

# OUTPOURING OF SAINTS MARKS SUNDAY SERVICES

Huge Throng Attending Conference Packs the Big Tabernacle to its Limit, Necessitating Overflow Meetings in the Assembly Hall and Outdoor Gatherings on the Temple Square—Speakers Congratulate Saints on Work Accomplished and Splendid Showing Made.

The Sunday sessions of conference were by far the most largely attended of the several gatherings. Not that there were very many more persons present at the tabernacle, for on each occasion previously the building had been crowded almost to its utmost capacity. The increase of attendance was at the assembly hall and on the grounds outside, where it is estimated at least 10,000 or 12,000 persons congregated in the afternoon. Such an outpouring of people was astounding to those who are accustomed to see the tabernacle square densely crowded at conference time, and to strangers sojourning in the city the sight must have been a revelation, indeed.

The speakers of the day ranged from members of the general authorities down to presidents of stakes, presidents of missions and lay members. The subjects discussed were quite as varied as was the list of speakers, doctrine, conditions of the church, stakes and conditions being dwelt upon in an interesting manner. The hour of 4 p. m. today will witness the close of one of the greatest conferences in the history of the church.

## SUNDAY MORNING:

Addressed by Elders R. Clawson, H. M. Smith and G. E. Richards.

The big tabernacle was filled to overflowing at Sunday morning's session of the conference, people standing in the aisles and on the balcony, and available space in the vast auditorium.

President Joseph F. Smith presided. He asked the people present to make as much room as possible, that all who might be accommodated with seats might be seated. He then turned to the choir and sang, "Ye Simple Souls Who Stray."

Elder Rudger Clawson of the council of the apostles made the opening address. He said in part: "When the hosts of Israel are assembled to worship the Lord in a gathering of this magnitude, then the servants of the Lord are timid and need the sustaining faith of the saints and the assistance of the spirit of the Lord."

"At our priesthood meeting last night, there were 1,398 members of the priesthood present—probably one of the largest meetings of the priesthood ever held in the building. This gathering was not heterogeneous, but homogeneous. A stranger might have found present in that gathering a perfect representation of the priesthood of God, including the presidency of the church, whose authority God has ordained to be supreme in ecclesiastical matters; he would have found the council of the apostles, who hold authority in the church and in the world; he would have found the presidency of the seventy, representing 10,000 seventies throughout the world; he would have found the presidents of 56 great subdivisions of the organizations known as stakes, and bishops representing 652 organized wards in the stakes, and of the other branches of the priesthood. Should this body have been called to act, each one would have known the extent of his authority and would have moved without confusion and in unison, for the law of God is the law of order."

"The spirit of the gospel is that spirit which stands for good order, for temperance, for justice and right. The spirit of the world was exemplified in the bounding of the prophet because he would not recant and say he had not seen an angel, and he was persecuted and hunted until he, with his brother Hyrum, was entrapped in Carthage jail and was shot to death and martyred for the gospel's sake. The spirit of right and justice which actuated all the leaders of the church from its beginning, burns in the heart of our present leader, who is revered and beloved of all the church."

Prof. Kent's male chorus rendered a selection.

## ELDER HYRUM M. SMITH.

Elder Hyrum M. Smith of the council of the apostles addressed the gathering. "It is written," said he, "that man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word which proceedeth from the mouth of God, and that every man should keep every covenant and commandment and while this condition has

not yet been reached, yet I believe a determined effort is being made to do better and live nearer the Lord. According to the report of President Smith the people are getting better year by year, and performing their duties with more fidelity as time goes on.

"The presence of the congregation is an evidence that the Saints do not wish to live by bread alone. They have never yet assembled in conference and become disappointed in receiving the spirit of revelation and enlightenment. The Lord has said that he that keepeth the commandments receiveth truth and light."

Never in the history of the Church have the people gone astray when following in the lead of the heads of the Church. They are, indeed, God's lions, and in following them they will receive the blessings of the Lord and will be guided to truth and right.

