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FIFTY-SEVENTH YEAR

Seventy-eighth Semi-Annual Conference Opens Under Favorable Conditions.

TABERNACLE WELL FILLED.

President Joseph F. Smith Welcomes People and Makes Strong Address.

LAYS DOWN RULE OF CONDUCT.

latter-Day Saints Should Order Their lives so That No Fault May be Found With Them.

For the seventy-eighth time the members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints gathered today for a fall conference. At the opening sesthis morning the great tabernacle, built especially to accommodate the April and October conference crowds, was filled almost to its capacity.

Until Sunday the attendance will sicadily increase, and on that day overnow meetings will be necessary in the assembly hall both in the morning and afternoon, and probably on the grounds

The throngs began to pour into the gates of the tabernacle grounds at 9 o'clock this morning and a steady -freshed the follage and it is probthat the grounds were never beso beautiful. During the three days that the conference continues the mbers of the Church from every tion of the world, will learn how work is being carried forward in ry other part, through reports from the presidents, most of which will made Saturday. Besides the gen-i conference sessions many special alons, and conferences of various anisations will convene during the anizations will convene during the ct few days. The session this morning was called order by President Joseph F. Smith,

sident Smith announced the open-rum, "Redeemer of Israel," which sung by choir and congregation

AUTHORITIES PRESENT.

here were present on the stand there were present on the stand can the services commenced the fol-being authorities of the Church: Pesidents Joseph F. Smith, John R. Visior, and Anthon H. Lund; Presi-cet Francis M. Lyman, John Henry 1818. Heber J. Grant, Rudger Claw-on, Hyrum M. Smith, George Albert 1811. George F. Richards, Orson F. hitney and David O. McKay, of the uncli of the twelve; Patri-the John Smith; of the first council of the twelve; Patris, B. H. Roberts, Jonathan Kimbail, Rulon S. Wells, Jo-McMurrin and Charles H. Assistant Church Historian An-

or the opening hymn was sung,
r was offered by Elder William
ck, president of the Cassia stake,
choir sung the hymn, "Softly
the sucred dawning." and Presi-Joseph F, Smith arose to address

PRESIDENT SMITH'S REMARKS.

President Smith said that he felt most ibnokful to see so many present, and to witness the interest manifested by the Latter-day saints in this, the seventy-eighth semi-annual conference. It welcome you," he said, "and I invoke the blessing of the Lord upon all she shall assemble in these gather-ligs."

good health enjoyed by the first ney and the unity existing its members was commented the speakers; a similar report given of the quorum of the apos-and of the first seven presidents

far as I know, and I think we a position to judge rightly," resident Smith, "there is a spirit to and love in all the Church and ng the people of God. Such a m is a source of pleasure and b. The duty of the Latter-day relative to the work of the Lord

NO IDLERS.

true that men and women ily have to engage in various occupations, to provide them-th the necessaries of life. The staned that His children should is life and its blessings. It said that the idler shall not bread of the industrious, and ould be no idlers among the

Latter-day Saints should put thest thoughts to the cause of the cause of truth, to the cause cusness. The Lord instituted for the salvation of men in as well as for the soul's rein the world to come, not believe in the doctrine by some that it matters not man does in this life, so long es Christ before death. onnce this doctrine as being

passport into heaven." REASON AND RIGHTEOUSNESS

conable man or a reasonable asonable man or a reasonable we cannot help but admire, asonable men and women will ves of righteensness and purd devotion to the Lord; they we each other and, above all, and love God. Those precepts frought by the Son of God, for the of men and these are the less taught by the servants of this day.

saved in neglect, nor ance. We must learn our ourselves, our fellowmen, and and then order our lives ac-These things are essen-cannot grow in the knowl-tied or in wisdom unless we

his right and duty to declare the Gospei of Jesus Christ to his neighbor and provide him with the means for achieving his own salvation. He can declare that God has restored through the Prophet Joseph Smith the gospei, which is the power of God to salvation. For I declare to you, my brothers and sisters, that God has done this, and that the means for eternal exalitation have again been given to the human family. And I declare that Joseph Smith enunciated truths and doctrine which no other man ever enunciated in the history of the world. The gospel was restored by the power of God, and I tealify that I know that Joseph Smith was the instrument for its restoration. I want to be classed with those men who by their devotion to right, their determination to serve God, even to the laying down their lives for the sake of the gospel, and to be counted worthy to have fellowship with such men. For my only hope is in the gospel of Christ. I have staked my all in the faith of God, and I shall not be disappointed, and can say with Job, that while the worms may destroy this body, yet I know that I shall stand in the presence of the living God.

