; and no one any more, at home or abroad, questions our worthiness to be credited for anything we see fit to buy, and our checks are as good as gold. With a keen desire to go on in this good way, it is our fond hope that Graceland may continue to grow in dimensions and influence until she shall come to be recognized universally as not only one among many worthy institutions, not only as one among a few leading institutions, but a leader among the many institutions of the country, and thus contribute to the grand realization of the hope held out by the words of the Master to his people: "I give unto you to be the light of the world."

J. A. GUNSOLLEY,

Business Manager and Treasurer.

LAMONI, IOWA, February 28, 1920.

PRESIDING BISHOP

In submitting this report it is assumed that bare figures as to the financial condition of the church are not all that is desired. Besides the making of certain deductions from the receipts and disbursements so as to show the present trend, the work performed during the past year is set forth at some length, and an outline of method to be employed in the future to discharge the various obligations imposed is given:

The subjoined summarized report covers only the period from January 1, 1919, to June 30, 1919, inclusive. This was occasioned by the action of the 1919 General Conference changing the last day of the fiscal year from December 31, to June 30.

The following is a statement of receipts and expenditures for the calendar year 1919 compared with the years—1918 and 1914:

RECEIPTS			
	1914	1918	1919
Tithes and offerings	\$170,048.58	\$425,941.33	\$464,266.11
Special offerings	22,023.42	41,885.53	32,811.71
S. S. Christmas offerings	9,947.73	71,564.29	78,639.94
EXPENDITURES FROM GENERAL FUND			
	1914	1918	1919
Elders' families	\$111,705.50	\$168,679.11	\$206,383.61
Elders' expenses	23,017.43	43,163.74	44,600.20
General administration (including Presidency, Bishops, and other Office expense, etc.)	9,166.71	16,997.99	28,508.82
General expense	1,711.33	3,204.73	4,850.05
Graceland College	4,128.66	20,214.67	23,864.75
Homes for the aged	7,181.14	13,222.20	20,967.19
Children's Home	5.00	5,260.00	8,415.50
Sanitarium	2,504.69	607.00	8,735.80
Aid to poor and needy	29,098.84	26,025.51	25,402.43

These figures reveal an increase of tithes and offerings in 1919 of eight and nine tenths (8.9) per cent over 1918, and one hundred and seventy three (173.0) per cent over 1914.

An increase of Christmas offering in 1919 of nine and nine tenths (9.9) per cent over 1918, and six hundred and ninety and five tenths (690.5) per cent over 1914.

During the six-year period, 1914 to 1919, there have been only slight changes in the number of missionaries and general church officers. A comparison of the total amount expended in 1919 and 1914 shows, however, an average increase, viz:

For elders' families in 1919 of 84.7 per cent over 1914.

For elders' expenses in 1919 of 93.7 per cent over 1914.

For general administration in 1919 of 211.0 per cent over 1914.

For general expense in 1919 of 183.4 per cent over 1914.

For Graceland College in 1919 of 478.0 per cent over 1914.

For Homes for the aged in 1919 of 19.9 per cent over 1914.

For the Sanitarium in 1919 of 248.7 per cent over 1914.

On the other hand, the amount paid for aid to the poor and

needy in 1919 shows a decrease of 12.7 per cent over 1914.

These figures would seem to indicate that while the members have responded very generously to the call to observe the temporal law, thus making possible the payment of the general church debt of \$270,000 in less than three years, the increased operating cost incident to all business enterprises, (and the church is no exception in this regard) has prevented a large increase of the present worth.

The working out of the new bookkeeping system installed a year ago—complicated to some extent by change of fiscal year—the new elders' monthly financial reports, adaptation to overcome high foreign exchange rates, have increased the work of the office, and required the services of additional office help unacquainted with this class of work, and made necessary an extra effort to bring our books up to date. These difficulties were not lessened by the influenza epidemic. Office assistants and representatives in several districts upon whom we are dependent for the success of the work, and whose hearty cooperation we cheerfully acknowledge, were not free from attack.

The experiences of the year have shown wherein system may be improved by making it more simple in operation and comprehensive in report; and toward this end we are working.

In organizing the work of the office to meet the increasing demands for service, we are constantly confronted with the lack of adequate office quarters. We have not felt warranted, however, in proceeding with the erection of an office building as authorized by action of former General Conferences owing to what we considered were more pressing demands. Need of the space in the general office building was one of the reasons for placing several hundred volumes from the Presidency's, and Bishop's library in the Library Building adjoining the Stone Church. This question of a new office building must, nevertheless, have early consideration if the work of the several departments of the church work is to be efficiently performed.

During the year, under the able supervision of Brother R. T. Cooper, the compilation of the church real estate records have been practically completed. To be of value this must be kept up to date—and this is being done.

REPORT ON CHURCH BUILDINGS AND REAL ESTATE AS OF JUNE 30, 1919.

There has been no material change in the church property valuation since the report to the Conference in April, 1919.

A large amount of work is under way, checking up the old

disorganized and abandoned churches throughout the country. A number of buildings are projected and in prospect which will enter into the report for 1921, and by that time the church register will be completed and an accurate statement of the value of all the church property throughout the world can be rendered.

A large amount of work is still needed and in course of completion to properly vest the titles to the church properties. The work is steadily progressing, and when finished the existing defects will be cured and the titles so vested that the title to all the churches will automatically pass from one Presiding Bishop to his successor in a perpetual trusteeship; excepting, of course, the titles which are vested in the corporate name of the church.

The following has been compiled from data in hand:

Valuations

			Land	Buildings	Equip- ment	Debts
Australla	34	9	\$ 4,610.	\$ 12,260.	\$	\$ 3,790.
British Isles	39	11	2,805.	6,025.	1,459.	4,980.
Canada	100	57	61,510.	114,220.	895.	7,649.
New Zealand	1	0	No reports in.			
United States	770	442	237,528.17	\$16,239.75	15,207.	49,022.71
Sandwich Islands	2	2	1,150.	11,849.50		3,455.
Society Islands	21	2	620.95			
	967	523	\$358,224.12	\$960,594.25	\$17,561.	\$68,986.71
No property	268		Buildings, total value....		\$ 960,594.25	
Not reporting	176		Lands, total value.....		358,224.12	
	967		Total assets reported.....		\$1,336,379.37	
			Total incumbrances re- ported.....		68,986.71	
					\$1,267,482.66	

Note: First column, number of branches; second, owning property.

The matter of the church carrying insurance on its buildings referred to the Bishopric by the General Conference has been given consideration, but the details have not been fully worked out.

The needs of the Homes for the aged, and Children's Homes, have been looked after by Bishop M. H. Siegfried as general superintendent of these institutions. His report, and the report of the Children's Home Trustees, included herewith set forth not only the cost of carrying on this part of the work; but calls attention to future needs, and should receive the thoughtful examination of all.

GRACELAND

The report of the Graceland College trustees mentions new college buildings now in course of construction. This work

was approved by the Presiding Bishopric pursuant to resolution of the 1919 General Conference. The funds to complete this work are available.

The other building needs of the college are apparent, and if the funds can be raised for the purpose without injury to other equally important demands, they should be authorized.

SANITARIUM

The Sanitarium report shows a deficit in operation. This has been supplied from general church funds. While an annual deficit is to be expected, the measure of service furnished by this worthy institution will continue to be limited until additional buildings and equipment are secured. These should be furnished as soon as the funds can be spared for this purpose. Many times during the past year we have been unable to help the physically and mentally afflicted for want of proper facilities. The Sanitarium needs, as set forth in the report of the Board of Trustees, are urgent.

The Sunday school Christmas offering reached the sum of approximately \$98,000. As recommended by the Order of Bishops, in addition to the 583 acres of land purchased last year, the Christmas offering has been invested in 649 acres of as good land as there is in Jackson County. In one plot are 848 acres, and 384 acres are in another. The total cost has been \$215,550, averaging \$175 per acre.

Deducting the mortgages on the land amounting to \$85,400, leaves a cash investment of \$130,150. \$98,000 has been supplied by the Christmas offering, \$29,828.50 by special consecrations for the land fund, and \$2,321.50 from general funds.

All of this land at the present time, except a few acres of woodland, is under cultivation.

Leases of tracts of various sizes have been executed for one year, pending the determination of a definite policy of operation, having in view the creation of stewardships and inheritances.

The Independence and Lamoni Storehouses report a very satisfactory year's business. Uncertain business conditions have suggested caution in expansion. However, plans are under consideration at the present time looking to the supplying of a wider field of service.

The Lamoni Laundry, now conducted on a stewardship basis by Brother R. J. Wildey, (Brother Stoff having entered the general ministry) has had to overcome many obstacles. However, it seems to be upon a solid basis and an assured success.

During the year the members of the Presiding Bishopric have visited a number of branches, and attended conferences

and reunions as occasion required and opportunity afforded; the detail of the office in our absence being cared for by Brother Vernon A. Reese, and other competent office assistants.

The increasing volume of work of the Bishopric, "to do the business of the church," in administering all temporal things, is reflected to some extent by the total amount of receipts for 1919 of \$582,846.46 as compared with 1915, of \$244,953.58.

Another index is the number of letters received and answered: During the first two months of 1920, or in fifty business days, there were received exclusive of regular financial reports of elders, Bishop's agents, and bishops, circulars, papers, packages, etc., 3,404 letters requiring answer.

During the same period there were mailed 4,437 first-class letters, and 304 second-class and parcel post packages.

Increase of present worth and increase of membership of the church, particularly in the stakes, require additional service from this department. In order to discharge these obligations imposed, it is essential that the work of the office of the Presiding Bishopric be departmentized so that:

First. The membership of the church may be made more fully acquainted with the law regarding temporalities. The missionary force may be furnished information upon this subject for the seeker after the truth; and

That the general public may be correctly informed relative to the economic program of the church.

Second. Contributions may be received and properly credited.

Third. Funds and properties be carefully invested and used.

Fourth. Expenditures be wisely made.

Fifth. The "gathering" be not in haste . . . that all things be prepared.

The First means not only preaching by the Bishop and elders, but the preparation of necessary literature for distribution.

The Second means not only a bookkeeping system, but an accounting department, under the supervision of an expert accountant and efficiency engineer—one who is looking after leaks and breaks and weakness in the system, and devising ways and means to simplify the work, oversee issuance of letters of instruction to Bishops and Bishop's agents regarding bookkeeping, and to carry into effect the detail of financial measures adopted. The services of a brother qualified for this work have already been engaged.

The Third and Fourth mean:

(a) A department to manage church property—to buy, sell, rent, and improve real estate—collect rents, interest secured

by real estate—and furnish appraisals for application for loans, etc. This department is now fairly well developed under the management of Brother R. T. Cooper.

(b) A department where application for relief may be referred, properly investigated, assigned to the agency to supply the need, followed up, and a record of each case kept so it may be determined whether or not the applicant is, or is not, an idler.

This would mean, in a given case, one or more of the following conclusions:

Financial assistance to be temporarily supplied.

A regular periodical stipend allowed.

A loan made, (secured or unsecured).

Employment provided.

Stewardship assigned.

Educational advantages furnished.

Admittance to Children's or Old Folks' Homes.

Admittance to Sanitarium.

Help of medical attendant or social worker; or possibly—
A sermonet.

A denial of request.

Reference to church or civil authorities.

This work is peculiarly the duty of the Bishopric, and has, and is being provided for; but in order that each case receive continued proper attention it must be systematized and such agencies used as are essential to gain the desired results. We have spoken to, and are hopeful of enlisting the services of a brother who is specially qualified to assist us in this work.

Under this heading we might properly mention the fact that improper form and execution of last wills and testaments, wherein the church has been made a beneficiary, have in a number of instances during the past year given rise to the claims of the church being contested by disappointed relatives.

Wherever an appeal to the courts of the land could be honorably avoided, claims have been settled out of court; but where such settlement would seem to be manifestly contrary to the testator's will, or would compromise the church, legal counsel has been employed. A question of this kind means an expenditure of thought, time, and money; and can by anticipation in the majority of cases be avoided.

Members desiring to make a bequest to the church can be more certain of having their wishes carried out if they would consult a member of the Bishopric prior to making their will.

While we sense the importance of the gathering, past history, as well as present experiences constrain us to em-

phasize the statement: "Let your gathering not be in haste. . . . Have *all* things prepared."

No strange occult force will operate in a twinkling of an eye to transform present human hearts and minds, and social and industrial organizations into a condition where the Saints will be of one heart and one mind and dwell in righteousness with no poor among them. It can only be accomplished by operation of the principles of the law of the celestial kingdom. It is hoped that the Saints will not become impatient by seeming delays. The Bishopric are not unmindful of the situation. The problem is not only daily; but hourly, constantly, before them. Precipitate action only brings confusion. "God will hasten his work in its time."

Then let the forces of God in his way do the hastening and let us not try to resort to human power and human methods to secure divine results.

We feel encouraged by the spirit of consecration manifested throughout the church, and press forward with you to the mark for the prize of the high calling in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN R. MCGUIRE.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, Box 256. *Presiding Bishop.*

Summary of Assets and Liabilities of the Reorganized Church
of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints

On June 30, 1919

Presiding Bishop's Office

Assets

Cash in hands of bishops and agents	\$38,061.14
Cash on hand June 30, 1919	10,801.18
Cash—time deposits	40,300.00
Accounts receivable	69,208.85
Bills receivable	142,176.49
Furniture and fixtures, general office	8,168.45
Furniture and fixtures, Kirtland Hotel	725.21
Furniture and fixtures, district autos	323.53
Furniture and fixtures, Kirtland District	99.00
Library, Presidency's office	1,382.49
Library, Presiding Bishop's office	1,970.00
Library, General, (Lamoni)	1,693.14
Library, Historian's office	827.05

Homes

Children's Home, real estate and fixtures	17,226.32
Holden Home, real estate and fixtures	19,429.34
Saints' and Liberty Homes, real estate and fixtures	59,650.00

Stake Assets

Kansas City.....	2,264.99
Holden	1,081.25
Far West	927.30
Lamoni	12,723.92
Independence ..	4,126.51
Real estate being sold on contract	26,401.95
Real estate	266,930.93
Sanitarium, due church open account	8,310.50
Bonds, etc.	21,765.57

Independence Sanitarium

Real estate, buildings and fixtures	67,076.31
Accounts and bills receivable	9,131.83
Miscellaneous	5,272.01

Graceland College

Cash on hand June 30, 1919.....	231.96
Accounts and bills receivable	8,562.02
Real estate, farm, buildings, and equipment	78,217.24
Miscellaneous	4,455.18

Herald and Ensign

Cash June 30, 1919	4,354.63
Real estate and fixtures	83,416.62
Merchandise and supplies	42,963.48
Bonds	600.00
Accounts and bills receivable	44,326.99

Houses of worship 1,267,482.66

Total \$2,372,666.04

Contra

Presiding Bishop's Office; Funds for Special Purposes.

Land fund	8,296.01
Temple fund	6,432.53
General Assembly Hall fund	50.00
Book of Mormon Translation fund	5.51
Herald Office depreciation fund	21,084.37

Total contra 35,868.42

Liabilities

Presiding Bishop's Office, funds of members (voluntarily placed with this office subject to call)	67,715.45
Graceland College, bills and accounts payable	1,839.44

Presiding Bishop, from general fund	5,163.92
Herald and Ensign Publishing Houses, bills and accounts payable	25,685.83
Sanitarium, bills and accounts payable	11,140.81
Total liabilities	\$ 106,381.53
Present worth, June 30, 1919	2,230,416.09
Total	\$2,372,666.04
Liabilities last report	\$ 159,636.19
Liabilities present report	106,381.53
Reduction in liabilities	\$ 53,304.66
Present worth this report	\$2,230,416.09
Present worth last report	2,140,132.46
Increase for 6 months in present worth	\$ 90,283.63
Receipts by Presiding Bishop January 1, 1919 to June 30, 1919	
Cash on hand January 1, 1919	\$ 25,950.56
Aid returned	549.88
Armenian relief fund	176.15
Bishop and agents, Received from	102,872.12
Bishop's office expense returned	193.85
Check exchange	2,388.28
Children's Home	490.54
Christmas offering	69,216.31
Church buildings	915.50
Consecrations	7,798.37
Elder's expense returned	322.60
Graceland College	161.00
Holden Home running account	165.69
Holden Stake—auto sale	185.00
Interest	2,454.35
Land fund	8,006.01
Liberty Bonds	2,301.09
Loss and gain	350.40
Offerings	3,188.18
Real estate	11,949.23
Real estate contracts	5,389.28
Saints' and Liberty Homes	132.98
Sanitarium	158.00
Miscellaneous	168.17
Tithing	33,452.02
Temple Fund	785.38
Accounts	25,648.03
Bills payable	2,472.83

Bills receivable	27,954.65
	<u>\$335,801.95</u>

Expenditures by Presiding Bishop January 1, 1919 to June
30, 1919

Aid	\$ 4,288.74
Armenian relief	34.76
Architect office expense	385.86
Auditor office expense	600.66
Bishops and agents paid by this office	9,035.73
Bishop's office expense	5,588.44
Check exchange	2,388.28
Children's Home	5,007.88
Church buildings	1,838.13
Consecrations	163.92
Elders' expense	60,458.77
Furniture and fixtures	1,191.81
President's office expense	3,211.64
Graceland College	14,564.75
General office expense	507.43
General expense	3,777.00
Holden Home running account	2,394.31
Historian office expense	653.60
Interest	2,329.92
Jerusalem Mission	377.00
Kirtland Temple	605.46
Liberty Bond account	15,262.11
Library President's office	352.50
Patriarch office	119.23
Miscellaneous	1,084.32
Real estate	19,018.33
Real estate contracts	7,538.93
Recorder's office expense	1,045.81
Saints' and Liberty Homes	8,631.93
Sanitarium	5,590.36
Surplus tithing	8,000.00
Time deposit account	40,300.00
Tracts account	181.10
Woman's Auxiliary	238.07
Accounts	23,838.96
Bills payable	35,376.57
Bills receivable	39,048.46
Cash on hand	10,771.18
	<u>\$335,801.95</u>

Accounts with Local Bishops and Agents
for 6 months ending June 30, 1919

Balance due church last report	\$ 53,471.97
Received from Presiding Bishop	9,035.73
Received from other agents	
Received from tithes, offerings, consec., etc.	159,348.84
Received from miscellaneous	18,239.54
Total	\$240,096.08

Expenditures

Due agent January 1, 1919	\$ 2.29
Paid to Presiding Bishop	102,872.12
Paid to elders' families	47,028.85
Paid to elders' expenses	9,136.73
Paid to aid of poor and needy	9,198.64
Paid to other agents	
Paid to miscellaneous	33,796.31
In hands of local bishops and agents June 30, 1919	38,061.14
Total	\$240,096.08

Holden Home

January 1 to June 30, 1919

Receipts

Balance on hand—received from matron	\$ 66.69
Board paid by inmates	256.40
Produce, milk and eggs sold	205.71
Miscellaneous	3.51
Accounts payable	81.85
From general fund by Presiding Bishop	2,228.62
Total	\$2,842.78

Disbursements

Labor	\$ 402.73
Groceries, meat, etc.	1,491.31
Miscellaneous supplies	74.93
Hardware and repairs	225.47
Light, water, and telephone	47.70
Paid inmates	7.00
Medical services and drugs	97.40
Miscellaneous expense	43.01
Hay and feed	43.95
Coal	336.68
Balance on hand (stake bishop's office)	50.45

Account payable 22.15

\$2,842.78

Report of Saints' and Liberty Homes
Lamoni, Iowa.

Receipts and Disbursements by Local Treasurer and Presiding Bishop from January 1, 1919, to July 1, 1919

Receipts

Cash on hand January 1, 1919	\$ 87.23
Bills receivable	15.00
Board	824.89
Farm products	526.39
Freight and express, rebate	30.11
Fuel	34.00
Funeral expense	5.00
Improvements and farm furnishings	74.99
Interest	7.00
Labor	35.98
Live stock	2,929.55
Miscellaneous	11.27
Offerings made direct to home	33.75
Offerings made through Presiding Bishop	144.98
Presiding Bishop from general fund	5,163.92
Total	\$9,924.06

Disbursements

Bills payable	\$1,110.00
Electricity and telephone	184.71
Expense, auto	50.56
Expense, personal and traveling	57.45
Farm products	1,468.95
Freight and express	129.62
Fuel	723.06
Funeral expense	146.22
Groceries and provisions	972.58
Improvements and farm furnishings	1,698.29
Interest	24.10
Labor	2,008.05
Live stock	352.85
Miscellaneous	150.76
Office supplies	2.97
Personal accounts	19.20
Cash on hand June 30, 1919, local treasury	824.69
Total	\$9,924.06

Report of Children's Home

Receipts and Expenditures by Local Treasurer and Presiding Bishop from January 1, 1919, to June 30, 1919

Receipts

Cash on hand January 1, 1919	\$ 524.80
Bills payable	400.00
Board	404.75
Donations	550.33
Farm products	51.30
Groceries and provisions	24.00
Live stock	54.45
Miscellaneous	8.81
Presiding Bishop from general church funds	4,431.70
Donations paid through Presiding Bishop's office....	576.18
School supplies	14.73
Traveling expense	13.19
Total	\$7,054.24

Disbursements

Bills payable	1,600.00
Electricity and water	130.00
Farm products	350.33
Freight and express	11.21
Fuel	250.53
Groceries and provisions	2,014.17
Improvements and farm furnishings	675.95
Labor	1,005.37
Live stock	3.00
Medical service and drugs	27.45
Miscellaneous	90.80
Office supplies	23.53
Repairs	37.65
School tuition and supplies	485.43
Traveling expense	18.01
Cash on hand June 30, 1919	330.77
Total	\$7,054.24

SAINTS' HOMES

To the General Conference: The Homes for the aged at Lamoni and Holden have been occupied during 1919 to their capacity practically all of the time. Many applications are received which have not yet been favorably acted upon. Those

in charge have been compelled to use their discretion in admitting applicants and to take into consideration the urgency of the cases and the ability of relatives to care for some of those who applied.

2. In the Homes at Lamoni, five deaths occurred during the year; two have been removed to find homes elsewhere and there were in the Homes December 31, twenty men and thirty women. The Lamoni Stake Bishopric has had much to do with the direct supervision of the Homes in Lamoni.

3. During the year an effort has been made to separate the working of the farm from the Homes proper so that we may hereafter know how much is being earned by the farm and turned in for the care of the aged. The general farm supervision has been under the direction of Brother Floyd T. Lesh. Sister Alice P. Dancer has continued to act as Matron of the Saints' Home and Sister Joseph T. Williams at Liberty Home. The Home at Holden was matroned by Sister Almira Rhonemous until some time in July when she resigned. Sister Edith Carr from Elk Mills, Maryland, has since then been acting as Matron. She has proven herself efficient in her new line of work. Brother Isaac M. Ross of the Holden Stake Bishopric has rendered much assistance in caring for the needs of the Home. The last few months of the year there was considerable sickness in the Home, during which time Sister Ross also gave very much assistance in looking after the interests of the afflicted. During the latter part of the year Sister Rosa Tier of London, Ontario, was employed as nurse to care for the afflicted in this Home. She has been an efficient helper.

4. In times past the accounts of this Home have been kept in the Presiding Bishop's office but during the month of May a system of books was installed at the Home. Hereafter the same sort of financial report that comes from the Homes at Lamoni will be forthcoming from the Holden Home.

5. Budgets for these Homes are submitted as follows:

SAINTS' AND LIBERTY HOMES

ESTIMATED NEEDS

Fiscal year 1920-21.

	1st. 6 Months	2d. 6 Months	Expended in 1919	Budget 1920
Buildings	\$194.62	\$ 100.37	\$ 294.99	\$ 500.00
Improvements Enlargements				
Foods				
Groceries	972.58	1,098.05	2,070.63	2,300.00

Fruits and vegetables		1,309.32	1,309.32	1,800.00
Meat, fish and poultry		247.45	247.45	500.00
Milk		554.49	554.49	1,200.00
Eggs		148.42	148.42	300.00
Butter		44.33	44.33	100.00
Furniture and equipment		460.12	460.12	600.00
Light and Ice		189.12	189.12	400.00
Fuel	689.06	451.19	1,140.25	1,600.00
Water (see letter)				100.00
Help	923.99	1,054.62	1,978.61	3,200.00
Office				
Salary	18.00	30.00	48.00	60.00
Supplies		30.56	30.56	50.00
Clothing	14.55	82.92	97.47	200.00
Drugs		4.89	4.89	10.00
Doctor	18.00	100.00	118.00	140.00
Insurance		265.48	265.48	275.00
Funeral	141.22	225.50	366.72	400.00
Interest		9.60	9.60	9.60
Miscellaneous	270.77	595.39	866.16	900.00
			<u>\$10,244.60</u>	<u>\$13,644.60</u>

SAINTS' AND LIBERTY HOMES

Estimated Receipts

Board	\$1,602.00
Donations	601.00
Received in 1919	2,203.00
Deficit	11,441.60
	<u>\$13,644.60</u>

SAINTS' HOME FARM NO. 1

Estimated Needs

Buildings:	
Repairs	\$ 150.00
Improvements	300.00
New Buildings	8,000.00
Fencing	150.00
Help:	
Manager	1,050.00
Farm Hands:	
Regular and	2,280.00
Miscellaneous	275.00

Equipment:	
New machinery	200.00
Upkeep of implements	125.00
Feed:	
Cows	1,200.00
Hogs	240.00
Chickens	150.00
Miscellaneous:	
Lime and fertilizer	500.00
Fuel and oil for tractor	240.00
Orchard spray	120.00
	\$14,980.00

Estimated Income

Chickens	\$ 850.00
Orchard	320.00
Cows	280.00
Milk	4,880.00
Hogs	1,200.00
Horses	200.00
	\$7,730.00

HOLDEN HOME
Estimated Needs

Buildings:	
Repairs	\$ 100.00
Improvements—enlargements or additions	1,200.00
Food:	
Groceries and fruit	3,000.00
Meats	300.00
Milk and butter	1,116.00
Eggs	250.00
Flour	500.00
Potatoes	300.00
Furniture	200.00
Lights	130.00
Water	85.00
Fuel	680.00
Salaries:	
Office	144.00
Matron	480.00
Nurse	800.00
Cooks and house help	1,000.00
Garden and yard help	500.00
Feed for	
Cows	450.00

Horses and hogs	150.00
Chickens	100.00
Deficit	12,777.96
	<hr/>
	\$14,277.96
Equipment	200.00
Clothing	100.00
Drugs	100.00
Doctor services	200.00
Miscellaneous	150.00
Sewer	1,000.00
Sundries	250.00
	<hr/>
	\$13,485.00
Estimated Income	
Garden products	\$ 300.00
Chickens	150.00
Cows	675.00
Board from inmates	684.00
	<hr/>
	1,809.00
	1,809.00
Deficit	11,676.00
	<hr/>
	\$13,485.00

Respectfully submitted,

MARK H. SIEGFRIED.

CHILDREN'S HOME

Herewith is submitted report for the six months ending June 30, 1919.

Under the continued supervision of Brother and Sister A. M. Chase the Home has cared for forty children during this half year. Only one child was received and five were sent out, two of the latter having been returned to friends and three placed in homes.

During this period the Home has not been under quarantine, though the mumps spread to nearly all the children present, notwithstanding great care to keep the patients isolated in certain rooms. Such experiences as this, with quarantine at various other times, have emphasized the need of hospital accommodations with a nurse in attendance.

We have received numerous applications for admission to the Home of children of immoral tendencies or positive delinquency, and from such attempts as have been made to

care for these children we are prepared to say that such association are demoralizing to the Home and should not be tolerated. This means then, that unless such delinquents are to be turned out to the world without gospel influence the church must provide a place where they may be suitably cared for.

The members of the Board of Trustees whose terms expire at this conference of 1920 are Bishop A. Carmichael and Mrs. L. L. Resseguie. Respectfully submitted,

CALLIE B. STEBBINS,

Secretary Board of Trustees.

Following is copy of the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 1920 to June 30, 1921.

	ESTIMATED NEEDS			
	1st. 6 Months	2d. 6 Months	Expended in 1919	Budget 1920
Buildings:				
Repairs	\$ 184.69	\$ 270.66	\$ 455.35	\$ 500.00
Improvements	30.01		30.01	2,500.00
Enlargements				
Food:				
Groceries	1990.17	995.73	2,985.90	3,000.00
Fruits and vegetables		565.81		800.00
Meat, fish and poultry		97.47		200.00
Milk		206.95		500.00
Eggs		24.29		100.00
Butter		94.99		200.00
Furniture and equipment	41.25	192.14	233.39	250.00
Light and ice	117.54	184.35	301.89	325.00
Fuel	250.53	164.24	414.74	450.00
Water	25.00	25.00	50.00	50.00
Help:				
Superintendent and Matron	240.00	240.00	480.00	480.00
House help	239.00	500.79	739.79	1,800.00
Office:				
Supplies	23.53	23.60	47.13	70.00
Bookkeeper	14.00	15.00	29.00	60.00
Traveling	4.82	32.88	37.70	50.00
Clothing		466.97	Est. 900.00	1,100.00
Drugs	21.95	50.10	72.05	100.00
Doctor and dentist	5.50	131.55	137.05	150.00

Insurance		219.60	219.60	60.00
Funeral				50.00
Interest				
Special taxes		12.96	12.96	12.96
School supplies and tuition	470.00	70.17	540.87	540.00
Miscellaneous	79.79	669.07	748.86	1,200.00
			\$ 8,435.96	\$14,277.96

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS

Board	\$ 600.00
Donations	900.00
	1,500.00

SANITARIUM

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI.

To the Presidency and General Conference: The board which was sustained at the last conference continued during the period covered in the report submitted, viz, January 1 to June 30, 1919. The organization which was in vogue at the beginning of the year remained during the six months covered.

During the month of June the regular annual graduation exercises were held in the Stone Church and six young ladies received their diplomas. They have since been registered in the State of Missouri.

Following is a brief statistical statement:

Number of patients remaining in Sanitarium January 1, 1919.....	19
Number admitted from January 1 to June 30, 1919..	293
Total number of patients during 6 months.....	312
Number of out-patients during 6 months period.....	73
Number of days treatment of patients.....	4714
Daily average number of patients in Sanitarium....	26 plus
Average length treatment of each patient.....	14 plus
Number of Latter Day Saints.....	124
Number of nonmembers.....	208
Number of minor operations.....	71
Number of major operations.....	70
Number of deaths during the 6 months period.....	21
Number of Latter Day Saint Doctors.....	8
Number of nonmembers doctors.....	26
Remaining in Sanitarium at the end of 6 months....	20
Cost of maintenance per patient per day.....	\$2.85
Number of patients discharged.....	271
Death rate for 6 months $7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent of all patients admitted.	

LOSS AND GAIN ACCOUNT

Credits

Donations	\$1,251.95
Discount on Merchandise	126.33
Drugs	167.26
Laboratory	378.82
Operating room	1,028.94
X-Ray	695.49
O. B. room	75.00
Rooms private	7,456.34
Ward	4,457.64
Nursery	159.62
Special nursing (pupil nurses).....	976.97
Nurses books	36.07
Net Loss for 6 months	\$2,491.62

 \$19,302.05

Debits

Administration office expense	330.64
Salaries	2,508.50
Sundries	602.01
Annex expense	15.75
Fuel	1,157.46
Gas	378.86
Ice	136.52
Insurance	108.38
Interest	60.47
Laundry, help and material	1,222.27
Light	122.50
Live stock	323.45
Nurses' salary and equipment	1,786.09
Nurses lodging	1,786.09
Repair A. C.	1,066.46
Special rates	
Bishop	\$1,686.26
Doctors	239.00
Helpful relief	17.22
Nurses	377.28
Alumni	126.23
Laboratory	27.00
Sanitarium help	88.85
	2,561.84
Stewards Department	
Groceries and meats	3,284.05
Dairy products	1,078.48
Labor	614.00
	4,976.53
Water	207.06

Charge to depreciation	1,104.06
Charged to profit and loss	144.47
	<u>\$19,302.05</u>

Following is a statement of assets and liabilities, and of loss and gain:

Assets	
Accounts receivable	\$8,832.24
Bills receivable	299.59
Building (less 1% depreciation 6 months \$478.11....)	47,332.63
Furniture and fixture (less 5% depreciation 6 months.)	521.15
	<u>9,902.07</u>
Insurance (Unexpired)	495.35
Live stock	345.10
Real estate	7,850.26
Supplies on hand	
Office	\$ 161.20
Drugs	2,428.67
Operating room	1,117.74
Groceries	604.13
Pupil nurses' books	29.82
	<u>4,431.56</u>
X-ray equipment (less 5 per cent depreciation 6 months)	\$104.80
	<u>1,991.35</u>
	<u>\$81,480.15</u>

Liabilities	
Bank overdraft	\$ 27.71
Accounts payable	1,305.10
Owing presiding Bishop	9,808.00
Present worth	
Present worth January 1	\$72,830.96
Loss for 6 months	2,491.62
	<u>70,339.34</u>
	<u>\$81,480.15</u>

We submit the following budget for the fiscal year 1920-21:

SANITARIUM
Estimated Needs

Buildings	
New	\$25,000.00
Repairs	800.00
Building maintenance	1,500.00
This includes painting, screening, window shades and hardware.	

Improvement of grounds	
Planting trees and shrubs	50.00
Administrative	
Manager's salary	1,200.00
Bookkeeper's salary	900.00
Office expense, telephones, postage, and stationery sundries	1,500.00
Freight and drayage	100.00
Dry goods	2,500.00
Lights (fixtures and current)	800.00
Water	500.00
Laundry	
Help	2,500.00
Supplies and power	550.00
Gas	800.00
School of nurses	
Salaries to pupils	2,000.00
Nurse home matron	540.00
Maintenance of nurses' home	400.00
Superintendent of nurses	1,320.00
Assistant superintendent of nurses	1,000.00
Night supervisor	900.00
Professional care of patients	1,800.00
Including syringes, bed pans, hot water bottles, rubber sheeting, hypo needles, etc.	
Discount to	
Doctors	200.00
Nurses	700.00
Alumnae	150.00
Helpful relief	100.00
Sanitarium help	100.00
Steward's department	
Help	1,800.00
Groceries, vegetables, and fruit	1,200.00
Meats	1,200.00
Butter and milk	1,500.00
Eggs	400.00
Ice	500.00
Fuel	2,500.00
Boiler room	
Salary	1,050.00
Repairs	200.00
Operating room	
Dressings	3,000.00
Equipment	2,000.00
Drugs	2,500.00

Interest	125.00
Insurance	600.00
O. B. Room	
Equipment	300.00
Nursery	250.00
X-ray	
Operator	1,200.00
Equipment, supplies, and electric current	700.00
Housekeeping	
Labor	1,800.00
Supplies	500.00
Feed for	
Cows	180.00
Hogs	150.00
Chickens	150.00
	\$78,315.00

Estimated Income

Rooms	
Private	16,000.00
Ward	12,000.00
O. B.	250.00
Operating	7,000.00
X-ray	4,500.00
Nursery	300.00
Drugs and dressings	3,600.00
Donations	800.00
Special nursing	1,000.00
Special meals, board, etc.	2,500.00
Live stock	
Cows	500.00
Hogs	700.00
Chickens	600.00
Electric fans	50.00
	\$49,800.00
Total	\$49,800.00
Deficit	\$28,551.00

We include the following statement herein from Miss Sarah M. Rogers, Superintendent of the Training Class, who is again connected with the Sanitarium:

"Number of nurses, March 1, 1919	25
"Number entered	8
"Number dismissed	1
"Number resigned	2
	2 physically unfit
"Number graduated	6
"Number at present	22

"The class work of the first part of the second semester was interrupted by the influenza.

"Number of subjects taught 26

"Number of class periods 163

"We feel indebted to those who so ably carried on this part of the work. Also our management who have so loyally cooperated with us.

"We feel that our school is on a progressive basis and each one endeavoring to do his part.

"We take this means of expressing our appreciation for the redecorating of the Nurses' Home which has added much to our comfort there."

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees held January 20, a set of resolutions was adopted as follows:

1. The board has believed for a number of years that a general constructive policy should be pursued. While being thoroughly imbued with this fact we are aware that to realize all of the ideals, will take time—perhaps years—because the development of the Sanitarium must not be to the detriment of other church institutions and interests. To the end that our desires may be realized we solicit the cooperation of the church physician. There are many problems which must be worked out. The accomplishment of the work of the Sanitarium will involve the expenditure of perhaps hundreds of thousands of dollars and we are fully aware of the fact that the church in order to grow surely must not grow too rapidly, and to build up our institutions at the expense of the missionary work of the church would be only to throw the entire work of the church into confusion. Much of the annual income of the church, we realize must be used for reaching out and expanding the church in order that the expansion of our institutions shall not bring upon us a financial responsibility which cannot be met. Whenever an expenditure of perhaps \$75,000 is made, provision must be made for an annual deficit of perhaps \$8,000 in running expenses.

2. As soon as proper arrangements can be made we believe buildings separate from the present unit should be erected for the care of other classes of patients, particularly tubercular and nervous cases.

3. We believe that during the year a separate building should be erected in which a new heating plant should be installed and that this building should be sufficiently large to accommodate the laundry and a refrigerating system, with a second story to be used for the housing of help. With this change, quite an additional space will be made available for Sanitarium purposes in the present building.

4. The present operating room equipment is inadequate, and because of this we have asked for \$2,000 for operating room equipment in our budget.

5. The board has long felt the need of a more thoroughly equipped clinical laboratory in connection with the Sanitarium. We believe this should be under the direction of a qualified technician. In connection with this we believe the drug room should receive more serious consideration, and the combination of the two may require the services of a doctor.

6. We are conscious that our predecessors did exceedingly well in choosing the location for the Sanitarium but we believe that a definite program for beautifying the grounds, the planting of shrubs and trees should be determined upon.

7. The keeping of records is indispensable in the work of a Sanitarium. It is the opinion of the Board that a complete record of all cases coming to the Sanitarium should be kept so that results may be followed up. In the working out of this problem the service of additional secretarial help may be found necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

MARK H. SIEGFRIED,
Secretary of the Board.

ORDER OF EVANGELISTS

To the First Presidency and General Conference: As the report for 1919 was too late for publication last year, we will report some of the important items with this report. Those under General Conference appointment have been very active during the year, and some of those laboring locally have done remarkably well.

2. Out of a total membership of twenty-five we have reports from twenty-two. Some of those who have been unable to do any work have reported the conditions which have prevented their laboring.

