

THE SAINTS' HERALD

"If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed; and ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free."—John 8: 31, 32.

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"There shall not any man among you have save it be one wife; and concubines he shall have none."—Book of Mormon, Jacob 2: 36.

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THE GENERAL CONFERENCE

The Program of the Conference

The evening program at 6.30 at the Battery included the showing of a film entitled "Revelation," and an address by G. S. Trowbridge, with appropriate program features. The usual capacity crowd attended.

At the church, following the showing of pictures by C. Edward Miller of the Graphic Arts Bureau, the oratoria, "Creation," was rendered by the big combined conference choir to the vast, delighted audience. A. N. Hoxie, church director, was in charge, and was successful in bringing out the very best that was in the best singers of the church making up this choir.

The soloists were L. Eugene Christy, tenor; Mrs. Bertha Burgess, soprano; Paul N. Craig, baritone. At the pianos Miss Ruth McMullen and Miss Belle Patterson did effective work, with Ralph Smith at the pipe organ.

SATURDAY, APRIL 10

The eight o'clock priesthood meeting in the basement was addressed by Henry C. Smith, church architect, setting forth some of the needs of the church as to better appreciation of our position as a people in building churches and dwellings, as well as some of the possibilities in this line.

The prayer meeting in the upper auditorium at nine o'clock was a continued manifestation of the same spirit prevailing at the various sessions of the conference.

The Woman's Department hold regular sessions in the basement at this hour, discussing their problems and taking up various items of business concerning their department, details being given elsewhere.

The session at 10.30 was occupied in a strong program by the women of the church in the upper auditorium.

At 2.30 printed copies of the recommendations of the Presidency were distributed to the conference assembly, taken up, proposition by proposition, and adopted, and then adopted as a whole. There was almost complete unanimity on the important matters proposed, and the assembly in a mood to express it. On the proposal to the establishment of stewardships immediately, a vote was called for from the gallery merely as an expression of sentiment, and the visitors there were unanimously in favor of it.

E. A. Curtis, of the seventies, was recommended by the council of seven presidents of seventy, to act as one of their number, and his ordination provided for, having been indorsed by the Presidency and Twelve.

The session adjourned to the lawn east of the church where a band played, and speeches were made, while contributions were received toward the erection of a new conference auditorium. The amount was raised from around \$40,000 to about \$65,000. It is estimated that \$500,000 will be required to complete the structure, and plans are being made for the immediate pledging of this amount by individuals and branches throughout the church so it may be out of the way and other important matters taken up. While it is a big matter, and requiring the raising of large amounts, the response by the people at the conference indicates the general demand there is for such a building before the holding of another conference assembly.

Preaching services are held each evening at the Church of Christ building near the Stone Church. The names of those occupying will likely be reported in one place later.

The Religio service at the Battery included the film "Fortune Hunter" and a lecture by F. M. McDowell on "Will Boy Scouts made good Latter Day Saints?"

The program at the church at eight was by the Liberty Orchestra, under the direction of R. T. Cooper, of Independence.

SUNDAY, APRIL 11

Sunday began with threatening weather, which developed into a heavy rain before 8.30, but before this a large audience had gathered in both the upper and lower auditoriums at the church for prayer meeting. The priesthood—so many there was hardly good standing room—met in the lower room, and the general meeting in the upper room.

The priesthood meeting was presided over by Elbert A. Smith, who on account of indisposition turned the presiding over to J. F. Garver and F. G. Pitt. It was an interesting session, with two manifestations of the Spirit, one through J. F. Garver, and another through Brother Weston.

The Sunday school was seriously interfered with on account of the rain, but speeches were given by various workers, and the time profitably spent.

At eleven preaching was held in all the meeting places, the following occupying on "A review of our church history": Upper auditorium, S. A. Burgess; lower auditorium, F. F. Wipper; South Side, William I. Fligg; Walnut Park, D. J. Krah; Enoch Hill, R. S. Salyards; Liberty Street, J. W. Peterson; Central Church, G. T. Griffiths; Battery Building, Heman Hale Smith.

At 2.30 the following bishops occupied on "The social and economic program of the restored gospel": 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.

In the evening the subject was "Our keynote: hear ye him!" and the speakers were: 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. Okerlind; Central Church, T. W. Williams. At the Battery F. M. McDowell spoke on the subject, "Youth and the church."

MONDAY, APRIL 12

The eight o'clock priesthood meeting was addressed by Mr. Oliver LaMere, a Winnebago Indian, on some conditions of the American Indian. He is an authority on these questions, especially as relating to his tribe, and spoke interestingly of some of the customs of the Indians, using a chart to illustrate some things which were found to be new even to our missionaries who have been working among the Lamanites.

The Sunday school held its first business session at 11 a. m. in the upper auditorium, enacting but little legislation. One resolution prevailing was that the practice of printing the names of individuals giving Christmas offerings be dis-

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continued, and instead, the name of the school be used, with amount contributed.

The conference session at 2.30 was preceded by the sale of a large number of "Songs of the Legion," details of which are given elsewhere.

The Board of Trustees of Graceland College reported that for some time they had realized the great need of more housing facilities for many of the activities of the college, including a place for the holding of recitals, debates, etc., and proposed an appropriation of \$10,000 as a part of the college needs in the building plan adopted by the church. This was referred to the Presidency and Presiding Bishop, with power to act.

A resolution from the Massachusetts District favoring the creation of a film and slide exchange, and the furnishing of such materials for the missionaries, was laid on the table, and a motion made shortly after, to take from the table failed to pass.

A resolution prevailed that delegations attending General Conference are to cast the full vote of the district, except that no delegate is to have over twenty votes, and it is to be understood that delegations may in case of division cast majority and minority votes without special instruction.

The following names were presented by the seven presidents of seventy, recommended by them for ordination to office of seventy, and indorsed by the Presidency and Twelve.

William Bath, Joseph Yeager, Matthew W. Liston, A. C. Martin, Cornelius M. Clifford, Frank F. Wipper, Gomer Reeves, George E. Burt, Frank B. Almond, Amos T. Higdon, B. C. Flint, J. W. A. Bailey.

Owing to arrangements having been made to leave immediately for their work in Hawaii, Brother Reeves was ordained at this time by U. W. Greene and G. T. Griffiths, and Sister Reeves was blessed for her work by Frederick A. Smith and James A. Gillen.

Paragraphs 1 and 2 of the recommendations in the Woman's Auxiliary report were discussed, and adopted.

The request of the men's Bible class of First Kansas City for immediate action on the publication of the teachers' edition of the Inspired Translation was referred to the Board of Publication, with power to act.

The placing of Englewood Branch between Independence and Kansas City, was referred to the general administrative authorities for disposition.

The Battery program was the showing of the film "In the lion's den," followed by the pageant, "Restoration," perhaps the most magnificent affair of its kind ever put on by the church. It was attended by such a large crowd and so many turned away, that it was announced for a repetition on the following evening.

The Graphic Arts Bureau showed some good pictures at 7, and this was followed by the annual evening program of the Woman's Department, spoken of elsewhere, but one of the best—if not the best—programs the department has ever provided.

The weather was more pleasant, and the people extremely happy over the development of the conference.