## ELDER GEORGE ALBERT SMITH.

Elder George Albert Smith of the quorum of apostles rejoiced in being present at this conference, and gathered together in this conference. In traveling about among the saints the speaker said he was pleased to note the increased attendance at the sacrament meetings. "It is highly necessary," he declared, "that the people take advantage of the opportunity to partake of the sacrament of the Lord's supper. It was instituted by the Savior Himself, and it was mentioned by three of the evangelists, and was among the last great acts of the Lord Jesus, who commanded His disciples to partake of the emblems of His broken body and spilled blood in remembrance of Him."

"But I wish to call the attention of the people to the danger of partaking of the emblems unworthily. We must know that our hearts are pure and our hands are clean. As a people the people are becoming more particular that the vessels containing these emblems be clean."

"The speaker quoted from the Book of Mormon where the people were warned against being baptized and partaking of the sacrament unworthily. 'The sacrament is not the literal body and blood of the Redeemer, according to the faith of the Latter-day Saints,' the speaker said, 'quoting from the words of the church to show that the bread and water are indicated as being partaken of in remembrance of the Lord Jesus. The speaker exhorted the people to be worthy, and to be in reality, brothers and sisters in the kingdom of God, for the Savior said to the people of old, 'If you are not one ye are not mine.'"

## ELDER GEORGE F. RICHARDS.

Elder George F. Richards of the council of the apostles said he was glad to be present at this conference. The speaker quoted from the gospel of Luke, fourteenth chapter and twenty-eighth verse, where the Savior asks who would build a tower without first sitting down and counting the cost.

"The Lord's meaning, declared Elder Richards, was that no man would be unwise to commence any work without first planning and designing the building and counting the cost. Continuing he said, 'Things earthly, we are told, are typical of things heavenly, and the great plan of salvation given the people, must of necessity have had an architect, one who knew the end from the beginning, and who was the architect and the chief corner stone of His Church. The prophet Joseph said that in the first great council in heaven Jesus Christ was chosen for the work He commended upon earth.'

"The speaker said that while the term 'Mormonism' is a misnomer, yet I think it a comprehensive word. There is no confusion with God; He has not given many plans by which salvation may be achieved; there is only one plan and Mormonism explains it. 'Mormonism, I wish to declare to you, and to the world, is the biggest thing in the wide world, and is more of a law to the children of men than everything else combined—it is the law by which the children of men will be judged. To the world, to which Mormonism has come, to them the law has come by which it shall be judged. Its foundation is the rock of revelation, and the more the church is opposed and persecuted, the more it thrives. Mormonism fulfills the prophecy of Daniel, and will in the end triumph and fill the whole world with its truth.'

The choir rendered the hymn, 'Our Redeemer's Name,' and benediction was pronounced by President L. W. Shurtliff of Weber stake.

## AT ASSEMBLY HALL.

Morning Overflow Meeting Presided Over by Elder Heber J. Grant.

Apostle Heber J. Grant presided at the overflow meeting in the assembly hall Sunday morning which opened with singing by the congregation un-

der the leadership of Elder Charles J. Thomas, 'Redeemer of Israel, our only delight.' Prayer was offered by Elder Steven Eccles, followed by singing, 'Come, come, ye saints.'

The first speaker was Elder German E. Ellisworth, president of the Northern States mission, who reported briefly his labors. He said he felt greatly honored in having the privilege of laboring with so many good men and women as are the active workers in that mission and who, he believed, feel that their parents and brothers and sisters and the saints of Zion are praying for them as if they were angels without sin. The elders there are struggling manfully, cheerfully and earnestly in the work, and they are rejoicing in the manner in which their way is opened to reach the best classes of the people. They are calling upon the heads of the church and the influential people, and making warm friends among the honorable men of the earth. For the past three years the elders have turned over to the distribution of the Book of Mormon, and by doing so find that it has more than doubled the distribution of tracts and other books. When they distributed 1,000 Books of Mormon in the mission field three years before, they had something like 12,000 smaller books reported as being distributed, and when, two years ago, in 1905, they increased the number of Books of Mormon distributed to 5,000, they found their smaller books ran up to 20,000. Last year the elders increased their distribution of Books of Mormon to something like 12,000, and found that they had distributed 120,000 smaller books, making a total of 78,000. The health of the elders is very good. There have been but two cases of sickness, and then they were not confined to their homes, but took the contagion of smallpox.