3. The reports show the following work done: sermons, 1,633; meetings in charge, 668; baptized, 37; confirmed, 94; ordained, 26; children blessed, 517; patriarchal blessings, 1,479; administered to the sick, 1,421; marriages solemnized; 22; official visits to members reported, 388, much of this work not having been reported. One brother writes that he visited 600 Saints in three months. One new opening has been made. Fourteen of the order are under General Conference appointment. Since last reporting two have been added to the order by ordination; i. e., R. Baldwin and G. W. Burt. We have lost three by death; Henry Kemp, J. W. Backus, and William Lewis; and Brother Jones of Australia by transgression; leaving our present number twenty-five.

4. There has been one gratifying feature of the reports of most of the men, that is, they have been blessed in their labors during this year and have rejoiced very much at the witness of the Spirit in their work. We believe they have accomplished much good in comforting and strengthening the Saints.

5. Ever praying for the success of the work and the final redemption of Zion, we are, yours in the hope of the gospel,

FREDERICK A. SMITH, *President.*

H. O. SMITH, *Secretary.*

LAMONI, IOWA, January 13, 1920.

ARCHITECT

To the First Presidency and General Conference: The office of church architect was created in January, 1919, and sanctioned by the following General Conference. The large amount of work in so many varied forms during the past year has proved the wisdom of such action. Constructions ranging anywhere from small remodelings, farm buildings, small and large churches, up to our new college development, have kept me busily occupied. There have been more than fifty inquiries received; for some, studies were made, while for others detailed drawings were necessary. As a result very little time has been left for intensive study on the several larger problems which we see before us.

2. From this brief experience as church architect, I realize that the work is already much involved, and from present indications will be much more so, and that there is urgent need for young men to prepare by intensive study in architecture and its allied fields, and be ready to consecrate of their time and talent to this part of the church work. In building up physical Zion there will be required master minds, trained in all of the arts and sciences.

3. In uniting such a corps of professional workers, we are not behind the world wherein the latest appeal is for inter-professional activities. In the church our professional services belong to the church and society—not as a charity but as a right. When there are enough who really care deeply and sincerely, we shall then have a true professionalism. Instead of the present competitive system where business, commerce and industry can hire or buy all knowledge, science and skill in order to make profits, we shall have created a system where science, knowledge and skill develop, direct and control business, commerce and industry as agents for the welfare of mankind. Then we shall materially aid in building Zion.

4. We look forward to the time when we can have uniformity in an ideal architecture, but due to the financial limitations of our building funds as well as our ideas and requirements varying from east to west, north to south, we shall find it a matter of time and education before satisfactory results are noticeable. Owing to these varying conditions and our cosmopolitan make-up nothing can be found more suitable for us than an adaptation of forms and motives universally recognized as useful, beautiful and true. The Colonial-Georgian period type furnishes the flexibility necessary for our purposes and should be doubly appreciated by us for being developed by a people foremost in their time in a struggle for religious freedom. This type is represented by the first permanent edifice built by our church—Kirtland Temple—which offers the best suggestions for us to follow.

Sincerely yours,

HENRY C. SMITH.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, February 17, 1920.

BIBLE NORMAL BOOK

To the First Presidency and General Conference: The committee on Bible Normal Book respectfully presents the following report:

2. Immediately after their appointment they were notified that a manuscript was in preparation, to be submitted for such a book. Through a variety of circumstances, and the restrictions made by the author, this manuscript was not read by them, but was returned to the author.

3. By the original action appointing the committee, the committee were to provide for the writing of the book, such textual matter to be submitted to the First Presidency for approval, and later to the Board of Publication for printing.

4. One basic objection of the author was that the work should be passed upon by one of the three quorums, First Presidency, Twelve, or Seventy. The committee, as high priests, he said, had no right to pass thereon. The committee suggested to the Conference of 1918 that the manuscript be referred to the First Presidency to determine its value, and that the question of the demand for such a book be referred to the Board of Publication. The committee has felt that all they could do in the meantime was to await the action of these two bodies. They do not consider, however, that the question of demand is to be determined by the demand for this particular manuscript alone; but rather what demand exists for a specially prepared Bible Normal Book.

5. We have been informed that the manuscript aforesaid

was returned by the Presidency to the author, and by him was placed in the hands of the General Superintendent of the Sunday School Department, Gomer R. Wells, and by Brother Wells turned over to the Board of Publication. We have not been advised either directly or indirectly as to the action of the Board of Publication, either with regard to this manuscript, or with regard to the demand existing for a Bible Normal Book.

6. Recently the General Sunday School executive council appointed an editor in chief for the Sunday school *Quarterlies*, and a consulting board. This work when put in order will cover from three to eighteen years of age, and still leaves a need for advanced work for adult classes. There are in existence a goodly number of works on pedagogy and child psychology, and the work of the teacher. But there still appears to exist a need for a suitable book on the Bible. Doubtless there will soon exist a need, not only for an elementary work, but also for one in Biblical research.

7. Under the latter head, the committee have considered a few lessons, but are informed that the author is unwilling to place these at the disposal of the Sunday School Department, though willing that they should be adopted as written, if so desired.

8. It seems to us that there is an increasing need for such a work in the Sunday School Department, also the department of normal work at Graceland College (an extension course) and possibly in the class in Religious Education at Graceland College.

9. But at present the matter rests with the Board of Publication, by such action to state whether in their judgment there exists a sufficient demand at this time to warrant the preparation of such a book. Respectfully submitted,

S. A. BURGESS,
F. M. MCDOWELL,
J. A. GUNSOLLEY.

LAMONI, IOWA, March 1, 1920.

TEACHER'S EDITION INSPIRED TRANSLATION

To the First Presidency and General Conference: Difficulty has beset your committee during the past year in attempting to forward the printing of the Teacher's Edition of the Inspired Translation.

2. As per our report of one year ago, the manuscript was finished and we have endeavored to have competent critics examine this manuscript, but up to date have succeeded only partially.

3. Brother I. M. Smith gave us the benefit of a brief examination of the manuscript and makes some good criticisms. Herewith we submit an excerpt from his report:

4. "I do not deem it necessary for me to report anything more. I noted a number of other mistakes, similar to those I have referred to, such as repeating texts in the same list of references and, once in a great while, a text which did not apply; but the work is remarkably free from errors of that kind; most of them are in repetitions; and it would be almost, if not altogether, impossible to escape that, where one man is doing the work alone. Hence, I think the work should be carefully gone over by two good men, men who are young enough for their minds to be active and alert and their memories good; but I do not think anyone should be authorized to make any changes in the manuscript, except the author, for it is a splendid work and should not be changed in any particular only by its author, that is, as long as he is able to make his own corrections. And that is why I recommend that those who go over it, go over it with Brother Lambert; he has given the matter months of hard study; and no man, after giving it only a very brief examination, as I have, is qualified to sit in judgment upon it. Some of the things to which I have called your attention in this report, might appear in altogether a different light if I could hear his explanation. I think the system of references which he has used is a good one; and I think, too, that he has done his work remarkably well; but no man could do such a work as that without making mistakes and allowing errors to creep in, unless he were divinely inspired all the time he was working at it."

5. Your committee is still trying to find the person or persons competent and willing properly to examine and if necessary revise this manuscript.

6. It would have been almost impossible to publish this work this last year even had we been able to have it examined, on account of the conditions prevailing in the printing market.

A. CARMICHAEL,

For the Board of Publication.

LAMONI, IOWA, February 16, 1920.

AUDITOR

To the First Presidency and General Conference: The reports submitted at this time by the different departments cover a period of only a part of a year—to June 30, 1919.—caused by the conference action changing the date for closing all books to that date.

This period can rightly be called a "reconstruction period" in our accounting departments and of necessity shows comparatively little of the improved methods and conditions which we have been endeavoring to bring about. We trust that the *full year* report from June 30, 1919, to June 30, 1920, will show the improvement clearly and be pleasing and gratifying to all.

I have given my entire time during the past year to my church work and I judge from the desires expressed and the kindly way in which they have received my suggestions, that the brethren in whose departments my work has entered, have heartily welcomed the changes made in most instances.

I have endeavored to keep the Presidency in full touch with my activities and have earnestly desired to discharge the trust imposed upon me in a way that would be acceptable to God and profitable to his work.

Praying that the peace and blessing of his Holy Spirit may be with and direct in all that is done, I remain sincerely,
Yours for service,

R. B. TROWBRIDGE,
General Church Auditor.

HISTORIAN

The chair stated that following the General Conference of 1919 the joint council took under advisement reorganization of the Historical Department and appointed Elder W. W. Smith historian, and Brother Heman Hale Smith assistant historian.

To the First Presidency and General Conference: The action of the post conference council of last June in reorganizing the historical department, assigned to me the task of Church Historian; and appointed as assistant in this office, Brother Heman Hale Smith. The work of the office has been done under great handicap, as much of my time has been necessarily devoted to the work of the Independence Stake presidency, which I have had to administer without counselors; also the presidency of the Independence Institute, with some eight hours of teaching each week. Brother Heman Hale Smith has carried the department of History in Graceland College, teaching sixteen hours per week.

The office work of the department has been carried on as best it could be with the office, records, books, and fixtures at Lamoni in charge of Brother Heman Hale Smith, while I have been located at Independence. We have been obliged to

carry on the work mostly by correspondence, leaving the editing of the *Journal of History* largely to Brother Heman Hale Smith; while we arranged for the work at frequent conferences, in either Lamoni or Independence, as occasion required.

In the year some seventy local historians have been appointed or sustained in former appointments. These have reported to the office the local history of their various branches, districts, or stakes, new methods and plans having been installed. The press of other work, and the fact that I have not been able to go over the matters in the historian's office, render it impractical to report a lengthy survey of the year's history, as has hitherto been done by the Historian. Much of this matter has been presented already in the *Journal of History*. I have supplied material for a chapter on the Latter Day Saints, in the forthcoming History of Jackson County, Missouri by William Z. Hickman; have also answered a voluminous correspondence relating to the history of the church.

In addition to the work already indicated, Brother Heman Hale Smith visited several reunions and other church gatherings, and delivered forty-one lectures, chiefly upon the subjects, "The League of Nations," "Democracy and the church," "The pioneer and the church," and "Industrial Zion." He has attended meetings of the Nebraska Stake Historical Society, American Economic Association, and American Historical Association. As assistant historian he carries membership in the following associations, American Historical Society; Iowa State Historical Society; Mississippi Valley Historical Association; American Economic Association; American Political Science Association; and American Association for Labor Legislation.

He has arranged to furnish historical matter relating to Mormonism to the Wisconsin State Historical Society and the Texas State Historical Society; and has also perfected arrangements with Doctor B. F. Shambaugh, Superintendent Iowa State Historical Society, for the writing of a volume entitled Mormonism in Iowa, to be published by the Iowa State Historical Society, as a companion volume to the one already issued, "Quakers in Iowa." This will be a valuable contribution on the history of the church in Iowa and elsewhere.

We desire to make the Historical Department of the greatest service to the church. We are anxious to preserve the current history, and present in the most available and useful form, the historical data already collected. We hope to be of service to the ministry, both local and missionary, in

their work, and to this end we recommend the following program of work as what we would like to do.

The consolidation of the office, and the removal of same with its library to Independence, Missouri.

That the connection of the Church Historian's office with the department of history in Graceland, if maintained, be supervisory only.

That more opportunity for research work, with regard to original sources of the latter-day work, be provided for.

That a historical society or association within the church be formed, with a view to stimulating the collection and preservation of historical data, and the circulation of the *Journal of History*.

That the historian's office be the custodian of all historical manuscripts of original nature, letters, rare volumes and papers of historical value.

That additional help be provided in the form of assistant historian; that a curator of the library and museum of historical materials be appointed.

That the manuscript of the fifth volume of Church History be completed and published in the next few months.

That a shorter history of the Latter Day Saints, a handy reference volume, of popular price, be published at the earliest convenience.

Very respectfully submitted,

WALTER W. SMITH,
Church Historian.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, March 15, 1920.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

To the First Presidency and General Conference: Your committee appointed to confer with the Church of Christ, begs leave to report progress. In the past year a number of joint sessions have been held with the Committee of the Church of Christ, in all of which a fine spirit of fellowship has been manifest.

For some months past this committee in joint session with the committee from the Church of Christ, have been making a searching comparison of the revelations of God to the church, as published in the Doctrine and Covenants (Kirtland, 1835, edition and subsequent editions); and the same as published in the *Evening and Morning Star*, published at Independence, Missouri, 1832-33, and reprinted at Kirtland; the Book of Commandments which was in process of publication when the Saints were expelled from Independence, 1833, manuscript copies of the revelations used by the printers of

the *Star* and Book of Commandments; the John Whitmer manuscript history; and other publications. This has proved very interesting, and we hope to have some valuable data to submit for publication in the near future.

Very respectfully submitted,

WALTER W. SMITH,
Secretary of Committee.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, March 15, 1920.

TREASURER OF LIBRARY COMMISSION

February 28, 1919 to February 28, 1920

RECEIPTS

Balance on hand last report	\$ 76.80
Received from General Sunday School Association.....	50.00
Received from General Religio Association	50.00
Total	\$176.80

DISBURSEMENTS

To S. A. Burgess, 10 volumes on History of the War	\$ 9.00
To Herald Publishing House, binding	13.50
To Estella Wight, services as librarian	52.00
To V. A. Reese, traveling expenses	2.57
	<hr/>
	77.07
Balance on hand	\$ 99.73

Respectfully,

JAMES F. KEIR.

MEMORIAL TO MARTYRS

To the General Conference: Since our last report on he work at Nauvoo in connection with the church properties there, the west one half of Block 155 has been acquired from President Frederick M. Smith for a consideration of \$500. This gives the church the full block on which the graves of the martyrs are located. During the year a substantial, attractive iron fence was placed around the graves not only of the martyrs but all others marked on this block.

During the early part of the year much grading in Block 156 was done under the direction of Brethren Lambert and Layton. It seems evident to the committee that some additional work will have to be done to protect the water front of this block as the bank is being constantly carried away.

Brother and Sister J. W. Layton have continued in charge

of the work there and they report an ever increasing number of visitors and tourists. We hope, through the publicity department, to work out a more liberal campaign for advertising during the present year.

Respectfully submitted

MARK H. SIEGFRIED,

For the committee.

SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

To the Presidency, Conference, and Convention: Until this year, I have been comparatively free from serious sickness during thirty years of church service. The day after last conference adjourned I was attacked with a middle ear trouble that lasted eight months and took me to the Sanitarium twice, the last time for a major operation in the mastoid process. I have been unable to push my office work as planned but am thankful to have come through as well as I am.

REVISION OF LESSONS

However, a piece of work of great importance to the church was started. The body had for a long time borne patiently with a tardy delivery of *Quarterlies*, but the last convention requested that lessons be delivered to the schools earlier. The executive council took steps to remedy this at our meeting in June, when my recommendations of several years began to take form: that a thorough revision of the course be accomplished. At our next meeting in September it was decided to commence work on a final revision of the cycle due for publication January, 1922. To provide for lessons between now and then, it was decided to clip all lessons for remainder of present cycle and hand them in without editing; and to employ one editor instead of five. This is being done and I am happy to report earlier delivery of lessons, those for April-June being mailed a month earlier than ever before. Those for third and following quarters will be ready six weeks before, enabling us to deliver them in Australia in time for use on date intended. This far-away mission has always been at least three months behind date.

The revision of lessons will be carried on by an editor-in-chief, Mrs. Christiana Salyards, and an expert consulting board composed of S. A. Burgess, F. M. McDowell, and Mrs. Eunice Winn Smith who act as lessons committee and revising committee. The preliminary work of revision began early in January. They fully realize what an important work it is also their responsibility, and are proceeding carefully. They consider that certain research work should first

be done, for which funds are being provided. The nature of this has already been published in the official church organ. This revision will take a year or more. It would be accomplished sooner if all concerned could give full time to the task. However, we expect they will turn over the best set of lessons to be had anywhere.

NEW QUARTERLIES NEEDED

Our revised lessons would be incomplete without an advanced senior or adult *Quarterly*. At present, those who finish the senior course must continue to review it or form classes in other lines of study such as, Church History, Doctrine and Covenants, Book of Mormon, economics, and sociology, and with no course or plan to give uniform direction to these studies throughout the church. The convention of last year gave the executive council power to act in this matter and the consulting board will be directed to give this their attention, in connection with the revised cycle.

There is such an urgent demand for a teachers' *Quarterly* that we recommend and urge this convention to authorize the same, to be printed as soon as practicable.

SUNDAY SCHOOL MANUAL

New officers are continually asking for helps and simple instruction in school management which increases correspondence and would be too bulky if mimeographed in circular form. Every school should have a small handbook for constant reference. We recommend that the preparation and publication of such a book be authorized and that the constitution and by-laws be a part of the contents.

TEACHER AND OFFICER TRAINING

Reports show that in many of our districts this phase of our development is not taken seriously, showing that much work is yet to be done to create a desire for proper preparation in order that we may more fully function as a "department of religious instruction." In no other way can we dignify this new definition of our work, and that means that we *must* train our workers. If the Master requires study and preparation on the part of his ministers is it any less needed by those who are to instruct the children of to-day who become the church of to-morrow? Shall the church be satisfied with less efficiency in those who do this work than is required of those who give secular instruction in the public schools? We think not. From now on, this office will press this question harder and we believe we can promise a more efficient staff of officers and teachers in the near future. Larger plans for the coming year are now in mind.

I regret that my second assistant, Brother A. L. Sanford to whom was given the boosting of this important work last year reports that it was impossible to do anything because his time was so fully taken up with his secular employment and the local church work in Independence Stake. About the time Graceland College was in a position to do its part, the director of the normal division was nearly killed in an auto accident and my own serious operation followed soon after. For three reasons this phase of our work has not been pushed this last year. However, the normal director, Lonzo Jones reports 200 active students enrolled who have done work and taken at least one examination since November 1, 1919. Up to February 14, 1920 there are 55 newly enrolled students who have not yet taken examinations, 212 examinations had been given and 40 certificates granted. He says there are hundreds of names in the old file who have dropped the work uncompleted. It is a part of our plan to try to get some of these to finish the course.

REVISING COMMITTEE

As the appointing of a revising committee for the year past was left to the executive, they appointed J. W. Wight, E. D. Moore, and D. F. Lambert, but the last named could serve but one quarter. Reporting for the committee, Brother Wight says they have completed revision of lessons up to June 30, 1920. Since the lessons to follow, up to December, 1921, have been revised several times, the executive dispensed with the further services of this committee; and have asked the new consulting board to be the revising committee for the new cycle of lessons beginning January, 1922. The former revising committee closes report with these words, which fully justify the decision of the executive council to revise the course: "Feeling that the lessons thus far have come short of being 'graded lessons' we trust the new method will bring the necessary relief and place the Sunday school in its rightful and contemplated place."

ORGANIZED CLASS WORK

In June, the executives of Religio and Sunday school appointed Mrs. Anna de Jong Smith of Saint Louis, Missouri, to be organized class superintendent. Her efforts have been seriously handicapped by the want of an instruction pamphlet. An excellent treatise had been prepared by her predecessor, T. W. Williams, and the manuscript given to printers in September, but unusual delays were experienced and we regret to say the new superintendent did not get this much

needed help in her hands until February—too late to produce the results for the year that were anticipated by her.

She reports having sent out three general letters totaling 2,502 to nearly every Sunday school in the church, urging class organization and pointing out its many advantages. She has written sixty-four personal letters in answer to inquiries, the percentage of which is small but there is every evidence of considerable interest in many schools that are following suggestions without reporting to her. She says, "there certainly is a very great need of continuing this effort and it is to be hoped it will get an early start this coming year. Feeling the need of carrying the classes just a little beyond the organization point, I have arranged a paper, 'After organization what?' to be supplied with every organized class pamphlet sent out. I have done what I could to promote this work and feel that had we not had so much difficulty in securing our pamphlet we would have made much greater progress. This hindrance was quite a blow to us because of being kept from making prompt responses to calls for help."

HISTORIAN

Miss Nellie M. Anderson our historian reports the recording of important events of the last year, and is gathering Sunday school history material and preparing it for general use when needed.

CHRISTMAS OFFERING

One of our hardest workers was A. W. Smith my first assistant. In addition to his business, the Christmas offering seemed sufficient to take all this spare time but when we were sick and found it difficult to get some one to push the winter institutes he consented to take that work too. His efforts in both directions were worth while. He writes:

The work in connection with this office has been rather strenuous throughout the past year. I have worked carefully in conjunction with the Presiding Bishop's office and they have given me every assistance necessary. There have been times when the stenographic help was not adequate and I had to do a great deal of work at home during the evening hours, but not as much as last year. I feel that the expense in connection with this particular effort has been fully warranted and believe that we should not hesitate to add a little more, that greater help might be given to the schools by way of suggested programs, rally days, and special days to be observed, simultaneously, by the majority of the schools. It would unquestionably result in increased interest, attendance, and membership. This means increased offerings.

Five hundred large and small clocks were printed, wrapped and mailed to schools. Was fortunate to secure help most of the time on this. I have stenciled, mimeographed, and mailed out to approximately 1,000 addresses eight different letters pertaining to the Christmas offering. At this date I do not know just what the total will be, but it will approximate \$100,000, hence I feel that the great amount of work was justified and has been very little as compared to results.

The result of the Christmas offering effort cannot be measured in dollars and cents only, for in every case where the schools have gone about their work carefully, systematically, and enthusiastically there has been an increase in attendance, interest, spirituality, and sociability. The little folks have worked with the older ones and wherever there was a spirit of contest all trivial matters were forgotten, the losing contestants always joining happily with the winning side.

While we have not reached the aim set for 1919 and are disappointed, we are not in any measure disheartened; for we feel that a jump in three years time from \$12,000 to approximately \$100,000 is indeed a splendid showing and the good schools who have accomplished this, can, with the help of those who have not thus far done their part, easily reach the \$150,000 mark in 1920, and why not? Hence, I feel greatly encouraged to believe that greater returns are in store for us this year. I have rejoiced on many occasions because of the splendid reports acknowledging a higher power helping in their efforts. Among these have been some of the greatest testimonies I have ever read or listened to.

THE WINTER INSTITUTES.—Since taking charge of this work, I have requested and received corrected outlines from all of the executives who were asked to furnish institute material with one exception, the gospel literature work. I have stenciled and run off about 250 outlines, and mailed a quantity to the Woman's Auxiliary and to various executives. The balance is being mailed out as fast as new teams are organized in the various districts.

Our plan has been to get each district church president, Sunday school superintendent, Religio president and Woman's Auxiliary organizer to confer and select a competent team to present the institute work in every branch where possible, and also hold a district session. Every local and district Sunday school superintendent, Religio president and church president has received a general letter telling of the institute work and urging cooperation and support. Have also written and had published three different articles about the work.

Thus far, I have supplied only twenty-five teams with institute outlines and I have not the assurance that every one of these will carry out the work planned. Some teams may have disorganized. It seems a sad condition when less than one third of the districts show sufficient interest to desire the outlines. Letters from a number of locals stated they sent in request to their district officers for institute sessions. I have noticed that in some of these cases, no response has come from the district.

In many answers from the various district officers they have manifested little or no interest, claiming they do not have any workers they can depend on for this work. I do not believe that such a condition exists. I am sure that we have workers in every one of the districts who are capable and willing to handle this work, if given opportunity and the cooperation of district officers. The outlines supplied are comprehensive and thorough and there is no reason why, with proper study and preparation, the matter could not be properly presented in every one of our districts. If the Religio and Sunday school are to advance and hold our young people, we are going to have to branch out in a more enthusiastic way into a broader field and give our young people a better understanding of the work.

There is both necessity and a demand for this work. I would recommend that the several executives take steps to increase the interest in this feature of the work and endeavor to secure competent help in getting it before the people. It should be started earlier. The one in charge needs to have the council of the various executives concerned in preparing the work and outlining a definite plan of procedure with definite program arrangements and closer cooperation between the departments concerned.

In a general way I have done what other work I could to keep up the interest of the Sunday school department and feel well satisfied that progress is being made throughout the church.

FINANCES

In the next two years it will require a larger expenditure of our funds in order to accomplish a thorough and creditable revision of our lessons, and design and make new cuts and maps which we hope to have ready for the new cycle that begins January 1, 1922. On March 1, 1920 our credit balance, at the Herald Office was \$806.83 less than reported below, June 30, 1919.

In harmony with the change made last conference, moving our fiscal year from January to July 1, our treasurer sub-

mits his report for the half year, from January 1, 1919 to June 30, 1919:

Receipts

Jan. 1, 1919 Balance on hand (cash)	\$ 1,078.32
Jan. 23, Western Colorado District	2.00
May 8, Herald Publishing House	1,000.00
May 8, Knox, Indiana disorganized Sunday school	1.20
June 2, Woman's Auxiliary for typewriter.....	30.00
	<hr/>
	\$ 2,111.52

Expenditures

Home department expense	\$ 37.61
Home department office help	25.00
Normal department	26.50
Library commission	50.00
Superintendent's salary	440.00
Superintendent's personal expense	95.00
Superintendent's office expense	75.00
Secretary (office)	5.00
Revising committee	30.00
Editing <i>Quarterlies</i>	495.00
Contingencies	64.39
	<hr/>
	\$ 1,843.50
Balance cash on hand	768.02
	<hr/>
	\$ 2,111.52

Journal Statement

Dr. Herald Publishing House, sale of <i>Quarterlies</i> , supplies, etc.	\$10,209.92
Cr. Herald Publishing House, publication of <i>Quarterlies</i> , supplies, etc.	\$ 4,156.21
Accounts receivable Herald Publishing House.....	6,053.71
	<hr/>
	\$10,209.92

Surplus Statement

Cash on hand	\$ 768.02
	6,053.71
	<hr/>
	\$ 6,821.73

Respectfully submitted,

MARK H. SIEGFRIED,

Treasurer.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, July 28, 1919.

CRADLE ROLL

Early in the year the head of this division, Mrs. H. B. Roberts, 1407 West Short Street, Independence, Missouri, became ill and had to go away to regain her strength. On this account Mrs. Alma Burroughs of Independence was appointed to take care of the work for the three months ending October 1 and still acts as assistant. Her capable and willing service is appreciated. Since taking up this work Mrs. Roberts' development as an officer has been very creditable. Summarized, her report for 1920 is as follows:

Out of 67 district superintendents 11 failed to report although written to five times. We have 12 one-hundred per cent districts, that is, all local cradle roll superintendents reported on time. They are: Victoria and New South Wales in Australia; West Virginia, Western Colorado, Northwestern Ohio, Saint Louis, Independence Stake, Pottawattamie, Northern California, Portland, Kentucky and Tennessee, Kirtland.

In these 67 districts there are 448 schools but only 291 of them have cradle roll work. But is it growing; 36 schools started it this last year.

Cradle roll membership last report 2,975; present number 3,153, net gain 662. There were 530 promotions to beginner department—quite a school in itself. These totals would read different if the delinquent district superintendents had reported. Out of this total, 407 children are from nonmembers' families. Can you think of any better opportunity to interest them in the gospel? Our hearts have been made glad at times at seeing the parents of such enter the church by baptism. "A little child shall lead them."

Only 84 schools have a set time for promotion.

There were 1,957 visits made to parents by 133 superintendents.

\$58.60 was reported as birth-offering, which was sent in to the Herald Publishing House, to be used in publishing good books for mothers and children, a very worthy object.

Only 33 schools are taking cradle roll papers for mothers. If the other schools could only realize how much good there is in these little papers and how much the mothers appreciate them, they would all be glad to help them in this way.

There are 46 cradle roll classes reported, 38 of them in charge of cradle roll superintendents. This is a very important class, because composed of children near three years of age who thus become used to school and learn to sit quietly before they are promoted to the beginner department. It has truly been said, "A perfect beginning in a life is a

great factor in the perfect ending of a life." Let us start our children right.

One hundred Sunday schools have been visited by district cradle roll superintendents. Thirty-three superintendents have studied the art of story-telling and 85 wish to take it up. Great good can come from this study.

Only eleven schools fail to pay for cradle roll supplies. Why that many? Only 26 special cradle roll exercises were held.

Each year I can more fully realize why the Savior spent so many years in preparation, for so short a ministry. As I see it, we need more efficient and devoted workers, and more cooperation in all departments.

HOME DEPARTMENT

We have no more consecrated worker than the head of this division, Mrs. J. C. Schwab, 1130 South Pearl Street, Independence, Missouri. She is a conscientious, hard worker who constantly seeks the Master's aid. The glow of her enthusiasm has touched the hearts of many of her local and district workers while some have failed to sense the value of her services to them. From her report, ending March 1, 1920, we summarize as follows:

AIM.—Our aim has been to establish this work in every local, to organize classes throughout the districts where there is no local organization, and give special attention to individual families who cannot attend either local or class. Investigation has shown that organized districts have much territory not yet reached with this work and the main effort the past year has been to cover this fallow ground and at the same time not neglect the work in unorganized territory.

HINDRANCES.—We are happy to report this work is coming to the front in many places. However, there are only a few districts which report a home department superintendent in every local. There are many causes for this and the church shall continue to suffer the effects so long as the conditions are permitted to remain. I feel grieved to say we have many district and local superintendents who fail to see the great need of this kind of work. It is hard for us to understand their failure to appreciate when its value to the church is being demonstrated continuously. By correspondence with local and district officers we have plead for cooperation with us to more firmly establish this work. In many districts where we have had wideawake workers with big enrollments accomplishing much good, others have been elected and notwithstanding the many efforts we put forth to assist the new

incumbents the work has fallen to a low ebb. On the other hand we have superintendents who say they do not have the time and the work is suffering. I sincerely hope something can be done to overcome this.

I have had many very enjoyable experiences. Have often realized the overshadowing of the Holy Spirit dictating the things to do and say which has caused us to reap results. We are very thankful to our heavenly Father for his guiding hand, also for the kind hands that have so earnestly labored to assist us in the building up of this department.

SOME RESULTS.—The present home department enrollment 5,260, is less than the real figure because some districts with big enrollments put in new officers who did not understand the work and failed to report.

Schools reported having home departments, 392.

Number of home classes, 248.

Transferred from home department to main school, 425.

Dropped because of indifference, and death, 428.

Quarterlies used, 7,369.

Tracts, paper, books distributed, 6,311.

In United States and Canada, we have 79 district home department superintendents and 90 in unorganized places in districts, including extension superintendents, making 169.

Contributions in all districts and locals, \$1,499.56.

The Christmas offering of \$1,936.60 is \$340 more than last year. Much more has been reported as having been turned in, but they failed to state the amount. We have laid definite plans for this year and expect greater results.

Over 2,000 letters and 200 post cards have been mailed from this office since May 1.

EXTENSION WORK.—Our General Extension Superintendent, Mrs. Hazel Burwell, reports 385 enrolled; 38 extension superintendents; 165 *Quarterlies* used; 24 home classes; 631 tracts, papers and books distributed, and a Christmas offering of \$118.00. These are all included in the totals of main report. We are very thankful for the hearty support given by Sister Burwell. She has a broad field in which to labor, the unorganized territory.

TOO MANY CHANGES?

I close the conference year with gratitude to God for sparing my life for some further service and with appreciation for the forbearance and kind expressions from general church officers and my coworkers in this department. Out of 84 district superintendents 80 per cent reported. Had I been able to "follow up," this percentage would have been raised to the usual maximum.

The work appears to be in usual condition, but of course we are not satisfied and it is a part of our business to make all workers dissatisfied with present standards. There has been an unusual number of changes in local and district officers in the last three or four months. We hope each shift will prove beneficial and if so that the officers shall be permitted, if willing, to remain long enough to accomplish definite results.

As a rule, frequent changes are detrimental and make the work of this office less fruitful of results. As far as we see the divine policy reflected in general and stake church organization, the Master seems to prefer settled administration.

GOMER R. WELLS,
Superintendent.

STATISTICS

It was too early at the time of closing this report for our secretary, E. D. Moore, to submit his annual tabulated report showing the numerical strength of each district. Many district secretaries hold their reports until after the March conventions, making the general report at this time impossible. Although the delegate list is on this account very incomplete Brother Moore sends in what he has with the hope that additions may be accepted later before going to press, but this is by no means sure. He adds:

"There is nothing unusual to report concerning the work of this department. There seem to be the usual number of changes in the district and stake personnel, especially in the superintendent and secretaries. Some districts are showing surprising losses in membership perhaps due to an overhauling of the membership list of the district. But the percentage at the time of making up this report is in favor of the gain column, and likely will increase by the time all the belated districts are heard from.

"Eastern Colorado continued last year as the only district with an all-women staff of district officers. Northern California was a close second with one male member of the executives, while Southern Indiana has in the past ranked high in this regard. We would estimate that fifty per cent of our district officers—not counting the cradle roll superintendents, which are invariably women—are of the gentler sex. Of course the quality of work done depends on the individual."

SUNDAY SCHOOL LIST OF DELEGATES

"From the reports of the secretaries as to delegates chosen we submit the following list for publication. The names of

the districts preceded by an asterisk have not indicated that delegates are to have privilege of majority and minority vote in case of division.

"E. D. MOORE,
"Secretary."

Alabama. Members —, votes —, delegates 6; R. C. Russell, M. M. Turpen, E. C. Shelley, T. C. Kelley, G. O. Sellers, Mrs. G. O. Sellers.

Alabama, Mobile. Members 337, votes 13, delegates 14: A. G. Miller, T. J. Booker, N. L. Booker, T. C. Kelley, H. M. Aebli, E. D. Moore, H. Hough, Frances Booker, Edna Cochran, Bennie Crochran, Howard Fuller, N. M. Miller, Ellis Sherman, H. H. Page. Alternates: Ebon Miller.

Alberta. Members 323, votes 13, delegates 4: D. Macgregor, Sr. D. Macgregor, William Osler, W. J. Levitt.

Northern New South Wales. Members 334, votes 14, delegates 14: Bro. and Sr. A. C. Barmore, Bro. and Sr. F. G. Pitt, Bro. and Sr. J. W. Davis, Lena Wells, Edna Kaler, Sr. P. M. Hansan, Sr. G. R. Wells, J. W. Wight, E. F. Robertson, Cyril E. Wight, Elmer Kaler.

Australia, Southern New South Wales. Members 491, votes 19, delegates 15: F. G. Pitt, G. R. Wells, J. W. Davis, G. T. Griffiths, E. F. Robertson, A. C. Barmore, J. W. Wight, A. W. Smith, D. Macgregor, Srs. F. G. Pitt, Hanson, Wells, Lena Wells, J. W. Davis, Edna Dohrn.

Australia, *Southern Queensland. Members 90, votes 4, delegates 4: Daniel Macgregor, A. W. Smith, F. G. Pitt, Sr. F. G. Pitt.

British Isles. Members 562, votes 22, delegates 1: U. W. Greene.

California, Northern. Members 717, votes 29, delegates 14: Myron McConley, Chester Young, J. T. Smith, jr., A. J. Dameron, Hazel Blohm, Mr. Blohm, Mrs. A. C. Barmore, A. C. Barmore, C. W. Hawkins, John Ely, A. R. Lawn, Mrs. A. R. Lawn, Mary Louise McRoberts, Louise E. McRoberts.

Colorado, Eastern. Members 845, votes 34, delegates 22: Charlie Zion, M. F. Ralston, John L. Fletcher, Vida M. Fletcher, A. E. Tabor, Mrs. N. A. Tabor, J. R. Sutton, A. E. Bullard, Alice Keck, Katherine Keck, L. Broliar, Emma B. Savage, Louisa Fishburn, E. F. Shupe, Dora Shupe, W. D. Bullard, Florence Bullard, Katherine Beardsmore, Arthur Curtis, C. A. Ralston, J. C. May, J. D. Curtis.

Idaho. Members 264, votes 11, delegates 11: G. T. Griffiths, L. G. Holloway, Emana Smith, Ammon White, Sr. Ammon White, Arthur Condit, R. C. Chambers, J. L. Benson, Sr. J. L. Benson, W. P. Bootman, Ed. Hass.

Illinois, Central. Members 489, votes 19, delegates 7:

Harry Jones, C. E. Harpe, Eva Corcoran, May Berks, Orland Buttler, C. H. Davis, Eva Buttler.

Illinois, Kewanee. Members 456, votes 18, delegates 12: George Sackfield, Mary E. Gillin, Joseph G. Cole, F. G. Pitt, Sister F. G. Pitt, H. C. Ziegenhorn, H. J. Archambault, Nellie Elvin, Kitty Pine, J. E. Asay, Florence Holmes, Sr. C. I. Carpenter.

Illinois, Nauvoo. Members 338, votes 14, delegates 14: Ethel A. Lacey, Bessie A. Smith, D. J. Williams, P. R. Burton, Sister P. R. Burton, Sister J. W. Layton, Elmer Sherman, Joseph H. Reed, J. W. Layton, George P. Lambert, Gladys Smith, Ruth Ortleb, James McKiernan, Sister James McKiernan. Alternate: Sister Nephi Snively.

Illinois, Northeastern. Members 795, votes 32, delegates 28: Ward L. Christy, L. Lenor Christy, Alta Dempsey, Letta Sherman, Stella Thoman, C. B. Hartshorn, J. O. Dutton, Ethel Williamson, Ella Burwell, R. N. Burwell, Grace E. Johnson, Sadie Selle, J. A. Daer, F. G. Pitt, Rosa Pitt, W. A. McDowell, O. A. McDowell, Mabel McDowell, LaJune Howard, Floyd Havener, Norman E. Hield, Daisy Faulkner, Harry Thorne, Elizabeth McDowell, Eliza Wright, C. Bell McElroy, F. M. Cooper, Jennie Cooper, sr.

Illinois, Southeastern. Members 404, votes 16, delegates 12: Henry Sparling, F. L. Sawley, W. H. Kelley, Sr. W. W. Brown, W. W. Brown, Charles Wesner, Edith Bailey, Bishop Becker, Mrs. J. R. Becker, Ruth Lewis Holman, Opal Fuqua, Josephine Feltman. Any other members of this district present will be allowed to act, up to the number of sixteen.

Iowa, Des Moines. Members 560, votes 22, delegates 22: Mattie Hughes, Bessy Laughlin, C. E. McDonald, Roy Cheville, H. H. Hand, H. Castings, A. E. Warr, Mrs. H. H. Hand, Mrs. C. Malcor, Mary Rudkin, C. Malcor, H. T. McCaig, Frank Mussel, E. G. Beye, E. T. Christianson, Nellie Mussel, Bertha Emslie, Margaret Davis, Lillian Goreham, Mellie Price, Elizabeth Anderson, Mrs. E. G. Beye. Alternates: Pearl Shannon, Levi Anderson, W. C. Hidy, J. N. Kephart, Victor Lentz.