TUESDAY, APRIL 13

The morning session of the priesthood was addressed by Mr. Oliver LaMere for the second time, continuing his interesting depiction of Indian life and customs, giving some of the beautiful traditions among the Winnebagoes as to the creation, the destiny of the spirit, the coming to earth of the sons of God. And throughout it all is the sacred number 4 predominating.

The prayer service at nine was largely attended, as usual.

The session at 10.30 was by the Sunday school department, which went on record, officially, that hereafter all phases of

the Sunday school work, general, district, local, should be known as Sunday school department, thus dispensing with the name *association*.

Resolutions were adopted favoring the plan of the executive council of the general department providing a series of adult quarterlies, a teachers' quarterly, and a Sunday school manual. The previous action of the council in employing an editor in chief and the appointment of an expert consulting board was indorsed and the council further authorized to carry the project to success.

The Presidency not having any changes to recommend, the convention unanimously reelected G. R. Wells as superintendent of the Sunday school department. As he had not had an opportunity to meet with the coordination committee to confer as to nomination of subordinate officers he was not ready at this session to make his nominations.

At 2.30 the conference convened.

A resolution giving our approval as a church of the Boy Scout organization for our boys until such time as we can provide a better organization, was adopted.

The following resolution prevailed by a vote of 422 to 54: "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."

The first and third quorums of seventy reported. The former has 58 members, and the third 23 members.

The following names were presented for ordination to office of high priests, having been indorsed by the Presidency and Quorum of High Priests; and were all approved by the conference: A. M. Carmichael and R. A. Ballantyne of Lamoni, Iowa; A. E. Warr, of Des Moines, Iowa; J. O. Dutton, of Northeastern Illinois District; E. J. Williams of Denver, Colorado; Otto Fetting of Port Huron, Michigan; C. W. Clark of Columbus, Ohio.

The following were recommended to be ordained to office of bishop: A. F. McLean of Toronto; John L. Burger, Saint Thomas, Ontario; John C. Dent, Bothwell, Ontario.

The film shown at the Battery Building at 6.30 was "Anne of Green Gables," followed by the church play, "Restoration," written and produced by Independence talent. The crowd at this second rendition was far in excess of the capacity of the building, and announcements were made that it would be repeated after conference for those unable to get in to see the previous renditions.

Following the showing of the pictures at the church at 7 the nurses of Independence Sanitarium gave a series of tableau depicting the various stages of the training necessary to become nurses.

The day was pleasant, the spirits of the vast concourses of people continued high.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14

The priesthood meeting at eight was addressed by Floyd M. McDowell on the boy department, and by C. Ed. Miller on stereopticons and slides.

The Religio convened following the prayer meeting and completed their work, electing T. W. Williams as superintendent and associating with him F. M. McDowell, the latter having charge of the boy department. R. A. Lloyd was elected treasurer, and provisions made for the hiring of a stenographer-secretary and to establish a permanent headquarters in Independence for the department.

Steps were taken toward the creation of a periodical for the Religio and Sunday school.

The executives were authorized to use whatever method is deemed necessary to raise more funds, if a shortage arises.

At the 2.30 session the names of the following were presented for ordination to office of seventy and by separate vote indorsed and ordination ordered: Keith Rogers, of Utah (in the religious education class at Graceland the past year) E. L. Ulrich, Toledo, Ohio; F. V. Elliott, Lamoni; H. A. Merchant, Omaha, Nebraska.

Resolutions of appreciation and respect for the services of Apostles Peter Anderson and Frank M. Sheehy in the Quorum of Twelve were presented by the quorum and adopted as the sentiments of the body.

A resolution favoring the providing of a series of lantern slides for the use of the ministry was referred to the Presidency, Quorum of Twelve, and Presiding Bishopric.

The election of two members to succeed the retiring members of the Board of Trustees of Graceland College for terms of three years each resulted in the selection of Bishop A. Carmichael to succeed himself, and Walter E. Hayer, of Lamoni, to succeed G. R. Wells, who desired release.

The nominations of the Presiding Bishop for the members of the Board of Publication were indorsed, the articles of incorporation requiring that the bishop be one of the members. The personnel now is: A. Carmichael, F. B. Blair, B. R. McGuire, R. J. Lambert, A. E. McKim.

A resolution was presented, attempting to express the sentiment of the church on industrial and economic ideals.

A substitute presented the following, which was referred to the Presidency and Presiding Bishopric:

"Whereas, it is the duty of the church to use its full power in the amelioration of the social conditions controlling the lives of its members; and

"Whereas, the program of stewardships will not seriously affect our economic system in the immediate future, therefore,

"Be it resolved, that the church lend its support to the desire of the workingman for an eight-hour day and for a living wage; encourage the movements for the abolition of child labor in factory and mine and for the limitation of the hours of woman's work, and it indorses the peaceful and legitimate efforts for the greatest cooperation between labor and capital and for greater participation and responsibility by labor in the management of industries."

A request for arrangements to hear from Elder Paia a Metuaoro, attending from the Society Islands, he was invited to the stand and made a beautiful address to the conference, interpreted by Elder Clyde F. Ellis, lately returned from the islands. We shall reproduce the speech later. He would speak a paragraph at a time, then await the interpretation. Brother Paia has been under conference appointment as a missionary in the islands for several years. He is a large man of pleasing countenance, thirty-five years of age. He speaks in the typical island manner (and which is an Indian characteristic), quietly and with even modulation, without gesture.

President Smith expressed his delight in hearing from the brother, and expressed the hope that no conference would be held without some representative present from the islands.

Adjournment was had, followed by a session of the Sunday school, which concurred in the desire of the Religio for a periodical, and referred the matter to the coordination committee for report to the conference.

The following officers were nominated by the coordination committee and elected by the convention: First assistant superintendent, A. M. Carmichael, of Lamoni; second assistant superintendent, A. W. Smith, Saint Louis, Missouri; secretary, E. D. Moore, Lamoni; treasurer, M. H. Siegfried, Independence; home department superintendent, Mrs. J. C.

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The Mount Zion Sunday school gave a reception to visiting Sunday school workers following the "Creation," there being about two hundred and fifty present. Light refreshments were served and a pleasing program of speeches, music and song provided.

THURSDAY, APRIL 15

The only meeting on the forenoon of the 15th was a preaching service at the church, F. G. Pitt, speaker; J. F. Mintun in charge.

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selor in the Presiding Bishopric. This was indorsed and the bishopric sustained. Brother Smith was ordained in the evening, by Frederick M. Smith and G. T. Griffiths.

The various boards, department officials, and standing committees were sustained.

A vote of thanks was extended to the Independence Saints for their courtesies to visiting members, and one to the press for their kindness. The representatives of the press also sent in a vote of appreciation for the courtesies extended to them.

Preceding the reading of the official list of announcements of appointments of missionaries, President F. M. Smith made some verbal statements of the probable work of the members of the Twelve. It is proposed that William Aylor shall proceed to South Africa to open a mission, and will be accompanied by Keith Rogers and wife, and Cornelius M. Clifford.

R. C. Russell will further extend the work in Quebec which has been cared for by Elder Philemon Pement the past few years.

At least one of the Twelve, possibly two, one of whom will be T. W. Williams, will, probably with one of the Presidency, visit England for important work there, and likely include in the trip Switzerland, Germany, and Palestine.

Gomer T. Griffiths will have charge of the work among the American Lamanites, assisted by Hubert Case in Oklahoma.