GOSPEL PRECEPTS.

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"I wish to impress upon the saints the necessity for observing the gospel precepts. You know for yourselves the truthfulness of the gospel, and now it is for you to live it—live up to the covenants you have made with God, so that no man can point to you as a transgressor, as a wicked and corrunt man. "Let your light so shine that men will see your light, and glorify your Father in heaven.

"Keep away from the haunts of sin. Have charity. There are those who speak evil only of Latter-day Saints. These persons are mostly in our midst. They shut their eyes to all good, and send out false reports. I leave such persons in the hands of a just God. But they cannot become my bosom companions, I cannot condescend to that. I would not throw a straw in their way, but I would as soon take up a scorpion or a poisonous reptile as to become associated with such a correspondent to believe this is a true entiment. elleve this is a true sentiment,

THE SAVING OF SINNERS.

"If one can turn a sinner and save him, it is a duty that should be performed. To save a soul from death will bring a reward,
"Some Latter-day Saints have become so good they cannot tell the difference between a Latter-day Saint and a son of Belzebub, and they call that broad mindedness,
"I do not want to become so I cannot discorn between light and darkness, between good and evil.
"God bless the Latter-day Saints, I hope the Spirit of the Lord may broaden your souls and mine. We have some people so devoted to those of their kindred who have been guilty of abominations that so soon as the guilty one is dead, relatives come to President Winder and ask to do work for them in the temple. I admire such love and solicitation but I do not admire the sense of justice exhibited by such persons. You cannot thus reof and solutation but I do not ad-alize the sense of justice exhibited by such persons. You cannot thus re-leem a murderer, a suicide, or an dulterer, Such persons must repent of their sins, before they can receive edemption. Remember this, ye elders nd mothrs."

"Peace be unto you. Do not mind shat the world does and says, let us o our duty and work out our own sal-

PRESIDENT WINDER.

President John R. Winder spoke

President John R. Winder spoke briefly, expressing his gratitude to God for having preserved his life to 'the present moment. He remarked that through the goodness of the Lord, he had attained well nigh unto 86 years of mortal existence.

President Winder heartily endorsed the remarks of President Smith, particularly as pertaining to the love and unity existing among the presiding authorities of the Church, and he expressed the hope that the members would not be less imbued with the spirit of love and union than are their leaders.

The work of the Lord is increasing in the earth, both at home and abroad, said the speaker. He, too, deplored the attitude of some overzealous members.

the attitude of some overzealous mem-bers of the Church, in seeking to do temple work for recently deceased un worthy persons. Good, common sense scould preclude the idea of such ; sibility from entering the mind

that his firm resolve is to stand staunchly by the president of the Church, and that henceforth it should be the purpose of him and his to serve God more faithfully than ever before

PREST, ANTHON H. LUND.

President-Anthon H. Lund was the concluding speaker of the morning assiston. He felt to rejoice, he said, at the testimony borne by President Joseph F. Smith that Jessus is the Christ and that Joseph Smith is a prophet of God, and he sincerely trusted that the Latter-day Saints would collors the advention.

President Lund told of the recent illprehension was felt for him, somethis advanced age, but through the goodness of the Lord President Winder produced from the temple but one

goodness of the Lord President Winder was absent from the temple but one day. And that one day marked, too, the only time that the venerable president of the temple had failed to be on hand since the edifice was dedicated. The large attendance at the opening session of the conference shows the interest manifested by the Latter-day Saints in the work of the Lord, said the speaker. Reports from the various mission fields are most encouraging. Presidents of missions and traveling elders are laboring zealously. Few return before being monorably released, though sometimese illness necessitated the early homecoming of missionaries. It is not desired that elders should feel that they are under obligations to stay two years of more, if their health is not good, and presidents should be watchful not to keep men until their lives are endangered.