Iowa, Fremont. Members , vote , delegates 8: Mrs. E. E. Barber, Ruth Knight, Mrs. S. S. Clark, T. A. Hougas, Sr. T. A. Hougas, Sr. B. S. Lambkin, B. S. Lambkin, Sr. Vance.

*Iowa, Gallands Grove. Members 333, votes 14, delegates 33: Carl E. Anderson, E. R. Butterworth, Sr. E. R. Butterworth, J. B. Barrett, Sr. J. B. Barrett, Drayton Holcomb, Sr. Drayton Holcomb, Al. Crandall, Edw. Broad, Will Pitt, Mrs. Will Pitt, Joseph W. Smith, J. B. Wildermuth, Sr. J. B. Wil-

dermuth, Wave Cross, Mrs. Verl Meyers, Mrs. Fernam Newcomb, Carl Winey, Rebecca Miller, Lillie A. Marks, Robert Fish, Mrs. Robert Fish, James Sheldon, Mrs. James Sheldon, Fred F. Jackson, Mrs. Fred F. Jackson, Orris Salisbury, Gerrit Juergens, Arthur Juergens, J. L. Butterworth, Clifford Brown, Charles E. Butterworth, Mrs. Charles E. Butterworth, 19 in excess.

Iowa, Lamoni. Members 2,029, votes 81, delegates 78: Frank McDonald, Alma Rannie, C. E. Blair, E. Y. Hunker, Peter Muceus, A. J. Yarrington, Lena Prall, Maynard C. Broliar, F. M. McDowell, A. Carmichael, S. A. Burgess, John Weedmark, Ida C. Monroe, Ray Whiting, Thomas Williams, J. A. Evans, F. J. Sharp, A. B. Church, A. L. Keen, Lonzo Jones, Mrs. Alma Rannie, W. T. Shotwell, J. A. Koehler, Chester Young, Vida E. Smith, I. A. Monroe, Susie Hayer, Orris Salisbury, J. F. Garver, F. A. Smith, E. D. Moore, Joseph Braby, Mrs. A. J. Yarrington, Mrs. Ray Whiting, Stella Williams, James Robinson, Viola Sharp, Mrs. O. E. Prall, J. A. Gunsolley, Mrs. Lonzo Jones, Louise Evans, W. R. Kapnick, R. J. Wildey, Keith Rogers, W. E. Haden, G. W. Blair, J. A. Dowker, Jessie Morant, C. E. Wight, G. R. Wells, William Stoll, Martha Young, Roscoe Davey, Parley Batton, C. E. Burke, William Wilson, Rupert Wight, R. A. Ballantyne, Frank B. Almond, J. W. Wight, H. H. Smith, Cornelius Clifford, Mrs. Keith Rogers, P. N. Craig, H. C. Burgess, Dan Sorden, William Johnson, D. T. Williams, G. N. Briggs, C. F. Church, Helen Bootman, Mrs. Roscoe Davey, E. J. Giles, Charles Engle, David Taylor, W. E. Prall, W. T. Shakespeare, Mrs. Frank Almond.

Iowa, Little Sioux. Members 1,139, votes 46, delegates 44: Daniel Macgregor, Margaret Macgregor, P. J. Zimmerman, Mrs. P. J. Zimmerman, G. M. Vendel, C. S. Kennedy, Esther Kennedy, Louise Kennedy, Mrs. Caroline Smith, Earl Lewis, David Gamet, J. E. Keck, Rae Keck, Charles Van Eaton, Bertha Van Eaton, Joseph Lane, Mrs. Joseph Lane, Martin Jensen, Fred Fry, Lee Travis, Pearl Travis, Ralph Travis, Amy Travis, D. M. Verdenburgh, Charles J. Smith, E. E. Gamet, Prescella Worsencroft, Ollie Derry, Maud Scofield, Rena Thompson, G. E. Whitehead, C. R. Smith, A. F. Harper, Mrs. A. F. Harper, Mrs. F. L. Hupp, Charles Putnam, Mrs. Charles Putnam, J. C. Ballantyne, Myrtle Ballantyne, Hazel Putnam, F. C. Oviatt, Mrs. F. C. Oviatt, Sidney Pitt, sr.

Iowa, Pottawattamie. Members 651, votes 26, delegates 22: J. O. Salisbury, Mrs. J. O. Salisbury, O. A. Currie, D. M. Hall, Mrs. D. M. Hall, Orman Salisbury, Millard Pace, Clarence Skinner, Vivian Graybill, Helen Anderson, H. N.

Hansen, J. A. Hansen, Walter Klopping, Amos Graybill, G. J. Harding, Mrs. G. J. Harding, G. J. Hansen, Mrs. G. J. Hansen, P. T. Anderson, James Jensen, Mrs. James Jensen, D. E. Butler.

Kansas, Northeastern. Members 275, votes 11, delegates 12: Burton F. Deller, Eva Deller, Jay Bowser, Maud Bowser, Roy L. Tilden, Bertha Dittmore, William F. Bolinger, Mary Crooker, William Twombly, Mrs. H. C. Pitsenberger, Gilbert F. Hedrick, Florence Wolfe. Alternates: Samuel Lyter, L. Pitzenberger, Clinton Lyter, Mary Sheets, Emma Hedrick, Vera Twombly, C. J. Sheets, Clayton Wolfe. One in excess.

*Kansas, Spring River. Members 926, votes 37, delegates 37: A. C. Silvers, J. C. Virgin, A. E. Stoff, Lee Quick, S. L. Cale, William Bath, W. W. Chrestensen, G. E. Carter, Mrs. G. E. Carter, V. E. Sheppard, Mrs. V. E. Sheppard, Mrs. Alice Jones, Mrs. Lucy Bath, Charles Frye, Mrs. J. W. Greene, Hrs. Nellie Hemple, Mrs. Alice Boone, Mrs. Sarah Mullin, Neil McCalleum, S. G. Carrow, Mrs. S. G. Carrow, Thomas Richardson, Mrs. T. Richardson, Mrs. Anna McFarlan, C. E. Wilson, Mrs. C. E. Wilson, Frank Cowan, Mrs. Frank Cowan, F. L. Freeman, E. E. Gilbert, Mrs. E. E. Gilbert, Otto Hemple, Oscar Todd, Mrs. R. M. King, Mrs. A. E. Dooley, Mrs. Mary Welborn.

Manitoba, Winnipeg. Members 51, votes 2, delegates 1: W. B. Richards.

Massachusetts. Members 810, votes 32, delegates 32: C. Ed. Miller, M. C. Fisher, E. H. Fisher, Rebecca K. Carter, Arthur Phillips, E. L. Traver, Leah Traver, Frank Spinnett, Georgie Spinnett, Daniel F. Joy, Evelyn Joy, Charles Y. Baker, Sylvia Baker, E. B. Hull, Josephine Hull, Lillian Carter, George Carter, Richard Baldwin, George Tomlinson, Richard Bullard, Frank Dobbins, Wallace R. Carter, Marion L. Greene, Calvin Sears, Laura Sears, Lucie Sears, Nellie Pierce, Emma Dobbins, A. N. Baker, Sarah Fisher, E. A. Fox, Florence Fisher.

Michigan, Central. Members 1,042, votes 42, delegates 41: Matthew Umphrey, Martha Umphrey, E. M. Orton, Maude Orton, Ernest Burt, Willard Shotwell, Harvey Syckles, Esther Syckles, E. L. Pringle, George A. Pringle, B. H. Doty, Wilson Morgan, E. S. White, Esther White, Charles Rippberger, Clint Loomis, Earl Haines, Mrs. Earl Haines, Earl Falconer, Mrs. Earl Falconer, George Bailey, G. W. Burt, M. A. Sommerfield, Ida Hawn, Guy Yager, O. J. Hawn, Gladys Umphrey, Roy Newberry, Grace Newberry, J. A. McDonald, W. D. Ellis, George White, Cordie Rusher, Almaza Hall, Emma Hall, Hazel Brookins, Etta Millen, Emery Fultz, S. T. Pendleton, Alex Morgan.

Michigan, Eastern. Members 1,180, votes 47, delegates 22: William Fligg, H. E. Muir, Matthew Liston, Orval Thompson, Mae Skinner, Delta Anderson, Grace McGuinness, Charles Whitford, Lizzie Plato Whitford, Jessey Johnson, John R. Grice, William Grice, F. S. Brackenbury, Mrs. F. S. Brackenbury, F. Forbes, Mrs. F. Forbes, Everette Finken, Mrs. Everette Finken, Charles Rippberger, O. J. Hawn, Ida Hawn, Bessie Hoggens.

Michigan, Northern. Members 604, votes 24, delegates 24: R. D. Kleckler, Mrs. R. D. Kleckler, Allen Schruer, Sr. Allen Schruer, C. N. Burtch, Bertha Burtch, A. E. Starks, Sarah Starks, Dirk Schruer, Sr. Dirk Schruer, H. McKinnon, Mary McKinnon, Wesley Allread, Ada Allread, Claudia McClain, R. D. Davis, Hannah Davis, L. E. Ellis, Sr. L. E. Ellis, Harry Van Dusen, Sr. Harry Van Dusen, Ed. Blackmore, Sr. Ed. Blackmore, H. A. Doty.

Michigan, Western. Members 667, votes 27, delegates 27: J. E. Bennett, Bessie Bennett, J. W. McKnight, John Schreur, James Davis, Charles Martin, Mrs. Charles Martin, Peter Price, E. W. Trimmer, Mrs. E. W. Trimmer, Will Palmer, Mrs. Will Palmer, W. D. Ellis, Mrs. W. D. Ellis, E. N. Burt, F. W. Hastings, R. D. Weaver, Mrs. R. D. Weaver, F. S. Brackenbury, Mrs. F. S. Brackenbury, George Smith, Mrs. George Smith, James Southerland, D. D. Duncan, Robert Morrison, S. D. Cudney, Mrs. S. D. Cudney. Alternates: R. D. Davis, Mrs. R. D. Davis, B. H. Doty, Mrs. B. H. Doty, A. R. Ellis, Mrs. A. R. Ellis.

Missouri, Clinton. Members 580, votes 23, delegates 24: Ralph Murdock, A. C. Dempsey, Sr. A. C. Dempsey, R. T. Walters, Sr. E. M. Chezem, Emma Keck, F. A. Hawley, Orral Andes, Nellie Hayton, H. E. Moler, Berth Johannes, H. R. Higdon, Myrtle Higdon, Sr. R. T. Walters, Carlyon Nafus, Velma Duzan, Ida Noyes, Lee Quick, Sr. J. T. Higdon, Helen Hawley, J. W. Higgins, John W. Noyes, A. C. Silvers, Lucy Silvers, 1 in excess.

Missouri, Far West Stake. Members 1,791, votes 72, delegates 71: Minnie Scott Dobson, Alma Scott, Leonard Ehlers, Mable Burlington, Ruby Hitch, Sr. E. E. McCormick, E. E. McCormick, Harry Tilden, Sr. Harry Tilden, Gladys Christenson, Edna Christenson, Amelia Archibald, Sr. J. D. Profitt, Mary E. Davis, Sr. S. J. Sloan, Sr. G. S. Daniels, Sr. Arch McCord, Henry Hamann, F. Turnbull, Sr. John Egel, Fay Gates, Joseph Powell, W. A. Tabler, Sr. Salyards, Myrtle Tabler, F. R. Gist, Sr. F. R. Gist, W. Webb, Sr. Webb, John Davis, Sr. John Davis, Bro. Carpenter, Sr. Carpenter, Charles Mortan, George Hinderks, Frank Hinderks, B. J. Dice, Bro.

Goodrich, John Rook, Thomas Fiddick, Bro. Ethridge, Sr. Goodrich, Harry Pederson, James Pratt, Lorene Whitlow, Geoffrey Bear, Elizabeth Hinderks, Martha Vories, R. E. Stone, Sr. R. E. Stone, H. D. Ennis, H. P. Larson, Sr. H. P. Larson, L. Christenson, Scott Daniels, Addie Uphoff, Tillie Uphoff, H. D. Ennis, George Mauzey, Mattie Peterson, J. S. Andes, J. T. Ford, Coleman Snyder, George Peterson, B. R. Constance, William Constance, Pearl Kinnaman, R. S. Budd. Elias Hinderks, Sam Simmons, Arch McCord.

Missouri, Independence. Members 2,484, votes 99, delegates 93: Albert Sanford, Mrs. E. Thomas, Mrs. Walter Adams, A. H. Parsons, J. T. Curtis, Charles Koehler, Laura Mosier, Roy Hopkins, Walter W. Smith, Mrs. John Schwab, Mrs. Glaud Smith, P. A. Sherman, Mrs. Walter Smith, Mrs. Minnie Nace, Mrs. George Gould, Mrs. A. L. Sanford, William Worth, Clarence E. Dickens, Mrs. M. E. Campbell, Mrs. E. S. McNichols, Arthur Allen, Mrs. Ira Burdick, B. J. Scott, W. D. Bullard, Fred Lewis, Mrs. M. Christy, Mrs. H. R. Halley, J. M. Cockerton, Lewis Resch, Tessie Smith, Ethel Westwood, J. A. Becker, Frank Esgar, Mrs. C. J. Hunt, George Gould, Esther Ward, Roland Flanders, Mrs. R. Brocaw, Mrs. L. Redfield, W. J. Brewer, Harold Hattey, Ida Johnson, Jennie Willis, Mrs. O. Tanberg, Mrs. M. T. Short, Mrs. M. T. Williams, Walter Adams, C. A. Gurwell, Mrs. C. A. Gurwell, B. C. Harder, E. G. Christy, Mrs. D. E. Tucker, Glaud A. Smith, Ida Campbell, O. E. Willard, Delbert Barnett, Walter Betts, Mrs. Fred Hansen, J. Holdsworth, Mrs. J. Holdsworth, E. C. Harrington, Mrs. W. E. Haden, Mrs. Eben Miller, Earl Cox, Mrs. Earl Cox, Mrs. John Lloyd, Ruby Williamson, Earl Moore, Mrs. Earl Moore, Marcine Smith, Pauline Becker, Mrs. H. B. Roberts, A. K. Dillie, Vernon Lee, Mrs. Vernon Lee, Mary Steele, Louise Geisch, A. Morgan, Mrs. H. E. Loosemore, Louis Waite, Mrs. Emma Etzenhouser, Mrs. Fred Parman, Mrs. E. Pennell, C. L. Gouldsmith, Clyde Hartman, M. A. Siegfried, E. Etzenhouser, Emma Reynolds, J. C. Alexander, Mrs. Clyde Hartman, Faye McConnell, Mrs. Charles Schofield, E. T. Atwell.

Missouri, Holden. Members 1,016, votes 41, delegates 41: W. S. Macrae, Mrs. E. L. Moorman, F. S. Lawrence, Mrs. Mabel Brendel, F. A. Cool, Mrs. America Christensen, Blanche Christensen, Fannie Dillon, I. M. Ross, James Williams, C. J. Hunt, Lola Johnson, I. M. Smith, Mrs. I. M. Smith, D. J. Krahl, Mrs. D. J. Krahl, C. Edgerton, Mrs. C. Edgerton, George Talley, Mrs. George Talley, J. J. Teater, H. G. Thayer, Lester Hutchinson, E. A. Davis, W. R. Odell, J. W. A. Bailey, Robert Dillon, R. E. Burgess, L. E. Danforth,

H. E. Moler, Joseph Farrow, Mrs. Joseph Farrow, H. E. Moler, Mrs. I. M. Ross, Mrs. John Lovell, A. C. Christensen, Mrs. A. C. Christensen, Garvia Johnson, Neal Crandal, Mrs. Jerusha Sayles, Mrs. F. A. Cool.

Missouri, Kansas City. Members 1,146, votes 46, delegates 42: Sr. Fred B. Blair, Sr. Alma Warren, Sr. Mae Fouche, Sr. E. R. Lewis, Sr. D. H. Blair, Sr. S. M. Brooks, Sr. Glenn Liddle, Sr. J. A. Simpson, Sr. Oscar Hull, Sr. Louise Schwartz, Sr. Eliza Hawkins, Sr. Bessie Largent, Sr. E. Dawes, Sr. D. J. Kennedy, Sr. W. O. Hands, Sr. Jessie Tucker, Sr. Phoebe Tucker, Frank Hawkins, Sr. C. D. Jellings, Sr. Ethel Rose, Sr. Alma Smith, Sr. Gussie Smith, A. H. Mills, Sr. Lorena Gross, Sr. Edith Lunwitz, Sr. Fred Cleveland, E. J. Nester, T. J. Elliott, Sr. Adam Young, Sr. E. M. Beaman, G. E. Rabelle, Sr. Myrtle St. John, Ellis M. Shimmell, Sr. John E. Davis, Sr. Ray Lloyd, Sr. A. Weedmeyer, Sr. Edith Fowler, George Tryon, J. W. Gunsolley, Orville Helm, Sr. Roy Brown, Harvey Sandy.

*Missouri, Northeastern. Members 230, votes 9, delegates 9: Vernie D. Ruch, Sr. David Sharpe, Sr. Luke Sharpe, Zella May Ruch, William C. Chapman, Carrie Richards, Ethel Harris, Kate Rogers, Daisy M. Chapman. Alternates: Samuel Perry, Ben S. Tanner, John Harris, Elizabeth Miller, Lena Simpson, Margaret J. Thomas, William Hodith Pearson, Thena Hughes, Carl Weeks.

Montana, Western. Members 121, votes 5, delegates 5: Esty Smelser, Ernesteen Smelser, Sr. Thomas Reese, Anna Eliason, Mary Kirk. Alternates: John Eliason, Julian Christofferson, Roscoe Davey, Mabel Davey.

Nebraska, Northeastern. Members 456, votes 18, delegates 18: Anna Hicks, Lorena Leeka, E. E. Long, Jay Leeka, T. A. Hicks, Nelle A. Kelley, A. Anderson, J. W. Peterson, Bern Case, Sr. J. E. Butts, J. A. Gardiner, Sr. J. P. Jensen, J. R. Johnson, C. T. Self, Evelyn Springer, R. W. Scott, W. N. Hill, Mrs. W. N. Hill. Alternates: J. M. Kelley, jr., Rose Ware, Ray Rumel, H. A. Merchant.

Nebraska, Southern. Members 313, votes 13, delegates 5: Blanche I. Andrews, J. L. Parker, E. E. Long, J. R. Croft, H. A. Higgins.

North Dakota. Members 318, votes 13, delegates 15: Mrs. M. Rasmussen, F. E. Hammel, Mrs. F. E. Hammel, Thomas Leitch, W. M. Sparling, J. E. Wildermuth, W. E. Shakespeare, F. E. Mollison, Genevive Mollison, N. C. Anderson, Martin J. Spaulding, Mrs. Martin J. Spaulding, F. C. Spaulding, Mrs. F. C. Spaulding, Mrs. E. E. Weddle, 2 in excess.

Ohio, Kirtland. Members 675, votes 27, delegates 21:

Charles Romig, Mary Romig, John Martin, Pearl Newton, Louis Gintz, H. P. Morrison, George Neville, A. R. Manchester, Mrs. H. P. Morrison, A. E. Stone, A. D. Angus, Pearl Gintz, Celia Richards, Cecil Neville, J. C. McConaughy, John Carlisle, F. J. Ebeling, Erma Berry, Leon Burdick, Frank Webbe, Ernest Bush.

Ohio, Northwestern. Members 155, votes 6, delegates 6: Jesse M. Harden, O. J. Hawn, J. F. Mintun, E. L. Ulrich, F. G. Pitt, Mrs. F. G. Pitt.

Ohio, Youngstown-Sharon. Members 176, votes 7, delegates 4: T. U. Thomas, Leon Burdick, Amie Glassford, Lora Strachan.

Oklahoma, Central. Superintendent and assistant to choose from those present. Members 522.

Oklahoma, Eastern. Members 241, votes 10, delegates 10: J. C. Chrestensen, G. C. Smallwood, Mrs. G. C. Smallwood, E. A. Erwin, J. W. Jackson, H. L. Dalby, Mrs. H. L. Dalby, Mrs. J. S. White, T. B. Sharp, J. T. Davis.

Oklahoma, Western. Members 181, votes 7, delegates 7: Jess Oglevie, A. J. Oglevie, Lester E. Dyke, J. E. Vanderwood, J. D. Shower, Adella Moldrup, A. J. Oglevie. Alternates: Mrs. J. E. Vanderwood, Mrs. J. D. Shower, Hubert Case.

Ontario, Chatham. Members 1,004, votes 40, delegates 31: John C. Dent, Mrs. John C. Dent, John Taylor, John Gaw, Mrs. John Gaw, Wilbert Wood, C. M. Clifford, Wilbur Hewitt, Joseph H. Yager, John Shields, James Pycock, Maggie Badder, William Beacom, Ruth Glazier, A. R. Hewitt, Mrs. A. R. Hewitt, L. D. Campbell, Nellie Hunter, R. H. Jones, Mrs. R. H. Jones, Francis Shaw, Lena Tedford, Noble Kelly, G. O. Coburn, Mrs. G. O. Coburn, R. D. Weaver, Mrs. R. D. Weaver, Mrs. oRse Glazier, George Elgie, Mrs. George Elgie, Mrs. Wilbert Wood.

Ontario, London. Members 545, votes 22, delegates 11: William Grice, John Shields, B. H. Doty, J. Pycock, John Vasbinder, William Hardey, Hyrum Dickhout, Clara Hardey, William Fligg, Sr. Fligg, Sr. Vasbinder.

Ontario, Toronto. Members 733, votes 31, delegates 30: G. E. Harrington, T. W. Williams, Philemon Pement, J. T. Whitehead, Sr. P. Pement, S. G. Clark, Frank Clifton, Sadie Clifton, J. A. Wilson, Mary Clark, Hazel Lottridge, Addie Whitehead, James Pycock, Minetta Pycock, Sr. E. G. Law, May E. Hathaway, Joseph Yager, Sr. A. J. Leslie, A. P. Mortimer, F. G. Long, Mary Whitehead, Leslie Prentice, E. G. Law, Mary Wilson, E. A. McMullen, Eva Milligan, Joseph Osborne, A. J. Leslie, Harry Alexander, Lulu Prentice.

Oregon, Portland. Members 246, votes 10, delegates 6: Ida E. Jones, Sr. M. H. Cook, R. E. Chapman, C. E. Jones, M. H. Cook, G. M. Appleman.

Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh. Members 211, votes 8, delegates 6: A. Booker, Sr. L. F. P. Curry, Harriet McDowell, Samuel Gaskill, James McConnaughey, A. E. Stone.

Texas, Central. Members 255, votes 10, delegates 5: A. J. Banta, W. J. Birkhead, Lanora Birkhead, J. M. Nunley, Sr. L. R. Wells.

Utah. Members 212, votes 8, delegates 8: Mrs. M. A. Etzenhouser, R. L. Fulk, S. S. Hohn, L. G. Holloway, Chauncey Bogue, Keith Rogers, Oscar Johnson.

*Washington, Spokane. Members 340, votes 14, delegates 6: J. A. Bronson, Wilbur Yates, Pearl Reed, S. N. Gray, Sr. S. N. Gray, George Thorburn.

West Virginia. Members 236, votes 10, delegates 4: Thomas Newton, F. L. Shinn, Guy Hammond, W. W. Cross.

West Virginia, Wheeling. Members 334, votes 14, delegates 14: Annie Smith, Emily Poulailon, Blanche Martin, L. D. Ulm, L. A. Serig, S. A. Martin, O. J. Tary, A. Edwards, Thomas Newton, John Carlisle, James Bishop, Henry Dobbs, Lily Bishop, Amelia Serig.

Wisconsin, Northern. Members 384, votes 14, delegates 15: S. E. Livingston, Mrs. A. L. Whiteaker, Mrs. Leroy Colbert, Leroy Colbert, J. B. Wildermuth, Mrs. G. E. Hemstock, Leonard Houghton, A. L. Whiteaker, William Livingston, I. H. Bowen, W. A. McDowell, Manley Shedd, Orlando Colbert, Mrs. Orlando Colbert, Mrs. William Dennis, 1 in excess.

Wisconsin, Southern. Members 319, votes 13, delegates 14: Julia N. Dutton, Charles C. Hoague, jr., B. C. Flint, J. O. Dutton, N. E. Hield, jr., E. J. Smith, Milton Funk, L. O. Wildermuth, E. J. Lenox, Almin West, George E. Noble, Richard Grasshoff, Maude L. Hoague, Leonard Houghton, 1 in excess.

Arizona, Phoenix. Members 40, votes 2, delegates 2: James E. Yates, Albert T. Gray.

Arizona, Bisbee. Members 36, votes 2, delegate 1: T. R. Davis, Elwyn R. Davis.

Kansas, Wichita. Members 65, votes 3, delegates 1: Stella Hollsworth.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICAL REPORT FOR 1919

Districts and Schools 1919	Schools				Membership				Stann Exc			
	Latest Report	Previous Report	Gain	Loss	Latest Report	Previous Report	Gain	Loss	Teachers	Home Dept.	Latest Report	Previous Report
Alabama	3	2	1	..	476	371	104	..	15	..	3	2
Alabama Mobile	6	7	1	..	337	368	..	31	30	84	2	2
Alberta	13	12	1	..	323	328	..	5	41	90	0	3
Australia, No. N. S. W.	7	6	1	..	337	324	13	..	29	*	3	2
Australia, S. Queensland	3	2	..	..	90	90	..	..	10	*	2	2
Australia, So. N. S. W.	9	3	6	..	491	507	..	16	57	*	3	2
Australia, Victoria	..	4	..	..	155	..	..	16	..	..	..	..
British Isles	21	13	3	..	562	506	56	..	30	..	3	3
California, Northern	12	15	3	..	780	717	63	..	62	169	2	2
California, Southern	6	3	2	..	524	549	..	25	43	88	2	1
Colorado, Eastern	16	16	..	..	840	892	..	52	70	119	2	2
Colorado, Western	5	5	..	..	174	..	..	..	18	106	3	3
Florida	..	6	..	..	232	..	..	..	28	..	3	3
Hawaii	..	4	..	..	291	..	..	..	16	..	3	3
Idaho	5	4	1	..	264	227	37	..	27	80	3	1
Illinois, Central	..	6	..	..	489	..	..	..	44	97	2	2
Illinois, Kewanee	9	10	1	..	456	500	..	44	41	99	2	2
Illinois, Nauvoo	7	7	..	..	338	261	77	..	31	57	3	3
Illinois, Northeastern	11	12	1	..	795	809	..	14	66	156	2	1
Illinois, Southeastern	11	9	2	..	404	401	3	..	35	49	3	3
Indiana, Southern	..	5	..	..	..	347	..	..	16	115	3	3
Iowa, Des Moines	..	14	..	..	..	574	..	..	51	68	3	3
Iowa, Eastern	11	12	1	..	420	257	163	..	40	25	3	3
Iowa, Fremont	7	8	1	..	..	253	..	..	31	54	..	..
Iowa, Gallands Grove	8	10	2	..	333	422	..	89	42	58	..	..
Iowa, Lamoni Stake	20	21	1	..	2029	1925	104	..	185	173	2	2
Iowa, Little Sioux	11	13	2	..	1139	1210	..	71	83	164	2	2
Iowa, Pottawattamie	10	11	1	..	651	639	12	..	59	46	3	3
Kansas, Northeastern	6	6	..	..	226	273	..	47	33	77	3	2
Kansas, Spring River	18	18	..	..	926	1131	..	205	87	177	2	2
Kentucky and Tennessee	6	2	4	..	..	161	..	..	..	..	..	..
Maine, Eastern	..	7	..	..	..	364	..	..	..	43	..	..
Maine, Western	4	6	2	..	252	276	..	24	25	20	3	3
Manitoba, Winnipeg	2	2	..	..	51	68	..	17	4	6	2	2
Massachusetts	11	11	..	..	810	716	94	..	87	180	2	2
Michigan, Central	26	26	..	..	1042	920	122	..	86	22	3	3
Michigan, Detroit	14	12	2	..	1357	1172	185	..	98	62	2	1
Michigan, Eastern	26	27	1	..	1180	2183	..	1003	113	59	3	2
Michigan, Northern	16	17	1	..	604	628	..	24	53	32	2	3
Mich., So., and N. Indiana	..	13	..	..	..	352	..	..	69	160	..	..
Michigan, Western	17	16	1	..	667	661	6	..	68	117	3	2
Minnesota	..	6	..	..	..	282	..	..	27	119	2	2
Missouri, Clinton	14	13	1	..	580	605	..	25	57	37	2	2
Missouri, Far West Stake	25	25	..	..	1791	1993	..	202	133	208	2	3

STATISTICAL REPORT OF SECRETARY (Continued)

Districts and Schools 1919	Schools				Membership					Stan Exc		
	Latest Report	Previous Report	Gain	Loss	Latest Report	Previous Report	Gain	Loss	Teachers	Home Dept.	Latest Report	Previous Report
Missouri, Independence Stake ..	5	5			2484	2439	45		181	252	1	1
Missouri, Holden Stake	15	13	2		1016	1068		52	98	150	2	1
Missouri, Kansas City Stake ...	14	14			1432	1206	226		114	164	2	2
Missouri, Northeastern	5	5			230	215	15		26	14	3	3
Missouri, Saint Louis		12				500			60			0
Missouri, Southern		5				260			25	17		0
Montana, Eastern		9				290			30	63		3
Montana, Western	4	6	2		121	142		21	16	111	3	3
Nebraska, Central		6				240			24	64		
Nebraska, Northeastern	6	7	1		390	312	78		37	79	3	
Nebraska, Southern	6	6			313	305	8		33	77	2	
Nebraska, Western		6				188			19	32		3
New York		7				256			24	19		3
New York and Philadelphia		10				1806			115			2
North Dakota		9				804			29	113		3
Ohio, Kirtland		9				639			49	108		2
Ohio, Northwestern		5				193			16			
Ohio, Southern		16				454			42	80		
Ohio, Youngstown-Sharon	6	6			176	166	10		24			3
Oklahoma, Central	11	13	2		522	462	60		47	42	3	2
Oklahoma, Eastern		9				253			31	41		
Oklahoma, Western		6				363			27			3
Ontario Chatham	18	18			1010	1131		121	74	227	2	2
Ontario, London	11	11			545	537	8		56	109		3
Ontario, Owen Sound	21	22	1		854	830	24		72	222	3	2
Ontario, Toronto	15	15			773	760	13		61	79	3	3
Oregon, Portland	6	7	1		246	224	22		27	95	2	3
Pennsylvania, Pittsburg	7	5	2		211	236		25	20	23		
Saskatchewan		15				643			50	103		
Saskatchewan, Southern												
South Sea Islands		13				900						
Texas, Central	5	5			255	326		71	18	55	3	3
Texas, Southwestern		5				255			15			3
Utah	5	4	1		212	215		3	24	29		
Wash., Seattle, and B. C.		12				521			51	158		3
Washington, Spokane	10	8			340	214	126		34	103	3	3
West Virginia	4	4			236	236			13	93	0	3
West Virginia, Wheeling	7	8			383	384		1	30	42	2	2
Wisconsin, Northern	7	8	1		395	384	11		31	52	3	
Wisconsin, Southern	9	10	1		319	340		21	30			3
Schools not in District												
Arizona, Bisbee	1	1			41	29	9		5			
Arizona, Smelter City	1	1			15	20		5	2			
Arizona, Sulphur Spgs. Valley ..	1	1			10	15		5	2			
Arizona, Phoenix	1	1			40	26	14		4			

Arkansas, Fisher	1	1	.....	32	.....	4	.....
Germany, Braunschweig	1	1	.....	37	.....		.....
Germany, Hannover	1	1	.....	51	.....		.....
Germany, Mangschutz	1	1	.....	27	.....		.....
Germany, Roeschen	1	1	.....	12	.....		.....
Kansas, Hugoton	1	1	.....	23	.....		.....
Kansas, Rexford	1	1	.....	21	.....		.....
Kansas, Wichita	1	1	65	81	16	6	.....
South Dakota, Spearfish	1	1	.....	21	.....		.....
South Dakota, Wagner	1	1	.....	18	.....		.....
Sweden, Stockholm	1	1	.....	29	.....		.....

We now have a total of 84 districts, Southwestern Oregon being disorganized and the membership absorbed by the Portland District.

Our total membership reported is 45,719, a net loss of 812. The thousand or more we gained from not having Eastern Michigan reported last year is now deducted in favor of Detroit changing a slight gain into a loss.

We have 3,836 teachers reported, a loss of 57.

There are 832 schools reported, a loss of 2.

There is but one first-grade district, Independence Stake, the others acknowledging their failure in normal work.

*The home department figures total 6,352, a gain of 1,006, 73 of these being in Australia and 115 in unorganized territory. We may presume that some of this number are members of disorganized schools.

RELIGIO DEPARTMENT

REPORT OF T. W. WILLIAMS, GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT

1. The transition of the Religio from a society to a department of the church has necessarily been gradual. The ukase of a General Conference could not effect the essential changes contemplated in the recommendation of the coordinating committee's report. It has required time and effort to make adjustment. This is even now in process.

2. The conference three years ago declared that the Sunday school, Religio and Woman's Auxiliary were no longer separate societies but departments of the church. Despite this action we have continued to retain many of the forms and methods of work which characterize a separate existence. We have not, as yet, been able to fully function in accord with this action. Some farther legislation is necessary on the part of the conference to enable the department to carry out what was contemplated by the coordinating committee.

3. The resignation of Brother G. S. Trowbridge as head of the Religio Department was a material loss. He had filled this position with credit both to himself and to the church. His untiring zeal and perseverance contributed very materially to the success of the department.

4. Immediately following the declaration of the conference

that the work of the Religio Department was primarily recreational and social, there developed a well-defined and pronounced opposition in several places. It was suggested that we were hastening to a fulfillment of Paul's prophecy—lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God. An exaggerated fear was developed that the recreational and social would invade and do violence to the moral and spiritual activities.

5. During the year we have had opportunity to give full answer to all such objections and also to set forth in a positive though partial manner the real aim and purpose of the Religio with the consequent result that much, if not all, of the opposition has been dissipated. Many of those who at first opposed the work are now enthusiastic supporters.

6. The membership generally has come to see the moral and spiritual value of wholesome recreation and social activities. There has been a general awakening. Our workers are sensing the possibilities in this department. The district and local officers are getting in line and from all parts: north—south—east—west comes reassuring news and assurance of future activity and progress.

7. Reports have been received from forty-seven district superintendents: fifteen district superintendents have thus far failed to report. Most of the district superintendents have heartily endorsed the purpose of the Religio and are busily engaged in enthusing and stimulating action among the members under their jurisdiction.

8. We have circularized the various district officers at regular intervals. One of the weak points we have discovered is the lack of cohesion and cooperation between district and local organizations and of these with the general organization. Steps are now being taken to obviate this difficulty. The general department officers must be in close and constant touch with the local officers to accomplish the best results.

9. The work in the British Isles as well as in the Australian Mission has been retarded as a result of the war which depleted to some extent the ranks of our young men with the consequent reaction in all things which relate to our department. There are however unmistakable evidences that the workers in these lands are keenly alive to the work and will cooperate to the extent of their capacity.

10. The Religio work in Canada is promising indeed. There are many live, wide-awake workers in all of the Eastern districts and the workers in the West are doing all they can in their scattered condition to carry on the work. We are fortunate in having such an efficient corps of workers as are found in the Chatham, London and Toronto districts, and the

coming year will witness a great work being done in Canada on behalf of our young people.

11. Brother A. H. Christensen of the Tahitian Island Mission is very anxious to secure a moving picture outfit in order to combat the corrupting influence of the moving picture shows now operating in the Islands. He asks the cooperation and assistance of the Religio Department in this work. There are some difficulties in the way which makes it almost impossible to accord to his request but we are doing all we can to supply the demands here as elsewhere.

12. The work in Hawaii is moving forward under the faithful direction of the presiding officers. When one reads of the effort to place the work of the church before these islanders on the part of our representatives it stimulates to greater effort and more consecrated purpose.

13. Calls have come from Germany to supply necessary material to introduce and establish the work. These demands have all been cared for. The work is extending and there is multiplied evidences that the year 1920 will see the Religio Department keeping pace with every other department of church work.

14. Some far-reaching and extensive changes in procedure and organization will be suggested at the coming convention. When these matters are definitely settled we will issue a bulletin setting forth and in detail the work of the department.

15. The locals in the large centers such as Lamoni, Independence and Kansas City have developed the social and recreational activities beyond the experimental stage. The work is well organized and the results among the young people inspiring. One of the difficulties which must be met is to provide suitable diversion and work for the small isolated locals where there are not enough members to permit any recreational or social work.

16. There has been a demand in some quarters that we discard entirely the lessons and study hour and limit our activities to recreational and social diversion. This would be disastrous to the department. There may be occasion for the changing of the lesson course but we should supply our young people with a clearly-defined course of study which they can make of practical service in the affairs of life.

17. We suggest that the following changes be made:

(a) Changing the name from Zion's Religio-Literary Society to Religio Department.

(b) Adoption of the title "Superintendent" to apply to the various officers in charge of the general, district, and local work as "General Superintendent," "District Superintendent," "Local Superintendent."

(c) Dispensing with the present constitution as a separate rule of action and the incorporation into the general church law such necessary provisions as may govern this department.

(d) The transaction of all business of the department in general, district, and local organization in the regular business meetings of the church.

(e) The dispensing with vice presidents and placing one person at the head of each department with the power to appoint his associates.

(f) The right of nomination of heads of departments in local churches and districts to be given to local pastors, and district presidents.

(g) Classification and distribution of church activities so as to prevent duplication and overlapping.

(h) Dispensing with all superfluous church machinery and regulations which necessitates useless work produces friction and prevents rather than accelerates the work.

18. I can speak only in the highest terms of my associates in this department of work. Brother Floyd M. McDowell as second vice president has demonstrated what can be accomplished by a well defined program enthusiastically carried out. Brother Howard W. Harder has worked to bring the records up to date and to secure complete data of all the locals throughout the world. All the other officers have attended to the duties attaching to their office with credit.

19. Brother A. W. Smith has been in charge of the institute work of the Sunday school and Religio. Owing to the lack of understanding of what was expected of them the district officers have failed to avail themselves of means provided for district and local institutes. The outlines for the institutes for 1920-21 should be issued not later than September of this year and arrangements made for the winter institutes in every district and large local in the church. The determination as to institutes should not be left to the locals or districts. The departments should elect that these institutes be held and make provision therefor.