In a few months two of the Twelve will go to Australia to relieve at least two of the three there now.

Two of the Twelve have been asked to remain at the office for the present, and they are now U. W. Greene and M. A. McConley.

Two are asked to be minute men, available for any special demands in their line of work, and they are J. A. Gillen and J. F. Curtis.

The appointments were read and adjournment had, closing the best and most important conference ever held by the Reorganization.

An ordination meeting was held in the lower auditorium in the evening, those present who were recommended being ordained. The others will be provided for.

The usual Religio meeting was held at the church, the conference films being shown again and "Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm." A program followed, including as speakers, T. W. Williams and G. R. Wells.

A Message to the Ministry

Communication given through Elbert A. Smith, to the Priesthood, in the Lower Auditorium of the Stone Church, Independence, Missouri, at communion service, Sunday forenoon, April 4, 1920.

This is the message of your Lord and Master: I greet you as I did my disciples of old; and though I am your Lord and your Master, yet do I call you my friends and my brethren.

During the year you have administered to others, and have carried the consolation of God to the people in far distant places. But now it is your blessed privilege to be administered to and to receive consolation from me. And I say unto you, Open your hearts that you may receive the Holy Ghost.

Is there one among you who has aught of complaint to make concerning his ministry or the blessings that he has received? Is there one among you who has been homeless, that he could say, I have not where to lay my head? Is there one who has been without food, or naked? Is there one who has been scourged or spit upon or crucified? Happily you have escaped many of these things, though in part you have tasted of the cup that I drank from and have been baptized

with the baptism that I was baptized with. But the days will come when you will be required to walk in the midst of perils. And you will go upon many uncertain missions. And you will knock at many doors that will not be opened to you until they are opened by the power and demonstration of my Spirit. I have witnesses of my love for you, for I have the evidences in my hands and in my feet and in my side—for did I not give the very blood out of my heart for you? What evidences are you prepared to give in years to come that you love me?

I am not here to judge you or to condemn you. But I am here to warn you. You have been told in the past that in your public and private ministrations you should avoid sowing the seeds of distrust and division. That which a man sows he shall also reap. If any man shall sow discontent, he shall reap discontent and be unhappy. If any man shall sow doubt, he shall reap doubt in his own heart, and shall be fortunate if he shall not eventually deny the faith. But he who sows the seeds of faith shall reap faith and it shall cause his soul to enlarge and expand. He who gives forth love—love shall come back to him. And he who is tender and merciful, to him will I be very tender and merciful. But if any man shall betray my cause, him will I judge. And he who puts the trust of my people in jeopardy for a little thing, he himself shall be in jeopardy.

When you go forth to preach to the world, you are not to preach your own speculations or idle imaginings, and you are not to preach the philosophies of men. You are to preach the gospel, as it is in the books that have been given to the church, and you are to cry repentance to this generation. And when you stand to teach the Saints you shall say to them as Moses did of old, that they shall go forward. If you are to be called leading men you must become leaders of men—leaders and exemplars in all good works and Christian graces, and in showing forth all the fruits of the Spirit—that the Saints may observe you and be strengthened and comforted. If you will do this, and seek to work together in patience and love, and to obtain a common understanding of my law, I will be with you to bless and direct.

Notice to All Women's Department Workers

Please remember that in the taking over of the work of the Sunday school and Religio home departments and the cradle roll work of the Sunday school there will be no cessation of effort.

Certain changes will of necessity be made in some of the details and possibly in the plan of operations, but in the meanwhile reports should be made as usual and the work kept up.

We hope to make several announcements in our column in the near future regarding this work, but want all to know they are to continue as usual till any contemplated changes are effected.

AUDENTIA ANDERSON,
Superintendent Women's Department.

A letter from Elder Harry Passman, dated at Basel, Switzerland, says he has secured permission from British authorities to enter Palestine. He will first make a trip into Germany.

Word has been received of the death of Miss Florence Burgess, of Saint Louis, on the evening of the 12th. S. A. Burgess, her brother, left the conference to attend the funeral. She has been in poor health for years. The branch news from Saint Louis in the the *Ensign* have been from her pen.

The Budget of the Bishopric

The following estimate of cost of carrying out the immediate program of the church was indorsed by the conference.

APRIL 15, 1920.

To the President and General Conference; Greeting: We respectfully submit the following estimate 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

Women's Department 1,700.00
(Note: The Women's Auxiliary budget was for \$3,000.00, with statement that \$1,315.00 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 \$1,700.00 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	11,777.96
Sanitarium	28,551.00
Publicity Department	8,000.00
(Note: This is to include General Publicity Agent's salary.)	
General expense	5,000.00
Aid	30,000.00
Elders' expense	50,000.00
Historian 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 \$35,000.00 over the current fiscal year. If we have properly estimated the total receipts from tithes and offerings for the coming year, we will be in debt \$100,000.00 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 the tithes and offering 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.

Recommendations of the Presidency

With scarcely a dissenting vote or uttered objection, the following recommendations were adopted by the conference assembly on April 10, 1920.

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, beside belief 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 these 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.

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 difficulties, 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 is 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.

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 recognize 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 stewardship, affords a task which is great, but which must be accomplished. That from 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.

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 recommendations, 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 we so 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.

Building Program

And this perhaps leads very logically to the 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.

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, we can bring to us a well-defined 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.

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 minutes 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.

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 unfortunate 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.

The Religio Convention

In its second business session the Religio Department, on Friday, April 9, proceeded immediately to the consideration of recommendations of the resolutions committee.

This committee had considered the proposal of the Lamoni Stake convention, which covered a wide scope, and was published in the April *Autumn Leaves*, and recommended the adoption of the first, second, and third proposals in that document. This was concurred in by the convention. They further stated that it was their belief that the other points were more specifically covered in the recommendations of the president.

They brought in a number of recommendations, each considered separately, discussed, and most of them adopted.

A summary of the work done includes the following:

The recommendations of the Lamoni Stake were concurred in, except that the latter part of them (printed in *Autumn Leaves* for April) were covered better in the superintendent's report.

The executive of the Religio and the First Presidency were requested to draft a plan of operation for the Religio, consistent with the new phases of Religio activity, as outlined by the coordinating committee, and it was understood in so doing that any plan they adopted would be brought back to the department for ratification.

These officials are to do this as soon as possible, and immediately on the adoption of their plan, the present constitution is to be abolished.

During this process of change the Religio executive is to be permitted such freedom under the present constitution as will be necessary for the development of Religio work.

President Williams had reported in paragraph 16 of his report, that though there had been a demand in some quarters for an elimination of the present lesson study, he felt this would be disastrous, though there might be some reasons for changing the course to meet present needs. The convention concurred in this idea.

A proposal to transfer the home department of the Religio to the Sunday school was discussed briefly and referred to the coordination committee for recommendation. The transfer of the temperance department to the general church was suggested by the committee, but this was also referred to the coordination committee.

The gospel literature work was turned over to the Department of Publicity, A. E. McKim in charge.

The office of vice president was entirely abolished and instead of two vice presidents we will now have a superintendent of the boy department, functioning under the superintendent of the department, in charge of the work of the boys.

The recommendations in paragraphs (c) to (h) of the report of President Williams were referred to the executive committee for consideration in their charge to work out a plan of operation. The convention in this action did not express itself as to the value of these, but left that in abeyance, to be settled when it comes back in its new form.