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A tetter had been received from Edder Alma Taylor, president of the Japan mission, said President Land, in which it was stated that the Book of Mormon is being translated into the Japanese language. It was a most difficult task, owing to the wide difference between that language and the English, but the work is being done in so satisfactory a manner as to be beyond criticism. Elder Taylor has been absent from home for a period of five years, but notwithstanding this fact, he does not desire to be released until the task now in hand shall have been accomplished. This, too, in face of the fact that he has a good home and loving family and children to welcome him when he shall return. Such is the spirit of unselfishness and devotion to duty that actuates the missionaries of the Church. lives are endangered.

President Lund referred to the dutor of parents to their childre. "These duties are imperative." su the speaker. "Recent disclosures the speaker. "Recent disclosures of deprayity among some children in the city filled all our hearts with pain. We cannot grow in the knowledge of God and it wisdom unless we divote our efforts to the cause of God And it is the duty of the watch have out the tower of Zion to exhort the paople to lave, to hamility, to introduce devotion to the cause of Tightsourness.

DECLARING THE GOSPEL.

"It is not give to man to save the insuring soul of his brother; but it is

Saints Asked To Open Homes To Visitors.

Committee Issues a Call to Residents to Take Care of Those Who Are Unable t Obtain Accommodations-Many Walked the Streets Last Night For Want of a Bed.

For the first time in the history of | In the halls of the Deseret News build Salt Lake conference visitors walked the streets last night. Formerly the eighborhood spirit was so strong that uch visitors had no hesitancy about ssking for accommodations at the nomes of fellow members of the

homes of fellow members of the Church.

Now it is necessary, with the larger sait Lake, and the mixed character of the incoming throngs, to provide a central information bureau, where conference visitors may be informed of the location of homes, where accommodations can be had.

The hotels are hopelessly overfilled. The reoming houses, have allowed their accommodations to be bid up to exception figures. Private houses with rooms for rent, are filled, whenever visitors have located them.

Action on the situation has been taken in the form of an appeal to Church members to open their homes. Information should be sent to the Bureau of Information, where the force of workers will in turn announce to visitors where rooms may be had.

The situation last night, calling for today's appeal, was of a serious nature.

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President Lund spoke of the Re

commence of the children had beome an obsolete custom, and thought
hat proper supervision by Church auhorities could not but result in keepag the children away from improper
user-lations, and from evil examples.
President Land exhorted the saints to
weember the poor in their midst, that
helt eries may not be heard in the
nidst of plenty, for bread. "Let us also
weember, those who have given un

homes in foreign lands with the gospel message. It is proper to take our brothers and sisters into our bouses and try to get places for them and to treat them with the love and respect and interest which will make them feel at home." President Lund invoked the blessings of God upon the saints, and expressed the hope that the meetings of the conference would be a success. President Joseph F. Smith a mounced the closing hymn, "Guide us. O Thou Great Jehovah." after which benediction was prenounced by Patriarch Angus M. Cannon, and conference was adjourned until 2 p. m.

STRIKE BREAKER

Telegraphers Succeed in Their

Efforts Against Operator

Loring A. Houghton.

IS IN THE POSTAL SERVICE.

But He Used His Odd Hours to Man

A Key at the Western

Union Office.

(Fifty-sixth Day of Strike.)

today over the fact that an operator

has been taken from the Western

Looring A. Houghton, a railway mail

clerk, running from Salt Lake City to

JOHN SHAFER ARRESTED.

Dishes at Customers.

John Shafer, proprietor of the Chesa-peake restaurant, was arrested this morn-

ng on a warrant charging him with

attery upon Alma Greenwood. The com-

slaint was filed this morning in Judge

plaint was filed this morning in Judge Dihel's court and alleges that Shafer committed an improvided assault upon Greenwood last night.

According to the story told to the police, Greenwood entered the restaurant and became involved in a discussion with Shafer when the latter began throwing dishes at Greenwood, striking him several times on the head and face. The matter was called in Judge Diehl's court this afternoon, but was continued.

VETERAN BURNS HOME.