Elder Nephi Pratt, president of the Northwestern States mission, next spoke, reporting the condition of the mission as the best he has known since he has presided over it. In a notable instance the eyes of the blind have been opened, and consumption cured through the prayer of faith. The speaker said that mission are being magnified before the world by their good example and influence, and the speaker exhorted all the saints to faithfulness, cheerfulness, and preaching the gospel by example and precept.

Elder Andrew Jensen spoke interestingly of the gathering of the destiny of the people of God in the land of America, and the striking events that have already marked the history of the saints since the organization of the church to the present time.

Elder P. S. Brannan, president of Union stake, Oregon, said the work of the Lord is prospering in his department of the Lord's vineyard, and he felt very much encouraged, and he bore a strong testimony of the truth of the restored gospel through the prophet Joseph Smith, and exhorted the saints to be true and faithful to the end.

Elder William H. Smart, president of the Utah stake of Zion, said that his portion of the work and of the state is rapidly growing, and the people are increasing in the faith and in the love of the Lord, and the speaker said that the people of the church are being magnified before the world by their good example and influence, and the speaker exhorted all the saints to faithfulness, cheerfulness, and preaching the gospel by example and precept.

Apostle Heber J. Grant spoke forcibly of the importance of keeping the Word of Wisdom, and living in keeping with the prohibition laws of the gospel, for our temporal salvation. He welcomed the movement now on foot to prevent drunkenness and intemperance, and to avoid its long train of evils. Said the power of God was with His people in these days, and He would build a tower without first sitting down and counting the cost.

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## ELDER O. F. WHITNEY.

"There is something in the human heart that proffers the affirmative rather than the negative in the gospel message," said Elder Whitney. "The gospel is not a message of damnation, there is nothing of damnation in it, but a vast deal of damnation outside of it. All who stand condemned after the gospel has done its work will find that they have condemned themselves. God will manipulate all matters and all conditions to the redemption of mankind. All agencies and powers will be put forth for the benefit of man, and not for his condemnation."

"By the transgression of our first parents man fell, and he could not redeem himself, and the gospel was provided as a means of the world's redemption. It had to come from above. The life of a God was necessary to atone for that which had been lost by Adam's transgression. Jesus, the Son, came down from the courts of glory and offered Himself as a ransom for many. He had not fallen and His life could be used as the means of redemption. He be-

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came the Author of Salvation unto us all. He was the first fruits of the resurrection. He let down a ladder into the pit and bade those who desired salvation to climb up. He bade us to use their own power and wisdom, but God's and climb.

"The rounds of the ladder are faith, repentance, baptism by immersion for the remission of sins, and the laying on of hands for the gift of the Holy Ghost. After passing these steps we must keep on climbing. Salvation is only to be attained by keeping on, enduring to the end."

"This is the Mormon view, in this the dispensation of the fullness of times. The gospel proposed to save not only the living but also that other living, the dead."

"The word of God to Joseph Smith, when he asked Him which was the right church, was to the effect that not one was recognized by Him, as all had been brought to the way of the gospel plan."

Elder Whitney then briefly recounted the circumstances leading up to the restoration of the gospel early in the nineteenth century. Mormonism, he contends that from the early centuries after the advent of the Savior until the appearance of John the Baptist to Joseph Smith and Oliver Cowdery, there was no authorized servant of God on the earth; no one having divine right to preach the gospel and administer in its ordinance. John the Baptist conferred upon Joseph and Oliver the lesser or Aaronic priesthood.

"Under this authority the church was organized April 6, 1830. In April, 1838, while the church was at Kirtland, Ohio, the Lord appeared to Joseph and to Oliver Cowdery, and bade them to be baptized and to preach the gospel to all the world. They were then given the keys of the kingdom, and the authority to administer in its ordinance. John the Baptist conferred upon Joseph and Oliver the lesser or Aaronic priesthood."

"Would it not seem to the student of Mormonism, that there is something more in this great problem than a mere record of events, that there is a hidden doctrine of some of the sects of Christendom? Does it not appear that Joseph was inspired of God in organizing this church? The speaker then read from that part of the Doctrine and Covenants which contains the communication sent forth by the prophet, as his career was about to be brought to close and his life given up in martyrdom."