It was suggested by President F. M. Smith in a previous address to the Religio that the name *Religio* did not at present represent the department. While this sentiment is generally acceded to, yet in the expressions of those who spoke on the question there was a rather universal agreement that though this were true, we could well afford to wait till such time as we could find a name that would mean more to us than the present well-known term, Religio. The value of the name to us is considerable. The many who own pins bearing the Z. R.-L. S. of other days were consoled by the fact that they could now secure new ones with the word *Religio* on them instead, price 35 cents.

The action taken in adopting paragraph 17, sections (a) and (b), changes the name to Religio Department, which applies to local, district, and general organizations, and all officers in charge are to be called superintendents, general, district, and local.

A proposal from C. Edward Miller, of the Graphic Arts Bureau, that the recommendations of A. W. Smith in his report to the Religio be referred back to Brother Smith and the First Presidency and Bishopric for action, with an appropriation of \$500, was referred to the appropriations committee.

This committee recommended the following appropriations:

Stenographic help superintendent	\$450.
Boy Department	250
Loan fund for college students	300
Secretary's expense	15
Treasurer's expense	15
Revising committee	30
Senior Quarterly Editor	260
Junior Quarterly Editor	140
Contingent fund	500

If a superintendent is secured who can give his full time to the department, his expenses will have to be added to this department, and this amount could not be determined.

A committee appointed at the previous session brought in a resolution of appreciation of the services of G. S. Trowbridge, president of the Religio for several years, which was adopted unanimously. On request, Brother Trowbridge made a feeling response. He wanted us all to understand that though he had been compelled to retire from active participation in the work as president, he was still greatly interested in the Religio work.

The election of officers and some other important matters depending on the outcome of this action, were for lack of time deferred till a later session, likely to be Wednesday, April 14.

At the third session of the Religio Department, held at 10.30 a. m. on the 14th, several important items of business were disposed of, and final adjournment had.

The coordination committee had met and a majority of them favored the nomination of T. W. Williams as superintendent for the coming year. Nothing was said of full-time services, but it is understood that though he has new duties and responsibilities, the period of transition of the organization is in such a critical and important stage that it must

have the help of those best fitted to see it through. It is hoped in a short time to develop many young men and women who can take over this work and carry it on as it should be. The election of Brother Williams as superintendent was unanimous.

Floyd M. McDowell, who has been in charge of the boy department for several years, and who has given considerable time and attention to its development, was elected superintendent of that department. (It will be remembered that the Religio no longer has vice presidents in any capacity, general, district, or local. They are putting the responsibility on the shoulders of one man or woman, and making him responsible. He can call to his assistance such help as he needs to take the place of the vice presidents formerly elected. Yet it is urged that the work of the boy department be not neglected in the making of any changes in the personnel in districts and locals.)

R. A. Lloyd was elected treasurer to succeed himself.

Regarding a secretary, the following resolution, comprehensive in its scope and being a considerable change in method, was adopted:

"Resolved, that we recommend that the executive be empowered and directed to—

"(a) Establish a permanent headquarters of the department in Independence, Missouri.

"(b) To appoint a secretary who can devote as much of his or her time as may be necessary to discharge the duties of the office, and to fix the compensation for said services.

"(c) Notify officers of districts and locals of the changes in the present constitution and the provisions for further changes as made by this convention.

"(d) Notify officers of districts and locals that the present constitution shall govern, subject to changes made and provided for."

No name was suggested for this office, and it was ruled that he or she would when appointed become a member of the executive committee of the general department. An appropriation was made to provide the expenses of this office.

The executive committee were authorized to appoint the revising committee. Heretofore this committee has been an elective one. The appointment was not made at this time.

A resolution provoking considerable discussion was one proposing to ask for *Autumn Leaves* as a medium for the Religio and Sunday school, change its name, and leave the appointment of editors, etc., to the Presidency, Board of Publication and the executive of the Religio and Sunday school.

This seemed to some to be too revolutionary for the present, and the idea of a periodical for these departments was indorsed by striking out all reference to *Autumn Leaves* appearing in the resolution and adopting it.

The resolution as finally adopted read:

"Resolved, that we believe the time has come when the Religio and Sunday school should have a publication commensurate with the 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 and Board of Publication and executives of the Religio and Sunday school.

"Resolved, that these resolutions be submitted to the Sunday school department and General Conference for concurrence."

The resolutions committee had previously brought in a recommendation that a per capita tax of twenty-five cents a member be levied on Religio members, to be collected by district and stake organizations, payable by June 30 of each

year, for the general expenses of the department. The appropriations committee indorsed this but after some discussion to the effect that this was a dividing of our efforts as to raising funds rather than a centralization under the financial officers of the church the collection of money, to which we should tend more definitely, the proposition was lost, almost unanimously.

However, realizing that there might be a need for the raising of more funds than the sale of *Quarterlies* now provides (the department's only source of income), a resolution prevailed without opposition to empower the executive, should they find the regular income insufficient, to use their judgment in inaugurating methods for raising such amounts as necessary.

The Church Architect

A few items from a paper by the church architect, Henry C. Smith, April 10, 1920.

The young brother to whom is intrusted the developments of the architectural features of our building program felt that he was not a capable public speaker, so he read an interesting paper to the priesthood, setting forth some most wholesome ideals concerning our buildings and what they should represent for us. Perhaps we can secure this paper for use later on.

From it we present a few things here. A community intending to build a church building should write to him as church architect, Box 255, Independence, and blanks will be sent for the securing of information, after which definite help can be extended. Even plans for homes are available, and advice offered. In some instances there may, of necessity, be a change made, but that is all made plain in the correspondence ensuing.

In all too many instances the results of our promiscuous building of church buildings results, not in the one the Creator attained in the beginning, where he said the work of each day was "very good," but rather, "It will do."

Some excellent examples of church architecture as developed in Europe were cited, built, not from the funds of potestates, but by the labor and sacrifice of the people.

There are some who believe we should have divine revelation as to our buildings, and though this may come, we may safely proceed now on our own best judgment. And we note that Kirtland Temple, the details of which were revealed, is a composite expression of the Colonial and Georgian styles, based on existing architectural ideals. It was not greatly different from the best the people were building in those days. So while we may have divine light on some things of this sort, we should not expect anything fantastic or incomprehensible.

The use of basements for church services is being discouraged in these days, for a number of reasons, chief of which are poor lighting, dampness, and the necessity for many steps for the first floor. There is one State at least, which prohibits the using of basements for church services. But, of course, in general we cannot get away from this, it being more economical than the other, as a general proposition.

In the erection of a new church building one should take into consideration the community developments, and if there is a consistent community ideal, follow it so far as possible.

This community ideal, in its broad application, is a wonderful thing, some cities here and there in Europe and a few in America, are being developed from the beginning largely after our Zionie ideal, where the agricultural and

industrial may be merged and unified, thus getting away from the big-city handicaps.

The present-day troubles in the world due to the bad and insufficient housing forced upon us, is causing us to think seriously about an expression of our Zionie ideals in the building of towns and settling of communities.