20. The department has reached that stage when the interest of the work demands that a definite headquarters be provided for the general officers and the head of the department be enabled to devote his or her exclusive time to the work.

T. W. WILLIAMS.

REPORT OF FLOYD M. MCDOWELL SECOND VICE PRESIDENT

As second vice president of the Religio Department having special charge of the Boy Movement work of the church I am glad to report as follows:

Work Done

Throughout the year I have endeavored to do all within my power to encourage the development of a more wholesome and sane attitude toward the needs and activities of the young people of the church, especially of the boys. Through the church papers and the distribution of printed material, and especially through personal correspondence, I have tried at all times to keep in touch with this work throughout the church.

During the first part of the year I found it rather difficult to keep up with my correspondence but have been helped in recent months in this respect by securing a stenographer who has made it possible for us to keep all correspondence up to date.

With the consent of President Smith and Bishop McGuire and through an appropriation allowed me by the latter I was enabled to send Brother Orrin Moon of Lamoni, Iowa, to a two-weeks' scoutmasters' school in Iowa City. This proved to be excellent training indeed and Brother Moon returned to us very enthusiastic about this work, and has proved to be a very efficient scout master for the Lamoni troop. I am of the opinion that this practice should be followed each year, not only in Iowa, but in various other places. We should be in a position to encourage our young men to attend these training courses or in any other way make use of such opportunities as are available for training in this kind of work.

Lack of time and means has made it impossible for me to travel as one should travel to accomplish much in this field. I am hoping that the time will come when we shall have some Religio field workers who will be actively pushing this as well as other aspects of Religio work all the time. It is almost impossible to secure satisfactory results through correspondence alone.

We have made very definite arrangements for the Boy Scout exhibition in connection with the Religio exhibition to be held in Independence this spring. We are hoping that this will prove to be the most progressing step ever taken in the line of educating our people in the work that we expect to do. We have planned to have exhibition programs through printed material for free distribution, placards, pennants, etc., to illustrate the work of the Boy Scouts. By this means we expect to reach more people than ever before. We feel that once our church people fully understand the nature of the work that all opposition will vanish.

Progress

We are glad to report very substantial progress in this

department during the year. Every attempt has been made to get each district of the church to elect as second vice-president some one qualified and willing to push this work. In this we have only partially succeeded. Many districts have for one reason or another failed to elect such an officer, and others have failed to report such to me even after they had been elected, consequently, I have at hand a list of only thirty-five district vice presidents.

Many of these officers have been active and enthusiastic in this work, in fact, I have been agreeably surprised many times to hear of their success. The most tangible measure of the work is found in the following report, of the number of troops organized and the number contemplated in the various districts.

W. O. Hands, Kansas City, Missouri, K. C. Stake.

R. S. Budd, Cameron, Missouri, Far West.

Warren McElwain, Lansford, North Dakota, N. D. district.

Darl Hall, Council Bluffs, Iowa, Pottawattamie.

V. G. Lents, Rhodes, Iowa, Des Moines.

A. E. Bullard, Denver, Colorado, East. Colo.

P. R. Burton, Nauvoo, Illinois, Nauvoo District.

R. E. Burgess, Knobnoster, Missouri, Holden Stake.

J. L. Parker, Lincoln, Nebraska, Southern Nebraska.

A. M. Coombs, Fall River, Massachusetts.

William Hill, Sherrill, New York, New York District.

Wilmer Blair, Ontario, California, Southern California.

Chesley W. Severy, Berkerly, California, Northern Calif.

A. P. Crooker, Topeka, Kansas, Northeast Kansas.

Robert B. Flack, Kirtland, Ohio, Kirtland, Ohio.

L. L. Chreslensen, Joplin, Missouri, Spring River.

Clyde S. Rice, Everett, Washington, Seattle and Brit. Col.

Matthew Liston, Flint, Michigan, Detroit.

E. R. Curry, Willoughby, Ohio, Kirtland.

R. E. Miller, Oklahoma City, Central Oklahoma District.

Wayne Richardson, Hamburg, Iowa, Fremont.

Ben Van Eaton, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, N. Sask.

Ivan Pritchard, Chatham, Ontario, Chatham.

J. B. Wildermuth, Chetek, Wisconsin, Northern Wisconsin.

Cecil Lyr, St. Boyne City, Michigan, Northern Michigan.

W. G. Hubbard, Marion, Michigan, Western Michigan.

Clarence Larhan, Freesoil, Michigan, Western Michigan.

Eugene Clawson, Independence, Missouri, Zion.

W. W. Richards, Davenport, Iowa, Eastern Iowa.

Charles Bellew, Tyron, Nebraska, Western Nebraska.

Vernice Rush, Huntsville, Missouri, Northeastern Missouri.

Everet Hornocker, Indianapolis, Indiana, Southern Ind.

Virgil Butterworth, Denison, Iowa, Gallands Grove.

Wm. Lloyd Wallace, Omaha, Nebraska, Northeastern Nehr.

R. D. Davis, Sault Ste. Marie, Northern Mich.

Lloyd Gregory, Ribstone, Alberta, Alberta.

In addition to the above we have reason to believe there are several Scout Troops, but since we have no official report we cannot include them at this time. We believe, however, more progress has been made than can be measured in this way, and that the effort of these leaders is gradually but surely overcoming any opposition to this work. Within the next few years we shall have several hundred boys engaged in a type of training that cannot fail to make them better church members as well as better citizens of their community.

Just one or two illustrations may be included to show to what extent this work has developed. Scout Master Hands of Kansas City reports that the Latter Day Saint troop did more during "Good Turn Week" than any other five troops in Kansas City combined. Brother Hands concludes his report with the statement that "Our troop will be in evidence during conference."

Brother R. V. Hopkins of Independence reports four active troops with a total membership of about 180 scouts, with two other troops in contemplation.

Brother Keck is in charge of a very fine troop in Sioux City, Iowa, and he informs me that 199 boys of that city have been led to join the church of their choice through the Boy Scout work. Many other instances might be cited.

We should not fail to mention also the enthusiastic workers which we have in England, Australia, and Canada, especially in the two former countries. Of course, it is not possible for them to take up the same kind of organization we have here, but it is at least encouraging to know that very much has been done in encouraging the organization of groups of boys under competent leaders in connection with the missionaries' work in these countries. Some of the most encouraging letters we have received during the year have come from these places.

Mention should also be made of the work that has been done along other lines outside of the Scout Movement. This includes various kinds of gymnasium activities, swimming, coasting, camping, skating, hiking, ball games, etc., as well as gardening, and community welfare work. Brother Darl Hall of Council Bluffs has been especially active in some of this work, and has sent in an extended report of his work.

The writer is convinced that the Scout work will be only a part of the work in the interests of the boys, as this new department becomes fully grown.

I have been repeatedly asked about the boys under Scout age, but have been unable yet to make definite arrangements for them. We have been of the opinion that it would be well to let this work grow gradually and expand naturally rather than artificially. We are very hopeful of some excellent results in these new fields.

Recommendations

In the light of my experiences of the year I should like to conclude my report with the following recommendations:

1. That a president of the Religio or some other capable individual be given full time in the field and office to represent the various activities of the Religio.

2. That every effort be made at the coming convention to completely remodel the present organization of the Religio to the end of simplifying its machinery and more clearly defining its work.

3. That instead of having what is called a second vice president that we have a superintendent of the Boy Department of the Religio.

4. That each district have a similar officer, having complete charge of the work in his respective district, and that this officer secure a special field commission from the National Scout Headquarters, so that he may more affectively carry on this work.

5. That the general superintendent of the Boy Movement should be free to devote more time to his work, or at least that an appropriation of \$150 to \$200 be made for office and stenographic help, in addition to the usual appropriation.

6. That a sufficient sum of money be appropriated so the general superintendent of the Boy Movement can encourage the attendance on the part of our boy leaders at the various training schools for Scout Masters in the country.

Assuring you that in all my efforts I have tried to keep the interests of the church and Religio paramount, and further that I sincerely believe that God is pleased with this new program, and wishing for the success of both the church and Religio in its undertakings, I am

Your coworker,

F. M. McDOWELL.

FROM A. W. SMITH

Dear Brother Williams: The motion picture and stereopticon correspondence has amounted to a greater volume this year than ever before. I have endeavored to answer all inquiries promptly and to give all the information required. There seems to be quite a demand or desire for these ma-

chines and their use, but the price seems to stop most of the schools before purchase is made. The many inquiries received from time to time show the interest and demand and it is to be hoped that before many months roll by the various schools will find the necessary finances with which to purchase.

I do not believe we will be able to successfully cope with this situation until we can open our own film and slide exchange, such as was suggested some two or three years ago in an article I prepared for and which was published in the church papers. Apparently this article was just a few years in advance of the time when a successful campaign of this kind could be launched. I hope the time is very near at hand when this movement will become a reality.

Since the institute work was turned over to my care I have secured corrected outlines from all the executives who were asked to supply material for these institutes, with one exception, that of the gospel literature. This was turned over to Brother Arthur McKim after he was appointed to occupy in the office of Publicity Manager. Up to the present I have not received this outline. All other outlines have been received and stenciled and copies have been run off to the extent of some 250 copies each. We have sent out some five general letters regarding this work to all the district church presidents, district Sunday school superintendents, district Religio presidents, and to such of the district Woman's Auxiliary appointees as I had addresses of. In addition to this I have written some three or four articles for the church papers.

I have written a great number of letters regarding the institute work in answer to personal inquiries and sent out one general letter to all the local Sunday schools and Religios asking that they get in touch with their district officers and let them know that they wanted the institute work in their local.

I have furnished institute outlines to 25 teams and while reports have not been received regarding institutes already held, I am looking forward to receiving some very good reports in the very near future. The last of the outlines were only received approximately ten days ago—this made me quite late in getting all the material in the hands of the teams.

There is a very great field for this class of work and most certainly a great need for it and if the work could be started earlier and carried on more systematically I feel that greater good will be accomplished.

I would like to recommend that the work be given more

careful consideration by the general executive of both the Sunday school and the Religio and that more attention be given to the work. Carefully prepared programs might be suggested for use in all districts and would like to suggest that all the districts arrange for a special institute session to last over a period of three days. The general executive or the one appointed to take care of this work for the coming term to arrange this program and see that it is placed in the hands of officers in every district.

I would also like to recommend that more detailed information regarding cost of motion picture and stereopticon machines be arranged for and supplied to all schools, districts, etc., and that as soon as possible a regular film and slide exchange be arranged—this latter slide exchange may already be cared for in a small way, but it has not received the necessary publicity that is necessary to make it a success.

I have also stenciled and sent out copies of the Religio slogan to all Sunday schools, Religios and to all district officers.

In a general way I have done everything I could to increase the interest of the members in the Religio work and feel that I can see a greater interest in this department of the work.

Assuring you of my earnest desire to see this work prosper and sincerely trusting that great strides will be made throughout the coming year. I am, yours for a more enthusiastic, soul-stirring, definitely outlined program for all districts and locals. Sincerely your coworker,

A. W. SMITH.

RELIGIO DELEGATE CREDENTIALS

On account of many conventions being held late the credentials report is incomplete. The names of the districts preceded by an asterisk are the ones that have *not* authorized their delegates to cast majority or minority votes in case of division.

ALABAMA, MOBILE. Members 148, votes 15, delegates 5: T. C. Kelly, N. L. Booker, T. J. Booker, A. G. Miller, Bennie Cochran.

ALBERTA. Members 112, votes 11, delegates 4: D. Macgregor, Sr. D. Macgregor, Elder William Osler, Elder Levitt.

*ARIZONA, PHOENIX. Members —, votes —, delegates 2: James E. Yates, Albert T. Gray.

AUSTRALIA, SOUTHERN QUEENSLAND. Members 58, votes 6, delegates 6: A. W. Sanford, A. W. Smith, F. G. Pitt, Sr. F. G. Pitt, Daniel Macgregor, G. R. Wells.

AUSTRALIA, NORTHERN NEW SOUTH WALES. Members 100.

votes 10, delegates 7: A. C. Barmore, E. F. Robertson, F. G. Pitt, Sr. Barmore, Sr. Paul Hanson, Sr. Pitt, Edna Dohrn.

CALIFORNIA, SOUTHERN. Members 227, votes 23, delegates 9: Lyle Mitchell, A. W. Van Fleet, Sr. F. V. Van Fleet, D. Dowker, Mrs. Arthur Lewis, Miss Bertha Ball, George Wixom, Mrs. James Farley, Peter Kaufman. Alternates: Miss Alice Wixom, W. H. Garrett, Sr. W. H. Garrett, Mrs. George Wixom, Mrs. Nathaniel Carmichael.

CALIFORNIA, NORTHERN. Members 502, votes 50, delegates 14: Myron McConley, Chester Young, J. T. Smith, jr., A. J. Damron, Mrs. Hazel Blohin, Mr. Blohin, Mrs. A. C. Barmore, C. W. Hawkins, John Ely, A. R. Lawn, Mrs. A. R. Lawn, A. C. Barmore, Mary Louisa McRoberts, Louise E. McRoberts.

COLORADO, EASTERN. Members 349, votes 35, delegates 22: Charles A. Zion, M. F. Ralston, John L. Fletcher, Mrs. Vida Fletcher, A. E. Tabor, Mrs. N. A. Tabor, J. R. Sutton, A. E. Bullard, Mrs. Alice Keck, Katherine Keck, Maynard Broliar, Mrs. Emma B. Savage, Mrs. Louisa Fishburn, E. F. Shupe, Mrs. Dora Shupe, Fenner D. Bullard, Mrs. Florence Bullard, Catherine Beardsmore, Arthur Curtis, C. A. Ralston, J. Charles May, J. D. Curtis.

HAWAII. Members 135, votes 13, delegates 3: M. A. McConley, Fern F. McConley, C. Ed. Miller.

IDAHO. Members 75, votes 7, delegates 3: Arthur Condit, Ammon White, Mrs. Ammon White.

ILLINOIS, NORTHEASTERN. Members 252, votes 25, delegates 25: Ward L. Christy, Eleanor Christy, Alta Dempsey, Letta Sherman, Stella Thoman, C. B. Hartshorn, J. O. Dutton, Ethel Williamson, Ella Burwell, Grace E. Johnson, Sadie Selle, J. A. Daer, F. G. Pitt, Rosa Pitt, W. A. McDowel, O. A. McDowell, Sr. Mabel McDowell, LaJune Howard, Floyd Hevener, Norman E. Hield, Daisy Faulkner, Harry Thorne, Elizabeth McDowell, R. N. Burwell, Eliza Wright.

ILLINOIS, KEWANEE. Members 234, votes 23, delegates 11: Sr. George Sackfield, Mary E. Gillin, Mrs. F. G. Pitt, Nellie Colvin, Kitty Pine, Mrs. Charles Holmes, Mrs. C. I. Carpenter, M. C. Ziegenhorn, H. J. Archambault, J. Cole, F. G. Pitt.

INDIANA, SOUTHERN. Members 102, votes 10, delegates 3: Wesley H. Burwell, Sr. Wesley Burwell, Sr. Maude Warne.

*IOWA, DES MOINES. Members —, votes —, delegates 22:

Mattie Hughes, Bessie Laughlin, C. E. McDonald, Roy Cheville, H. H. Hand, Henry Castings, A. E. Warr, Sr. H. H. Hand, Sr. C. Malcor, Mary Rudkin, C. Malcor, H. L. McCaig, Frank Mussel, E. G. Beye, T. Christiansen, Nellie Mussel, Sr. Emslie, Margaret Darrs, Lillian Goreham, Nellie Price, Sr. L. E. Anderson, Sr. E. G. Beye. Alternates: Pearl Shannon, Levi Anderson, W. C. Hidy, J. W. Kyshart, V. G. Lentz.

IOWA, GALLANDS GROVE. Members 337, votes 34, delegates 35: C. E. Anderson, E. R. Butterworth, Hazel Butterworth, J. B. Barrett, Mrs. J. B. Barrett, Drayton Holcomb, Floy Holcomb, Edward Broad, J. W. Smith, J. B. Wildermuth, Mrs. J. B. Wildermuth, Wave Cross, Bessie Meyers, Mrs. Firman Newcomb, Carl Winey, Rebecca Miller, Lillie Marks, Robert Fish, Ethel Fish, James Sheldon, Mrs. James Sheldon, Fred Jackson, Pearl Jackson, Orris Salisbury, Arthur Juergens, J. L. Butterworth, Clifford Brown, Charles Butterworth, Ida Butterworth, Clara White, Sr. Daniel Macgregor, Lloyd Winans, Mrs. Lloyd Winans, Thomas Franklin, Mrs. Thomas Franklin. One in excess.

IOWA, LAMONI. Members 658, votes 66, delegates 65: F. M. McDowell, J. F. Garver, C. E. Wight, D. T. Williams, Lena Prall, F. A. Smith, G. R. Wells, G. N. Briggs, S. A. Burgess, E. D. Moore, Cornelius Clifford, E. Y. Hunker, Chester Young, Keith Rogers, Mrs. Keith Rogers, Vida E. Smith, W. E. Haden, P. N. Craig, A. J. Yarrington, Roscoe Davey, Ray Whiting, Lonzo Jones, Alma Rannie, Mrs. Alma Rannie, H. C. Burgess, W. R. Kappnick, Louise Evans, J. W. Wight, H. W. Smith, Susie Hayer, J. A. Koehler, R. J. Wildey, William Stoll, Frank McDonald, J. A. Dowker, A. Carmichael, Wm. Johnson, Martha Young, Helen Bootman, Ida C. Monroe, Mrs. A. J. Yarrington, Mrs. Roscoe Davey, Mrs. Ray Whiting, Mrs. Lonzo Jones, Parley Batten, E. J. Giles, Thomas Williams, E. C. Burk, Charles Engle, J. A. Evans, Daniel Sorden, William Wilson, David Taylor, F. J. Sharp, Viola Sharp, R. W. Wight, Jessie Morant, Peter Muceus, Mrs. O. E. Prall, R. A. Ballentyne, A. L. Keen, J. A. Gunsolley, Frank Almond, Mrs. Frank Almond, W. T. Shotwell. Alternates: C. E. Blair, Joseph Braby, W. T. Shakespeare, I. A. Monroe, C. F. Church, W. E. Prall, James Robinson, G. W. Blair, John Weedmark, A. B. Church, Joe Bergman.

IOWA, LITTLE SIOUX. Members 577, votes 58, delegates 44: Daniel Macgregor, Margaret Macgregor, P. J. Zimmerman, Mrs. P. J. Zimmerman, G. M. Vandell, Dr. C. S.

Kennedy, Esther Kennedy, Louise Kennedy, Mrs. Caroline Smith, Earl Lewis, David Gamet, J. E. Keck, Rae Keck, Charles VanEaton, Bertha VanEaton, Joseph Lane, Mrs. Joseph Lane, Mark Jensen, Fred A. Fry, Lee Travis, Pearl Travis, Ralph Travis, Amy Travis, D. M. Vredenburg, Charles J. Smith, E. E. Gamet, Priscilla Worsencroft, Ollie Derry, Maud Scofield, Rena Thompson, G. E. Whitehead, C. R. Smith, Samuel Smith, A. F. Harper, Sr. A. F. Harper, Mrs. F. L. Hupp, Charles Putnam, Mrs. Charles Putnam, J. C. Ballantyne, Hazel Putnam, F. C. Oviatt, Sr. F. C. Oviatt, Sidney Pitt, sr.

IOWA, POTTAWATTAMIE. Members 357, votes 36, delegates 16: Sr. Lucy Williams, O. A. Currie, Sr. O. A. Currie, Mil-lard Pace, Walter Klopping, Sr. Iva Harrington, Sr. Florence Harrington, John Salisbury, Sr. John Salisbury, Amos Graybill, Dare Hall, Sr. Dare Hall, G. J. Harding, Peter Anderson, Sr. Helen Anderson, Orman Salisbury.

IOWA, FREMONT. Members —, votes —, delegates 5: Sr. Vance, Sr. E. E. Barber, Emma Tougas, B. S. Lambkin, Sr. S. S. Clark.

KANSAS, NORTHEASTERN. Members —, votes —, delegates 7: Florence Wolfe, Clayton Wolfe, Mary S. Scott, Mary G. Sheets, Gilbert Hedrick, Maud Bouser, Emma Hedrick. Alternates 3: Bertha Dittimore, Mary Crooker, Jay Bouser.

KANSAS, SPRING RIVER. Members 491, votes 49, delegates 25: A. E. Stoff, J. C. Virgin, Alma King, A. C. Silvers, Daniel Gray, Lee Quick, William Bath, Lucy Bath, Mrs. S. E. Cadmus, Mrs. E. J. Lumm, C. E. Wilson, Mrs. C. E. Wilson, Mrs. T. G. Williams, Mrs. Bertha Simms, S. L. Cole, Mrs. W. W. Chrestensen, W. W. Chrestensen, Oscar Todd, Charles Frye, Myrtle Allen, Mrs. C. A. Dooley, Otto Hempel, Mrs. Otto Hempel, Mrs. V. E. Sheppard, Mrs. Charlotte Gray.

MASSACHUSETTS. Members 322, votes 32, delegates 32: C. Ed. Miller, Wallace Carter, Rebecca Carter, Richard Baldwin, George Tomlison, jr., E. L. Traver, Leah Traver, E. H. Fisher, M. C. Fisher, Frank Spinett, Georgia Spinett, Daniel Joy, Evelyn Joy, E. B. Hull, Josephine Hull, Sylvia Baker, Charles Y. Baker, George Carter, Lillian Carter, Richard Bullard, A. B. Phillips, Frank Dobbins, Marion Greene Calvin Sears, Laura Sears, Lucie Sears, Nellie Pierce, Emma Dobbins, A. N. Baker, Ed. Fox, Sarah Fisher, Florence Fisher.

MICHIGAN, CENTRAL. Members —, votes —, delegates 26: G. A. Pringle, E. L. Pringle, Earl Faulkner, E. S. White, Esther White, L. A. White, Cora White, Matthew Umph-

rey, E. M. Orton, Maggie Burt, B. H. Doty, Fred F. Methner, O. J. Hawn, Ida Hawn, Charles Rippberger, Edith Rippberger, Adolph Cataline, Lucy Cataline, G. W. Burt, Bert Turner, Mrs. Bert Turner, Earl Burt, Verna Burt, George Bailey, Rosetta Bailey.

MICHIGAN, DETROIT. Members 444, votes 44, delegates 44: M. Liston, V. Schaar, R. Bennett, Chester Serig, Stanley Parrish, W. Sage, S. A. Thiel, S. C. Robertson, Ida Robertson, Ethel Rasbury, H. R. Hutchins, Fred Rauh, Mrs. F. Rauh, J. R. Grice, Roy Clark, Glen Hardy, Mrs. V. D. Schaar, J. Gault, J. A. Grant, Josephine Schubel, Hermine Bennett, Walter Bennett, Mrs. J. A. Grant, Alma Grant, Harry Jowett, Alfred Notter, Fred Kuhn, Jennie Hunter, Emil Kuhn, Lloyd Heaviland, Manuel Ward, Kate McNamara, Paul Belleisle, Emmaline Belleisle, R. A. Harder, Katherine Harder, Mae Jones, Mona Schaar, A. Leighton, Leo Reigle, A. Shotwell, Margaret Robertson, Mrs. W. Bennett, Dewey McNamara.

MICHIGAN, EASTERN. Members 245, votes 24, delegates 16: Grace McGuinness, William Grice, Mrs. William Grice, William Fligg, W. J. Smith, F. S. Brackenbury, Mrs. F. S. Brackenbury, Mabel Kearns, Orville Thompson, Mae Skinner, Joseph D. Brine, Mrs. Joseph D. Brine, Delta Anderson, Gerbert Ferrand, Charles Whitford, Mrs. Charles Whitford.

MICHIGAN, NORTHERN. Members 202, votes 20, delegates 8: C. N. Burtch, Bertha Burtch, John Paulson, Dora Paulson, Wesley Alldread, Ada Alldread, A. E. Starks, Sarah Starks.

MICHIGAN, SOUTHERN AND NORTHERN INDIANA. Members 258, votes 26, delegates 33: G. A. Smith, Marion Thompson, John L. Roark, Mrs. John L. Roark, Otto H. Storey, George Trescott, S. W. L. Scott, Alice Storey, Louise Evans, Samuel Stroh, Mrs. Samuel Stroh, S. A. Barss, E. A. Blakesley, Leonard Dudley, Frances Baker, Ralph Baker, Ralph McElhenie, E. K. Evans, Hazel Dexter, William Shaub, John Goodman, Archibald Whitehead, James D. Aelick, Starr Corless, Loren Walton, Elmer C. Evans, Ola Green, J. W. McKnight, Mrs. J. W. McKnight, Claude Garnett, Mrs. Claude Garnett, Clark Buckley, Mrs. Dean Corless. Seven in excess.

MICHIGAN, WESTERN. Members —, votes —, delegates 28: E. N. Burt, J. W. McKnight, W. D. Ellis, J. E. Bennett, N. S. Brackenbury, Mrs. F. S. Brackenbury, Kate Reck, John Schrewer, Mr. Halloty, Mrs. Halloty, James Davis, R. D. Davis, Clyde Ellis, Alvin Ellis, Hazel Higgins,

Mrs. W. D. Ellis, Charles Martin, Samuel Long, George Shelly, Mrs. George Shelly, Buel Shelly, Mrs. Buel Shelly, D. D. Duncan, Roland Kapnick, R. D. Weaver, Mrs. R. D. Weaver, J. E. Bennett, Mrs. J. E. Bennett.

MINNESOTA. Members 113, votes 11, delegates 10: W. E. Shakespeare, Lester Whiting, H. M. Curtis, Arthur Anthony, Mrs. Arthur Anthony, Ellen Jepson, E. H. Bennett, Duane Bennett, J. E. Wildermuth, Mrs. E. H. Bennett. Alternates: D. A. Whiting, Mrs. L. L. DeLapp.

MISSOURI, CLINTON. Members 233, votes 23, delegates 23: A. C. Silvers, Sr. A. C. Silvers, R. T. Walters, Sr. R. T. Walters, John W. Noyes, Sr. John W. Noyes, Bertha Johannes, Sr. A. C. Dempsey, A. C. Dempsey, Ralph Murdock, James A. Marsteller, William S. Searfus, Lee Quick, F. A. Hawley, H. Ross Higdon, Sr. H. Ross Higdon, J. W. Strader, Sr. J. W. Strader, Nellie Hayton, Carrie Nafus, Helen Hawley, H. E. Moler, Robert R. Russell. Alternates: Orral Andes, Bro. Henry Hughes, Ada Hughes, Sr. Mable Braden, William H. Lowe, Rolla Duzan, Sr. Minnie Pace, Pleas Budd, Blanche Joy, Sr. F. C. Keck, Sr. Adrian Lowe, Sr. Jessie Silvers, Sr. Lida Andes, Virginia Budd.

MISSOURI, FAR WEST STAKE. Members 748, votes 75, delegates 74: Minnie Scott Dobson, Alma Scott, Leonard Ehlers, Mable Burlington, Ruby Hitch, Sr. E. E. McCormick, E. E. McCormick, Harry Tilden, Sr. Harry Tilden, Gladys Christenson, Edna Christenson, Amelia Archibald, Mrs. J. D. Proffit, Sr. S. J. Sloan, Mary E. Davis, Sr. G. S. Daniels, Sr. Arch McCord, Bro. Arch McCord, Harry Hamann, E. Turnbull, Sr. John Egel, Faye Gates, Joseph Powell, W. A. Tabler, Sr. R. S. Salyards, Myrtle Tabler, F. R. Gist, Sr. F. R. Gist, Sr. W. O. Webb, W. O. Webb, John Davis, Sr. John Davis, Bro. S. P. Carpenter, Sr. S. P. Carpenter, Charles Morton, George Hinderks, B. J. Dice, V. M. Goodrich, John Rook, Thomas Fiddick, Bro. Ethridge, Sr. V. M. Goodrich, Harry Pederson, James Pratt, Lorene Whitlow, Geoffrey Bear, Elizabeth Hinderks, Martha Vories, R. E. Stone, Sr. R. E. Stone, Sr. H. D. Ennis, H. P. Larson, Sr. H. P. Larson, L. Christenson, Scott Daniels, Addie Uphoff, Sr. Tillie Uphoff, H. D. Ennis, George Mauzey, Mattie Peterson, J. S. Andes, Coleman Snyder, George Peterson, B. R. Constance, William Constance, Pearl Kinnaman, R. S. Budd, Elias Hinderks, S. S. Simmons, John Havanga, W. P. Pickering, R. S. Salyards, J. T. Ford, Frank Hinderks.

MISSOURI, INDEPENDENCE STAKE. Members 865, votes 86, delegates 86: John Lloyd, Sr. John Lloyd, W. W. Smith, Mrs. W. W. Smith, Edith Bullard, Sr. Brokau, Charles Koehler, Sr. Charles Koehler, Eugene Closson, Roland Flanders, Arthur Constance, J. A. Curtis, Mrs. J. A. Curtiss, Ira Burdick, Sr. Ira Burdick, E. T. Atwell, Louis Resch, Mrs. Louis Resch, W. Adams, M. E. Campbell, Sr. E. D. Tucker, Sr. McNichols, W. H. Christy, Earl Cox, Sr. Earl Cox, William North, Sr. North, Bro. H. Hatty, Charles Joyce, Sr. Charles Joyce, Glaud Smith, Mrs. O. Tanburg, Mrs. C. J. Hunt, Sr. Glaud Smith, Mrs. Jacob Hanson, Bishop Becker, Clyde Hartman, Sr. C. Hartman, B. J. Scott, Ira Curtis, William Fetters, Walter Chapman, Frank Holdsworth, E. E. Thomas, Earl Moore, C. F. Greene, John G. Clark, William Gard, Sr. George A. Gould, Sr. W. Adams, A. H. Parsons, A. A. Morgan, Arthur Allen, Sr. F. Hansen, A. Sanford, Sr. A. Sanford, Laura Mosher, George Alexander, Sr. G. Alexander, J. T. Curtis, Sr. J. T. Curtis, C. E. Dickens, Orlando Nace, Mrs. O. Nace, Mrs. James Cochran, Sr. M. T. Williams, F. J. Lewis, Harry Barto, Ed. Harrington, Marshall Martin, George Curtis, Sidney Webster, Sr. R. Redfield, Delbert Barnett, Douglas Flanders, G. A. Gould, C. L. Goldsmith, Sr. Gibler, Sr. Conley, Charles Warren, Jennie Willis, Sr. G. Tousley, Sr. Bush, Sr. E. E. Thomas, Sr. Whiting, Bro. Whiting.

MISSOURI, KANSAS CITY STAKE. Members 622, votes 62, delegates 62: Harvey Sandy, Mrs. Paul Bubsley, Lorn Coberly, H. J. Bootman, John Harndoff, Mrs. May Price, O. G. Helm, Margaret Wood, Fred Cleveland, Mrs. Fred Cleveland, R. J. Crayne, Scott Winn, E. Ravell, Mrs. Clyde Shackley, F. O. Branham, J. O. Worden, Mrs. J. W. Worden, William Turpin, L. E. Fusselman, Mrs. E. D. Jellings, Stella Smith, Martha Olefather, Elmer Curtis, Wilford Winn, J. W. Gunsolley, Mable Brooks, Violet Largent, Oscar Anderson, Mrs. E. M. Palmer, Irene Hunter, Mrs. O. G. Helm Mrs. May Fouche, Katherine Sears, Kenneth Davis, Ross Moore, Mrs. Eala Hawkins, Arthur Mills, T. J. Elliott, Pauline Hepworth, Glenn Beman, Mrs. F. Mitchell, Mrs. R. E. Newkirk, E. M. Schimmel, H. R. Rushfeldt, Mrs. J. E. Davis, Mrs. James Stobaugh, Ora Stratton, A. V. Trego, William Stroud, Mrs. Adam Young, Lola Davis, Mrs. Glen Liddell, Mrs. Jessie Tucker, Mrs. Bessie Largent, Mrs. E. M. Beeman, Mrs. E. W. Lloyd, Anna Lee Haws, Charles Beebe, Seth Sandy, Helena Brooks, Ray Lloyd, Mrs. Ray Lloyd.

- MISSOURI, NORTHEASTERN. Members 66, votes 7, delegates 4: Ben S. Tanner, Carrie Richards, Ethel Harris, Vernie Ruch. Alternates: Zella Ruch, Elizabeth Miller, Lydia Hepple, Charles Edmunds.
- *MISSOURI, SAINT LOUIS. Members 252, votes 25, delegates 16: Ralph Farrell, Mrs. R. W. Farrell, R. A. Lloyd, Myrtle Lloyd, Ruth Volz, Carl Wehrli, A. H. Daley, Minnie Daley, George F. Barracrough, Ida Wehrli, C. E. Smith, Robert Dickens, Effie C. Anderson, Mary Crosby, James Wild, W. C. Carl.
- MONTANA, EASTERN. Members 192, votes 19, delegates 7: J. C. Page, Irene Page, Ann Hackett, Eli Bronson, Bessie Constance, Jessie James, Elmer Chase.
- NEBRASKA, NORTHEASTERN. Members 148, votes 15, delegates 13: Anna Hicks, Lorma Leeka, E. E. Long, Jay Leeka, T. A. Hicks, Nell Kelley, Audentia Anderson, J. W. Peterson, Bern Case, Sr. J. E. Butts, Bro. Gardner, Mrs. J. P. Jensen, J. R. Johnston. Alternates: Carl Self, Evalyn Springer, W. N. Hill, Sr. W. N. Hill, Rose Ware, James Kelley, Ray Ruñnel, A. Merchant.
- NEW YORK, NEW YORK AND PHILADELPHIA. Members 201, votes 20, delegates 18: Edmund J. Gleazer, William B. Hartley, John R. Lentell, Sr. J. R. Lentell, Albert N. Hoxie, Clara Z. Hoxie, William Osler, John Zimmermann, sr., Lillian Zimmermann, William Nichols, Sr. William Nichols, Ephraim Squire, Sr. John Zimmermann, sr., Walter H. Lewis, H. L. Kelley, Charles H. Dudley, Richard Bullard, Sr. Ephraim Squire.
- NEBRASKA, SOUTHERN. Members 95, votes 9, delegates 3: E. E. Long, J. L. Parker, H. A. Higgins.
- *NORTH DAKOTA. Members —, votes —, delegates 16: Mrs. M. Rasmussen, F. E. Hammel, Mrs. F. E. Hammel, Thomas Leitch, William Sparling, J. E. Wildermuth, M. Rasmussen, W. E. Shakespeare, F. E. Mollison, Mrs. F. E. Mollison, N. C. Anderson, M. J. Spaulding, Mrs. M. J. Spaulding, F. C. Spaulding, Mrs. E. E. Weddle, Mrs. F. C. Spaulding.
- OHIO, KIRTLAND. Members 204, votes 20, delegates 17: Charles Romig, Mary Romig, Susie Rainbow, Pearl Newton, H. P. Morrison, Mrs. H. P. Morrison, Erma Berry, Frank Webbe, Celia Richards, John Martin, A. E. Stone, A. D. Angus, J. C. McCanoghay, John Caryisle, F. J. Ebling, Leon Burdick, A. R. Manchester.
- OHIO, YOUNGSTOWN-SHARON. Members 107, delegates 4, votes 11: T. U. Thomas, Leon Burdick, Lora Strachan, Amil Glassford.
- *OKLAHOMA, CENTRAL. Members 150, votes 15, delegates 7:

Ed. Dillon, Mrs. Ed. Dillon, G. Kueffer, Mrs. G. Kueffer, F. W. Kueffer, Mrs. F. W. Kueffer, R. M. Maloney.

ONTARIO, CHATHAM. Members 516, votes 52, delegates 36: John Dent, Mrs. John Dent, John Taylor, John Gaw, Mrs. John Gaw, Wilbert Wood, Mrs. Wilbert Wood, C. M. Clifford, W. Hewitt, Joseph Yager, John Shields, Elder Pycock, Maggie Badder, William Beacon, Ruth Glazier, R. A. Hewitt, Mrs. A. R. Hewitt, L. D. Campbell, Nellie Hunter, R. H. Jones, Mrs. R. H. Jones, Frances Shaw, Lena Tedford, Noble Kelley, G. O. Coburn, Mrs. G. O. Coburn, R. D. Weaver, Mrs. R. D. Weaver, Mrs. Glazier, George Elgie, Mrs. G. Elgie, William Andrew, Cecil Wismer, Fred Smith, Mrs. F. Smith, Mrs. C. Wismer.

ONTARIO, TORONTO. Members 358, votes 36, delegates 15: G. E. Harrington, T. W. Williams, Philemon Pement, J. T. Whitehead, Sr. P. Pement, S. G. Clark, Frank Clifton, Sadie Clifton, J. A. Wilson, Mary Clark, Hazel Lottridge, Addie Whitehead, James Pycock, Minetta Pycock, Sr. E. G. Law. Alternates 15: May E. Hathaway, Joseph Yager, Sr. A. J. Leslie, A. P. Mortimer, F. G. Long, Mary Whitehead, Leslie Prentice, E. G. Law, Mary Wilson, E. A. McMullen, Eva Milligan, Joseph Osborne, A. J. Leslie, Harry Alexander, Lulu Prentice.

ONTARIO, OWEN SOUND. Members 451, votes 45, delegates 1: Ernest Clark.

OREGON, PORTLAND. Members 45, votes 4, delegates 4: Emma Cook, Ida E. Jones, M. H. Cook, C. E. Jones.

PENNSYLVANIA, PITTSBURG. Members 120, votes 12, delegates 5: Emmet Simpson, Sr. Alma Booker, Harriet McDowell, Sr. L. F. P. Curry, Samuel Gaskill. Alternates 1: Sister Shanke.

SOCIETY ISLANDS MISSION. Members —, votes —, delegates 13: Ella Devore, Alberta Lake, Emma Burton, J. Charles May, Sr. J. Charles May, J. W. Peterson, Sr. Peterson, Gomer T. Griffiths, C. Ed. Miller, Clyde F. Ellis, Paia a Metuaaro, Hubert Case, Sr. Hubert Case.

TEXAS, CENTRAL. Members 108, votes 11, delegates 5: A. J. Banta, W. J. Birkhead, Lanora Birkhead, J. M. Nunley, Sr. L. R. Wells.