"Two great thoughts are born in upon the mind when reading this passage: one is that the people belongs to Mormonism, and the other is that the future belongs to it also."

"Mormonism is not a mere nineteenth century religion, not merely a religion of this time, but of eternity. It has come down from the regions on high for the salvation of man. It is gathering together all dispensations of the past to weld them into the dispensation of the present and of the future. The gospel codifies laws instituted in the eternal world before the earth was, for the salvation and perfection of man. Adam and Eve were given a knowledge of the Redeemer to come, and they rendered obedience to the gospel's requirements, not leaving their posterity to wait 2,000 years, or 4,000 years, to hear the message of redemption that would be wrought in the meridian of time by the Son of God."

"Suppose we consider the dispensation of the gospel that came to Enoch. We tremble some of us in the law of tithing. What shall we do when the greater law comes, the law of consecration, when all shall be given up to the use of the Lord? The dispensation of Enoch is but a foreshadowing of that time."

In the dispensation of Abraham the Lord said in these and they seed shall inherit the land, and the land shall be fulfilled; but it shall also be fulfilled in the gathering of all people. Moses holds the keys of the gathering; and he gave those keys to the prophet of the last dispensation."

In the dispensation of time, came the Savior, who chose 12 apostles on the eastern continent and then 12 on the western continent."

"Mormonism today is reaping all the fruits of the harvest, and wise men of past ages; not only of those considered to have been divinely called, but poets, sages and philosophers, all who have contributed to the world's good."

"Mormonism proposes to save all who can be saved. The degrees of glory differ from each other as the sun, moon and stars differ. Only their class which is absolutely beyond redemption will ultimately be found outside the pale of the gospel. All men who are willing to be saved will be saved."

"The word, 'Gentile' is not used by the Mormon people in an opprobrious way. It means only one who is not a Latter-day Saint. They are descendants of Japheth, while we are of the seed of Shem. The founders of this the greatest nation upon which the sun shines, were Gentiles, and the promise is given that the children of Japheth shall dwell in the tents of Shem."

We are not the enemies of the Gentiles. Our mission is peace, friendship and good will to all men. We look forward to the consummation of God's work in the future."

ELDER DAVID O. MCKAY.

The next speaker in the afternoon session was Apostle David O. McKay, who spoke, in part, as follows:

"One of the greatest benefits derived from meeting together is the experiencing of new and beautiful thoughts. The speaker said that the spirit of God brings them to us. You will agree with me that this conference has been particularly fruitful in awakening in our minds the noblest of thoughts, the highest and purest of feelings."

"Choose ye this day whom ye shall serve," is the passage that came to my mind after hearing President Smith's words in defense of the gospel of doing."

"Shall we shun the fight? No! If the 20,000 people assembled on these grounds today will say each to himself, 'I choose to serve the Lord, what a magnificent army we shall have in the millennium of the Lord's will! There is nothing that brings more happiness than serving God. Why cannot the 20,000 people here today—nay, why cannot all Israel choose to serve the Lord?'"

"The line between truth and error has been distinctly marked during this conference. The church stands for truth, the enemy is error; there can be no compromise between the two."

The speaker referred to the last message of Joshua to the people of Israel, when he uttered the memorable words: "Choose ye this day whom ye will serve." "As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." The people were given their choice, and with one voice they responded, "We will serve Jehovah."

"The Latter-day Saints must choose between the Church and the enemy. They cannot serve first one and then the other. No man can serve two masters. He who has bowed not to God, bows to Lucifer, is the substance of what Byron puts into the mouth of Satan, in the poem's story of Cain, and the saying is one of the most truthful ever uttered by the immortal bard."

"I believe you cannot find throughout the Church one young man who would say, 'I choose to serve the world.' But why do some serve the world? It is our duty to teach the young."

"The Lord wants not life service, but faithfulness to duty. It counts in life the things. The soldiers were followed by the heights of Quebec had a service demanded of them; the service of order, quietness. One soldier could have frustrated Gen. Wolfe's plans. So it is in this great army of the priesthood. Each man has only a little duty to perform and yet small, little acts might injure the whole quorum to which he belongs. Some little act in this church by any member of the priesthood may exemplify that member's service to the church. Service is what we should choose throughout all Israel. Go after the spirit of the world if you will, but as to me and my house, we will serve the Lord," said Joshua of old. Let us teach the young now to serve God."