Church Physician's Recommendations

In his report to conference, belated on account of recent illness, Doctor G. Leonard Harrington, church physician, presented four methods of procedure to increase the efficiency of the health department of the church. He believed the chief function of the department to be the dissemination of knowledge concerning the prevention of disease—physical and mental. His proposed methods to attain this are:

1. Presentation of health subjects in the church periodicals.
2. Sending instructors 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 on 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 care for themselves, but will be sources of information profitable to others.

It is very encouraging to learn there are a number preparing to help in this work.

In my judgment the Sanitarium should be enlarged and its corps of officers increased so as to make possible the proper care of all classes of cases seeking relief.

Songs of the Legion

A new collection of songs used by General Conference in all sessions.

Never before has a conference responded so unanimously to the spirit of congregational singing. And the reason therefore is to be found largely in the general distribution of thousands of copies of "Songs of the Legion," a new collection of hymns, chiefly from our Saints' Hymnal and Zion's Praises, but including many others of the old songs we all love, with a few new ones. It has 68 pages, with seven songs in the back with music as well as words.

It is a 68-page book, pocket size, with an average of about three songs (words only) on two pages. There is in the front a picture of Albert N. Hoxie, the compiler, our national director of music, and former director of music at the League Island Navy Yard at Philadelphia, and conductor of the Third Liberty Chorus.

Those provided for use by the conference visitors had an extra cover stapled on, while those for sale are the little book inside, nicely printed, and a most acceptable collection of songs.

At the beginning of several of the conference sessions these books were sold in large lots for special purposes. The money was sent in from the audience for collections of ten each for the missionaries, till on the afternoon of the 12th this sum had reached the amount of \$304.05, over half of which goes to the organ fund of the new conference auditorium. In fact this is the rule concerning these books: all proceeds above actual cost are to be given over to the purchase of a pipe organ consistent with the needs of the new building.

Ninety of the books were bought in this way for Gomer Reeves, for use in the Hawaiian islands.

There is to be a big reunion for the Indians in Oklahoma, in August, and the L. D. S. Sales Association members went into the audience on the 12th to sell copies for this, mostly on ten-dollar contributions sent in. Altogether, funds were contributed to send 2,027 books to this reunion. At this reunion there will be representatives of the Cheyennes, Otoes, Arapahoes, and Omahas. It is hoped Brother Hoxie will be able to attend. The Indian brethren present at conference were arranged in a row on the platform, and were, Reuben Taylor, Philip Cook, John Bull, with their wives, and Brother Cook's granddaughter.

It was an enthusiastic meeting and the response very liberal toward this good work.

The music of most of the songs is available, details of which will be announced, and Brother Hoxie is arranging now for the Herald and Ensign offices to handle these books for all who want them, which will no doubt be a large number.

And in this connection, we were told by Brother Hoxie that within a few months orchestrated parts for these and other songs would be available and announced.

The Department of Statistics

From an address to the priesthood Wednesday morning, April 7, 1920, by F. A. Russell, head of Statistical Department.

From the beginning the church has made provision for the keeping of records of all church members, a sort of perpetual census. But it is the opinion of the incumbent now in office that there is much more involved in this work than the compilation of census items. There must be some method of clearing up past records as well as the making of new ones. For instance, many names are carried on the records, of persons baptized years ago, but of whose whereabouts no one knows. There must be some way of ridding the record of these names without injustice to the persons involved. Heretofore there have been two ways of getting off the church records: by death and by expulsion. It looks now as though there would have to be added a new one, closely related in method to the profit and loss column in bookkeeping.

The missionary goes out into various communities and makes converts here and there, whose names are recorded on the church records. He goes on to other fields and these people are neglected, lose interest in the work, move away, and are lost. What can be done for these? There are different schemes proposed, one of which is a compilation of district groups, so the members thus situated might come under the direction of the district officers in some way, when the members are not within reach of branches, and thus allow the church records to be kept up to date, because there are those who give their attention to at least keeping track of the members.

It has often been reported to the conference that there are from thirty to thirty-five thousand names on the records whose whereabouts are unknown. They may be members, or they may not? It is the duty of this department to clear up this item and allow us to know just where we are in regard to membership.

Circular letters sent out to district and branch secretaries sometime ago developed a consensus of opinion that there should be a list of the names of the members kept locally.

Some of the reasons for the change to the present method of handling the department are as follows: Reports from branches were piling up in the office to an alarming extent

because they contained erroneous items. Often it was necessary to correspond with various individuals to secure the corrections, and in the meantime the names were withheld from enrollment on the general records.

In the first place, if the branch secretary did not forget to attend to it, the names and items of those baptized were enrolled on the branch record, and the items copied and sent to the district conference. Then after due course of time the district secretary might send it on to the church recorder. All taking time and making much delay.

The present system places the responsibility for correctness of items on the man who sends in the items direct. If they are manifestly wrong, he is asked immediately to correct, but if there is no way to detect the error, it must go on record that way. Which demands that the one who baptizes or ordains, or performs any ministerial work in this connection, shall take care to be very accurate in everything. He should see that each item is correct, that the name is not Eddie for Edward, or Edwin, or Edgar, that the middle initial is correct, and above all see that it is readable. In fact, the matter is so important that the printing of all names is being strongly urged.

The steps for the obtaining of a transfer of membership from one branch to another are as follows: When the secretary of the branch where the members has resided, learns that one of the members is to move or has moved to another place, a request is sent to the head of the department of statistics for a transfer card. On this the name and items concerning those to be transferred are filled in, with the new address of the persons removing. In fact so far this latter item of address has been required before a transfer is made. There should be a mutual understanding on the part of the secretary and the other branch officials as to the removal and the necessity for transfer, which will preclude the necessity for having branch action in the matter. Naturally there should be no arbitrary action in these matters, yet the standing of the official, whether he be a good member or a bad one does not enter in this matter. He is under the jurisdiction of the nearest branch, and if there is any reason for action on his membership that should come through other channels than this department which must record a man's membership till he is cut off from the church. The branch which receives the transferred members is not required to take action on receiving or not receiving transferred members.

Should the receiving branch refuse to accept the members? There is no ground for their refusal.

"Creation"

In addition to the congregational singing the department of music again presented an oratorio.

During the war, efforts were concentrated on community singing. This work is continued with unabated energy. Everyone should sing, and sing altogether for good fellowship.

But those who are specialists and have devoted years to study find their services also desired by the church.

It is fortunate that we now have many soloists in the church who work with such excellent spirit that the general director, A. N. Hoxie, says he has the happiest work in the church.

On Thursday evening, April 8, Haydn's "Creation" was sung by a splendid chorus under the direction of Albert N. Hoxie. It is the finest musical success yet secured. The choruses are beautiful and were splendidly rendered.

In "Creation" the soloists have a large share of the work, more so than in other oratorios previously rendered. Paul N. Craig, who sang Raphael, is well known as a conference so-

loist. Eugene Christy as Uriel, and Bertha A. Burgess as Gabriel also showed exceptional talent and training, and handled these difficult arias in a way that was most pleasing to music lovers and critics.

The rendition marks on the whole, the highest point yet reached by the choir movement.

It was repeated Wednesday evening, April 14.

The Work of the Women

The discussion of problems was taken up by the women at their first meeting on the morning of the 8th. Mrs. D. A. Emslie, of Des Moines, Iowa, spoke on the organization and development of the work in cities. Mrs. Susan Hayer, of Lamoni, Iowa, took up rural work, and others added individual contributions.