***SASKATCHEWAN, NORTHERN.** Members 153, votes 15, delegates 2: E. Leslie Mogg, B. Whiting.

***WASHINGTON, SEATTLE AND BRITISH COLUMBIA.** Members 292, votes 29, delegates 7: R. J. Holman, S. S. Smith, Mamie Kinghorn, N. Headding, James E. Johnston, Jacob Beringer, Phoebe Beringer.

WEST VIRGINIA, WHEELING. Members 63, votes 6, delegates

6: L. D. Ullom, L. A. Serig, Brother Newton, John D. Carlisle, Amelia Serig, Lily Bishop.

WISCONSIN, SOUTHERN. Members 87, votes 9, delegates 5: E. J. Smith, George Noble, Almin West, E. A. Townsend, L. Houghton. Alternates: W. A. McDowell, E. J. Lenox, Julia Dutton, J. O. Dutton, B. C. Flint.

*WISCONSIN, NORTHERN. Members —, votes —, delegates 2: Leroy Colbert, Mrs. Leroy Colbert. Alternates: J. B. Wildermuth, L. Houghton.

RELIGIO STATISTICAL REPORT

Statistical Report 1919	Locals				Enrollment						
	Last Report	Previous Report	Loss	Gain	Latest Report	Previous Report	Loss	Gain	Number of classes	Home Dept. Members	Standard of Excellence
1. Alabama, Mobile	4	3	1	151	73	...	78	...	5	3	...
2. Alberta	5	6	1	...	99	...	...	...	...	...	...
3. Australia, Northern N. S. W. ....	...	5	...	...	126	...	...	...	...	...	...
4. Australia, Southern N. S. W. ....	...	5	...	...	102	...	...	...	...	...	...
5. Australia, Southern Queensland. .	3	3	...	58	60	2	...	5	...	...	...
6. California, Northern	10	10	...	502	453	...	49	23	83	...	...
7. California, Southern	6	7	1	279	313	34	...	15	52	...	...
8. Colorado, Eastern	9	14	5	349	351	2	...	22	115	...	...
9. Hawaii (Newly Organized) .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
10. Idaho	3	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
11. Illinois, Central .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
12. Illinois, Kewanee	8	8	...	257	247	...	10	20	23	...	...
13. Illinois, Nauvoo	2	3	1	112	130	18	...	11	5	...	...
14. Illinois, Northeastern	9	8	1	298	251	...	47	46	22	...	...
15. Indiana, Southern	4	4	...	102	101	...	1	7	8	...	...
16. Iowa, Des Moines .....	...	6	...	...	420	...	...	...	...	...	...
17. Iowa, Eastern .....	...	5	...	...	163	...	...	...	...	...	...
18. Iowa, Fremont	2	2	...	...	64	...	...	6	...	...	...
19. Iowa, Gallands Grove	7	8	1	327	250	...	77	22	21	...	...
20. Iowa, Lamoni	11	10	1	658	699	41	...	59	93	...	...
21. Iowa, Little Sioux .....	...	9	...	...	645	...	...	...	...	...	...
22. Iowa, Pottawattamie	7	6	1	396	253	...	143	25	39	...	...
23. Kansas, Northeastern	4	4	...	...	179	...	...	...	...	...	...
24. Kansas, Spring River	13	12	1	491	490	...	1	31	18	...	...
25. Manitoba, Winnipeg .....	...	2	...	...	32	...	...	...	...	...	...
26. Massachusetts	9	9	...	322	421	99	...	17	42	...	...
27. Michigan, Central .....	...	14	...	...	375	...	...	...	...	...	...
28. Michigan, Eastern	17	18	2	245	202	...	43	...	5	...	...
29. Michigan, Detroit	12	11	1	444	417	...	27	43	35	...	...
30. Michigan, Northern	9	11	2	202	225	23	...	12	...	...	...
31. Michigan, So. and No. Indiana. .	9	8	1	375	324	...	51	24	82	...	...

32. Michigan, Western	12	5	7	286	194	92	26
33. Minnesota	3	4	1	98	113	15	10
34. Missouri, Clinton	11	12	2	233	271	38	26
35. Missouri, Far West	16	14	2	748	709	39	83
36. Missouri, Holden	11	10	1	500	492	8	38
37. Missouri, Independence	5	5	1	883	922	39	42
38. Missouri, Kansas City	12	13	1	622	673	51	40
39. Missouri, Northeastern	2			66			7
40. Missouri, Saint Louis	6	5	1	252	260	8	21
41. Montana, Eastern	5	4	1	192	180		12
42. Montana, Western							7
43. Nebraska, Southern							
44. Nebraska, Northeastern	4	3	1	148			13
45. Nebraska, Western		3			139		
46. New York and Philadelphia	7	5	2	208	163	45	7
47. New York, Western	3	3		75	234	159	5
48. North Dakota	3	3		140	95	45	10
49. Ohio, Kirtland	7	8	1	244	369	125	15
50. Ohio, Northwestern		3			55		
51. Ohio, Youngstown-Sharon	5	5		111	85	26	8
52. Ohio, Southern	4	4		145	127	18	20
53. Oklahoma, Central	5	2	3	150	75	75	14
54. Oklahoma, Eastern							
55. Ontario, Chatham	15	15		516	619	103	22
56. Ontario, Owen Sound	11	10	1	451	386	65	24
57. Ontario, London		7			328		
58. Ontario, Toronto	9	8	1	358	324	34	19
59. Oregon, Portland	3	3		45	86	41	
60. Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh	4	4	1	128	113	15	12
61. Saskatchewan, Northern	4	6	2	153	217	64	8
62. Saskatchewan, Southern	1						7
63. Society Islands							
64. Texas, Central	2	2		108	94	14	6
65. Utah							52
66. Wash., Seattle, B. Columbia	8	8		292	249	43	27
67. Washington, Spokane							46
68. West Virginia, Wheeling	2	2		63	60	3	4
69. Wisconsin, Southern	4	5	1	92	124	32	6
70. Wisconsin, Northern	1	3	2	54	134	80	8

Locals In Unorganized Territory

1. Alabama, Pleasant Hill				33			3
2. Alabama, McKenzie				13			1
3. Colorado, Durango				29	32	3	2
4. England, Bradford					7		3
5. England, Leeds				18			1
6. England, Manchester							
7. England, Sulton-in-Ashfield							
8. Hawaii, Hilo				39	44	5	2
9. Hawaii, Honolulu				80	80		5
10. Idaho, Weiser							32
11. Kansas, Wichita				50	40	10	4
12. Maine, Stonington					36		
13. Missouri, Springfield					15		
14. Oklahoma, Eagle City					26		
15. Oregon, Myrtle Point					24		
16. South Dakota, Spearfish					18		
17. Texas, San Antonio					43		

	This year	Last year	Loss	Gain
Enrollment of locals and districts ..	11,368	15,340	3,972	
Enrollment of Home Department ..	1,823	2,069	241	
Total enrollment	13,196	17,409	4,213	
Number of locals	349	381	32	
Number of classes	773	917	144	

NOTE: This recapitulation is misleading as not all reports are in at the time this goes to press.

WOMEN'S DEPARTMENT

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

To the Presidency, Conference and Convention, Greeting:
In reviewing the work of this department for the past year we can report that it has been marked with progress.

The appropriation granted by the last General Conference has permitted us to visit various localities and obtain a better understanding of the needs of the women of the church.

Our observations and impressions have convinced us that a more fundamental course in child study should accompany the one we were using. That it was first our maternal, patriotic and religious duty to study to save the infant life that God sends into the world; to help reduce the astounding rate of infant mortality, as set forth by statistics.

We have, therefore placed in the hands of the women of the church the opportunity to secure a course of study beginning with four lessons on prenatal conditions and thereafter the physical and mental normal development of the child. It is our purpose to have these lessons placed with the mothers of every branch of the church, that none need lack for knowledge in this most holy calling.

What genius—what poetry and song—what defense of the faith has been lost to the church and the world, we may never know, but this we do know; from now on, no present, or prospective mother need lack for guidance along the untried or mistaken path of child care.

Maternity, however, does not occupy a lifetime and since many have opportunity for "service to others" the field of social work has much of interest to women. The aid societies organized throughout the church are steadily falling in line with the general women movement in relief and service work. The natural fitness of women for such work and the value of her cooperation with branch officers becoming recognized, we have prepared a Course of training for social workers. In this training which deals with thorough investigation of unfortunate, social conditions and constructive relief therefor, we believe that the cooperation of branch offi-

cers and a social worker, or committee, will conserve the funds of the church, lift families to their proper place, and bring about wiser expenditures when an outlay is necessary. To engage in and perform one's chosen line of work requires the daily maintenance of energy. The demands of the body that material be supplied from which this energy can be taken is the subject of another course of study which we call "Food and the body." This should appeal to the entire membership of the church. Already the lessons which have only been sent out since the latter part of January, have won favorable comment.

In using the "First Aid" and home hygiene and care of the "sick" courses, of the Red Cross Society we are in possession of information already prepared by recognized authorities. Such knowledge is essential to those who would lead the largest lives.

In addition to the above main courses we are publishing through our columns in *Saints' Herald*, and in leaflet form, a series of articles entitled, "Latter-day mother-hood." These are very high in order, treating the spiritual side of motherhood. We have two courses based on textbooks, "Mothers' and teachers' problems," text, Child Study and Child Training, by W. B. Forbush, and "Home economics," text, Foods and Household Management, by Kinney and Cooley. Four special short courses in leaflet form, "Parliamentary law," "Woman in politics," "Physical culture," and "Sex education." Twenty-three papers on home topics, for reading and discussion by classes and locals. These have been prepared by some of the best talent in the church and are becoming very popular. The studies of physiology, psychology and sociology, we anticipate will be outlined the coming year. Subjects in general education will be under the educational advisor.

Since the receipt of our first orders for leaflets, the latter part of January, 1,540 have been sent out, or an average of 770 per month, reaching that many women; this literature has gone into twenty-six States.

Soon after the beginning of the conference year, some changes were made, after long and thorough consideration. The resolution of the last convention requested the executive committee to reconstruct the bureaus with the view of connecting more closely, theory and practice; to work in harmony with and under the direction of the coordinating committee.

Heretofore the Home and Child Welfare Bureau and the Relief and Service Bureau were confined to activities and the Educational Bureau to education. This line of demarcation seemed too sharply drawn as it was quite impossible

for the supervisors to conduct the work of their bureaus satisfactorily to themselves without introducing courses of study and instruction, and this they desired to prepare and direct themselves. Also under the former arrangement, if a member joined the Home and Child Welfare department and engaged in a study, she immediately became involved in the work of another department which later caused confusion in reporting. Since the program of the Woman's Auxiliary is almost entirely educational, preparatory to future and present service, it seemed no longer necessary to identify one bureau as educational, but to make every bureau a unit of educational preparation for its specific activities, making provisions for such former lines of study not coming directly under the Home and Child Welfare Bureau of the Relief and Service Bureau.

On presenting the matter to the coordinating committee the president stated that the Educational Department should be continued. In this the committee, composed of officers and supervisors, could not acquiesce, and for the present, an educational advisor was appointed. The functions of this office are to stimulate effort toward personal development, to urge preparation for service to the church, to coordinate our work with that of other educational departments of the church and to unify the various branches of education we have instituted. To give individual direction to those desiring to qualify for some pursuit in life. The person chosen for this office was Miss Lucie Sears, of New Bedford, Massachusetts.

The secretary and treasurer elected by the last convention both having resigned, it was ordered by the convention that the executive be authorized to fill the vacancies. This was found to be a difficult task. Since the work of secretary and treasurer has increased to the extent that it can no longer be expected that women of sufficiently matured judgment to do the work can give the large amount of time required, without some recompense. It was decided to partly combine the office of secretary and treasurer, making the office, recording and financial secretary. Bishop B. R. McGuire was asked to act as treasurer to which he agreed. The functions of the office of recording and financial secretary are to keep all records of the organization and receive all moneys. These are to be deposited with the treasurer and a statement of receipts and expenditures rendered to him each month. Moneys are placed in the bank to the credit of the secretary as needed, and paid out by her on order of the executive committee. The sum of \$5 per week for the services of a recording and financial secretary was agreed upon. Sr. A. Morgan,

of Independence, Missouri, was chosen, and accepted the office.

The office of publicity chairman was created within the executive committee and Mrs. J. A. Gardner, first vice president, was chosen. The president of the Woman's Auxiliary was nominated by the First Presidency to fill the vacancy on the Woman's Building committee occasioned by the resignation of Mrs. F. M. Smith.

GENERAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

On December 5, the executive committee and the Woman's Building committee met to consider the proposition of the Woman's Auxiliary taking a more active part in the affairs of the Woman's Building. A communication from the First Presidency stated this to be in harmony with their desires with the view to the Woman's Auxiliary undertaking, eventually, the responsibility of the full control of the building. The committees expressed themselves to be in accord with the suggestion of the Presidency.

President. I have presided over ten sessions of the executive committee, attended and conducted the woman's work at three reunions, visited Sister Lydia Wight, Lamoni, in company with Sister J. A. Gardner, on Auxiliary business, thence to Omaha and Council Bluffs, and the conference at the Hazel Dell Branch, where I presented our work. Addressed a meeting of the Auxiliary at the Stone Church and the stake council at the Woman's Building. Have presented the work at all conventions in Holden Stake during the year and attended to a correspondence of several hundred letters. To the character of the present study courses I have given much time and thought.

In regard to the work in Independence Stake, there are eighteen organizations of our work in the thirty-two groups, and considerable activity. But in my opinion the work needs reorganizing. A plan of procedure has been unfolded to my mind but too late in the year to introduce, knowing that many changes are likely to occur at the conference and convention.

First Vice President. Mrs. J. A. Gardner has fulfilled the duties of this office, together with those of publicity chairman. The work of the latter office has become voluminous and has finally been taken to a room in the Woman's Building where the mailing of leaflets, charts, circulars, etc., can be better handled. Mrs. Gardner visited four reunions and one branch, presenting our work and holding two sessions per day for the children, engaging in story-telling and manual training. She has prepared one of the special short courses in parliamentary law and two papers, "How to organize" and "How

to study effectively." She has prepared some stencils and stencil copies of the leaflets.

Second Vice President. Mrs. William Madison has been active in this office, and by request of the executive committee made an extended trip through the Southern States visiting several reunions. This brought us in closer touch with the women in this region than we have been before and we hope to have a still further acquaintance with them and a part in helping them to solve their problems.

Recording and Financial Secretary. Mrs. A. Morgan has rendered efficient help in the work of her office though entirely new to her. Her services date only from the month of August. From her report we note the following for 1919:

Reported: Districts, 32; stakes, 4; locals, 6; number of organizations, 40; membership, 5,477; letters of organization, 633; personal visits, 202; organizations, 336; Relief and Service, 143; Home and Child Welfare, 104; Young Women, 62; Educational, 27.

For 1918: Number of organizations, 19; membership, 3,867; letters of organization, 1,012; personal visits, 130; organizations, 99; Relief and Service, 26; Home and Child Welfare, 9; Young Women, 24; Educational, 40.

Gains and losses: organizations, gain 21; membership, 1,610; letters of organization, loss 379; personal visits, gain 72; organizations, gain 237; Relief and Service, gain 117; Home and Child Welfare, gain 95; Young Women, gain 38; educational, loss 13.

Historian. Mrs. M. H. Siegfried reports a good start made in correspondence and research work. Plans are laid to furnish our official columns with news items from locals and biographical sketches of the leaders in Daughters of Zion and Woman's Auxiliary. The historian sees the need of more diligence and promptness on the part of local secretaries and historians in correspondence with each other.

Editor in chief. Mrs. Audentia Anderson advises that the contributions to our official columns in *Saints Herald* have been noticeably few. Only thirty-three letters and nine articles from general officers and supervisors were received. The editor has furnished a number of original articles herself and the series, "Latter-day motherhood" is the product of her pen. Mrs. Anderson urges a wider support of these publishing privileges and suggests "a staff of editors among whom the task of arousing and stimulating the sisters of the church to respond to the opportunities of the 'written word' might be divided."

Supervisors

Home and Child Welfare. Mrs. Lydia Wight. A set of charts were prepared with written discussion of each for use at reunions.

Outline of Child Study Course to be offered for publication, in Year Book.

A series of leaflets containing the lessons on above outline. Eight of these series are completed and four are in process of preparation. The correspondence of this bureau totals, approximately seventy-five letters.

For the personal preparation of the study of the "child," much time in research work has been spent, and attendance at the private class of Professor F. M. McDowell at Grace-land College from 10 to 12 every Saturday. This class is doing special work in child study using chiefly laboratory and clinic methods.

This demands much research work also.

Recommendations of Home and Child Welfare Supervisor

1. Inasmuch as the Woman's Auxiliary is connected with the Children's Home and as the Child Welfare work might include the consideration of the children in that institution we recommend that the Woman's Auxiliary use its influence to secure the mental test of all children there by Professor McDowell and his associates.

We further recommend that the Auxiliary request the board of control to consider the recommendation of Professor McDowell, based upon his examination of the children as to the system of instruction to be used for their best development.

2. Realizing the impossibility of doing the best work in effective Home and Child Welfare work with mothers who are burdened with many home cares, and that the building of Zion homes depends greatly upon the perfect preparation of young women for mothers, we recommend that the Woman's Auxiliary foster some method of instruction in mothercraft for the young girls of the church until the public school broadens its curriculum to meet that need. The method to be used and the age at which it should be offered to be decided by a committee made up of men and women best equipped with the knowledge of child study, importance of motherhood and the standards of the church in building up Zion.

Relief and Service. Mrs. Henry C. Smith attended the Kirtland and Pertle Springs reunions in the interests of the Auxiliary. Prepared fifty close-line stencils for lessons. Has had charge of a class in "Relief and Service" and

"Foods" at the Independence Institute and is at the head of that division in the Institute. Is preparing the present courses on relief and service, and food and the body.

(The above reports of these two supervisors express inadequately the amount of time, labor and money used in the preparation of the work which they are giving to the church through the Woman's Auxiliary.)

Young Woman's Bureau. Mrs. Alice M. Burgess Supervisor of Bureau and Temple Builders, Miss Grace Thompson, Director of Oriole Girls.

Report of Oriole Girls Director: Has received reports from twenty-two districts with fifty-four circles alive and active. There is record of forty more that have been organized within the last two years. Some have organized into Temple Builder Chapters. The chief difficulty is to secure leaders for the girls. They are enthusiastic and only need some one to lead them.

In addition to her school work Miss Thompson has been able to keep up the correspondence of from five to ten and twelve letters per week. Michigan and Canada report the largest number of circles. Financial report of the Oriole Society.

Received from the sales of books and supplies	\$46.59
Expenses	9.20
Balance on hand	\$37.39

Mrs. A. M. Burgess, Supervisor of Temple Builders. On account of illness we have no statistical report. A manual for this society is nearly completed and would have been on sale at this convention but for the above reason. We anticipate it will be ready very soon.

Mrs. Burgess has conducted the "Parthenon" in the *Autumn Leaves*, a very attractive department of that periodical. Her staff of contributing editors seem to touch all phases of girl life.

Summary of Report of Auxiliary Members of the Board of Trustees for the Children's Home

The three members representing the Woman's Auxiliary on this Board are Mrs. M. B. Nicholson, Mrs. L. L. Resseguie and Mrs. Callie B. Stebbins. They have met with the trustees in all sessions and served on various committees. They have served on the clothing committee as heretofore. Mrs. M. B. Nicholson is a member of the admission and dismission committee, Mrs. L. L. Resseguie and Mrs. C. B. Stebbins are members of the educational committee. In December Mrs. Stebbins was elected secretary of the board,

thus becoming a member of the admission and dismissal committee. The Auxiliary member whose term expires at this conference is Mrs. L. L. Resseguie.

Forty-eight children have been cared for during the year. Seven children have been received and twenty sent out, twelve having been returned to friends and eight placed in private homes.

Patroness Society of Independence Sanitarium

The members have met every month the past year except one when sickness prevented. A good attendance is maintained. A great deal of mending has been done and many new garments made. Sister E. L. Kelley is president, Sister B. R. McGuire, Vice president, Sister F. O. Thomason is secretary, Sister Joseph Arber, treasurer.

The Laurel Club of Independence

Nineteen meetings have been held during the year and three socials, two of which were free. The other only a charge of twenty-five cents to defray expenses. The object of these socials was to promote sociability. Ten dollars was paid for a membership in the Farm Bureau and Home Department work which entitled members to a series of lectures. The club also served a table for the returning soldiers of Independence. On Thanksgiving Eve a banquet was served for the Stake Sunday school in the dining hall, with covers laid for two hundred at twenty-five cents per plate. \$49.68 has been paid by the club for the upkeep of Triangle Park and \$25.00 tithing paid. To date the club has on hand \$222.26; approximate expenses, \$99.

Institute Work

Late in the fall we were asked to join the winter institute movement, which we did, sending material prepared by our supervisors and others, to Brother A. W. Smith, in charge. We have not yet received reports. By action of the committee we agreed to contribute a pro rata share of expenses which were \$62.98.

Reunion Work

Our association with reunion committees this year was very agreeable. The spirit of cooperation manifested by them made possible many opportunities for presenting our work. We value highly the occasions for a personal presentation of the Woman's Auxiliary which bring about a better understanding of our organization. Ten reunions were visited by the members of the executive committee.

Social Purity Work

The Social Purity work placed with the Woman's Auxiliary by the coordinating committee last year has received our attention in the way of a beginning, only. We have consulted with one of the members of the former Social Purity Board to learn what has been the experience of past efforts. In the transfer of this department of work to the woman's organization we desire it to be understood that we consider it to be a cooperative work with the priesthood, and an impossibility of accomplishment by any organization of one sex. Whatever may be the social condition of the men and women of the church let it not be said that a child is uninstructed because of lack of interest or competency on the part of parents or teachers. We have prepared a classified course of reading adapted as follows and will be placed for inspection at the coming convention. Books—

To use with children up to eight years.

To use with boys and girls from nine to fourteen.

To use with youths over fourteen.

For the use of the married.

We feel that this work can best be carried on by personal sympathy and instruction therefore we hope to prepare women as leaders and teachers for this work.

Foreign Lands

Australia. We have a report from the new president of the Australian Mission, Sister Ruth Henricks of Balmain, saying the second annual convention was held the 29th of December. They earnestly desire our study material and all literature that we have as they are deeply interested. They propose that we send our books and literature for sale, to their Standard Publishing House so that they may be able to make purchases more conveniently.

Switzerland. We have heard once, during the year, from our sisters in this country. They were making successful efforts in the Oriole work there.

British Isles Mission. Sister Pearl Crick our organizer in this mission wrote on September 12 that she had sent letters to the twenty branches in the mission asking their assistance and good will in helping to get this work started there. The result was that she discovered there was only one branch that had any kind of a woman's society other than a woman's prayer meeting. Some reported they would like to see this work taken up there. The previous month the district held their annual conference and reunion at Birmingham, eight days, the first of its kind. Two meetings were held by the women discussing the Auxiliary work after

which they formally organized into a district. Three classes have been organized in Home and Child Welfare work and there are prospects of others.

Hawaii. We have organization in Hawaii, one at Honolulu and one at Hilo. At Honolulu there are twenty members actively engaged. At the time of writing they were helping to furnish the Mission Home to make it more comfortable for Brother and Sister Etzenhouser. They seem happy in their work.

At Hilo an organization was effected December 7, 1919 with fifteen members. In addition to the offices of president, vice president, secretary and treasurer they have a branch nurse who is doing effective work among them.

Budget of Expense

We have prepared, by request, a budget of expense for 1920, covering salaries for help, office equipment, typewriter supplies, stationery, postage and express, printing, books and magazines, traveling expenses and advertising, amounting to \$3,000.

Very sincerely,

MRS. D. J. KRAHL.

REPORT OF FINANCIAL SECRETARY

Beginning March 1, 1919, and ending March 1, 1920

	Balance March 1, 1919	Receipts		Total Received
		1919 March 1 to June 30	1919-20 June 30 to March 1, 1920	
General fund	\$18.01	\$231.11	\$ 244.52	\$ 493.64
Children's Home	18.69	127.54	114.58	260.81
Oriole fund	38.43	34.84	49.14	122.41
Year Book	10.86	71.79	9.09	91.74
Sanitarium				63.70
Presiding Bishop		92.18	1,100.00	1,292.18
	<u>\$85.99</u>	<u>\$721.16</u>	<u>\$1,517.33</u>	<u>\$2,324.48</u>
		Expenditures		
		1919 March 1 to June 30	1919-20 June 30 to March 1	Total Paid out
Stenographic		\$ 29.55	\$ 144.40	\$ 173.95
Postage and express		41.63	48.82	90.45
Office expense		24.77	34.50	59.27
Office equipment		30.00	91.95	121.95
Home work		31.95	117.95	149.90

Printing	19.50	290.81	310.31
Charts	36.60	16.39	52.99
Stationery	14.65	10.15	58.80
Books	3.00	14.60	17.60
Mimeographing	10.20	28.83	39.03
Traveling expense	196.41	185.15	381.58
Kindergarten material	8.97	4.76	13.73
Incidentals	13.40	6.23	19.63
Public speaking course	186.82		186.82
Institute expense		62.98	62.98
Sanitarium	63.70		63.70
Woman's building		200.00	200.00
Children's Home		260.00	260.00
	<u>\$714.05</u>	<u>\$1,547.63</u>	<u>\$2,293.56</u>

Credit on expenditures—

Refund on traveling expense (Gardner) \$	1.01		
Refund on traveling expense (Krahl)	5.67		
Refund on desk (Gardner)	23.05		\$2,293.56
		<u>\$ 29.73</u>	<u>29.73</u>

Net expenditures \$2,263.83

Total received from March 1, 1919, to
March, 1920 \$2,324.48

Total paid out from March 1, 1919, to
March, 1920 2,293.56

Balance on hand	\$ 30.92	\$ 30.92
Budget allowed		\$1,500.00
Receipts from June 30 to March 1, 1920	\$1,517.33	
Less Children's Home trust fund	114.58	

Total received from budget \$1,402.75 1,402.75

Balance due Woman's Auxiliary..... \$ 97.25

Representation of Funds

<i>General Fund</i>	
Presiding Bishop	\$1,292.18
Assessments, etc.	493.64
Sanitarium	63.70
Total received	<u>\$1,849.52</u>

Received from Year Book fund\$ 91.74

Paid out from Year Book fund	0.00	
Transferred to General Fund	\$ 91.74	91.74
		<hr/>
		\$1,941.26
Paid Out—		
General Expense	\$1,675.04	
Sanitarium	63.70	
Public speaking	186.82	\$1,925.56
		<hr/>
Balance in general fund	\$	15.70
<i>Children's Home Fund</i>		
Total received	\$ 260.81	
Total paid out	260.00	
		<hr/>
Balance on hand	\$.81	.81
<i>Oriole Fund</i>		
Total received	\$ 122.41	
Total paid out	108.00	
		<hr/>
Balance on hand	\$ 14.41	14.41
		<hr/>
Balance in Bank	\$	30.92

ADMINISTRATION TO SICK

The chair appointed Elder W. D. Bullard to have charge of administrations to the sick. He was authorized to appoint assistants.

At 3 p. m. the chair adjourned the session. Announcements were made; the doxology was sung; Elder I. N. White pronounced the benediction.

At 7.30 p. m. session of the Sunday School Department in upper and lower auditoriums, Superintendent G. R. Wells and assistants in charge.

At the same hour preaching by Elder Clyde F. Ellis at the Church of Christ building, assisted by Elder J. Charles May.

RELIGIO DEPARTMENT

The Department of the Religio had provided for a Religio Exposition at the Battery Building, at which following program was rendered:

Eastern Night

6 to 7.45 p. m.

Moving picture, "The passing of the third floor back"

7.45 to 7.55 p. m.

Topics of the day

7.55 to 8 p. m.

Vocal Solo

Miss Pearl Kinnaman

8 to 8.45 p. m.

Address, subject, "Carry on" President Frederick M. Smith

8.45 to 9.15

Religio Liberty Orchestra

March, "Flag of truce"

Sacred overture, "Hallelujah"

Fillmore

Emerald Waltz

J. S. Seredy

"The sleigh ride"

N. De Rubertis

Cornet duet (selected) Oscar Moorman, Irwin Moorman

Wedding march, "Midsummer night's dream" Mendelssohn

Conference delegates and friends are invited to visit the Exposition during the day. Parties desiring to confer over Religio work call at Religio Headquarters, Library Building, or call Telephones 1590 or 1591.

The Exposition was preceded by a "Trip around the world" which comprised a grand march around the city interspersed with special celebrations at pre-arranged points, all in the interests of the recreational movement on behalf of the young people. It was entirely successful and greatly enjoyed.

SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

The Sunday school Department had arranged an exhibit of Sunday school work and provided for a study of its various departments, all located in the Church of Christ building, and which was visited by workers in that department.

SUNDAY SCHOOL PROGRAM

Daily Institutes

At Headquarters on the Temple Lot every day from 9.30 a. m. until 7.30 p. m.

Wednesday, April 7, 9.30 a. m. "Home department problems." Mrs. J. C. Schwab in charge.

Thursday, April 8, 9.30 a. m. "Cradle roll plans." Mrs. H. B. Roberts.

Friday, April 9, 9.30 a. m. "Teacher training work from the college standpoint," by Lonzo Jones, director of normal division in Graceland College.

Saturday, April 10, 9.30 a. m. What are the essentials of a good lesson system?" by F. M. McDowell.

Sunday, April 11, 9.30 a. m. A demonstration of primary, beginner, and cradle roll work, in charge of Mrs. Eunice Winn Smith.

Monday, April 12, 9.30 a. m. "The programmed teachers' meeting," by Miss Lucie H. Sears.

Tuesday, April 13, 9.30 a. m. "Team work," a presentation of organized class work, by Mrs. Anna de Jong Smith.

Wednesday, April 14, 9.30 a. m. Discussion, "Local and district standards," led by the superintendent.

Thursday, April 15, 9.30 a. m. Round table, conducted by the general officers.

Note.—Personal conference with any of the general officers can be arranged by appointment.

Meet Us at the Temple Lot

The usual quorum meetings were held at various points throughout the city.

THURSDAY, APRIL 8

At 8 a. m. Elder Arthur E. McKim, Superintendent of the Department of Publicity, addressed the priesthood in the lower auditorium on publicity matters, which included general church advertising and local advertising campaigns, methods, etc.

At 9 a. m. prayer meeting in the upper auditorium in charge of Elders J. F. Garver and R. V. Hopkins.

At the same hour, lower auditorium, Problems Meeting of Women's Department.

At 10.30 a. m. session of Women's Department.

Address by Bishop Benjamin R. McGuire, subject, "Thrift." "Housekeeping and the budget system," by Mrs. Audentia Anderson.

"The value of the social survey," by Hale W. Smith.

At 2.30 p. m. business session. President E. A. Smith in chair. The hymn, "Guide us O thou great

Jehovah" was sung. Prayer by Elder J. F. Curtis.

Printed copies of the revelation presented by President Frederick M. Smith to the previous day's session were distributed.

The minutes were approved.

COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

The committee on credentials presented a report:

To the General Conference: The Credential Committee recommends that Mrs. J. Charles May be seated as a delegate from the Society Islands Mission, and that Sister Edna Dohrn be seated as a delegate from Southern New South Wales, Australia.

F. A. RUSSELL,
For the Committee.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 8, 1920.

It was moved and seconded to adopt this recommendation. Adopted.

A motion to strike the name of Lena Wells from the Southern New South Wales delegation was adopted.

The following additional report from the committee on credentials was adopted:

To the Presidency and General Conference: The following credentials were received too late to be included in the published report:

AUSTRALIA, VICTORIA. Members 402, 4 votes: P. M. Hanson, F. G. Pitt, Mrs. F. G. Pitt, A. C. Barmore, G. R. Wells, J. W. Wight, J. W. Davis, E. F. Robertson. 4 in excess; not instructed.

BRITISH ISLES MISSION, LEEDS BRANCH. Members 103, 1 vote: U. W. Greene.

CANADA, ALBERTA. Members 445, 4 votes: Daniel Macgregor, Maggie Macgregor, W. J. Levitt, William Osler.

SOCIETY ISLANDS MISSION. Members 1,000 plus, 10 votes: J. Charles May, Ella Devore, G. T. Griffiths, Hubert Case, Clyde F. Ellis, John W. Peterson, C. Edward Miller, F. G. Pitt, Paia a Metuaaro, Benjamin R. McGuire.

ARIZONA, SULPHUR SPRINGS VALLEY BRANCH. Members 28; 1 vote: Mrs. John Lamb. Alternate, E. R. Davis.

ARKANSAS, FISHER BRANCH. Members 104, 1 vote: E. A. Erwin.

- FLORIDA, FLORIDA. Members 575, 5 votes: R. C. Russell, T. C. Kelley, M. M. Turpen, B. L. Jernigan, D. M. Rudd. Alternates: E. C. Shelley, A. G. Miller.
- KANSAS, NORTHEASTERN KANSAS. Members 720, 7 votes: Emma Hedrick, Mrs. A. P. Crooker, Mrs. Ira Whipple, Mary Sheets, Mrs. B. F. Deller, B. F. Deller, Gilbert Hedrick. Alternates: John Cairns, Mary O'Brien, Mrs. H. C. Pitsunberger; Lyman Pitsunberger, Jay Bowser, Samuel Lyter, C. J. Sheets.
- KANSAS, NORTHWESTERN KANSAS. Members 400, 4 votes: Mary A. Nonamaker, Eva Teeters, Mrs. John Green. Alternates: A. H. Thompson, Edd Thompson, Mrs. A. H. Thompson, E. H. Ebert. Not instructed.
- MISSOURI, HOLDEN STAKE. Members 1,400 plus, 14 votes: D. J. Krahl, F. A. McWethy, W. S. Macrae, Evan A. Davis, Mrs. Lola Johnson, Mrs. D. J. Krahl, Harold A. Thayer, F. A. Cool, I. M. Ross, I. M. Smith, J. W. A. Bailey, G. W. Rodgers, Mrs. I. M. Ross, C. J. Hunt. Alternates: William Hartnell, Joseph Farrow, Mrs. Mabel Brendall, Mrs. I. M. Smith, Mrs. Carrie Ballinger, J. J. Teeters, W. R. Odell, Mrs. C. L. House, C. Edgerton, Mrs. C. Edgerton, C. V. Hopkins, Mrs. C. V. Hopkins, C. F. Scarcliff, Samuel Hoover.
- MISSOURI, SAINT LOUIS. Members 1,325, 13 votes: R. W. Farrell, A. H. Daly, G. F. Barraclough, C. E. Smith, James Wilde, W. C. Carl, W. A. Guthrie, R. A. Lloyd, Carl Wherli, Ruth Volz, Minnie Daly, Robert Dickens, Myrtle Lloyd. Alternates: Effie Anderson, Mary Cosby, Mrs. R. W. Farrell, Ida Wherli, Adele Moore.
- MISSOURI, SOUTHERN. Members 988, 9 votes: H. E. Winegar, Effie M. Winegar, Mary Martin, Bessie Tabor, G. A. Davis, Meszur Davis, Bruce E. Brown, Mary Brown. Alternates: Francis Bishop, Hattie Bishop, Benjamin Pearson.
- OHIO, SOUTHERN. Members 1,354, 13 votes: E. D. Finken, G. E. Burt, D. J. Hannah, Mrs. G. T. Griffiths, U. B. Chambers, Marjorie Williams, Bernice Chambers, F. J. Ebeling, Harriett Griffiths, G. T. Griffiths, Mrs. E. D. Finken, Bro. Dounard, Sr. Dounard. Alternates: Mrs. George Stephens, J. W. Davis, Alice Bierley, H. E. French, E. E. Long, Arthur Allen, Elmer Moler, J. A. Becker, J. M. Hardin, Catherine Griffiths, Ora Lewis.
- OHIO, YOUNGSTOWN AND SHARON. Members 325, 3 votes: T. U. Thomas, Leon Burdick, Laura Strachan.
- OKLAHOMA, EASTERN OKLAHOMA. Members 1,143, 11 votes: J. C. Chrestensen, J. W. Jackson, E. A. Erwin, T. B. Shark, H. R. Harder, G. C. Smallwood, Mrs. G. C. Smallwood, H. L. Dalby, Mrs. H. L. Dalby, Mrs. H. R. Harder. Al-

ternates: Effie Wallace, J. T. Davis, Marie Erwin, J. S. White, Mrs. J. S. White, Frank Schlup.

ILLINOIS, CENTRAL. Members 533, 5 votes: Charles H. Davis, Charles E. Harpe, Marshall T. Jamison, May Birks, Eva Corcoran. Alternates: E. O. Butler, Harry Jones.

GERMANY. Members 200, 2 votes: H. N. Hansen. Not instructed.

ILLINOIS, SOUTHEASTERN. Members 1,100 plus, 11 votes: Henry Sparling, F. L. Sawley, Hattie Savage, Mrs. Henry Sparling, Ruth Holman, W. W. Brown, Mrs. W. W. Brown, W. H. Kelley, Bro. and Sr. Becker.

NEBRASKA, NORTH PLATTE BRANCH. Members 57, 1 vote: Lillie M. Richards.

The following changes should be made in credential report:

The printed report has omitted from the Eastern Michigan delegation the names of Mrs. William M. Grice, William Fligg, and Mrs. William Fligg.

The name of Mrs. A. L. Whiteaker was omitted from the Northern Wisconsin list of delegates.

To the alternate list from the Seattle and British Columbia District should be added the name of Mrs. F. V. Elliott.

Through clerical error the credentials from the Eastern Colorado District and the Northern California District failed to show that the delegates present were authorized to cast a majority and minority vote in case of division. The words *not instructed* appearing in the printed reports for these districts should be omitted.

April 8, 1920.

F. A. RUSSELL,
For the Committee.

STATEMENT AND REVELATION

President E. A. Smith stated that the revelation presented by President Frederick M. Smith would be taken up for consideration; that the Presidency had approved it as containing divine instruction to the church.

President G. T. Griffiths stated on behalf of the Quorum of Twelve that but six members of that quorum were present, hence they were unable to act as a quorum and that the members would vote individually.

The following reports of quorum actions were read:

To the Church Presidency: The High Priests Quorum beg to advise that they have considered the communication presented on April 7 for their approval and beg to advise the following action: Moved, that we as a quorum indorse this communication as proper instruction to the church. Carried unanimously.