H. P. Burns, engineer at police and fire

cadquarters, returned this morning from

the G. A. H. annual encampment. Mr. Burus is a veteran of the Civil war and

liarus is a vejeran of the Civil war and is an enthusiastic G. A. R. man.

He seant from sail Lake to the encomprised with George B. Boutres, their vives accompanying them. At Richmond they mat comrades of the confederate away who they fought against in '61 and '61. Mr. Burns said:

"Of course. I was with the Union all the time, but I want to tell you that most old contrades. We were with the confederate army, were mighty glad to see us. They placed their arms about my neck and made me feel welcome. We met them at the Soldiers' Home at Richmond, and we talked over the battles engale in. I was with the Second Pennsylvania Reserves."

Union office.

The striking telegraphers are jubilant

ing for instance, men were foundasleep at an early hour this morning asicep at an early nour tips morning they were not molested for the night watchman realized the situation. It many hallways about town this could tion was duplicated. In some case women and children walked the street with their husbands and fathers until a very late hour, searching in vain for a recommendations. In most cases, how

walk the streets of about vacant half-ways until morning.

Five thousand people, it is estimated, arrived today, while very few left of yesterday's big crowd. This makes the situation more difficult, and the need for immediate response in the opening of homes, more urgent.

The appeal issued on this subject is

TO THE SAINTS OF SALT LAKE CITY AND VICINITY. The influx to our conference is so great that many visitors have been absolutely unable to find accommodations. Some have been compelled to pass the aight upon the streets. Under the circumstances, it is necessary or the saints of this vicinity to open noir homes in hospitality to their visit-ing brethren and sisters. The undersigned have been appointed

no undersigned have been appointed committee by the presidency to atd to this matter, and desire to ansuce that a bureau has been estabsed at the office of Elias Morris &is, on Richards street, just opposite south gate of the Temple block, to
led it is requested that those who
accommodate one or more persons
out at once, immediately after readthis notice, or as soon as mardiothis notice, or as soon as mardiobother for meals or not. Both tele-

No. 38, confidently expected that the

RICHARD W. YOUNG,
WM. McLACHLAN,
NEPHI L. MORRIS,
FRANK Y. TAYLOR,
HUGH J. CANNON,

## President Land spoke of the Reigion Cless organizations, and said hat interest in the classes is growing. The outlines are filled with noble teachrgs, which will elevite those who tudy them. The speaker hoped the novement would continue to be sucressful, for the precious charge given to parents is such that they may not legical them. President Land deslored the fact that supervision of the musements of the children had betone an obsolete custom, and thought ELDERS EXPELLED FROM GERMANY

Their Offense, Spreading the Gospel, Conducting Baptisms And Making Converts.

THEIR NAMES ARE NOT GIVEN.

They Were Arrested and Summarily Taken Under Guard To the Frontier.

Thousands of Native Members of the Church Have Been Subjected to Various Police Hindrances.

Dresden, Saxony, Oct. 4.—Three American Mormons have been expelled from Germany, as the result of persisting, despite final warnings prohibiting them from spreading their propaganda, in conducting river baptisms and making converts. They were arrested and summarily taken under guard to the frontier.

The imperial authorities decided in 1903 that it was not desirable to allow Mormon agents to continue their activity in Germany, but owing to the representations of the American embassy in Berlin, and Chief Missionary Cannon, whose field of activity was central Europe, with headquarters at Berlin, the foreign office alload the Mormons a month in which to settle their affairs and leave the country. There were at that time 50 or more missionaries in the various states in Germany, Stole a Watch and Jewelry in Sult and the grounds for their expulsions were teachings contrary to public morality. It was also agreed with Mr. Cannon that all the Mormons who were American citizens should discontinue presenting their doctrine in Germany, The German converts, of whom there were thousands, and who continued to follow their faith under native pastors, were subjected to various police hindrances. Mr. Cannon moved his central European headquarters to Switzerland, and it is understood, has since returned to Salt

It is now presumed his successor is re-entering the German field for Mor-mon missionary work from which formerly many women converts were sent to Utah.

Butte, Mont., has been for some time working at the Western Union office during his lay-over here. The case was taken up with Washington Postal authorities and this morning the telegraphers received a letter stating that Mr. Houghton had been advised that he must not take employment outside the Postal service. This is in compliance with the service rules.