District organization was discussed, and the sentiment was strongest in favor of simple organization, each branch to have such assistance as necessary to development of local work, using as little machinery as possible.

The making of lessons simple, and getting them read at all, in fact, was discussed. Getting any reading at all done was considered worth while.

The business session on the 9th received the nomination of the First Presidency by Frederick M. Smith in person, suggesting Mrs. F. M. Smith as general director, and Mrs. D. J. Krah, president.

No action was taken at this session.

A new edition of the Year Book is promised soon after conference, being delayed to get latest lessons course, and names of new officers. Orders will be taken at convention.

Miss Lucie Sears, of New Bedford, Massachusetts, has been appointed educational advisor.

At the Saturday morning session President Frederick M. Smith recalled the recommendation of the previous session as to officials of the department, pending such time as was required to consider the reorganization.

Mrs. J. R. Lentell addressed the convention, and at 10.30 adjournment was taken to the upper auditorium. Mrs. J. L. Harring of Centerview, Missouri, spoke on the subject: "The rural woman a factor in Zion building."

Mrs. Lydia Wight, of Lamoni, discussed the new child study course. She is supervisor of the home and child welfare bureau, and gave a clear statement of the needs of the course, with its aims and ideals. The course stands for several principles, two of which are: the forming of a policy covering the problems all parents know they must meet; the policy for each problem being worked out by the parents of a neighborhood. The second principle is that of honesty—that kind of honesty which makes parents willing to submit to intelligence tests which discover true ability.

Mrs. Vida E. Smith of Lamoni, spoke on mothers as leaders of girls and the speech will be published in these columns later.

On Monday morning the completion of the transition of the Woman's Auxiliary to a department of church work was effected.

The executive committee was authorized to make such changes as necessary in the governing rules to meet the demands, consistent with the policies of the general organization.

Mrs. F. M. Smith, general director, was authorized to appoint necessary officials, and named the following: Mrs. Audentia Anderson, superintendent; Mrs. William Madison, first assistant superintendent; Mrs. May Mather, second assistant superintendent; Mrs. A. Morgan, secretary; Mrs. Vivian Weed Barto, assistant secretary. These constitute the executive committee.

It has been planned to have all educational work of the department under the care of the President of Graceland College.

A headquarters will be established in Independence, and all mail should be addressed to the general church offices, Independence, for the Woman's Department.

The annual evening program, held Monday evening was perhaps the best ever given by the department.

Following a song service in charge of A. N. Hoxie, prayer was offered by B. R. McGuire.

A paper on "Women's part in government making" was read by Dora Young, of Holden, Missouri.

Two vocal solos were beautifully rendered by Aileen Bulard, an Oriole girl of Independence.

"Teachers for the times" was the subject of an address by Miss Lucie Sears, of New Bedford, Massachusetts.

The place of women in the immediate plans of the church was definitely emphasized by President Frederick M. Smith.

The Religious Education Class

The priesthood were addressed on April 9, by Cyril E. Wight, instructor in the religious education class at Graceland College.

The time was devoted to an explanation of the work done the previous year, with some of the ideals as to the future, set out rather extensively in the report of Graceland College to General Conference.

The lectures given to the ministry preceding General Conference were on the same subjects and by the same men as presented to the class during the past year.

It is very difficult to summarize properly an address of this kind, dealing with principles and ideals almost exclusively, but it is apparent that though this work is in its incipency and will be improved, there is no danger of turning out a product that is ready to accept without question anything offered.

The instructors have endeavored to increase ability of the class to differentiate between fundamentals and incidentals. Dogmatic teachings are not indulged in, but the pupil is encouraged to develop his own expression to the highest point. They are trained to think clearly, logically, and independently—which naturally results in questions on everything, as to its relative importance, whether it be fundamental or not.

Orchestral Concert

Tendered General Conference Visitors
by the

LIBERTY ORCHESTRA

of

Independence, Missouri

Augmented by Visiting Players
of the

STONE CHURCH

Independence, Missouri

Saturday Evening, April 10, 1920

Eight Fifteen p. m.

Under the auspices of the General Choir Movement Re-organized 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

William Nassann

March, "Connecticut"

Invocation, Elder A. B. Philips

Overture, "Mignonette"

J. Baumann

Selection from Farmer's 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 Minuet"

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

"Restoration"

One of the most appreciated events of the many General Conference meetings was the church play at the Battery Building, on the evenings of April 12 and 13 and repeated again, following conference for the many Independence people who could not find entrance the first two evenings.

The music was furnished by the Liberty Orchestra, directed by R. T. Cooper. Especially fine was the work of the string quartet, who gave two selections preceding the pageant proper. They seemed to have the art of expression developed beyond that usually possessed by people of their age and experience.

"Restoration" is a church play in three acts, developed and produced under the immediate direction of a committee composed of Mrs. E. S. McNichols, Mrs. Royal Brocaw, Mrs. M. T. Williams, and Mrs. Clifford Forties, all of Independence.

A synopsis follows:

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. Light, though it goes down, does not go out entirely.

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 in-

tent upon the establishment of Zion. She is dealing with problems of the present day. Love comes to her assistance and success is assured.

The cast of characters is as follows:

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 Leeka
Officers		Young Men of the Church

The outline is as follows:

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	A Garden
Time	The Present
Church: Departments: Necessities	
Love's Appeal	
Tableau	

The combination of recital with tableau effect, supported by effective and appropriate chorus music was universally effective, the audience being perceptibly moved. "More effective than a sermon," "The equal in splendor of any five-dollar affair in the big cities," "The best I ever saw," are typical commendations heard.

The lament was written by Elbert A. Smith, the other parts by the committee.

We hope they will begin now to provide a pageant commensurate with the auspiciousness of the opening of the new General Conference building two years from now.

Annual Oratorical Contest

The successful contestant this year was
Fernell Briggs, Goodland, Kansas.

The following is the college contest program at the Stone Church, on the evening of April 8. The gallery railing was beautifully draped with long blue and old gold streamers and bows, and the choir loft was filled to capacity with students, faculty, and alumni of Graceland. There was not even standing room for the audience. The decision of the judges was: Fernell Briggs, first; Forest Roberts, second; James Houghton, third.

Invocation

Song, "Zion Builders"

"America and Victory"

Vida E. Smith

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 Quarete, "The Miller's Wooing"

Fanning

"The Problem of Peace"

Forest Roberts, Lamoni, Iowa

Graceland Male Quartet, Humorous Selections

Decision of Judges

Benediction

Conference Notes

Baby likes church. He dearly loves to participate in the program, and help attract attention to his mamma. As soon as she is nicely seated he begins entertaining the childless old couple next to him. At least that is his name for the series of antics he performs for their benefit. He gurgles and drools and waves his bonnet string in imitation of the baton and squeals with delight when he has out-manuevered the leader of song. When they have gratefully left him their vacant seat, he considers it a just reward of his efforts and settles himself for a nap with the sense of having made this program interesting to somebody.

If the grown-up Johnnies could have been present at one of the services and heard their devoted mothers relate heart-rending tales of when little Johnnie was sick and wanted papa to pray out loud, they would be reminded of the "Moody and Sankey" stories of conversions, and perhaps regretted that a good meeting had been spoiled by what in movie parlance would be called "sob stuff."