Respectfully, for the Quorum,

J. A. TANNER, *President,*

A. H. KNOWLTON, *Secretary.*

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 8, 1920.

To the Conference: The Order of Evangelists has held two sessions in consideration of the document submitted to them yesterday, and beg leave to report that they have accepted the communication for what it purports to be, "instruction to the church through inspiration."

Respectfully submitted,

H. O. SMITH, *Secretary.*

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 8, 1920.

To the General Conference; Greeting: The Order of Bishops met this morning to consider the communication presented by President F. M. Smith to the conference, April 7, 1920, and after careful and full discussion, unanimously adopted the following resolution:

That we accept the communication presented by President Frederick M. Smith to the General Conference, April 7, 1920, as divine instruction for the guidance of the church upon the matters referred to therein.

VERNON A. REESE,

Secretary.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 8, 1920.

To the Conference: I am instructed to report that the seventy, seventy-five of whom were present, adopted the document presented to the church by the President by a vote of fifty-four; twenty-one refusing to vote, for or against it.

Respectfully submitted,

E. E. LONG,

Secretary.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 8, 1920.

To the First Presidency and Conference: The mass quorum of elders met on the morning of the 7th of April at the Carson Undertaking Parlors with Brother C. I. Carpenter in charge. At this meeting Brother A. K. Dillee, president of the Independence Quorum of Elders, was chosen to preside over the meetings of the elders during the conference, and W. R. Dexter was chosen secretary in the place of Bro. F. F. Wipper.

At our meeting in the afternoon we took up the consideration of the document referred to us by the conference, and beg leave to report as follows:

After the adoption of the document paragraph by paragraph, it was then adopted unanimously as a whole, and the secretary instructed to so report. The largest showing of elders was present that we recall in recent years, 154 being present at our afternoon session.

Trusting that God may continue to pour out his Spirit during the remaining sessions of conference, we remain,

Your brethren in Christ,

A. K. DILLEE,
President.

W. R. DEXTER,
Secretary.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 8, 1920.

To the Conference: At a meeting of the Aaronic Priesthood held on this date, the document presented by President F. M. Smith to the quorums for consideration was unanimously adopted as a whole.

A. W. SMITH,
Chairman.

W. H. CALLIN,
Secretary.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 8, 1920.

The following was moved and seconded:

Resolved, that we accept the communication as instructions from the Lord, and that the same be adopted as a law to govern the church; and that the ordinations ordered be provided for, and that it be ordered printed in the Book of Doctrine and Covenants.

Elders M. A. McConley and Thomas W. Williams each made statement of willingness to accept the responsibility.

A standing vote resulted in the adoption of the resolution by 701 for, 1 against.

The membership other than members of the conference voted to adopt the resolution.

ORDINATIONS

At 3.30 p. m. President F. M. Smith made a statement as follows:

Before taking further steps to carry out the wishes of the body in regard to the ordinations, I want to speak briefly of a letter we recently received from one of the brethren of the Twelve who is now in a foreign land. Commenting on the question of ordinations, he sent a program from one of the churches which was an elaborate program for an ordination meeting, and he called attention to the fact that we could well afford to surround our ordinations with a little more dignity than we had in many instances in the past. I feel his criticisms were merited and just. Personally, I look upon the matter of setting apart or ordaining to any office of responsibility in this church as one of the most solemn occasions that the church can engage in, for it is at once asking the men to assume responsibilities that they cannot hope to discharge except as they shall be associated in the work with God himself; hence, there should be every safeguard thrown around them that will vouchsafe the proper approach to that solemnity; and, in the second place, we are asking them to discharge a work that touches vitally and I might say eternally, the welfare of others; hence, it becomes sacred in every sense of the word. So I trust that as we shall attempt, through song and prayer, to approach this occasion with the proper spirit, you shall give us your support as a spiritual body.

We will ask the chorister to announce a hymn and lead you in its singing. Brother Elbert will offer prayer and the president of the Quorum of Twelve and myself will attend to the ordinations.

The hymn, "The Lord is my Shepherd," number 82, was sung; also two stanzas of "Nearer my God to thee," number 33, were sung. President E. A. Smith offered prayer.

Almighty God of love, we approach thee at this thy throne of grace in this house that has been set apart and dedicated to thy service. We come to dedicate something that is greater than any house—we come to dedicate *men* to thee. We pray that the Spirit and power of our Master may be with those who shall ordain and set apart these two men. They have been called, as we believe, in harmony with thy direction, and they take upon them, under thy direction, great responsibilities and enter into one of the highest offices in thy church. We cannot foresee what is before them, but we anticipate that there are trials, and that they will be called upon to go upon missions that will take them into dangers now undreamed of, and that they may perhaps carry thy gospel

to strange places. We pray that whatever may be their work, wherever they shall go, they may indeed deport themselves as true representatives of the meek and lowly Master. Wilt thou clothe them with the apostolic power and with the Spirit that came to thy followers in days gone by, that they may preach the pure gospel of Jesus Christ with power and assurance and with the Holy Ghost. O set them apart, we pray; grant that they may have physical strength necessary to bear their burdens, mental vigor and enlightenment that shall make them men of vision, men who move forward, ever, in the discharge of the duty that devolves upon them. So we pray, Lord, that thou wilt take them and bless them and watch over them. May they take the life of the Master as their example, that wherever they shall go it shall be known that they have been with thee and learned of thee; that they may truly represent thee and not themselves; that they may carry the weight and authority of their office and calling, bearing the comforting message of the glad tidings of life. May they be wise also in counsel, that they may advise in matters of whatever nature may come before them, and in the councils of thy church, that they may be known as wise counselors among thy people. So, Lord, now be with us as we shall attend to these ordinations. Bless those who shall impose hands upon the heads of these men, that they may do so as thy servants and may truly set them apart; may the voice of inspiration be with them as they shall attend to this whole matter, that whatever comfort or admonition or advice may be necessary, they shall receive. So, Lord, this service of ordination we commend to thy care and blessing, and pray thee to meet here with us, in Jesus' name. Amen.

Elder Thomas W. Williams was ordained to the office of apostle in the Quorum of Twelve by Elder G. T. Griffiths and President F. M. Smith.

Elder Myron A. McConley was likewise ordained by the brethren named, President Smith being spokesman.

President Smith greeted the brethren on behalf of the church; President Griffiths welcomed them as members of the Quorum of Twelve.

Th chair adjourned the session at 4 p. m.

The hymn, "Abide with me," was sung; the benediction was pronounced by Elder J. W. Wight.

GRACELAND COLLEGE

At 7.30 p. m. in upper auditorium, Graceland College annual oratorical contest, program as follows:

Invocation

Song, "Zion builders" Vida E. Smith

"America and victory" Wesley Elvin, Balsam Lake, Wisconsin

Graceland male quartet, "Blow, bugle, blow"

"The brotherhood of man" Fernell Briggs, Goodland, Kansas

Piano Solo, "Dance of the gnomes" Liszt

Miss Belle Patterson

"The call of a nation" James Houghton, Davenport, Iowa

Graceland mixed quartet, "The miller's wooing" Faning

"The problem of peace" Forest Roberts, Lamoni, Iowa

Graceland male quartet, Humorous selections

Decision of judges

Benediction

At the same hour preaching at the Church of Christ building by Elder W. M. Aylor assisted by Elder F. A. Rowe.

RELIGIO DEPARTMENT

At the Battery the Religio Department rendered the following program:

Western and Island Night

At 6 p. m., moving picture program:

"Pollyanna" Mary Pickford

Topics of the day

At 8.15 p. m. address, subject, "All for Christ," T. W.

Williams.

Piano solo Edna Christiansen

Reading Miss Fay Gould

Vocal solo Mrs. John Isores

Cornet solo Earl J. Cox

Reading Mrs. J. A. Simpson

Religio quartet Frank A. Russell, Leader

Religio delegates and workers are especially urged to sign the Survey and Registration cards. Make it a point to acquaint yourselves with the Religio program.

FRIDAY, APRIL 9

At 8 a. m. address to the priesthood by Elder C. E. Wight.

At 9 a. m. prayer service, Elders J. F. Garver and R. V. Hopkins in charge.

At the same hour, business meeting of the Women's Department, in lower auditorium.

RELIGIO DEPARTMENT

At 10.30 a. m. Religio business session. Superintendent T. W. Williams and assistants in charge.

At 2.30 p. m. business session. President E. A. Smith in the chair. The hymn, "My times are in thy hands," was sung; prayer by Bishop B. R. McGuire.

The minutes were approved.

PHYSICIAN

Doctor G. L. Harrington, Church Physician, presented the following report:

To the Presidency and General Conference; Greeting: I regret my report is submitted to you at this late date. My recent illness is the principal cause for the delay.

I returned from the army last October. Since that time the work that I have done consisted in seeing patients who placed themselves under my care. This line of work I hold to be of minor importance when compared with the larger responsibility of this office.

The main function of the Health Department of the church is to disseminate knowledge concerning the prevention of disease, physical and mental. The following four methods present the procedure planned to carry out this work:

1. Presentation of health subjects in the church papers.
2. Sending instructors of health throughout the church for the purpose of giving lectures and demonstrations.
3. Placing trained workers in districts so that the homes of the members may be visited for the purpose of giving demonstrations in the care of the sick and instruction in the prevention of disease in a concrete way. Many people recover in a hospital but soon their troubles return because the precipitating factors at home have not been removed.
4. Those coming to the Sanitarium will be so instructed in regard to the diseases afflicting them that they will not only be in a better position to take care of themselves but will be sources of information profitable to others.

It is very encouraging to learn the number preparing to help in this work.

In my judgment the Sanitarium should be enlarged and its corps of workers increased so as to make possible the proper care of all classes of cases seeking relief.

Respectfully submitted,

G. LEONARD HARRINGTON,
Church Physician.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 8, 1920.

At 2.45 p. m. President E. A. Smith resigned the chair to President F. M. Smith.

GENERAL CONFERENCES—PLACE AND TIME

The following invitations from the Lamoni Branch and Stake, and from the Independence Stake, asking the conference to hold its next session at the places named, were read:

To the First Presidency and Conference: Lamoni Stake in conference assembled at Lamoni, Iowa, January 31, 1920, passed the following resolution:

Moved that Lamoni Stake by this action extend to the General Conference an invitation to hold the conference of 1921 at Lamoni.

Lamoni Branch at a business meeting held March 30, 1920, concurred in this action.

Respectfully,

J. F. GARVER,
President Lamoni Branch and Stake.

LAMONI, IOWA, April 5, 1920.

To the First Presidency and General Conference: At a regular conference business meeting of the Independence Stake, held March 8 last, it was moved and carried to invite the General Conference of 1921 to meet at Independence.

Respectfully,

P. G. FAIRBANKS,
Secretary.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, March 18, 1920.

A motion to postpone consideration was followed by a motion to lay on the table, which prevailed.

It was then moved that when this conference ad-

journal it do so to meet at Independence, Missouri, April 6, 1922.

An amendment was moved, to strike out "April 6, 1922," and insert the words, "subject to call of the joint council of First Presidency, Twelve, and Presiding Bishopric."

Moved to further amend by striking out the words "Independence, Missouri," and inserting the words "Lamoni, Iowa."

After some discussion a reading of that portion of the President's report which referred to biennial conferences, a permanent place of holding conferences, and the erection of a conference building, was read.

A substitute for the entire matter was moved and seconded: That the recommendation of the President of the church relating to time and place of holding of general conference be adopted.

Being asked to rule as chairman concerning the question involved, President Smith stated that if the substitute were adopted it would leave to the Presidency the fixing of the time of holding the conferences, and that if the motion prevailed he would consider the question of changing the date from April 6 to another date.

Appeal was taken from the ruling of the chair on the ground that the motion did not contemplate a change of date. The appeal was discussed, the ruling of the chair was sustained.

The previous question was ordered. The substitute was adopted.

GENERAL CONFERENCE BUILDING

It was moved that the conference take up consideration of the President's report concerning providing a permanent General Conference building.

The motion was adopted.

It was then moved and seconded "that this Gen-

eral Conference place itself on record as approving the proposition and measure suggested by the First Presidency in reference to a General Conference building."

After some discussion the previous question was ordered and the motion prevailed by unanimous vote. The visitors in the gallery voted solidly for the proposition.

Being so requested the President read other portions of his report and stated that the remaining recommendations would be printed for reference and later consideration.

Questions were answered by the President and the Presiding Bishop.

The interest of the audience was such that it was decided immediately to take subscriptions for erection of the new conference building. There was a spirited response and the sum of \$38,000, approximately, was subscribed before adjournment of the session. Provision was made later for a mass meeting for the purpose of continuing the subscription campaign. A spirit of enthusiasm and unity accompanied the effort.

At 5 p. m. the doxology was sung and Patriarch Frederick A. Smith pronounced the benediction.

At 5 p. m. reception by the Women's Department at the Criley residence.

At 8 p. m. the General Conference choir under the management of Director A. N. Hoxie rendered Haydn's oratorio, "The creation."

At 7.30 p. m. preaching at the Church of Christ building by Presiding Patriarch Frederick A. Smith, assisted by Elder G. W. Burt.

At the Battery at 7.30 p. m. the Religio Department rendered the following program:

Mississippi Valley Night

At 6 p. m. moving picture program:

Revelation

Nazimova

At 8.15 p. m. address, subject, "How far should we make pleasure our object in life," G. S. Trowbridge.

Piano solo

Mrs. Neal Thomason

Reading

Mrs. C. S. Dawes

Vocal solo

Mrs. Grace Johnson

Reading

Jessie Morant

Vocal solo

Mrs. Nell Kelley

Violin solo

Emma Snead

Recreation and Games

Have you signed the Religio Slogan and Objective for 1920? If not, why? Will you enter into the spirit of this big drive for recruits for the army of the Lord? Do not wait to be drafted. Enlist!

SATURDAY, APRIL 10

At 8 a. m. address to the priesthood by Brother H. C. Smith, Church Architect. The subjects of general building program, including architectural systems, design and construction of sanitary homes, were discussed.

At 9 a. m. prayer meeting in the upper auditorium, in charge of Elders J. F. Garver and Hubert Case.

At the same hour, business session of the Women's Department in the lower auditorium.

At 10.30 a. m. in upper auditorium, session of Women's Department.

"The rural woman a factor in Zion building," by Mrs. Minnie Harring.

"The new child study course," by Mrs. Lydia Wight.

"Our girls," by Mrs. Alice Mae Burgess.

"Mothers and leaders of girls," by Mrs. Vida E. Smith.

At 2.30 p. m. President F. M. Smith called the business session to order. Hymn No. 21 was sung; prayer by Bishop M. C. Fisher.

The minutes were approved.

RED CROSS

President F. M. Smith introduced Doctor Laird of Washington, District of Columbia, representative of the American Red Cross, who addressed the as-

sembly in behalf of the work of that organization.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The chair called attention to printed extracts from the President's message, which were distributed among the assembly.

Moved to adopt the paragraph relating to the Children's Home. Motion prevailed.

Moved to adopt that paragraph headed "Sanitarium annex." Motion prevailed.

The paragraph headed "Sanitarium," which recommended changing of articles of incorporation of the Sanitarium, was likewise adopted.

The chair stated he neglected to include in his recommendation the office of Church Physician as a member of the ex officio board. In answer to a question he ruled that such officer would be included.

It was moved that the recommendation in the President's message in the paragraph pertaining to stewardships be adopted. This was also adopted.

It was moved that the paragraph headed "Reorganization of the Independence stake" be adopted. The motion prevailed.

The paragraph "Transfer of headquarters," it was moved and seconded to adopt. Questions were asked and answered and the motion prevailed.

It was then moved to adopt the recommendations of the Presidency as a whole. The motion prevailed.

PRESIDENTS OF SEVENTY

The Presidents of Seventy presented a report nominating Elder E. A. Curtis for ordination to office of President of Seventy, stating that such action had been approved by the joint council of Presidency and Twelve. A motion to approve was followed by a statement by Brother Curtis of willingness to accept. The motion to approve prevailed.

The chair made provision for the ordination.

At 4.10 p. m. the session was adjourned.

Announcements were made. The hymn "Earnest workers for the Master," was sung. Benediction by Elder T. W. Williams.

GENERAL CONFERENCE BUILDING

Immediately after adjournment an open-air meeting was held on the lawn east of the church, at which subscriptions were taken for erection of the General Conference building. Bishop McGuire and assistants were in charge. Brother A. N. Hoxie and the General Conference Band assisted in the good work. A substantial sum in subscriptions was secured—approximating a total of \$68,000.

LIBERTY ORCHESTRA

At 7.30 p. m. in the upper auditorium the following program was rendered by the Liberty Orchestra:

ORCHESTRAL CONCERT

Tendered General Conference visitors by the Liberty Orchestra of Independence, Missouri, augmented by visiting players, at the Stone Church, Independence, Missouri. Saturday evening, April 10, 1920, 8.15 p. m.

Under the auspices of the General Choir Movement, Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Albert N. Hoxie, general chorister and guest conductor for the evening.

THE LIBERTY ORCHESTRA

Mr. Robert T. Cooper, Conductor

Miss Evalena Faunce, Pianist

Mr. Robert Miller, Organist

March, "Connecticut"

William Nassann

Invocation, Elder A. B. Phillips

J. Baumann

Overture, "Mignonette"

Selection from Farmers Mass in B Flat

a Gloria

b Adagio

c Allegretto

Henry Farmer

- Violin Duet, Symphonic Concertante, No. 4 Charles Dancla
 Mr. Orlando R. Nace
 Mr. Gomer Watson
 Miss Pearl Davis, Accompanist
- Cornet Duet, "The pearls," Polka H. King
 Mr. Oscar Moorman
 Mr. Irwin E. Moorman
 Miss Pearl Davis, Pianist
- Trio for Strings, "Pastel menuet" Paradis
 Mr. Arthur Storms, First Violin
 Miss Emma Snead, Second Violin
 Mr. Fred H. Friend, Cello
 Miss Evalena Faunce, Pianist
- Adoration Borowski
 "Dawn of Love," String Orchestra Bendix-Saenger
 Gospel Hymns, selection
 Overture Tannhauser, selection R. Wagner

At the same hour in the Church of Christ building Elder S. W. L. Scott preached, assisted by Elder Hubert Case.

RELIGIO DEPARTMENT

At the Battery Building, the Religio Department rendered the following program:

- Canadian and English Night
 At 6 p. m. moving picture program:
 "Fortune hunter" Earle Williams
 At 8.15 p. m. address, subject: "Will Boy Scouts make good Latter Day Saints?" Floyd McDowell
- Piano solo Jennie Reneau
 Vocal solo Lester Fowler
 Reading Mrs. Sallie Forties
 Vocal solo Paul H. Pugsley
 Brass quartette Director Philip Turner

Religio Four

The work of the Religio Department is recreational and social. Every young man and woman should be an active worker in the Religio. The church is making it possible for the youth of the church to have free and full expression.

Be a booster for the Religio.

SUNDAY, APRIL 11

At 8 a. m. prayer service; lower auditorium for general priesthood.

Stone Church, upper auditorium: J. F. Garver and R. V. Hopkins in charge.

Stone Church, lower auditorium: Mass meeting of the priesthood, First Presidency in charge.

South Side, Walnut Park, Enoch Hill, Liberty Street, and Central Church, local pastors in charge.

At 9.30 a. m. Sunday school at all churches, local Sunday school officers in charge.

At 11 a. m. preaching. Theme: "A review of our church history."

Speakers:

Upper auditorium:	S. A. Burgess.
Lower auditorium:	F. F. Wipper
South Side:	William I. Fligg
Walnut Park:	D. J. Krahl.
Enoch Hill:	R. S. Salyards.
Liberty Street:	J. W. Peterson
Central Church:	G. T. Griffiths

(Local pastors in charge.)

At 3 p. m. preaching. Theme: "The social and economic program of the restored gospel."

Speakers:

Upper auditorium:	B. R. McGuire.
Lower auditorium:	J. F. Keir.
South Side:	F. B. Blair.
Walnut Park:	Myron C. Fisher.
Enoch Hill:	(Not reported.)
Liberty Street:	Richard Bullard.
Central Church:	A. Carmichael.

At 7.30 p. m. preaching. Theme: "Our keynote: hear ye him."

Speakers:

Upper auditorium:	M. A. McConley.
Lower auditorium:	C. F. Ellis.
South Side:	W. L. Christy.
Walnut Park:	R. W. Farrell.
Enoch Hill:	M. W. Liston.
Liberty Street:	O. W. Okerlind.
Central Church:	T. W. Williams.

Religio services, Battery Building.

At 8 p. m. consecration prayer service.

At 11 a. m. Heman H. Smith, "The call of tomorrow."

At 2.30 p. m. experience meeting: "What the Religio has done for me."

At 8 p. m. address, F. M. McDowell.

MONDAY, APRIL 12

At 8 a. m. address to priesthood on Indian customs and traditions by Mr. Oliver Lamere, of the Winnebago tribe of Reservation Nebraska.

At 9 a. m. prayer service, in charge of J. F. Erwin and R. V. Hopkins.

At 9 a. m. in the lower auditorium, Women's Department business session.

At 10.30 a. m. session of the Sunday school Department.

At 11 a. m. session of L. D. S. Sales Association.

At 2.30 p. m. business session, President Frederick M. Smith in the chair. The hymn, "In the light," was sung. Prayer by Elder R. C. Russell.

The minutes were approved.

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

The committee on credentials presented an additional report:

To General Conference: We recommend that Sister R. May be seated as delegate for London England District.

F. A. RUSSELL,
For the Committee.

April 12, 1920.

The report was approved.

PRESIDENTS OF SEVENTY

The presidents of seventy presented the following report:

To the General Conference; Greeting: The following names have been selected by the presidents of seventy for ordination to the office of seventy:

William Bath, J. H. Yager, M. W. Liston, A. C. Martin, C. M. Clifford, F. F. Wipper, Gomer Reeves, George E. Burt, Frank B. Almond, Amos T. Higdon, B. C. Flint, J. W. A. Bailey.

Respectfully submitted,
E. E. LONG,
Secretary Council.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 12, 1920.

The chair stated that these names had been approved by the Presidency and the Twelve.

All, except A. T. Higdon, not present, expressed willingness to accept such ordination, and the names were approved and the ordinations ordered provided for.

ORDINATION

Brother Gomer J. Reeves, appointed to the Hawaiian Mission, who was to leave before the session closed, was called to the platform for ordination. The hymn, "God will take care of you," was sung; prayer by Elder T. W. Williams.

Brother Reeves was ordained to the office of seventy by Elders U. W. Greene and J. A. Gillen.

Sister Reeves, who was to accompany her husband on his mission, was blessed under the hands of Presiding Patriarch F. A. Smith and J. A. Gillen of the Twelve.

The hymn, "God be with you till we meet again," was sung.

COLLEGE BUILDING

The following communication was read:

To the First Presidency and General Conference: The Board of Trustees of Graceland College has for considerable time had in mind some provision for housing interests of the college and students attending in constantly increasing numbers; we refer to certain educational and recreational interests which under the limitations of the present equipment cannot be provided for. Inasmuch as consideration is to be given to the building program of the church, attention is called to this need of the college work, and it is respectfully requested that it be taken under advisement at this time.

The activities suggested and as anticipated would include the regular college recitals, concerts, debates, lectures, lecture courses, and other educational work, and such recreational activities as might have proper place under college management. Since there is for these necessary features of the college work no suitable place available to the college, a building adapted to the purposes and under college control is desired and asked for.

Should the conference look with favor on the proposition, the Board asks an appropriation of not to exceed \$10,000 with which to provide the building asked for.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. GARVER,

Secretary Board of Trustees.

It was moved to refer to the Order of Bishops for consideration and report.

It was then moved as a substitute to refer to the Presiding Bishopric with power to act.

Moved to amend the substitute by adding the First Presidency.

The previous question was ordered. The amendment to the substitute was adopted also the substitute as amended.

MOTION PICTURES

The following communication from the Massachusetts District was read:

The following resolution was passed by the Massachusetts district conference assembled in conference capacity at Somerville, Massachusetts, January 31, 1920, and referred to the General Conference of the church, to assemble at Independence, Missouri, April 6, 1920:

BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS, January 31, 1920.

To the General Conference: The art of illustrating by photographs, stereopticons, and moving pictures has entered so largely into the lives of the people of to-day, we think it high time the church appreciated the possibilities in the use of these forces for furnishing wholesome entertainment, instruction, and as a means of forwarding the kingdom of God. Therefore be it—

Resolved, that we, the Massachusetts District, petition the General Conference to appropriate funds for the purchase of projecting instruments, slides, films, etc., for the use of

elders and branches of the church, making such provision for the purchase and care of the outfits as wisdom may direct.

WILLIAM A. SINCLAIR,
District Secretary.

SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS, March 3, 1920.

It was moved to refer to the Presidency and Presiding Bishopric.

A motion to lay on the table prevailed.

HIGH PRIESTS

The High Priests' Quorum reported:

To the Conference; Greeting: We wish to submit the following as our report for the year 1919:

Quorum membership at the present time 259, including of the Order of Evangelists 26 and of the Order of Bishops 22; 245 of our members are active, 10 inactive, and 4 under silence; 98 are laboring under conference appointment and 147 as local laborers.

We submit herewith a report of the work of 19 bishops and 172 local and conference appointees, but do not include the report of the Order of Evangelists, they having reported to you direct:

Sermons 7,208, pastoral visits 6,844, in charge meetings 7,158, baptisms 360, confirmations 505, ordinations 128, blessing of children 463, administration 10,428, marriages 140, branches organized 5, Sunday schools 8, Religios 3, served on elders' courts 7 times, served on bishops' courts 47 times, served stake high councils 244 times, served Standing High Councils 26 times.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. TANNER,
President.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 6, 1920.

RULES OF REPRESENTATION

The following proposed amendment to the rules of representation was moved and seconded:

Resolved, that hereafter the delegates attending the General Conference from the various districts and branches are, without special instruction, authorized to cast the full vote of their respective constituencies; provided that no delegate shall be entitled to cast more than 20 delegate votes, and in case of division to cast a majority and minority vote.

It was moved and seconded to refer to committee on revision of Book of Rules.

The previous question was ordered. The motion to refer was lost and motion to adopt prevailed.

In answer to question the chair stated that the rule just adopted would be in operation until the body should approve a contrary rule should such be presented by the committee on revision of Book of Rules.

BIBLE RESEARCH COURSE

The following communication was read:

To the General Conference: In reports to General Conference and Conventions, under the heading, Committee on Bible Normal Book, on page 65, paragraphs 6, 7, 8, and 9, we find reference made to the work on Bible Research. Paragraph 7 reads: "Under the latter head, the committee have considered a few lessons, but are informed that the author is unwilling to place these at the disposal of the Sunday school department, though willing that they should be adopted as written, if so desired."

This is clearly a misunderstanding of the author's sentiments, as she has repeatedly expressed herself that any department of the church that could use it might do so, but *personally*, she believed the work best adapted to the Sunday school as an *advanced Bible course*, for officers, teachers, and advanced scholars. And the only reservation was, that if *revision* be found necessary, that it be done by *specialists* in the line of research work.

Therefore, we earnestly request that this statement in paragraph seven be rectified, and that the author of the Research Work may appear in the position that she has always sought to occupy, of offering in glad humility anything gained by herself that might in any way assist in the advancement of the cause so dear to her heart.

Respectfully,

MRS. J. G. POINTER.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 12, 1920.

This matter was referred to the coordinating committee for reconsideration of the matter involved.

TEACHER'S BIBLE

The following was moved and seconded:

To the General Conference; Greeting: Pursuant to the direction contained in Doctrine and Covenants, Section 42, paragraphs 15 and 16, we, the Men's Bible Class of Central Church, Kansas City Stake, request that the conference take action providing for the publishing of the Inspired Version of the Scriptures, with thumb index, marginal references, concordance, and other necessary helps similar to those published in the popular teacher's edition.

We believe the need of this book for our teachers and ministers is such that the Board of Publication should be vested with full authority to appoint the necessary committee, whose duty it shall be to enter immediately upon the work and prosecute same until it is completed, that we may have it without delay. It is the consensus of opinion we should not be hampered in this work. If our own publishing plants are not equipped or prepared to handle it with the dispatch and saving financially that we desire, we are convinced it is wisdom on the part of the church to submit through its Board of Publication the necessary copy and have such reputable firms bid for the general work of publishing as can handle and complete it as we desire.

T. J. ELLIOTT.
HARVEY SANDY.

KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI, April 6, 1920.

Attention was called to the published report of the Board of Publication. The matter was referred to the Board of Publication with power to act.

ENGLEWOOD BRANCH

The following communication concerning the Englewood Branch was adopted:

To the General Conference; Greeting: At your last General Conference the Englewood Branch of the Kansas City Stake petitioned your body to be permitted to unite in the Independence Stake. The matter was referred to the committee on boundary lines, and later, by recommendation, was referred to the officers of the Independence and Kansas City Stakes.

After due consideration, and under the existing conditions and contemplated changes, we recommend that this matter be referred to the administrative officers of the church.

Signed,

WALTER W. SMITH,
President Independence Stake.
J. A. TANNER,
President Kansas City Stake.

April 8, 1920.

The chair called attention to the printed reports, asking that chairman of committees, boards, etc., examine such reports and be prepared to present matters requiring attention by the conference.

TIME LIMIT

The fixing of a time limit for the introduction of new business was referred to the First Presidency, who named 3 o'clock p. m. of the day following as such time limit.

WOMEN'S DEPARTMENT

Attention was called to a recommendation in the report of the president of the Women's Department referring to the examination of children (see printed report). The recommendation was adopted.

The recommendation in paragraph two of the same report was approved as amended by substituting the word "recommend" for the word "foster."

MOTION PICTURES

A motion to take from the table the communication concerning motion pictures was denied.

Announcements were made, and at 3.50 the assembly stood adjourned.

The hymn, "A parting blessing," was sung. Benediction by Elder G. T. Griffiths.

WOMEN'S DEPARTMENT

At 7.30 p. m. in the upper auditorium the following program was rendered by the Women's Department.

ANNUAL EVENING PROGRAM

Song service	General Chorister, Albert N. Hoxie, in charge
Anthem	General Church Choir
Address	President Frederick M. Smith
"Women's part in government making"	Dora Young
Vocal solo	

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------|
| (a) "Where my caravan has rested" | Hermann Lohr |
| (b) "The wren" | J. Benedict |
| Aileen Bullard (An Oriole Girl) | |
| "Teachers for the times" | Lucie Sears |
| Anthem | General Church Choir |

At the same hour at the Church of Christ building preaching by F. G. Pitt, assisted by D. J. Krahl.

RELIGIO DEPARTMENT

At the Battery the Religio Department rendered the following program:

Moving picture, "The lion's den," featuring Bert Lyell.

Topics of the day.

"RESTORATION"

A CHURCH PLAY IN THREE ACTS

Lamoni-Independence Stake's Night

Synopsis

"Restoration" is a play, portraying the history of the church from the year 1820 to the present day.

In the opening scenes Church with her ever faithful companions, Faith and Hope, establishes herself with her various quorums according to the pattern laid down by Jesus Christ. She enjoys a season of prosperity.

Ere long dark and cloudy days come upon her. She experiences terrible persecution. Discord with her emissaries enters upon the scene, sowing seeds of discontent among the Brotherhood. Baneful effects follow. The ranks are broken. Confusion accompanies. Apostasy is ushered in. Church is plunged into the very depths of despair. Church laments because of her calamities. Throughout this distressing time Sorrow hovers near Church.

After the Apostasy Faith and Hope prove a tower of strength to Church through the long weary years of waiting which follow. Church again establishes herself in all her original beauty and grandeur. Faith and Hope thereupon rejoice.

The closing scene finds Church in her World Garden intent upon the establishment of Zion. She is dealing with problems of the present day. Love comes to her assistance and success is assured.

Cast of Characters

Church	Mrs. Clifford Forties	
Faith	Miss Louise Newton	
Hope	Miss Vera Adams	
Sorrow	Miss Florence Koehler	
Discord	Mrs. Lida Andes	
Emissaries {	Heresy	Mrs. Earl Cox
	Envy	Mrs. Robert Miller
	Jealousy	Miss Virginia Budd
	Ambition	Miss Coral Mottashed
	Distrust	Miss Leona Thompson
Spirit of Love	Miss Velma Brocaw	
Priesthood	Mr. Gene Closson	
Sunday School	Miss Virginia Budd	
Zion's Religio	Mr. Walter Chapman	
Woman's Auxiliary	Mrs. Charles Koehler	
Temple Builder	Miss Lillian Williams	
Boy Scout	Mr. Leroy Smith	
Oriole	Miss Rilla Leek	
Officers	Young Men of the Church	

Act One

Scene 1 "Hill Cumorah"

Time, 1820

Scene 2 "Era of church prosperity"

Tableau

Liberty Orchestra

Act Two

Scene 1 "Era of discord"

Scene 2 "Apostasy"

Scene 3 "Lament of the church"

Liberty Orchestra

Act Three

Scene 1 "Church reorganized"

Scene 2

Place

Time

A garden

The present

Church: Departments: Necessities

"Love's appeal"

Tableau

Music furnished by Liberty Orchestra, R. T. Cooper, Director.

Chorus: Mrs. A. J. Brackenbury, Miss Louise Giesch, Miss Ola Gunsolley, Mrs. Arthur Daniels, Mr. J. A. Becker, Mr. Hale Smith, Mr. Royal Brocaw, Mr. F. A. Russell.

Committee: Mrs. E. S. McNichols, Mrs. Royal Brocaw, Mrs. Mansel Williams, Mrs. Clifford Forties.

Stage electrician: Mr. Albert Rall.

TUESDAY, APRIL 13

At 8 a. m. in the lower auditorium the priesthood was addressed by Mr. Oliver Lamere, a Winnebago Indian, of Reservation Nebraska, on customs and traditions of his tribe.

At 9 a. m. prayer service in charge of Elders J. F. Garver and R. V. Hopkins.

At 10.30 a. m. session of the Sunday school Department, Superintendent G. R. Wells and assistants in charge.

At 2.30 p. m. business session, President E. A. Smith in the chair. Hymn, "Awake ye saints," was sung. Prayer was offered by Elder U. W. Greene.

At 2.40 p. m. President E. A. Smith resigned the chair to President F. M. Smith.

The minutes were approved.

BOY SCOUTS

The following resolution was moved and seconded :

Resolved, that this conference go on record as favoring our affiliation with the "Boy Scouts of America" until such time as the church shall be able to develop an organization of its own for the boys.

The motion was adopted.

MOTION PICTURES

The following concerning motion pictures was moved and seconded :

Whereas, considerable discussion has arisen of late as to the propriety of using moving pictures in our houses of worship: Be it resolved that we place ourselves on record as favoring the use of such mediums of education insofar as they conduce to the proper education of humanity and the glory of God.

A motion to lay on the table was lost.

After some discussion the previous question was ordered by a vote of 351 to 116. The motion to adopt prevailed by a vote of 422 to 54.

FIRST SEVENTY

The First Quorum of Seventy reported:

To the General Conference; Greeting: To date the First Quorum of Seventy have held three regular sessions and five sessions in joint council with other seventy.

There have been present at the sessions held the following members of the quorum: A. M. Baker, Alma Booker, N. L. Booker, W. P. Bootman, P. R. Burton, Hubert Case, E. A. Curtis, J. A. Dowker, B. H. Doty, Clyde F. Ellis, R. L. Fulk, J. F. Grimes, L. G. Holloway, Leonard Houghton, George Jenkins, H. A. Koehler, E. E. Long, J. R. Lentell, R. M. Maloney, J. C. McConaughy, J. C. May, O. W. Okerlind, George W. Robley, C. H. Rich, W. M. Self, S. S. Smith, J. F. Sheehy, J. E. Vanderwood, A. L. Whiteaker, C. E. Willey, B. W. Whiting, J. B. Wildermuth, J. E. Wildermuth, L. O. Wildermuth, R. D. Weaver, J. E. Yates.

One of our number, E. A. Curtis, has been selected to fill the vacancy in the council of presidents of seventy. Our present number is 58. Two members of the quorum are occupying in foreign missions. Last year 44 members of the quorum were under General Conference appointment.

Reports have been received from 51 of the quorum, showing the following labor done: Sermons 5,720, times in charge 1,859, assisted in presiding 986, other services attended 4,255, total 12,761; baptisms 353, confirmations 317, assisted to confirm 100, ordained 29, assisted to ordain 16, blessing of children 243, assisted in blessing 50, administrations 3,364, assisted to administer 557, marriages 44, branches organized 2, new openings 48, discussions 4, pastoral visits 1,422, member of courts 5, administered the sacrament 92, Sunday schools organized 3, Religios organized 1.

The brethren not reporting were, William Davis, A. R. Ellis, J. F. Grimes, John Harp, G. M. Shippy, J. M. Smith, and O. E. Sade.

All our deliberations as a quorum and in joint meetings of other seventy have been pleasant and have been characterized by earnestness and devotion to the great cause for which we labor.

Respectfully, in gospel fellowship,

S. S. SMITH, *Secretary.*

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 13, 1920.

THIRD SEVENTY

The Third Quorum of Seventy reported:

To the General Conference: The Third Quorum of Seventy have met four times in regular quorum work, and have also

met five times in joint sessions with the first and second quorums. We have lost several members, Brother Rees Jenkins having died in Palestine; one was expelled; another dropped; Brother E. F. Robertson was ordained to the office of high priest, and Brother M. A. McConley to the office of apostle. Our membership is now reduced to twenty-three.

Twenty of our members are in attendance at the conference, and eighteen have reported. The following is a summary of the work done in ten months commencing March 1, 1919, and ending December 31, 1919, as shown by these reports:

There were 2,489 sermons preached, 878 times in charge, 265 times assisted, 1,266 other services attended, total number of services attended 4,983. Baptized 226, confirmed 146, assisted in confirming 37, ordained 14, assisted in ordaining 4, blessed 107 children, assisted in blessing 12, administered to the sick 1,640 times, assisted in 33 administrations, solemnized 13 marriages, made 25 new openings, made 471 pastoral visits, acted as member of court once, administered sacrament 40 times, adjusted six cases of difficulty, and submitted 1 case to court. Respectfully submitted.

J. W. DAVIS,
Secretary.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 13, 1920.

HIGH PRIESTS

The First Presidency presented a list of names of brethren selected for ordination to the office of high priest, stating such had been approved by the Quorum of High Priests: A. M. Carmichael, R. A. Ballantyne, A. E. Warr, J. O. Dutton, E. J. Williams, Otto Fetting, and C. W. Clark.