Nearly all the telegraphers who went on strike Aug. 9 have secured other President Hugh J. Cannon, who is the "Chief Missionary" Cannon referred to, when shown the above dispatch said there was nothing alarming in the condition represented in the least. "It is merely a periodical authorities of Saxony

## VISITORS FROM THE AIR.

one left to return to work, as a large number of the men have secured posi-tions they consider better than they expect in the telegraph service. The force in the Western Union is now nine men including Manager Long and Chief Operator McDonald, normal Everywhere west of St. Louis, force 44.
The Postak have five working, the force consisting of Supt. Hawkes, Manager McNichols, Chief Operator Riley, Night Chief Operator Bunnell and Chief Electrician Bunting. people are eagerly discussing the chances of their locality receiving a visit from one or more of the balloonists who will ascend in the great International Aeronautic Cup race, which opens there Oct. 21. Only nature can tell whom they will visit, Restaurant Man Accused of Throwing

Twelve balloons French, German, English and American, will shoot into the air at St. Louis in competition for the International Aeronautic cup now held by the Acro Club of America, having been won by Lieut. Frank S, Lahm at Paris last year. Each country will have three balfoons. Each balloon will carry a pilot and one assistant. America's pilots will be Lieut, Lahm, C. C. Me-Coy and Allan R. Hawley, Where these great gas bags of 80,000 cubic feet capacity will descend is of course problematical. One or more of them may drop in your city. This very element of uncertainty gives the contest country-wide interest. Because of it, it behooves every community in the land to be prepared to

In tomorrow's Saturday News, we will publish a full page story on this great event, with pictures of the principal comthe cup itself, and of the start of the race at Paris in 1906 and the course of the historic flight from St. Louis to New York state a quarter of a century ago.;

receive "visitors from the air."

nat has been prevalent in Germany noe the gospel was first preached in nat country in 1852. "As to the produce alleged to have been made by le," continued Mr. Cannon, "that was urely inference on the part of the uthorities; I made no such promise in fact, I was not required to.

"When the trouble came up at the lime referred to in the dispatch, secret cryice officers of the German government had been following our elder in every movement for over a vesse.

understood in that country, and con-tain nothing contrary to its laws. And, as I said before, there is nothing at all alarming in the action taken, as it is only what may be expected most any time."

Joe Neare "Pug-Nosed-Kid" Laid Low by Bullet at Seattle.

HE HAD A BAD RECORD HERE.

Lake and Was Wanted by The Police.

The recent burglaries and thefts at the Knutsford hotel brings to light a story concerning the operations of ar elevator boy who was regarded by the police here as an all-round crook, yeggman, burglar and petty thief. About 19 days ago he was shot to death by a detective at Seattle while burglarizing a residence. Before going to the coast city he was earnestly sought for by Detectives Shannon and Wilson for a series of crimes committed here.

"PUG-NOSED KID,"

At the Knutsford he gave the name of Joe Neare, but was known as the pug-nosed kid," by reason of the pecu-iar formation of his proboscis. During its short stay at the Knutsford as bellboy, numerous articles of value were missed from the rooms. Among the things stolen were a Hamilton watch, 17 Jeweled and a gold chain and charm. These he disposed of at a Third South street saloon for the sum of \$4.

MADE HIS ESCAPE.

The detectives learned all this after Neare left the hotel. They traced him to the Wilson, but were too late as he had only worked one shift. He next went to work at the Cullen; but was there only one day. From Salt Lake he went to Sen Francisco where a series of burglaries were committed by him and his pal. It was estimated by the nolice of San Francisco that the youthlies of San Francisco that the youth-burglar cleaned up fully \$19,000, on the quake city he went to Scattle d committed a number of crimes

CAUGHT IN THE ACT.

About 10 days ago a detective cought he young man in the act of robbing a endence. The officer tried to place im under arrest and Neuro drew a un and fired upon the detective. The or returned the fire and killed Near

metantly.
White Neare was in San Francisco and Seattle, Sult Lake detectives were searching the town for him but he managed to clude them and got out of own just in time to avoid arrest

ARGUMENT OF DEFENSE IN TIREY L. FORD CASE.