We dearly love to step on peoples' toes, literally if not figuratively; especially if we weight two hundred. One can do it in a jolly crowd so easily and the victim doesn't know who to glare at.

Perhaps if the church photographer were to take daily pictures of the conference in session he would ask for a change of faces in the balcony's first row.

A bumblebee entered the church one day,

It buzzed and it hummed and it swished its wings,

Then out at the window it flew away,

Oh, beware of the one it stings.

For the germ of confusion it leaves behind,

Is heard in the murmur and whisperings

And a noisier crowd it is hard to find

Than the one the bumblebee stings.

One of the greatest tests of complete consecration is the giving up of our work to another—to be displaced and see another take our work is indeed a little hard, but it is one of the lessons we must learn that this work is too big to allow for individual feeling. We must be big enough to take defeat nobly.

KATE GOODWIN.

(Pen and Ink Club.)

It is the lifelong sacrifice of great men that gives us science, art, and literature. It is the sacrifice of those who have something which makes life possible to those who have nothing.—Elwood Worcester, in *Religion and Life*.

Reports to General Conference

THE 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.

CHURCH 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 neces-

sary 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.

COMMITTEE ON 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.

COMMITTEE ON TEACHER'S EDITION OF 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'S REPORT

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.

CHURCH 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 eleven 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. Ssambaugh, 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.

COMMITTEE ON 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

77.07

Balance on hand\$ 99.73

Respectfully,

JAMES F. KEIR.

MEMORIAL TO THE 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.

BOARD OF PUBLICATION

To the President and General Conference Assembled: Hereby 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
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 subscription 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

\$ 46,929.87

Cash expended, February 1, 1919 to June 30, 1919	42,840.52
Cash on hand, June 30, 1919	\$ 4,089.35
Resources	
Cash on hand	\$ 4,089.35
Real estate	39,273.37
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
	\$ 24,305.07
Present worth July 1, 1919	\$ 14,196.86
Present worth February 1, 1919	12,142.43
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
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
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	0 1/2
.25	to	Lighting	2	19	3
1.72	to	Postage and telegrams	20	7	1 1/2
.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
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	
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 reserve	14 0 0
Plant	452 9 7
Less depreciation reserve	22 12 6
Buildings	429 17 1
Furniture	255 15 8
Furnishings	15 12 0
	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.

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 submits 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

\$ 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

Balance cash on hand \$ 1,343.50
768.02

\$ 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
Account Receivable Herald Publishing House	6,053.71

\$10,209.92

Surplus Statement

Cash on hand	\$ 768.02
	6,053.71

\$ 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 it's 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 STATISTICAL REPORT FOR 1919

Districts and Schools 1919	Schools			Membership			Teachers	Home Dept.	Latest Report	Previous Report	Stad Exc
	Latest Report	Previous Report	Gain Loss	Latest Report	Previous Report	Gain Loss					
Alabama	3	2	1	476	371	104	15	30	84	32	2
Alabama Mobile	6	7	1	337	388	51	30	84	32	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	23	2	
Australia, S. Queensland	3	3	0	90	90	0	10	3	23	2	
Australia, So. N. S. W.	9	3	6	491	507	16	57	3	23	2	
Australia, Victoria	21	13	8	562	506	56	30	169	22	2	
British Isles	12	15	3	780	717	63	62	169	22	2	
California, Northern	6	8	2	524	549	25	43	88	21	1	
California, Southern	16	16	0	840	892	52	70	119	22	2	
Colorado, Eastern	5	5	0	174	174	0	18	106	3	3	
Colorado, Western	6	6	0	232	232	0	28	3	3	3	
Florida	5	4	1	264	427	37	27	80	1	1	
Hawaii	9	10	1	456	500	44	41	99	2	2	
Illinois, Central	7	7	0	338	261	77	31	57	3	3	
Illinois, Kewanee	11	12	1	795	809	14	66	156	21	1	
Illinois, Nauvoo	11	9	2	404	401	3	35	49	3	3	
Illinois, Northeastern	11	9	2	347	347	0	16	115	3	3	
Illinois, Southeastern	14	14	0	574	574	0	51	68	3	3	
Indiana, Southern	11	12	1	420	257	163	40	25	3	3	
Iowa, Des Moines	7	8	1	253	253	0	31	54	1	1	
Iowa, Eastern	8	10	2	338	422	89	42	58	1	1	
Iowa, Fremont	20	21	1	2029	1925	104	185	173	22	2	
Iowa, Gallands Grove	11	13	2	1189	1210	71	83	164	22	2	
Iowa, Lamoni Stake	10	11	1	651	639	12	59	46	3	3	
Iowa, Pottawattamie	6	6	0	226	273	47	38	77	3	3	
Kansas, Northeastern	18	18	0	926	1131	205	87	177	22	2	
Kansas, Spring River	6	2	4	161	161	0	43	1	1	1	
Kentucky and Tennessee	4	7	3	364	364	0	24	20	3	3	
Maine, Eastern	2	2	0	51	68	17	4	6	2	2	
Maine, Western	11	11	0	810	716	94	87	180	22	2	
Manitoba, Winnipeg	26	26	0	1042	920	122	86	22	3	3	
Massachusetts	14	12	2	1357	1172	185	98	62	2	2	
Michigan, Central	26	27	1	1180	2183	1003	113	59	3	3	
Michigan, Detroit	16	17	1	604	628	24	53	32	2	2	
Michigan, Eastern	13	13	0	852	852	0	69	160	2	2	
Michigan, Northern	17	16	1	667	661	6	63	117	3	3	
Mich., So., and N. Indiana	6	6	0	282	282	0	27	119	2	2	
Minnesota	14	13	1	580	605	25	57	37	2	2	
Missouri, Clinton	25	25	0	1791	1933	202	138	208	2	2	
Missouri, Far West Stake	5	5	0	2484	2439	45	181	252	1	1	
Missouri, Independence Stake	15	13	2	1016	1068	52	98	150	21	1	
Missouri, Holden Stake	14	14	0	1432	1206	226	114	164	22	2	
Missouri, Kansas City Stake	5	5	0	230	215	15	26	14	3	3	
Missouri, Northeastern	12	12	0	500	500	0	60	1	0	0	
Missouri, Saint Louis	8	8	0	260	260	0	25	17	0	0	
Missouri, Southern	9	9	0	290	290	0	30	63	3	3	
Montana, Eastern	4	6	2	121	145	24	16	11	8	8	
Montana, Western	6	7	1	390	312	78	37	79	3	3	
Nebraska, Central	6	6	0	313	305	8	33	77	2	2	
Nebraska, Northeastern	6	6	0	188	188	0	19	32	3	3	
Nebraska, Southern	7	7	0	256	256	0	24	19	3	3	
Nebraska, Western	10	10	0	1396	1396	0	115	2	2	2	
New York	9	9	0	304	304	0	29	118	3	3	
New York and Philadelphia	9	9	0	639	639	0	49	108	2	2	
North Dakota	5	5	0	193	193	0	16	1	1	1	
Ohio, Kirtland	16	16	0	454	454	0	42	80	1	1	
Ohio, Northwestern	6	6	0	176	166	10	24	24	1	1	
Ohio, Southern	11	13	2	522	462	60	47	42	3	3	
Ohio, Youngstown-Sharon	9	9	0	253	253	0	31	41	1	1	
Oklahoma, Central	4	4	0	383	383	0	27	1	3	3	
Oklahoma, Eastern	18	18	0	1010	1131	121	74	227	2	2	
Oklahoma, Western	11	11	0	545	537	8	56	109	3	3	
Ontario, Chatham	21	22	1	854	830	24	72	222	3	3	
Ontario, London	15	15	0	773	760	13	61	79	3	3	
Ontario, Owen Sound	6	7	1	246	224	22	27	95	2	2	
Ontario, Toronto	7	5	2	211	236	25	20	28	1	1	
Oregon, Portland	15	15	0	643	643	0	50	108	1	1	
Pennsylvania, Pittsburg	18	18	0	900	900	0	1	42	2	2	
Saskatchewan	5	5	0	255	326	71	18	55	3	3	
Saskatchewan, Southern	5	5	0	255	255	0	15	1	3	3	
South Sea Islands	5	4	1	212	215	3	24	24	29	1	
Texas, Central	12	12	0	521	521	0	51	158	3	3	
Texas, Southwestern	10	8	2	340	214	126	34	103	3	3	
Utah	4	4	0	236	236	0	18	9	2	2	
Wash., Seattle, and B. C.	7	8	1	353	384	31	30	42	2	2	
Washington, Spokane	7	8	1	395	384	11	31	52	3	3	
West Virginia	9	10	1	319	340	21	30	1	3	3	
West Virginia, Wheeling	1	1	0	41	29	9	5	2	1	1	
Wisconsin, Northern	1	1	0	15	15	0	5	2	1	1	
Wisconsin, Southern	1	1	0	10	10	0	1	4	1	1	
Schools not in District	1	1	0	41	29	9	5	2	1	1	
Arizona, Bisbee	1	1	0	15	20	5	2	2	1	1	
Arizona, Smelter City	1	1	0	10	15	5	2	2	1	1	
Arizona, Sulphur Spgs. Valley	1	1	0	26	14	12	4	1	1	1	
Arizona, Phoenix	1	1	0	32	32	0	4	1	1	1	
Arkansas, Fisher	1	1	0	37	37	0	1	37	1	1	
Germany, Braunschweig	1	1	0	51	51	0	1	27	1	1	
Germany, Hannover	1	1	0	12	12	0	1	1	1	1	
Germany, Mangelshutz	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	
Germany, Roeschen	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	