Brethren Ballantyne, Warr, and Dutton, present, expressed willingness to accept; the others were indorsed by brethren present. By separate motion each was approved and the ordinations were ordered provided for.

BISHOPS

The First Presidency presented nominations for ordination to the office of bishop: A. F. McLean, John L. Burger, and John C. Dent. Those named were not present but were indorsed by members of

the conference, and by separate motion the ordination of each was approved and ordered provided for.

At 4 p. m. President F. M. Smith resigned the chair to President E. A. Smith.

At 4.30 p. m. the chair adjourned the session.

Announcements were made.

The hymn, "This God is the God we adore," was sung; benediction by Bishop B. R. McGuire.

SANITARIUM

At 7.30 p. m. the Sanitarium rendered the following program in the upper auditorium.

School song		Zion's Praises 166
	Scene 1	
Savage Age 250-500 B. C.		
Medicine Man		Lettie Ralston
Mourners		Margaret Batton
		Ina Martin
Patient		Ruby Miller
	Scene 2	
Year 700 A. D.		
Deaconess		Bertha Keairnes
	Scene 3	
Dark period of nursing		
Mrs. Gamp		Carmen McClean
Mrs. Camp		Henrietta Dahl
Patients		Ellen Jepson
		Ruby Hendricks
	Scene 4	
Crimean War, 1854		Before the reform
Act 1.		
Florence Nightingale		Laura Martin
Patients		Ellen Jepson
		Ruby Hendricks
Act 2.		
Florence Nightingale		Ina Martin
Patients		Margaret Batton
	Scene 5	
Study class introduced into training school in England		
Class		Irene Pope
		Dana Watts
		Cleo Larsen
		Ruby Miller

Selection		Orchestra
	Scene 6	
Nursing in America		
Convict		Vida Sutterfield
Old woman		Bertha Keairnes
Patients		Ellen Jepson
		Ruby Hendricks
	Scene 7	
Reform		
Catholic Sisters		Irene Pope
		Hazel Hawley
		Cleo Larsen
	Scene 8	
Nurses' study class of to-day lecture by physician nurses		
of school		
Physician Doctor G. L. Harrington		
	Scene 9	
Ordinance of administration		
Elders		W. D. Bullard
		Roy Hopkins
Nurse		Faye Franklin
Patient		Vida Sutterfield
Selection		Orchestra
	Scene 10	
Three years' course of training		
Probationer		Ellen Jepson
Junior		Hazel Hawley
		Vida Sutterfield
Intermediate		Ina Martin
		Henrietta Dahl
		Carmen McClean
Senior		Laura Martin
		Bertha Keairnes
		Dana Watts
Raw material and finished product		
Branches of service offered to the graduate nurse		
Red Cross		Irene Pope
Army Nurse		Lettie Ralston
Institutional Nurse		Elizabeth Paxton
Laboratory		Ruth Russell
Anesthetist		Margaret Batton
Navy Nurse		Victoria Blackburn
Office Nurse		Cleo Larsen
Milk Station Nurse		Ruby Hendricks
Industrial Nurse		Blanche Remington
Song	"Service"	School
Benediction		Roy Hopkins

At the same hour preaching in the Church of Christ building by Elder Hubert Case, assisted by Elder J. E. Vanderwood.

RELIGIO DEPARTMENT

The Religio Department at the Battery presented a motion picture, "The lion's den," and "Topics of the day," followed by a repetition of the tableau, "Restoration."

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14

At 8 a. m. addresses to the priesthood by Elder F. M. McDowell on the Boy Scout Movement, representing the interests of the young people, and by Elder C. Ed Miller of the Graphic Arts Bureau.

At 9 a. m. regular prayer service, Elders J. F. Garver and D. T. Williams in charge.

At 10.30 a. m. Religio Department business session.

At 2.30 p. m. business session. President E. A. Smith in the chair. "The battle hymn of the Republic" was sung. Prayer by Patriarch F. A. Smith.

The minutes were approved.

WOMEN'S DEPARTMENT

The Women's Department presented an additional report:

The Women's Department submits the following report to the conference:

Seven meetings have been held as follows:

Thursday morning at 9 and 10.30; Friday morning at 9; Saturday morning at 9 and 10.30; Monday morning at 9; Monday evening at 8; Tuesday morning at 9.

The following subjects were discussed:

"The Woman's Auxiliary in city branches, small branches, and districts"; "Women in community life"; "Woman's part in government making"; "Teachers for the times"; "Woman's part in the industrial work of Zion"; "First aid and home care of the sick"; "Food and the body."

At the opening business session the convention was organized with the president as chairman, assisted by her as-

sociate officers. Following the report of the President and the executive committee, President F. M. Smith presented a recommendation that a director general be appointed and that Mrs. Frederick M. Smith be placed in that office. The recommendation was adopted and the following resolution moved and carried: "Having in view the necessity of making changes to meet new conditions of church work and to complete the transition of the woman's organization from a separate society to a department of the church, we see that the ultimate abolishing of the constitution under which we have been working will be inevitable; and inasmuch as some changes in the officers seem advisable now, we authorize the executive committee of the department to make such changes in the governing rules as developments shall demand, in harmony with the church authorities.

"And in order to further facilitate the work of the executive in meeting the demands likely to be made upon our organization, we authorize our director general to appoint such officers as she may consider necessary in place of the present corps."

In accordance with the preceding motion the following officers were nominated by Mrs. F. M. Smith and approved by the body: Superintendent, Audentia Anderson; first assistant superintendent, Mrs. William Madison; second assistant superintendent, Mrs. Joseph Mather; secretary, Marie Morgan; assistant secretary, Vivian Barto.

Two meetings of the new executive have been held and they present for the approval of the conference the name of Martha Young as the member from the Women's Department on the Children's Home Board.

Two receptions have been held—one for the women and one for the girls. One other problem meeting has been announced for Wednesday morning.

MRS. D. J. KRAHL, *President.*

MRS. A. MORGAN, *Secretary.*

ORDER OF EVANGELISTS

The Order of Evangelists reported:

To the Conference: The Order of Evangelists has held three sessions during the conference. Thirteen members have been present, viz, F. A. Smith, I. M. Smith, H. O. Smith, I. N. White, Ammon White, J. W. Wight, W. A. McDowell, F. G. Pitt, G. W. Burt, John Shields, R. Baldwin, A. Angus, and James Davis.

No business of a special nature has been transacted, except the acceptance of the document purporting to be the

direction of the Spirit to the church, which has already been reported.

F. A. SMITH, *President*,
H. O. SMITH, *Secretary*.

April 14, 1920.

SECOND SEVENTY

The Second Quorum of Seventy reported:

To the General Conference; Greeting: The Second Quorum of Seventy has held three quorum sessions and met with the first and third quorums in six joint sessions.

During the past year the quorum has lost by death Brother Francis M. Slover. Resolutions of condolence were adopted by the quorum, and concurred in by the quorums of seventies in joint session as follows:

"We learn with sorrow of the passing of our beloved brother, Francis M. Slover, from the turmoils and troubles of earth life into the quiet of the just, on August 22, 1919.

"Therefore be it resolved by the Second Quorum of Seventy of which he was an esteemed member, that in the loss of Brother Slover from our ranks we recognize a stalwart and faithful worker for the Lord and one whose unassuming manner and ministerial dignity won the confidence, esteem, and faith of his colaborers and associates; that his love for the gospel and his diligence in the vineyard of the Lord were attributes of his character, giving inspiration to those whom he has left behind to emulate those virtues which are a result of an intimate life with Christ.

"Resolved that a copy of these resolutions be presented to his sorrowing family, and that we commend them to the grace of Him who doeth all things well."

The present membership of the quorum is 47, of which number 37 were under General Conference appointment. Two were in foreign fields. Reports show one acting as district president, four as branch presidents, and one teaching in Graceland College. Thirty-four are in attendance at this conference.

Reports from 38 members show a total of labor as follows: Sermons preached 3,630, times in charge 1,473, times assisted 857, other services attended 2,818, total number services attended 16,587. Baptized 360, confirmed 285, assisted to confirm 97, ordained 25, assisted to ordain 17, children blessed 163, assisted to bless 33, administered to sick 2,742, assisted to administer 105, marriages 35, branches organized 3, new openings effected 39, discussions held 1, pastoral visits 1,058, administered the sacrament 76, cases of difficulty adjusted 4,

submitted to court 1, special lectures 39, pages manuscript written 154, musical conventions conducted 4, missionary visits 48, temperance lectures 40.

A. C. SILVERS, *Secretary*.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 14, 1920.

PRESIDENTS OF SEVENTY

The presidents of seventy reported list of names of brethren selected for ordination to office of seventy, such having been approved by the Joint Council of Presidency and Twelve.

To the General Conference: The following additional names have been duly considered and approved for ordination to the office of seventy: Keith Rogers, E. L. Ulrich, F. V. Elliott, H. A. Merchant.

Respectfully submitted,

E. E. LONG,

Secretary Presidents of Seventy.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 14, 1920.

It was moved that the names be approved and the ordinations be provided for. Brethren Rogers, Ulrich, and Merchant, present, stated they were willing to accept. Brother F. V. Elliott, absent, was indorsed by members of the conference. The ordinations were approved by separate action on each name.

SANITARIUM

The following communication from the manager of the Sanitarium was read:

To the General Conference; Greeting: In behalf of the nurses, patients, and management of the Independence Sanitarium, permit us to avail ourselves of this opportunity to express our heartfelt thanks and appreciation for the chapel services and song services led by the missionary forces. These services will be of lasting benefit to all, serving as spiritual feasts that will not soon be forgotten.

Wishing these splendid brethren in their work this coming year Godspeed,

R. H. LOOSEMORE, *Manager*.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 14, 1920.

ELDER PETER ANDERSON

The Quorum of Twelve presented the following testimonial of the ministerial work of Elder Peter Anderson, formerly of the Quorum of Twelve. It was moved that the document be adopted as representing the sense of the conference. The motion prevailed by unanimous vote.

To the Officers and Members of the General Conference: The Quorum of Twelve presents the following testimony for your consideration:

ELDER PETER ANDERSON,
Independence, Missouri.

Dear Brother: We congratulate you on your long and eventful career as an apostle of Jesus Christ. Your patient service and persistent effort to uphold the banner of Jesus Christ and to carry the gospel message to those who sit in darkness, not only in this land but in foreign climes, endears you to all those who, with you, are dedicated to the work of God. We are not unmindful of the difficulties under which you have labored during the years of your ministry, and the great sacrifices which have been made by you, as well as your loved ones, to carry on your work.

A reference to your record shows that you were ordained a priest on the 16th of October, 1881, at Sacramento, California, by E. H. Webb. You filled this position with credit for nearly two years, and on May 27, 1883, you were ordained an elder at Crescent, Iowa, under the hands of Edmund C. Briggs. Three years were spent in this field of activity, and on June 6, 1886, you were ordained a seventy, at Salt Lake City, Utah, under the hands of Heman C. Smith and Robert J. Anthony. Fifteen years later, the Lord in appreciation of your services saw fit to designate you, through revelation, as an apostle, and on April 17, 1901, you were so ordained at Independence, Missouri, under the hands of Joseph Smith, President of the church, and William H. Kelley, president of the Quorum of Twelve.

This record speaks for itself. The work you have done for this church needs no defense. The large number of people to whom you have ministered and the result in their lives bespeak your integrity and faithfulness.

As associates in the quorum we will miss your wise counsel and exemplary deportment. We sincerely trust that you will

continue as heretofore—a consistent fellow-laborer in the cause of Christ.

Very sincerely,

GOMER T. GRIFFITHS,

For the Quorum of Twelve.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 14, 1920.

ELDER F. M. SHEEHY

A similar report was read from the Quorum of Twelve concerning the ministerial labor of Elder F. M. Sheehy, formerly of that quorum:

To the Officers and Members of the General Conference: The Quorum of Twelve presents the following testimony for your consideration:

ELDER FRANCIS M. SHEEHY,
Independence, Missouri.

Dear Brother: The members of the Quorum of Twelve by unanimous vote, and with due appreciation of your past services, herewith express their brotherly regard and confidence. Your work in and for the church during your long and eventful career speaks for itself. The impress of your genius and foresight is noted in nearly every department of the church work. This will abide, and is the highest tribute which can possibly be given.

A reference to your record reveals the following milestones in your growth of progress as a servant of Jesus Christ: On December 1, 1872, you were ordained a deacon at Providence, Rhode Island, under the hands of C. N. Brown. The following year you were ordained a teacher at the same place, by C. N. Brown. On May 20, 1874, you were ordained a priest at Providence, Rhode Island, by C. N. Brown. On April 16, 1876, you were ordained an elder at Fall River, Massachusetts, under the hands of John Gilbert. Ten years later, or on April 10, 1886, you were called to the office of seventy, at Lamoni, Iowa, and ordained under the hands of Elders Edmund C. Briggs, James W. Gillen, and Columbus Scott. Subsequently you acted as one of the presidents of the Quorum of Seventy. During this time you served diligently and faithfully in this capacity, and on April 19, 1900, you were ordained a high priest at Lamoni, Iowa, under the hands of Apostles Heman C. Smith and J. W. Wight.

In appreciation of the work so creditably done by you in the various offices above indicated, the Lord by revelation called you to the Quorum of Twelve, and on April 20, 1902, you

were ordained an apostle at Lamoni, Iowa, under the hands of Gomer T. Griffiths and Peter Anderson.

The brethren who have been so closely associated with you during the eighteen years of your apostleship have always held you in high esteem, and do yet, for your sterling worth and character, and wish you success in your future labor. We extend to you our confidence and good will, praying that God will continue to bless and guide you, so that your closing years in the work of God may be as a cap sheaf to your work in the church.

Yours very sincerely,

GOMER T. GRIFFITHS,

For the Quorum of Twelve.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 14, 1920.

The report was adopted by unanimous vote as the sense of the conference.

CHILDREN'S HOME

The nomination of Sister M. A. Young by the Women's Department for membership on the Board of Trustees of the Children's Home, was approved.

LANTERN SLIDES

The following was moved and seconded:

Resolved, that a series of lantern slides be prepared for the use of the ministry, under the direction of the Presidency, Twelve, and Presiding Bishopric.

The motion was adopted.

RELIGIO DEPARTMENT

The Religio Department reported the following resolution:

To the General Conference: The following action obtained at the Religio Convention this morning:

Resolved, that the time has come when the Religio and Sunday school should have a publication commensurate with the growing needs of these departments.

Resolved, that we request the General Conference to authorize and direct the Board of Publication to make provision to supply this demand.

Resolved, that the selection of editors and all other matters involved in carrying out the provision of the foregoing reso-

lutions be left to the Presidency, Board of Publication, and executives of the Religio and Sunday school.

Resolved, that these resolutions be submitted to the Sunday school Department and the General Conference for concurrence.

T. W. WILLIAMS,

Superintendent Religio Department.

It was stated that the Sunday school Department had not yet taken action on the matters named, hence consideration was deferred.

At 3.10 p. m. President E. A. Smith resigned the chair to President F. M. Smith.

RULES OF ORDER

Brother H. H. Smith arose to a question of privilege and read the following from Roberts's Rules of Order:

Roberts's Rules of Order, page 71—note: "Where it is desired not only to rescind the action but to express very strong disapproval, legislative bodies have on rare occasions voted to rescind the objectionable resolutions and expunge it from the record, which is done by crossing out the words or drawing a line around them, and writing across them the words 'Expunged by order of the assembly, etc.,' giving the date of the order."

In answer to question the chair stated that to be consistent with a ruling of the previous day, it was his understanding that the previous action of the conference on a document presented concerning various phases of the labor question placed the stamp of disapproval on the document then presented.

GRACELAND COLLEGE

On motion the election of Graceland College Trustees was taken up.

To provide for the expired term of A. Carmichael, A. Carmichael, W. E. Hayer, A. M. Carmichael, and C. E. Irwin were placed in nomination. The vote in the order named resulted: A. Carmichael 121, Hayer 50, A. M. Carmichael 115, Irwin 14.

There being no election the vote was confined to the highest two, A. Carmichael receiving 217, A. M. Carmichael 199. The first named was declared elected.

To succeed G. R. Wells, term expired, G. R. Wells, W. E. Hayer, A. M. Carmichael, and C. E. Irwin were placed in nomination. The vote resulted: Wells 4, Hayer 346, Carmichael 13, Irwin 8, and W. E. Hayer was declared elected.

BOARD OF PUBLICATION

The Presiding Bishop presented nominations for members of the Board of Publication:

To the General Conference: I respectfully nominate the following as members of the Board of Publication: A. Carmichael, F. B. Blair, B. R. McGuire, Richard Lambert, A. E. McKim.

B. R. MCGUIRE,
Presiding Bishop.

April 14, 1920.

The nominations were approved.

LABOR QUESTION

The following preambles and resolutions were moved and seconded:

Whereas, the nations of the world are harassed by difficulties and distresses in the economic, the social, the financial, and the political world; and,

Whereas, we believe that in the gospel of Jesus Christ as restored in these last days there is found a panacea for every distress;

Therefore, be it resolved, that we as a church, the divinely appointed reflector, the light to the world, express ourselves in concrete form in reference to these matters; and,

To the end that this may be carried out, that the Presidency appoint a committee of three to consider and report to the next General Conference.

A substitute was moved and seconded:

Whereas, it is the duty of the church to use its full power in the amelioration of social conditions controlling the lives of its members; and,

Whereas, the program of stewardships will not seriously

affect the economic system about us in the immediate future; Therefore, be it resolved that the church lend its support to the desire of workmen for an eight-hour day and for a living wage;

That it encourage the movements for the abolition of child labor in factories and mines, and for the limitation of the hours of women's work; that it indorse peaceful and legitimate efforts for greater cooperation between labor and capital and for greater participation and responsibility by labor in the management of industries.

The action of the chair in permitting a motion to consider the latter proposition was appealed from, on the ground that former action concerning it had been expunged from the minutes and that it should be designated as new business. The decision of the chair was sustained.

A motion that the entire matter be referred to the First Presidency and Presiding Bishopric, was followed by an order for the previous question, and the motion to refer prevailed.

ADDRESS BY PAIA A METUAARO

A request was made that Elder Paia a Metuaaro, from the South Sea Islands Mission, address the conference. The song "Let us all be brothers," was sung. Elder Paia addressed the body in his native tongue, Elder Clyde F. Ellis acting as interpreter.

Assembly of the Saints, Children of God; Greetings unto you in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

I am pleased at this time in that I have been permitted to say a few things before the children of God in Zion. This is what I desire to say in your presence to-day, and that is my appreciation of the wisdom of God in restoring the gospel to us in these latter days. In the islands of the sea, there still remains confidence and trust in the people there and appreciation also for the labors of these who have brought the gospel to us. The gospel was established and the church grew in the islands of the sea in an age of great persecution there as well as here, by those of the world against the church. From then up to the present time the church has continued to develop until it has reached the greatness it has and the thriftiness that it has, and they are rejoicing

in God and the gospel as brought to them. They continue to remember and adore the gospel and respect it as the means of life delivered to them and to all men in this dispensation.

From the time I first came among you I have seen manifested very visibly in the assemblies of the Saints rejoicing and godly sorrow which is the result of a contrite spirit because of the influence of the Spirit which has been witnessed among us. Notwithstanding my failure to understand your language—that which you say and the songs you sing—I have felt the Spirit as you have felt it and have realized that it is the Spirit that we feel in the islands of the sea. After the close of the several meetings during the days which have passed, I have kept them in mind, and upon going to the place where I am staying, have retained them in my mind even until the late hours of the night, until one or two o'clock; and while there upon my bed I have wondered with great wonderment concerning the things which I have seen and the things which I have felt, and have wondered in my mind what is the means by which we may be able to carry the same to the islands of the sea, the same things which I have witnessed, that they there may realize and know what I have realized and what I have seen.

I believe that the church is advancing and that the gospel is going forth to the nations, and that as it has come to us in the islands of the sea and the people there have received it and are obeying it, I do not believe that it will ever fall and sink into oblivion there, but will continue to develop until the accomplishment of God's purposes.

This is the burden of my thoughts and the thing which I have desired to present unto you to-day; and that is, that there may be sent more missionaries to us in the islands of the sea, that we may be assisted, benefited, and built up in the cause in which we are engaged.

These are the things I have to say to you. Greetings unto you all in the name of the Lord. Amen.

STATEMENT BY PRESIDENT

Following Elder Paia's address President F. M. Smith made the following statement:

I am sure that I express the sentiment of every member of the conference when I say that we are more than pleased—we are delighted—that we have had with us this splendid representative from the South Sea Islands; and I express the hope, which I trust will find echo in the hearts of each

one of you, that at no conference in the future will we be without some representative from the islands.

At 4.30 p. m. the assembly stood adjourned.

Announcements were made; the hymn, "Blessed be the tie that binds," was sung; benediction by Patriarch F. A. Smith.

At 7.30 p. m. the General Conference choir under the direction of Director A. N. Hoxie, gave their second rendition of the oratorio, "The creation."

At the same hour preaching in the Church of Christ building by Elder C. Ed. Miller assisted by Elder Joseph W. Lane.

At the Battery, Religio Department program from 6 to 9 p. m. It included an address by J. H. Piper, Boy Scout Executive for Iowa, Missouri, Kansas, and Nebraska; also an address by Mrs. M. A. Etzenhouser.

THURSDAY, APRIL 15

At 8 a. m. address to priesthood in lower auditorium by F. A. Russell, of the Department of Statistics.

At 9 a. m. in the upper auditorium prayer meeting, Elders R. V. Hopkins and Hubert Case in charge.

At 10.30 a. m. in the upper auditorium preaching by Elder F. G. Pitt assisted by J. F. Mintun.

At 10.45 a. m. session of the Women's Department.

At 2.30 p. m. business session, President F. M. Smith in the chair. The hymn, "Jerusalem," was sung. Prayer by Elder U. W. Greene.

The minutes were approved.

Corrections were made in the report of the Historical Department.

COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

The committee on credentials presented further report:

To the General Conference: Since last report the following credentials have been received from Alabama District: 6 votes: R. C. Russell, M. M. Turpen, T. C. Kelley, E. C. Shelley, G. O. Sellers, Mrs. G. O. Sellers. Alternates: J. D. Sellers, J. A. Vickrey.

Previous to and during the conference the committee has registered 508 ex officio members and 515 delegates.

Upon the instruction from the delegations present from the various districts concerned, the following alternates were seated as delegates during this session of General Conference: Elwyn R. Davis, May Carmichael, Lillie Clark, Harry Jones, Margaret Davis, Mary Rudkin, Mrs. F. T. Mussell, Lillie Marks, Wave Cross, Orin Salisbury, Luella F. Wight, Charles F. Putnam, Fred A. Fry, Mrs. Charles F. Putnam, D. M. Vredenburg, J. M. Baker, Charles J. Smith, John Cairns, Sr. B. A. Smith, Elmer Sherman, Nellie Hempel, J. T. Riley, Mrs. J. T. Riley, Lilian M. Carter, Sylvia C. Baker, Josephine Hull, George E. Carter, Georgia Spinnett, Frank P. Spinnett, Frank S. Dobbins, E. N. Burt, Emma Hardy, J. L. Roark, G. J. Reeves, F. S. Brackenbury, Carrie Hasting, B. H. Doty, W. F. Perry, Mrs. W. F. Perry, Lucy Silvers, J. W. Higgins, Pearl Kinnaman, Elma Scott, Mrs. Guy Johnson, Mrs. John Davis, Mrs. J. H. Hitch, Mrs. E. E. McCormick, Mrs. Julia Farr, Mrs. W. W. Scott, Amelia P. Hinds, Mrs. I. M. Smith, Mrs. H. B. Roberts, Mrs. A. K. Dillee, Mrs. R. W. Farrell, Sr. Ida Wherli, Sr. Adele Moore, Roscoe Davey, Mrs. Roscoe Davey, Audentia Anderson, E. L. Ware, Mrs. J. L. Parker, Lilian Zimmermann, Eva Stadler, N. C. Anderson, Bernice Watkins, J. W. Davis, E. E. Long, J. M. Hardin, Bell R. James, Mrs. W. N. Robinson, Effie Wallace, Mrs. J. E. Vanderwood, S. W. Simmons, Bertha Shank, R. L. Fulk, L. G. Holloway, F. V. Elliott, Sr. F. V. Elliott, Lilian Pope, Peter Anderson, W. M. Aylor, Grace Hufferd, Thomas Newton, Leda Colbert, Leonard Houghton, W. A. McDowell, E. J. Lennox, William I. Fligg, John Shields, James Pycock, Joseph Yager, Bertha Burgess, C. E. Blair, Rebecca Weld, George Glenz, T. J. Patras, A. H. Thompson, O. E. Thompson, William Tuttle, Mrs. F. G. Pitt, Mrs. C. I. Carpenter, Dorothy Case, D. M. Hall, Ivan Shields, Dot Voelpel, Mrs. Rolla Duzan.

Respectfully submitted,

F. A. RUSSELL,
For the Committee.

April 15, 1920.

MASS QUORUM OF ELDERS

The mass quorum of elders reported:

To the General Conference; Greeting: The mass quorum of elders have held nine meetings, at which there has been good attendance and profitable lectures on the following subjects: "Local quorum organization," "Eldership responsibility," "Home and character formation," "Visiting by the local priesthood," "Modern prophylaxis, and the redemption of Zion."

Our meetings have been characterized by an unusual unanimity of feeling and a desire for the speedy onward progress of the work of the church.

Ever hopeful for the upbuilding and redemption of Zion,
W. R. DEXTER, *Secretary*.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 15, 1920.

SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

The Sunday school Department presented the following documents:

To the General Conference: During the conference the the Sunday school Department has held three sessions.

The constitution was amended to eliminate all reference to gospel literature work, this being taken over by the Department of Publicity.

The department went on record to abolish the practice of printing in *Stepping Stones* the names of individual contributors in reports of Christmas offerings.

The action of the executive council during the past year, in taking up extensive revision of the present lessons course, the appointment of an editor in chief and an expert consulting board, was indorsed by the convention.

The executive council was empowered to edit and publish a series of adult quarterlies, a teachers' quarterly, and a Sunday school manual.

The election of officers resulted in the choice of the following: Gomer R. Wells, of Lamoni, Iowa, superintendent; A. M. Carmichael, Lamoni, first assistant superintendent; A. W. Smith, Saint Louis, Missouri, second assistant superintendent; E. D. Moore, Lamoni, secretary; M. H. Siegfried, Independence, treasurer; Mrs. J. C. Schwab, Independence, home department superintendent; Mrs. Rebecca Mills, Independence, cradle roll superintendent; S. A. Burgess, Lamoni, member library commission.

Respectfully submitted,

E. D. MOORE, *Secretary*.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 15, 1920.

To the General Conference: The following resolutions

were adopted by our convention on the 14th and referred to the coordination committee with the request that they report to the conference:

“Resolved, that the time has come when the Religio, Sunday school, and Women’s Department should have a publication commensurate with the growing needs of these departments.

“Resolved, that we request the General Conference to authorize and direct the Board of Publication to make provision to supply this demand.

“Resolved, that the selection of editors and all other matters involved in carrying out the provisions of the foregoing resolutions be left to the Presidency, Board of Publication, and executives of the Religio and Sunday school.

Respectfully submitted,

E. D. MOORE,

Secretary Sunday School.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 15, 1920.

COORDINATING COMMITTEE

The coordinating committee presented a report:

The coordinating committee recommends that the work of the home departments of the Religio and Sunday school, and the cradle roll work of the Sunday school be assumed by the Women’s Department.

FREDERICK M. SMITH,
Chairman.

A motion to adopt was followed by an order for the previous question. The motion to adopt prevailed.

RELIGIO DEPARTMENT

The Religio Department presented a report on the Religio budget:

The Religio Department reports the following as a budget for the ensuing year:

Stenographic service for superintendent.....	\$ 450.00
Superintendent Boy Scouts’ department.....	250.00
Graceland students’ loan fund.....	300.00
Secretary’s expense.....	15.00
Treasurer’s expense.....	15.00
Revising committee.....	36.00
Editor of senior <i>Quarterly</i>	260.00
Editor of junior <i>Quarterly</i>	140.00

Contingent fund.....	500.00
Total	<u>\$1,996.00</u>

Respectfully,
HOWARD W. HARDER, *Secretary.*

COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIONS

The committee on administrations reported and the report was adopted after amending by striking out all reference to other churches and made to read "nonmembers" instead.

The committee to wait upon the sick reports: We have administered to one hundred and seventy, including two nonmembers.

April 15, 1920.

W. D. BULLARD, *Chairman.*

HIGH PRIESTS

The Presidency presented nomination for ordination to office of high priest, stating such had been approved by the joint council:

To the High Priests Quorum; Greeting: Please take under advisement the name of Levi Gamet for ordination to office of high priest, and advise action at your early convenience.

Very sincerely yours,

THE FIRST PRESIDENCY,

By F. M. S.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 14, 1920.

Approved by Quorum of High Priests, April 15, 1920.

CHARLES FRY,

Counselor in charge of meeting.

Brother Gamet expressed willingness to accept and the recommendation was approved and the ordination ordered provided for.

ORDER OF BISHOPS

The Order of Bishops presented report:

To the President and General Conference; Greeting: The Order of Bishops have been in daily session, occupying nine forenoons and two evenings, the following bishops being in attendance: B. R. McGuire, James F. Keir, J. A. Becker, M. H. Siegfried, Ellis Short, John Zimmermann, E. L. Kelley, F. B. Blair, Richard Bullard, A. Carmichael, M. C. Fisher,

C. J. Hunt, B. J. Scott, George P. Lambert; also the following counselors: A. N. Baker, A. J. Yarrington, I. M. Ross, J. W. Layton,

In addition to previous reports to the conference, the following recommendations of the Order are herewith submitted:

Bishop Albert Carmichael nominated to succeed himself as member of the Children's Home Board.

That we look with favor upon the erection of adequate dormitories at Graceland College, and commence operations as soon as funds will permit.

That the Christmas offering for 1920 be used for the purchase and improvement of land.

The amalgamation of the publishing interests of the church was read and the following resolution adopted:

Whereas, the Board of Publication in their report calls attention "to the fact that the best interests of the publishing concerns of the church would be conserved by placing the publishing houses as far as possible under one roof and one management";

Therefore, be it resolved: That the Order of Bishops look with favor upon the ultimate consummation of this object.

They, however, suggest that the erection of a building for the housing of the publishing interests should become a part of the general building program of the church to be undertaken under the direction of the general church authorities when financial and economic conditions render it advisable.

Respectfully submitted,

ORDER OF BISHOPS,

Per Vernon A. Reese, Secretary.

April 15, 1920.

A motion to adopt the report and its recommendations prevailed.

ORDER OF BISHOPS—BUDGETS

The Order of Bishops reported the following on budgets:

To the President and General Conference; Greeting: We respectfully submit the following estimated cost of carrying on the work of the several departments for the fiscal year—July 1, 1920, to June 30, 1921:

EXPENSE

Administration

Presiding Bishop's office budget\$ 20,750.00

General office expense	3,000.00
Quorum of Twelve office expense	1,510.00
Recorder's office expense	4,200.00
Architect's office expense	1,800.00
First Presidency's office expense	5,100.00

Stakes

Independence	\$ 2,560.00
Kansas City	2,480.00
Lamoni	4,663.00
Holden	915.00
Far West	1,210.00

Woman's Auxiliary	\$ 1,700.00
-------------------------	-------------

(Note: The Woman's Auxiliary budget was for \$3,000, with statement that \$1,351 of this amount would be returned to the church treasury by assessment, sale of leaflets, manuals, and Year Books. The order approves the budget with the understanding that not to exceed \$1,700 is to be supplied by the Presiding Bishopric, the balance to be realized from sale of leaflets, etc.)

Graceland	9,600.00
Holden Home	10,676.00
Saints' and Liberty Homes	11,441.60
Saints' Home Farm	7,250.00
Children's Home	12,777.96
Sanitarium	28,551.00
Publicity Department	8,000.00

(Note: This to include General Publicity Agent's salary.)

General expense	\$ 5,000.00
Aid	30,000.00
Elders' expense	50,000.00
Historical department	2,080.00
Missionary family allowances	325,000.00
Religious educational class	10,000.00
Completing new Graceland College building	80,000.00

Total

\$640,264.56

The Estimated Revenue is as Follows:

Estimated incomes, tithes, and offerings	\$500,000.00
Available assets	40,000.00

Total

\$540,000.00

We have estimated that the tithes and offerings will increase \$35,000 over the current fiscal year. If we have properly estimated the total receipts from tithes and offerings

for the coming fiscal year we will be in debt \$100,000 at the end of the period if these appropriations are allowed and used.

It should be noted that this budget does not take into account a margin for tithes and offerings that may be received in kind; (that is, nonavailable assets) and unforeseen requirements that may arise; nor will it give opportunity for extending loans to individuals or to local congregations for building purposes. Any funds spent for these purposes will increase the deficit to the amount spent; nor has any provision been made in the budget for expenditures to carry into effect the building program as approved by this General Conference. The cost of whatever is done in this regard will be in addition to the foregoing estimate of expense.

Respectfully submitted,

ORDER OF BISHOPS,

Per Vernon A. Reese, Secretary.

April 15, 1920.

Questions were answered and after some discussion the budgets were approved.

DEPARTMENT PUBLICATION

The document presented by the Sunday school Department asking approval of a departmental publication was called up. The document was amended by providing that the Women's Department be included in the provision; also by striking out the words "and direct" in the third paragraph, and approved as amended.

SUSTAINED

The following were then sustained by unanimous vote of the conference: The First Presidency; the Quorum of Twelve; the Presidents and Quorums of Seventy.

PRESIDING BISHOPRIC

At this juncture Bishop B. R. McGuire arose and presented the following statement:

A few days more than four years ago I was given to know, as I have heretofore stated, that I would occupy in the office of Presiding Bishop. At the same time I was shown who would be the members associated with me in this office. As

to the third member, the thought was that he should be the second counselor. I did not at the time understand what this meant; but when I received the text of the revelation nominating Bishop Keir as counselor I took it to mean that the counselor to be selected by the Presiding Bishop would be understood to be second in point of time. I did not, however, think such a long period would intervene. Several things transpired, and I did not feel free to nominate the second member until now.

To-day I present for your approval the name of the one whom we desire to welcome as a counselor in the Presiding Bishopric—Brother Israel A. Smith.

It was moved that the ordination be approved and provided for. Brother I. A. Smith made statement of willingness to accept the responsibility. A number of brethren presented testimony of the call. The motion to approve prevailed.

SUSTAINED

The assembly continued the order of sustaining, and the following were sustained by unanimous vote: The Presiding Bishopric; the Order of Bishops; the Presiding Patriarch and Order of Evangelists; the Quorum of High Priests; the Eldership; the Aaronic Priesthood.

The remaining officers, departments, committees, institutions, etc., were sustained by the adoption of the following motions:

That the various departments and institutions of the church be sustained.

That the standing committees of the church be sustained.

VOTE OF THANKS

A vote of thanks was extended to the Saints and citizens of Independence for entertainment and hospitality.

PRESS

The conference adopted a motion expressing appreciation of the courtesies extended by the press.

Mr. J. B. McDonald reported the following acknowledgement by the press of courtesies extended to its representatives:

The members of the secular press reporting the conference news wish to express their thanks to the conference and especially to Mr. McKim, the publicity agent of the church, for assistance rendered.

J. B. MCD.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 15, 1920.

APPOINTMENTS BY FIRST PRESIDENCY

President F. M. Smith made the following statement to the assembly:

I wish to make a few oral statements in regard to the work of the Twelve for the coming year.

One of the members of the Twelve, William Aylor, will be asked to go to South Africa to open up the work there, and two of the young men of the church will be asked to go with him.

Brother R. C. Russell, of the Twelve, will be asked to assume the responsibility of working at the base that has been established by Brother Philemon Pement in Ottawa, and enlarging the work there and in Quebec. And some young men will be asked to go with him.

One of the Twelve, or perhaps two, one of these to be T. W. Williams, is to go to England for some very hard work (possibly accompanied by one of the Presidency), then to Switzerland and Germany if the conditions make it possible, and on to Palestine.

G. T. Griffiths will have charge of the work among the American Lamanites and devote his time to that work, having as his assistant Brother Hubert Case.

In the course of a few months, two of the Twelve will be asked to go to Australia to relieve two of the brethren who are there now, so that they might return to this country as agreed upon when they went there. The responsibility that the Presidency placed upon these two brethren was far greater than most of you thought it was. We were quite aware of the situation growing up in Australia, which promised to make most serious difficulties for the church unless there were some wise officers there to cope with it. The brethren have had plenty of work to do, and it was a great relief to me to learn that they were on the shores of Australia. I had not told them of some of the things existing in Australia, as I wanted them to be free to meet the situation as they found it.

Two of the Twelve will be asked to remain at the office

for a while, U. W. Greene and Myron A. McConley, to look after the work of caring for correspondence from the mission field.

Two others will be asked to serve as emergency or minute men, and these men will be J. A. Gillen and J. F. Curtis.

This is not intended as a program which will last for the conference period of two years, but is a present basis of operation.

I feel that before the missionary arm of the church, as well as the local arm, judging from every angle from which we view the subject, tremendous possibilities lie; and if the missionary force will throw themselves into the tackling of the missionary problem and devote themselves without reservation to the task of bringing the warning voice to the peoples of the world, that when we come back here two years hence, or possibly a little longer, the missionaries will feel the deepest of satisfaction at the work accomplished.

I feel impressed with the need of the local arm of the church intensifying their work of feeding the sheep that the missionaries have already brought into the fold.

I consider that the legislation passed at one of our sessions of conference, on Saturday afternoon, marks it as the most important session of conference that the Reorganized Church has ever seen, and at that session more far-reaching and important legislation was put on the statute books of the church than at any other conference this church has ever held, and it throws a tremendous responsibility upon those whose duty it is to organize the forces to effect it.

We stand at the threshold of some important developments, which will require a consecration as deep as the souls of the people, touching every avenue of their lives. I share with you the feeling and promise of the endowment we have had and an indication of the great endowment promised. And I cannot see how any man who has followed and sensed the deep spirituality throughout the whole series of meetings cannot feel that within his soul there has been intensified the spirit of consecration that will cause him to throw his soul into the work without reservation, and that the membership will be impressed with exactly this; that the missionaries will go out to the church, and stop the work of undermining the confidence of the people by carrying to them distressing rumors as to what is said to be existing at headquarters. From my own contact with the men who are standing at the heads of the various departments, I know there is no finer set of men in the world, so far as consecration to the church is concerned, and if you give them the

support they should have, this work will sweep forward and the obstacles will be brushed aside.