"A young man said the other day to me, that though he had lived in his ward for 20 years, he had not received the priesthood until three months before. He had not attended his meetings and done his duty. He said to me, 'I want now to serve the church, and he stands today with a feeling to do as his bishop wants him. There are hundreds of young men who need only to be shown the way to prove that they are true in the service of God."

## OPEN AIR MEETING.

Two Lady Speakers Are Among Those Who Take Part.

An open air meeting was held at 2 p. m. near the bureau of information, Elder Benjamin Goddard presiding. A male chorus under the direction of Prof. Chas. Kent furnished excellent singing. Bishop David A. Smith opened the meeting with prayer, and Elder William Langston offered the benediction.

President R. G. Miller of Emery stake endorsed the prohibition movement just started.

President Joseph E. Robinson of the California mission, referring to the rumors of war with eastern nations, quoted the Book of Mormon, which declares that the Lord would fortify this against all other nations. This prophecy was signally fulfilled in the case of Maximilian and Napoleon III, he said. This country freed itself from Great Britain by the help of the Almighty. "We need have no fear about the future," said the speaker, "for God has promised that he would fight our battles."

President H. E. Rich of the Southern States mission read the blessing pronounced by the Prophet Joseph upon his brother Hyrum on account of his faithful heart under trying circumstances. "The prophet said, 'I may the Eternal Jehovah crown eternal blessings upon your head, as a reward for the care you have had for my soul,'" said President Rich, "has been granted for the two sons of Hyrum the positions of president and of patriarch of the church, and three of his grandsons act, one as a member of the quorum of the twelve, another as a member of the presiding bishopric, and a third as assistant church historian."

He held up as an example which could well be emulated by every mother, the devoted wife of a martyr of God manifested by Mary Fielding, the widow of Hyrum, who, after the martyrdom of her husband, followed the leader of the church to a new home, gathering, instilling faithfulness in the hearts of her children. The opposition cannot accomplish anything against this work. When the Master was crucified, He broke the gates of hell, showing that the gates of hell could not prevail against Him, and He went in, and preached to the spirits in prison. Two years ago Elder H. E. Rich, the privilege of ordaining to the Melchisedek priesthood a man who, like Paul, was a mob leader, but who was provisionally stopped, and brought to Rachel Leatham, lately returned from a mission to the states, addressed the meeting in a very free and happy way. She exhorted the youth of Zion, the youth of Israel, to seek wisdom for future usefulness, by becoming conversant with our church doctrines, and closed her remarks by testifying to the truth of the principles of the gospel.

Martha Langenhuter, lately of the Colorado mission, followed her, expressing her happiness in meeting so many. All can do much good, not only by teaching, but by the example of a good example, and letting our light shine before the people."

Elder J. G. Duffin, late president of the Southwestern States mission, mentioned the prayer of Joseph Smith that the saints would be driven to the Rocky mountains, and there become a mighty people, and called attention to the fact that that prophecy has been remarkably fulfilled. The result of the labors of the pioneers is that the Latter-day Saints enjoy at present the blessings of liberty and happiness in this western country, which at that time (1843) was called the Great American Desert, and considered utterly worthless. Elder Duffin maintained that to make up a country land, as well as men of integrity, are required, and the temporal concerns must not be lost sight of. "The possibilities of our soil are little understood by us, and we should guard against this land passing from our possession for a handful of gold, and then start for other parts, to subdue the arid waste. This is not doing justice to the wife," he declared, "and the children who have almost worn their lives out in redeeming the wilderness. Only those who retain the soil, and retain it as the basis of wealth, shall become great and mighty, and it is in their power to make that prophecy true. All those who lift their hand against the servants of God, shall be cursed, they and their posterity."

## SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

President Francis M. Lyman Speaks on Temperance and Word of Wisdom.

There were three speakers at the afternoon session of the conference on

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Saturday, and again the building was crowded to its capacity. The congregation sang the hymns, "Oh, ye mountains high" and "O say what is truth," the choir rendering as a closing anthem "Lift up the voice in singing." Miss Lorrinda Paulsen sang "O Shining Light." Patriarchs Angles

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