Kansas, Hugoton	1	1	0	23	23	0	1	1	1	1	1
Kansas, Rexford	1	1	0	21	21	0	1	1	1	1	1
Kansas, Wichita	1	1	0	65	81	16	6	6	6	6	6
South Dakota, Spearfish	1	1	0	21	21	0	1	1	1	1	1
South Dakota, Wagner	1	1	0	18	18	0	1	1	1	1	1
Sweden, Stockholm	1	1	0	29	29	0	1	1	1	1	1

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 3,336 teachers reported, a loss of 57.

There are 322 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.

THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

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 untrodden 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 officers 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 motherhood." 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. Audencia 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's 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.

(To be continued.)

CHURCH NEWS

"I have been reading a borrowed copy of *Autumn Leaves* and have found so many good things in it that my heart runs over with joy. I am inclosing a dollar for some copies of the April number, as I feel I can do more good with them than I can with tracts. This number is good enough to awaken the world. . . . The article from J. W. Peterson is a rich treat." —From a letter by Edith Prideaux, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Young People's Day in Pottawattamie District

A general invitation is extended to all the young people of the Pottawattamie District to attend the special services at Council Bluffs, Iowa, on Young People's Day, April 25, 1920.

The services will be as follows: Young people's prayer service, 8.30 a. m.; Sunday school, 9.45; preaching, 11; entertainment and lecture, 3 p. m.; Religio, 6.30; preaching, 8.

These services are being arranged for the benefit and advancement of the young people, and we sincerely hope to have a large attendance. All arrangements are being made to care for those who come, the Pyla Class, an organized class of the Council Bluffs Religio looking after this.

F. T. TIMM, *President of Class.*

General Conference Appointments

GENERAL OFFICERS OF CHURCH

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 M. Smith.

Presiding Bishopric

Benjamin R. McGuire.
Israel A. Smith. James F. Keir.

R. S. Salyards, Church Secretary.
P. G. Fairbanks, Assistant Church Secretary.
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.
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F. B. Blair, Bishop, Kansas City Stake.
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E. F. Robertson, Counselor to R. S. Salyards.
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F. A. McWethy, Counselor to D. J. Krahll.
C. J. Hunt, Bishop, Holden Stake.
I. M. Ross, Counselor to C. J. Hunt.

John F. Garver, President, Lamoni Stake.
D. T. Williams, Counsellor to J. F. Garver.
A. Carmichael, Bishop, Lamoni Stake.
A. J. Yarrington, Counselor to A. Carmichael.

APPOINTMENTS BY JOINT COUNCIL OF PRESIDENCY, TWELVE, AND PRESIDING BISHOPRIC

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, B. 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. A., 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, A. H., Society Islands. M
- Chrestensen, James C., referred to post-conference council.
- Chrestensen, W. W., referred to post-conference council.
- 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, Philip, 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
- Davis, 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, Edmund 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 District. 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., Northwestern 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, Walter J., Southern New South Wales District. M
- Hawn, O. J., referred to post-conference council.
- Henson, 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.

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- Jenkins, George, referred to Presidency and Presiding Bishopric.
- Jordan, Thomas J., referred to post-conference council.
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- 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.
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- Kippe, Alexander, referred to post-conference council.
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- McFadden, L. M., Kentucky and Tennessee District. M
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- Metcalf, J. W., referred to post-conference council.
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- Mintun, J. F., superannuated.
- Moler, H. E., referred to post-conference council.
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- Mortimer, J. L., Owen Sound District, Manitoulin Island, summer. M
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- Osler, William, New York and Philadelphia District, Philadelphia objective. L
- Overcast, John T., Kentucky and Tennessee. M
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- Parker, J. L., Southern Nebraska District, Lincoln objective. L
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- Rannie, Edward, referred to post-conference council.
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- Reeves, Gomer J., Hawaii Territory, Hilo objective. M
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- Saint John, Samuel G., referred to post-conference council.
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- Shower, J. D., Western Oklahoma. M
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- 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.
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- Smith, Stephen S., Seattle and British Columbia District. M
- Smith, W. A., Owen Sound District. M
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- Stead, J. D., Alberta District. L
- Stoft, A. E., Spring River District, Pittsburg objective. L
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- Sutton, J. R., referred to post-conference council.
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- Walters, R. T., referred to post-conference council.
- Warr, Albert E., Des Moines District, Des Moines objective. L
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- White, I. N., Independence Stake.
- Whiting, Birch, Northern Saskatchewan. L
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- Wildermuth, J. B., Northern Wisconsin District. M
- Wildermuth, J. E., North Dakota District. M
- Wildermuth, L. O., Southern Wisconsin District. M
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- Wilson, Newman M., Western Maine and Massachusetts. M
- Winegar, E., referred to post-conference council.
- Wipper, Frank F., Southern Michigan and Northern Indiana. M
- Wixom, George H., referred to post-conference council.
- Yager, James, referred to Presidency.
- Yates, James E., Indian work.
- Yates, D. Amos, Southern California District. M