Some appointments will require the men to make sacrifices; there is no department that does not, and I feel that as the men go forward in the discharge of their work they will feel a constantly growing power, especially if there is a constantly growing disposition on their part to consecrate their services—what they are and what they expect to be—without reservation.

New applications have not been passed upon as yet, except in very few instances to meet requirements of foreign appointments. These will be taken up by the post conference council.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE JOINT COUNCIL

The joint council of Presidency, Twelve, and Bishopric presented a report on appointments:

GENERAL CHURCH OFFICERS

First Presidency

Frederick M. Smith. Elbert A. Smith.

Quorum of Twelve

G. T. Griffiths.	R. C. Russell.
T. W. Williams.	Myron A. McConley.
U. W. Greene.	W. M. Aylor.
J. F. Curtis.	C. A. Butterworth.
J. A. Gillen.	J. W. Rushton.
P. M. Hanson.	

Presiding Patriarch

Frederick A. Smith.

Presiding Bishopric

Benjamin R. McGuire. Israel A. Smith.

James F. Keir.

R. S. Salyards, Church Secretary.

P. G. Fairbanks, Assistant Church Secretary.

Dr. G. Leonard Harrington, Physician to Church.

Henry C. Smith, Church Architect.

Walter W. Smith, Church Historian.

Heman Hale Smith, Assistant Church Historian.

Richard B. Trowbridge, Church Auditor.

F. A. Russell, Church Recorder.

Arthur E. McKim, Publicity Agent.

Stake Officers

R. V. Hopkins, Pastor, Independence Stake.

J. A. Becker, Bishop, Independence Stake.
 J. A. Tanner, President, Kansas City Stake.
 T. J. Elliott, Counselor to J. A. Tanner.
 F. B. Blair, Bishop, Kansas City Stake.
 R. S. Salyards, President, Far West Stake.
 J. W. Roberts, Counselor to R. S. Salyards.
 E. F. Robertson, Counselor to R. S. Salyards.
 D. J. Krahl, President, Holden Stake.
 F. A. McWethy, Counselor to D. J. Krahl.
 C. J. Hunt, Bishop, Holden Stake.
 I. M. Ross, Counselor to C. J. Hunt.
 John F. Garver, President, Lamoni Stake.
 D. T. Williams, Counselor to J. F. Garver.
 C. E. Wight, Counselor to J. F. Garver.
 A. Carmichael, Bishop, Lamoni Stake.
 A. J. Yarrington, Counselor to A. Carmichael.

GENERAL APPOINTEES

Allen, Arthur, Independence, Missouri. L
 Almond, Frank B., and wife, Society Islands. M
 Anderson, William, Phoenix, Arizona. M
 Angus, Archibald D., Kirtland District.
 Arber, Joseph, Kansas City Stake. M
 Bailey, J. W. A., Northeastern Kansas District. M
 Baker, A. M., Saint Louis District. M
 Baldwin, Richard, Massachusetts District, Boston objective.
 Barmore, A. C., Northern California District. M
 Barrett, J. B., Gallands Grove District. L
 Bath, William, Spring River District. M
 Berve, Amos, Eastern Iowa District. M
 Bishop, James E., New York District. L
 Booker, Alma, Pittsburgh District. M
 Booker, N. L., Mobile District. M
 Bootman, William P., Idaho District. M
 Brackenbury, F. S., referred to post conference council.
 Bronson, Eli, Eastern Montana District. L
 Bronson, Jott A., Spokane District. M
 Brooner, W. A., Northern California District. M
 Brown, Bruce E., referred to post conference council.
 Brown, R. T., Society Islands. M
 Budd, Roy S., referred to post conference council.
 Bullard, Richard, referred to post conference council.
 Burdick, Leon, Youngstown-Sharon District. M
 Burt, George E., Southern Ohio District. M
 Burt, E. N., referred to post conference council.
 Burt, George W., Central Michigan District.
 Burr, Abram E., superannuated.

- Burton, P. R., referred to post conference council.
 Butterworth, C. W., Australia. M
 Carlile, Joshua, Central Nebraska District.
 Carlisle, J. D., referred to post conference council.
 Carpenter, C. I., Kewanee District. L
 Case, Hubert, Indians of Oklahoma.
 Chambers, R. C., referred to post conference council.
 Cheville, Roy, Des Moines District, Nevada objective. L
 Chrestensen, James C., referred to post conference council.
 Chrestensen, W. W., referred to post conference council.
 Christensen, A. H., Society Islands. M
 Christy, Ward L., Northeastern Illinois District, Chicago objective. M
 Clark, Thomas L., referred to post conference council.
 Clifford, Cornelius M., South Africa. M
 Closson, A. V., Southern Missouri District. L
 Cook, M. H., referred to post conference council.
 Cook, Phillip, Western Oklahoma District. M
 Cool, F. A., Holden Stake, Warrensburg objective. L
 Corbett, A. J., New South Wales, Southern District. L
 Cornish, J. J., Saskatchewan. M
 Curtis, E. A., Southwestern Kansas, unorganized, Wichita objective. M
 Curtis, J. D., Eastern Colorado District. M
 Curtis, Thomas W., Northwestern Kansas District. M
 Davies, Edwin H., South Australia, Adelaide objective. L
 Davis, Elwyn R., Arizona, Bisbee objective. L
 Davis, Evan A., referred to post conference council.
 Davis, James, Eastern Michigan District.
 Davis, J. W., Ohio. M
 Davis, Robert D., Northern Michigan District. M
 Davis, William, referred to post conference council.
 Davis, J. Arthur, Eastern Oklahoma District. M
 Davison, Holmes J., Northern California District, Stockton objective. L
 Dexter, W. R., referred to post conference council.
 Doty, B. H., Central Michigan District, Bay City objective. M
 Dowker, David E., Southern California District, Los Angeles objective. L
 Dowker, J. A., Lamoni Stake. M
 Dutton, Jasper O., Southern Wisconsin District. L
 Elliott, F. V., and wife, Society Islands. M
 Ellis, Clyde F., referred to Presidency.
 Ellis, William D., Western Michigan District. M
 Ely, John, Northern California District. M
 Erwin, E. A., referred to post conference council.

Etzenhouser, M. A., Utah District, Salt Lake City objective. L

Etzenhouser, V. B., Hawaii Territory, Honolulu objective. L

Farrell, R. W., referred to post conference council.

Fike, Lyman W., Northeastern Kansas District. M

Finken, E. D., Southern Ohio District. M

Fligg, William I., referred to post conference council.

Flint, B. C., Southern Wisconsin District. M

Fry, Charles, Spring River District. L

Fulk, R. L., Utah District. M

Gamet, Levi, Mobile and Alabama Districts. L

Garrett, W. H., referred to Presidency.

Gleazer, Edward J., Massachusetts District, Providence objective. M

Goodrich, V. M., Far West Stake, Third Saint Joseph objective. L

Gray, Sidney N., Spokane District. M

Green, Carl, Germany. M

Greenwood, William H., referred to Presidency.

Gregory, Fred, Alberta District and British Columbia. M

Gresty, J. T., Australia.

Grice, John R., Detroit, Michigan. M

Grice, William M., London District. L

Haden, W. E., Lamoni Stake. M

Halb, Jacob, Switzerland. M

Hall, Abel, referred to post conference council.

Harden, J. M., Northwest Ohio District. L

Harpe, Charles E., Central Illinois District. M

Hawkins, Charles W., Northern California District. L

Harrington, George E., referred to post conference council.

Haworth, W. J., Southern New South Wales District. M

Hawn, O. J., referred to post conference council.

Hansen, Edmund L., referred to post conference council.

Higdon, Amos T., referred to post conference council.

Holloway, Leonard G., Utah District. M

Holm, S. S., referred to post conference council.

Houghton, Leonard, referred to post conference council.

Hull, E. B., referred to post conference council.

Jenkins, George, referred to Presidency and Presiding Bishopric.

Jordan, Thomas J., referred to post conference council.

Jones, Thomas, Wales and Southwest England. L

Jones, J. H. N., Victoria District (Australia) Melbourne objective. L

Jones, C. E., Portland District. L

Karlstrom, Albert V., South Sea Islands. Bishop.

Kelley, E. L., referred to Presidency and Presiding Bishopric.

Kelley, W. H., Southeastern Illinois District. M

Kelley, Thomas C., Southeastern Mission.

Kippe, Alexander, referred to post conference council.

Knisley, Alvin, Wyoming. M

Knowlton, George H., Western Maine District. L

Koehler, H. A., Maine. M

Lambkin, B. S., referred to post conference council.

Lenox, E. J., Northern Wisconsin District. M

Lentell, J. R., referred to post conference council.

Lewis, George, New South Wales District, Queensland District, and New Zealand.

Liston, M. W., Detroit District. M

Long, Elmer E., referred to post conference council.

Loving, Albert L., Victoria District (Australia). M

Luff, Joseph, referred to post conference council.

McConnaughy, J. C., Virginias. M

McCord, Archibald E., Northeastern Missouri District. M

McDowell, W. A., Northeastern Illinois and Southern Wisconsin Districts.

McFadden, L. M., Kentucky and Tennessee District. M

McKnight, J. W., Western Michigan District. M

Macgregor, Daniel, referred to post conference council.

Macrae, W. S., referred to post conference council.

Manning, W. H., Southwestern Texas District. M

Martin, A. C., referred to post conference council.

Martin, John F., referred to post conference council.

May, J. Charles, Eastern Colorado District. M

May, Roderick, British Mission.

Merchant, H. A., and wife, South Sea Islands Mission. M

Metcalf, J. W., referred to post conference council.

Miller, A. G., Western Florida and Mobile District. M

Miller, C. Ed., Massachusetts District. L

Mintun, J. F., superannuated.

Moler, H. E., referred to post conference council.

Moore, A. J., Western Montana District. L

Mortimer, J. L., Owen Sound District, Manitoulin Island, summer. M

Muceus, Peter, referred to post conference council.

Mussell, F. T., Northeastern Missouri District. L

Neville, William C., Pittsburgh District. M

Newton, Thomas, Virginias. M

Nunley, J. M., Southern Missouri District. M

Okerlind, O. W., Kewanee District. M

Orton, E. M., Central Michigan District. M

Osler, William, New York and Philadelphia District, Philadelphia objective. L.

Overcast, John T., Kentucky and Tennessee. M

Palmer, D. S., Texas. M

Parker, J. L., Southern Nebraska District, Lincoln objective. L

Parsons, Alonzo H., referred to post conference council.

Passman, Harry, Palestine. M

Patterson, William, Northern New South Wales District (Australia). M

Paxton, J. W., Utah. M

Peisker, Edwin A. H., West Australia. M

Perkins, D. B., Owen Sound District. L

Peterson, J. W., Saskatchewan. M

Pement, Philemon, Eastern Ontario and Quebec. M

Phillips, A. B., New England, New York and Philadelphia District, Maritime Provinces. M

Pierce, H. N., referred to post conference council.

Pitt, F. G., referred to post conference council.

Prettyman, C. W., Western Nebraska and Black Hills. M

Puuohau, James, Hawaiian Territory. M

Pycock, James, London and Chatham Districts (Canada). M

Quick, Lee, Spring River District and Kansas Counties of Clinton District. M

Rannie, Edward, referred to post conference council.

Reed, Perl Percy, Spokane District. M

Reeves, Gomer J., Hawaii Territory, Hilo objective. M

Rich, Calvin H., Far West Stake. M

Richards, W. B., Winnipeg District. L

Riley, J. T., Arkansas and Louisiana. M

Robley, George W., New York District. M

Robley, George F., New York District. M

Rogers, Keith, South Africa. M

Rowe, Fred A., Central Texas. M

Sade, O. E., referred to Presidency and Presiding Bishopric.

St. John, Samuel G., referred to post conference council.

Savage, Henry W., New Zealand until May, then Australia.

Sawley, F. L., referred to post conference council.

Scott, S. W. L., referred to post conference council.

Self, W. M., Central Nebraska District. M

Shakespeare, W. E., Minnesota District. M

Sheehy, John F., Western Maine and Massachusetts. M

Shelley, E. C., Florida. M

Shields, John, Owen Sound, Chatham, and London Districts.

Shower, J. D., Western Oklahoma. M

Silvers, A. C., referred to post conference council.

- Simmons, S. W., Eastern Oklahoma. M
 Smith, Charles J., referred to post conference council.
 Smith Hale W., Eastern Colorado, Denver objective. M
 Smith, Hyrum O., Far West Stake.
 Smith, I. M., Holden Stake.
 Smith, Joseph W., Kewanee District. M
 Smith, Stephen S., Seattle and British Columbia District. M
 Smith, W. A., Owen Sound District. M
 Sparling, William, North Dakota and Minnesota Districts. L
 Sparling, Henry, Southeastern Illinois District. M
 Starkes, Arthur E., Northern Michigan District, Boyne City objective. L
 Stead, J. D., Alberta District. L
 Stoft, A. E., Spring River District, Pittsburg objective. L
 Stone, A. E., Kirtland District, Kirtland objective. M
 Swenson, Swen, superannuated.
 Sutton, J. R., referred to post conference council.
 Taylor, J. R., New South Wales, Northern District. M
 Terry, John M., British Columbia and Seattle Districts, Seattle objective. L
 Thomas, James A., Northeastern Kansas District. M
 Thomas, T. U., Youngstown and Sharon District, Youngstown objective. L
 Thorburn, George, Montana. M
 Turpen, M. M., superannuated.
 Tucker, D. E., St. Louis District. M
 Twombly, Samuel, Far West Stake. L
 Ulrich, E. L. Northwestern Ohio. M
 Vanderwood, J. E., Panhandle of Texas and New Mexico. M
 Umphrey, Matthew P., Central Michigan. L
 Vaughn, Wilfred John, Queensland District, Australia. M
 Velt, Harold I., Victoria District, Australia. M
 Walters, R. T., referred to post conference council.
 Warr, Albert E., Des Moines District, Des Moines objective. L
 Weaver, Richard D., Far West Stake. M
 White, Ammon, Utah and Idaho.
 White, I. N., Independence Stake.
 Whiting, Birch, Northern Saskatchewan. L
 Wight, John W., Lamoni Stake.
 Wildermuth, J. B., Northern Wisconsin District. M
 Wildermuth, J. E., North Dakota District. M
 Wildermuth, L. O., Southern Wisconsin District. M
 Willey, C. E., referred to post conference council.
 Williams, D. J., Nauvoo District, Burlington objective. L

Wilson, J. A., Toronto District. M

Winegar, Newman M., Western Maine and Massachusetts. M

Winegar, H. E., referred to post conference council.

Wipper, Frank F., Southern Michigan and Northern Indiana. M

Wixom, George H., referred to post conference council.

Yager, Joseph H., referred to Presidency.

Yates, James E., Indian work.

Yates, D. Amos, Southern California District. M

The appointments reported were approved.

Announcements were made.

The chair stated that an ordination meeting would be held in the lower auditorium at 8 p. m.

The minutes were approved.

The conference then adjourned to meet according to provision made therefore.

The hymn, "The Spirit of God like a fire is burning," was sung.

President E. A. Smith pronounced the final benediction:

Almighty God of Love, we approach thee in prayer once more before we disband; and first of all we feel to thank thee from the depths of our hearts for the splendid conference that we have experienced. We feel to thank thee that the divisions that have separated us have been obliterated, and we thank thee for that portion of power and light that we have received. Now, we approach thee in prayer concerning the future and we pray that we may move forward on the program that has been outlined, with courage, and that success may crown our efforts. Wilt thou bless us all, we pray, whether as missionaries or as general church officers, or as local men, that as thy servants we may deport ourselves in harmony with thy will, that we may do thy will and receive thy blessing to accomplish thy work. These favors we ask in the worthy name of Christ. Amen.

At 7 p. m. in the upper auditorium a program was rendered by the Religio Department, including motion pictures and addresses by F. M. McDowell, G. R. Wells, and T. W. Williams.

At 8 p. m. an ordination meeting was held in the lower auditorium, President F. M. Smith and Elder G. T. Griffiths, president of the Twelve, in charge.

The hymn, "God is marshaling his army," was sung; prayer was offered by Elder J. A. Gillen.

GRAPHIC ARTS BUREAU

Preceding or following every evening service of the Conference the Graphic Arts Bureau presented moving pictures descriptive of travel scenes, including beautiful Prizma traveling pictures, taken and reproduced in natural colors. These presentations were also supplemented by slide pictures of missionary travel and lectures. They were very interesting, highly educational, and entertaining. The Graphic Arts Bureau is developing its department of work which promises to be of much service in the general work.

ORDINATIONS

Brethren named were called to the platform and ordained, the brethren named officiating:

Counselor to Presiding Bishop: Israel A. Smith, by Frederick M. Smith and B. R. McGuire.

To the office of Seventy: Keith H. Rogers, C. M. Clifford, by R. C. Russell and T. W. Williams; H. A. Merchant, F. F. Wipper, by T. W. Williams and R. C. Russell; William Bath, G. E. Burt, by W. M. Aylor and J. A. Gillen; J. A. Yager, F. B. Almond, by J. A. Gillen and W. M. Aylor; M. W. Liston, by J. F. Curtis and U. W. Greene; A. C. Martin, by U. W. Greene and J. F. Curtis; J. W. A. Bailey, by G. T. Griffiths and M. A. McConley; Amos T. Higdon, by M. A. McConley and G. T. Griffiths. (The ordinations of Brethren Rogers, Merchant, and Almond were to offices of elder and seventy.)

To the office of high priest: A. E. Warr, by M. A. McConley and G. T. Griffiths; J. O. Dutton, by J. F. Curtis and U. W. Greene; Levi Gamet, by U. W. Greene and J. F. Curtis.

President F. M. Smith stated that those selected for ordination not present would be referred to proper authorities for ordination. He stated that on behalf of the church and in its name he welcomed the brethren named to their new responsibilities.

ASSIGNMENT OF SEVENTIES TO QUORUMS

Brother E. E. Long, on behalf of the Presidents of Seventy, stated the brethren of the Seventy would be assigned to quorums as follows:

William Bath, J. H. Yager, M. W. Liston, A. C. Martin, C. M. Clifford, F. F. Wipper, to the First Quorum; G. E. Burt, F. B. Almond, B. C. Flint, J. W. A. Bailey, A. T. Higdon, to the Second Quorum; Gomer J. Reeves, Keith H. Rogers, E. L. Ulrich, H. A. Merchant, F. V. Elliott, to the Third Quorum.

The doxology was sung. Elder G. T. Griffiths pronounced the benediction.

The usual greetings and leave-taking were indulged in by the audience following adjournment.

EX OFFICIO MEMBERS

First Presidency: Frederick M. Smith, Elbert A. Smith.

Quorum of Twelve: W. M. Aylor, J. F. Curtis, J. A. Gillen, U. W. Greene, G. T. Griffiths, M. A. McConley, R. C. Russell, T. W. Williams.

Presidents and Quorums of Seventy: E. A. Curtis, J. Arthur Davis, J. W. Davis, T. C. Kelley, E. E. Long, A. B. Phillips, J. T. Riley, Joseph Arber, J. W. A. Bailey, A. M. Baker, A. C. Barmore, William Bath, Alma Booker, N. L. Booker, W. P. Bootman, J. A. Bronson, Leon Burdick, E. N. Burt, George E. Burt, P. R. Burton, Hubert Case, A. M. Chase, W. L. Christy, C. M. Clifford, J. D. Curtis, T. W. Curtis, John Davis, R. D. Davis, B. H. Doty, J. A. Dowker, C. F. Ellis, E. A. Erwin, L. W. Fike, R. L. Fulk, E. J. Gleazer, J. R. Grice, W. E. Haden, C. E. Harpe, O. J. Hawn, A. T. Higdon, L. G. Holloway, Leonard Houghton, Alvin Knisley, H. A. Koehler, J. R. Lentell, M. W. Liston, James McConnaughy, D. Macgregor, R. M. Maloney, W. H. Mannering, A. C. Martin, J. C. May, J. W. Metcalf, H. E. Moler, P. Muceus, G. Jenkins, O. W. Okerlind, J. L. Parker, P. W. Paxton, J. W. Peterson, H. N. Pierce, James Pycock, Lee Quick, G. J. Reeves, C. H. Rich, W. P. Robinson, F. A. Russell, F. L. Sawley, S. W. L. Scott, W. M. Self, R. O. Self, W. E. Shakespeare, J. F. Sheehy, N. V. Sheldon, A. C. Silvers, S. W. Simmons, H. W. Smith, J. W. Smith, S. S. Smith, W. A. Smith, H. Sparling, J. M. Stubbart, Swen Swenson,

G. W. Thorburn, D. E. Tucker, J. E. Vanderwood, R. T. Walters, R. D. Weaver, A. L. Whiteaker, Birch Whiting, J. B. Wildermuth, J. E. Wildermuth, L. O. Wildermuth, F. F. Wipper, C. E. Willey, J. H. Yager, J. E. Yates.

Presiding Bishopric and Bishops: B. R. McGuire, J. F. Keir, I. A. Smith; J. A. Becker, F. B. Blair, R. Bullard, A. Carmichael, M. C. Fisher, C. J. Hunt, E. L. Kelley, G. P. Lambert, B. J. Scott, Ellis Short, M. H. Siegfried, J. Zimmermann.

Order of Evangelists: Frederick A. Smith, A. D. Angus, Richard Baldwin, G. W. Burt, James Davis, W. A. McDowell, F. G. Pitt, John Shields, H. O. Smith, I. M. Smith, Ammon White, I. N. White, J. W. Wight.

General High Council: Charles Fry, J. A. Grant, G. H. Hulmes, D. J. Krahl, R. J. Lambert, W. W. Smith, J. A. Tanner, S. Twombly.

Quorum of High Priests: Arthur Allen, Peter Anderson, G. F. Barraclough, Amos Berve, J. E. Bishop, G. W. Blair, M. H. Bond, G. N. Briggs, R. S. Budd, W. D. Bullard, R. E. Burgess, S. A. Burgess, J. P. Carlile, C. I. Carpenter, J. C. Chrestensen, A. V. Closson, J. M. Cockerton, B. R. Constance, M. H. Cook, F. A. Cool, R. T. Cooper, J. C. Crabb, P. N. Craig, E. R. Davis, E. A. Davis, W. H. Deam, B. J. Dice, J. O. Dutton, D. E. Dowker, T. J. Elliott, M. A. Etzenhouser, R. W. Farrell, Edwin Fender, J. T. Ford, C. A. Gaither, Levi Gamet, J. F. Garver, James Gault, V. M. Goodrich, C. G. Gould, J. L. Gray, W. M. Grice, J. A. Gunsolley, H. N. Hansen, J. A. Hansen, J. M. Harden, G. E. Harrington, G. L. Harrington, J. A. Harrington, C. W. Hawkins, Eli Hayer, F. G. Hedrick, H. A. Higgins, R. V. Hopkins, T. A. Hougas, J. E. Hovenga, C. D. Jellings, C. E. Jones, H. P. W. Keir, A. H. Knowlton, J. A. Koehler, B. S. Lambkin, J. W. Lane, J. W. Layton, Z. J. Lewis, Joseph Luff, F. M. McDowell, F. A. McWethy, W. S. Macrae, A. R. Manchester, C. Ed. Miller, A. R. Mills, J. F. Mintun, F. T. Mussell, O. W. Newton, William Osler, E. N. Palmer, A. H. Parsons, Edward Rannie, J. W. Roberts, E. F. Robertson, G. W. Robley, I. M. Ross, R. S. Salyards, Harvey Sandy, S. S. Sandy, C. F. Scarcliff, R. W. Scott, C. A. Selbe, O. Salisbury, F. M. Sheehy, E. F. Shupe, Coleman Snider, William Sparling, A. E. Starks, A. E. Stone, L. Stover, J. R. Sutton, T. U. Thomas, John Tucker, M. M. Turpen, A. E. Warr, G. R. Wells, C. E. Wight, D. J. Williams, D. T. Williams, G. H. Wixom, A. J. Yarrington.

Elders: J. W. Adams, W. E. Aldread, S. D. Allen, C. E. Anderson, F. S. Anderson, L. E. Anderson, P. T. Anderson, S. C. Andes, G. T. Angell, E. D. Bailey, H. J. Bootman, C. E.

Blodgett, R. A. Ballentyne, J. C. Ballentyne, J. E. Bennett, A. N. Baker, E. L. Barraclough, J. M. Baker, R. Barnhardt, J. B. Barrett, J. P. Bierlein, A. W. Borbridge, F. S. Brackenbury, W. J. Brewer, Eli Bronson, B. E. Brown, G. F. Bullard, W. S. Brown, F. E. Bullard, Parley Batten, H. C. Burgess, H. Castings, N. Carmichael, C. D. Carter, R. C. Chambers, R. A. Cheville, J. R. Croft, W. W. Chrestensen, F. G. Christie, Leroy Colbert, Philip Cook, F. M. Cooper, Thomas Crick, M. A. Carr, A. P. Crooker, M. Crownover, E. E. Corthell, Joseph Curtis, J. A. Daer, A. H. Daly, A. J. Davidson, A. K. Dillee, A. R. Daniel, W. R. Davison, W. R. Dexter, E. Downey, A. M. Dobson, H. Dickhout, C. W. Dillon, Ed. Dillon, A. J. Damron, L. E. Dyke, C. G. Dyke, John Ely, H. D. Ennis, F. A. Evans, F. B. Farr, P. G. Fairbanks, L. F. Ferguson, Thomas Fiddick, B. C. Flint, E. D. Finken, William Fligg, E. H. Fisher, W. H. Fuller, H. C. Fremming, H. J. Friend, E. E. Gamet, Otis Gardner, W. L. Gates, Samuel Gaskill, C. E. Guinand, F. R. Gist, M. F. Gowell, C. U. Grant, S. N. Gray, D. Gray, M. W. Gaylord, W. A. Guthrie, A. T. Gray, A. E. Gratz, J. T. Higdon, N. E. Hield, B. C. Harder, W. A. Hardey, Frederick Hansen, Harry Hattey, W. G. Hamann, F. W. Hastings, F. A. Hawley, F. T. Haynes, H. R. Higdon, E. O. Hinderks, S. S. Holm, C. V. Hopkins, C. C. Hoague, jr., H. R. Harder, A. N. Hoxie, E. B. Hull, Sam Hoover, J. H. Howe, C. E. Irwin, H. H. Johnson, N. P. Johnson, John Jordison, D. F. Joy, J. E. Johnston, W. R. Kapnick, W. H. Kelley, F. W. Kueffer, O. J. Kueffer, Gottfried Kueffer, G. A. Kelley, G. R. Kuykendall, Charles Kyser, E. J. Lenox, T. C. Lentell, J. D. Lewis, Thomas Leitch, D. G. Lundquist, John Lovell, H. S. Lytle, J. W. McKnight, James McKiernan, L. M. McFadden, A. E. McCord, William L. McClain, C. E. McDonald, E. E. McCormick, Aquilla McPeck, B. F. Miller, S. J. Madden, J. A. Marsteller, G. J. Meggers, C. A. Morton, G. W. Mauzey, R. O. Mann, L. W. Moffit, Fred Moser, jr., J. F. Martin, A. G. Miller, Eben Miller, E. D. Moore, Abraham Morgan, C. L. Munro, Thomas Newton, C. A. Nolan, J. M. Nunley, W. R. Odell, E. M. Orton, Paia a Metuaro, P. Peement, Levi Phelps, W. P. Pickering, J. D. Proffit, Wilber Prall, C. W. Prettyman, C. F. Putnam, W. B. Paul, Clifton Resch, W. T. Rushton, F. A. Rowe, R. K. Ross, M. F. Ralston, P. P. Reed, Thomas Reese, W. B. Richards, J. L. Roark, J. W. Stobaugh, Edgar H. Smith, P. A. Sherman, W. E. Stoff, H. Lyman Smith, E. J. Smith, Ralph G. Smith, J. C. Stephens, H. N. Snively, W. A. Stoll, E. E. Stonger, H. B. Sterrett, D. B. Sorden, C. A. Swenson, W. R. Standefer, C. J. Spurlock, T. J. Sheppard, A. L. Sanford, J. P. Sappenfield, Columbus Scott, G. O. Bellers, W. T. Shakespeare, S. H.

Simmons, W. W. Scott, E. C. Shelley, W. L. Shotwell, J. D. Shower, S. Sloan, J. Schreur, L. A. Serig, C. J. Smith, Arthur Smith, G. H. Shearer, W. O. Skinner, F. E. Taylor, Reuben Taylor, A. E. Tabor, J. A. Thomas, H. B. Travis, W. B. Torrance, J. A. Teeters, J. J. Teeters, G. S. Trowbridge, H. B. Thompson, E. L. Traver, Daniel Tucker, G. E. Thompson, E. L. Ulrich, Matthew Umphrey, F. B. VanFleet, J. E. Warne, J. Wahlstrom, F. C. Warnke, P. L. Weegar, E. E. Willard, Lester Whiting, M. T. Williams, J. F. Weston, J. P. Warren, Thomas Williams, Albert Whorlow, Valentine White, Ray Whiting, H. E. Winegar, William Worth, C. C. Whitford, James Wild, W. F. Yates, E. I. Yoder, Chester Young.

Other ex officios not in above quorums: G. F. Robley, priest under appointment; M. H. Syckle, priest under appointment; A. E. McKim, publicity agent; Heman Hale Smith, assistant historian; H. C. Smith, architect; R. B. Trowbridge, auditor; H. W. Harder, general secretary Religio Department; Mrs. J. A. Gardner, first vice president Women's Department; Mrs. William Madison, vice president Women's Department.

POST CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS

Anderson, Carl E., Gallands Grove District. L
 Anderson, P. T., Denmark. M
 Blackmore, John, New South Wales District, Australia. M
 Bogue, Chauncey, Utah District. M
 Booker, Alma, Alabama and Mississippi. M
 Bozarth, R. E., Southern Indiana District. M
 Brackenbury, F. S., Eastern Michigan District. M
 Brown, Bruce E., Southern Missouri District, Springfield objective. L
 Brundage, G. R., Seattle and British Columbia District. M
 Budd, Roy S., Far West Stake, Cameron objective. L
 Bullard, Richard, referred to Presidency and Presiding Bishopric.
 Bull, John, Indian work.
 Burt, E. N., Northern Michigan District. M
 Burton, P. R., Nauvoo District. M
 Carlisle, J. D., Pittsburgh District. M
 Chambers, R. C., Idaho District. M
 Chrestensen, J. C., Central Texas District. M
 Chrestensen, W. W., Southwestern Kansas, unorganized. M
 Cook, M. H., Portland District. L
 Cooper, J. L., Northeastern Illinois District. L
 Cousins, Charles, referred to Presidency, Bishopric, and member of Twelve sent to England.

D'Arcy, Otis L., Winnepeg District and Southern Saskatchewan District. M

Davis, Evan A., Holden Stake. M

Davis, William, referred to Presidency, Bishopric, and members of Twelve in Independence.

Edwards, F. Henry, London and Birmingham Districts (England). M

Erwin, E. A., Arkansas and Louisiana. M

Etzenhouser, Mrs. M. A., Utah District.

Farrell, R. W., referred to Presidency and members of Twelve in Independence.

Fligg, William I., Eastern Michigan District. M

Grant, J. A., Southern Ohio District. L

Hall, Abel, Birmingham and London Districts. M

Hartley, William, Eastern Ontario and Quebec. M

Harrington, George E., Toronto District. L

Hawn, O. J., Northwestern Ohio District. M

Hedrick, F. G., Northeastern Kansas and Northwestern Kansas Districts. L

Higdon, Amos T., Western Colorado. M

Hoisington, Leonard G., Idaho District. M

Holm, S. S., Utah District. M

Holm, Francis, Utah District. M

Houghton, Leonard, Northern Wisconsin District. M

Hull, E. B., New York and Philadelphia District, Scranton, Pennsylvania, objective. L

Jordan, Thomas J., referred to Presidency, Bishopric, and members of Twelve in Independence.

Johnson, Carl Oscar, Sweden. M

Kenney, R. W., Southern Michigan and Northern Indiana District. M

Kippe, Alexander, referred to Presidency, Bishopric, and members of Twelve present in Germany.

Lambkin, B. S., referred to Presidency, Bishopric, and members of Twelve in Independence.

Lentell, J. R., New York and Philadelphia District. M

Long, Elmer E., Indian work. M

Macgregor, Daniel, Alberta and Saskatchewan until December, Iowa thereafter. M

Macgregor, Mrs. Margaret, Alberta and Saskatchewan until December, Iowa thereafter.

Macrae, W. S., Holden Stake. L

Martin, A. C., Eastern Ontario and Quebec. M

Martin, Charles H., Central Illinois District. M

Martin, John F., Wheeling District. M

Metcalf, J. W., Southern Indiana and Kentucky and Tennessee Districts. M

- Moler, H. E., Southern Michigan and Northern Indiana District. L
- Muceus, Peter, referred to Presidency and Bishopric.
- Parsons, A. H., Holden Stake. M
- Pierce, H. N., Central Nebraska District. M
- Pitt, F. G., Southern California District.
- Pitt, Mrs. F. G., Southern California District.
- Pitt, Sidney, Little Sioux District. M
- Futnam, C. F., Eastern Iowa District. M
- Rannie, Edward, Clinton District. L
- Robinson, A. V., referred to Presidency, Bishopric, and members of Twelve in Independence.
- Rumel, Raymond A., referred to Presidency, Bishopric, and members of Twelve in Independence.
- Schohn, Samuel G., Eastern Michigan District. M
- Shakespeare, W. E., Indian work.
- Shower, J. D., Southern Ohio District. M
- Silvers, A. C., Clinton District. M
- Simmons, Jesse M., Southern California District. M
- Smith, Charles J., Indian work.
- Smith, Joseph G., Central Oklahoma. L
- Sparling, Henry, North Dakota and Minnesota. M
- Squire, Ephraim referred to Presidency and Bishopric.
- Sutton, J. R., Eastern Colorado District. L
- Syckle, Harvey, Indian work.
- Taylor, Reuben, Indian work.
- Thompson, Orval L., Eastern Maine District. M
- Tordoff, Wilfred D., Isle of Pines. M
- Vanderwood, J. E., Little Sioux and Pottawattamie Districts. M
- Walters, R. T., Spring River District. M
- Wildermuth, L. O., Southeastern Illinois District. M
- Willey, C. E., superannuated.
- Winegar, H. E., Southern Missouri District. M
- Wixom, George H., Southern California District. L
- Yager, Joseph H., Owen Sound District. M
- Young, Chester, Western Colorado District. L

FREDERICK M. SMITH,

ELBERT A. SMITH,

Presidents.

R. S. SALYARDS, *Secretary.*

P. G. FAIRBANKS, *Assistant Secretary.*

INDEX

- Address, F. M. Smith, 2859, 2891, 3021, 3059.
Administration to sick, 3005, 3054.
Anderson, Peter, Testimonial, 3043.
Appointments, by First Presidency, 3059, 3061; by joint council 3061; by post conference, 3073.
Architect, 2944.
Auditor, 2947.
Bible normal book, 2945.
Bible research course, 3029.
Bishop, Presiding, Annual report, 2918; Counselor to, 3057.
Bishops, Nomination of, 3036; Order of, 3054.
Bishops, Order of, Budgets, 3055.
Board of Publication, 2898, 3047.
Boy Scouts, 3034.
Budgets, Order of Bishops, 3055.
Building program, 2374, 3018.
Business, Time limit on new, 3031.
Centennial celebration, 2851, 2358, 2391.
Children's Home, 2877, 2935, 3021, 3045.
Church of Christ, 2950.
Coordination Committee, 3053.
Credentials, Committee on, 2879, 3008, 3025, 3050.
Department publication, 3057.
Elders, Mass Quorum of 3051.
Englewood Branch, 3030.
Evangelists, Order of, 2943, 3040.
Ex officio members, 3070.
General Conference choir, 3019; Oratorio by, 3050.
General Conference organization, 2856.
General Conference, Permanent place for, 2878.
General Conference, Biennial sessions, 3018; Building, 2374, 3018, 3022; Date of, 3018; Place and time, 3017; Program, 2854, 2858.
Graceland College, 2876, 2904, 3015; Building, 3026; Trustees, 3046.
Graphic Arts Bureau, 3069.

- Headquarters, Transfer of, 2872, 3021.
High Priests, 3028, 3036, 3054.
Historian, 2948.
Independence Stake, Reorganization of, 2872, 3021.
Inspired Translation, Teacher's edition, 2946, 3023.
Labor question, 3047.
Lantern slides, 3045.
Latter Day Saint Sales Association, 3025.
Library Commission, Treasurer, 2951.
Memorial to Martyrs, 2951.
Motion pictures, 3027, 3031, 3034.
Orchestra, Liberty, 3022.
Ordinations, 3012, 3014, 3026, 3069.
Organization, 2879.
Paia a Metuaaro, Address by, 3048.
Physician, 3016, 3021.
Preconference centennial and meeting of priesthood, 2851.
Presiding Bishop's report, 2918.
Press, 3058.
Priesthood, Lectures to, 2851; Sessions of, 2851; Spiritual blessings upon, 2852.
Publicity, Department of, 3007.
Red Cross, Address by Doctor Laird, 3020.
Religio Department, 2974, 3005, 3015, 3016, 3023, 3032, 3039, 3045, 3053.
Reports, Printed annual, 2879.
Representation, Rules of, 3028.
Rules of Order, 3046.
Saints' Home, 2931.
Sanitarium, 2873, 2937, 3016, 3037, 3042; Annex, 2877, 3021; Articles of Incorporation, 3021.
Secretary, 2893.
Seventy, Presidents of, 3021, 3025, 3042, 3070; First Quorum of, 3035, 3070; Second Quorum of, 3041, 3070; Third Quorum of, 3035, 3070.
Sheehy, F. M., Testimonial, 3044.
Smith, President F. M., Annual address, 2859, 2891, 3021; Statement concerning ordination, 3012; Statement by,

3049, 3059.

Society Islands, 3048.

Statement and revelation, 2892, 3010.

Statistics, Department of, 2896.

Stewardships, 2870, 3021.

Sunday School Department, 2952, 3006, 3052.

Sunday services, Program, 2854, 3023.

Sustained, 3057, 3058.

Twelve, Quorum of, Testimonials by, 3043, 3044.

Vote of thanks, 3058.

Women's Department, 2994, 3031, 3039.