San Francisco, Oct. 4.—Aity. Albert A., Moore of the defense of the Tirey L. Ford bribery trial resumed his opening argument to the fury at the convening of sourt this morning.

Reminding the fury that the prosecution had not even attempted to introduce a word of direct testimony connecting Ford with the commission of the crime, charged the bribing of Supervisors Thomas. Flowerson-Mr. Moore stigmatized as a figment of distorted imagination in substance and effect, a downright lie, the accusation that Ford bribest Ruef and Ruef bribed Gallagher and Callagher brilled is of its 17 fellow supervisors. He asked if the defendant, a man full of years and knoor, were to be deprived of his liberty and his character and in effect his life, by "such weak and halting and inconclusive and supplicionable institutory as the prosecution has here ad-

fuced, when Mr. Ford has been by no redence connected with this arms. He repeated that the only accumularly ullegations against Ford in all the vest only of the transcribed testimony wars these.

#### LEVIED ON PENITENTIARY.

Just Missed Being Sold and Two Hundred Prisoners Let Loose,

New York, Oct. 4.—The 30 odd pries in the Essex county, N. J., post ary at Galdwell, have not name

ALL CLASSES OF STOCKS WEAK.

#### EMPRESS STEAMERS TO BE TRANSFERRED TO PACIFIC

Victoria, B. C., Oct. 4.—The new steamer collier Thor, a self-trimming steamer of 1,000 tons, with enginess and boders aft, and clear poles fitted with one mast and two rows of decks, has been launched at Sunderland for W. W. Wilhelm, Son & Co., for service from Nanatmo to San Francisco, in the ceal trade. The West-off Fuel company is stated to be interested in the vessel.

Advices have been resived here that the Canadian Facilic Railroad company has definitely decided to transfer the there Empress of Ireland and Empress of Britain to the Pacific and they will come next summer, being replaced by faster steamers on the Atlantic. The Empress steamers on the Atlantic. The Empress steamers on the Atlantic. The Empress steamers on the Atlantic The Empress steamers on the Atlantic The Empress steamers in the Atlantic The Empress of Empress of

Italia.

No settlement has been reached regarding the strike of the drivers which has teed up the work of the Western Fuel company mines at Nanaimo. The drivers have asked the strikers to call ins conclination board appointed by the government to arbitrate under the Lemieux act, but the strikers will not accept this ofter,

#### TO ESCAPE WASHING DISHES GIRLS LIVED LIKE TRAMPS

New York, Oct. 4.—To escape the drudgery of washing dishes and scrubbing floors, two servant gitle, Stella Bonasa, it years old, and Roes Miller, 18 years old, average of Flussing, Long Island, stealing milk, bread and meat from uportices, civiles from wash lines, and cooking utensits whosever they chanced on them. These foraging expeditions were conducted at night and by day the girls loanged in thickets, slept and watched the boats go up Long Island sound. Detectives ran across the girls' camp near the shore of Flussing bay and took them by surprise as they were squatting over a sypsy fire before a rude tent. One of the pair was sought at once though she bit and scrutched vigorously, but the other got away for a short time. Their tent was found to be made or bits of carried and biankets bound together with twins and hung over a ridge pole supported by forked sticks. There were many empty milk bottles about and the girls were about to eat a fat steak and some potatoes they had fixed. When the prisoners were arraigned before Police Magistrate Smith in Long Island city. Rose Miller, to tramp life.

## THE LIFE OF TRADE.

Chairman Knapp Says That it is Cooperation and Not Competition.

operation and Not Competition.

Cincinnati, O., Oct. 4.—That co-operation and not competition is the life of trade was the position taken by Maryin A. Knapp, chairman of the interstate commerce commission, in his address before the convention of the Grain Dealers' National association here. Mr. Knapp said:

"I believe the future development of our sivilization will be along the lines of co-operation. I believe elements that are now conflicting will gather together in harmonious effort and unity of purpose, and that the highest honors and the greatest glories will go to the citizens who are the most useful and perform the greatest service."

Mr. Knapp did not mention any names when he declared "there is greater moral delinquency in the man who secures discriminations in his favor from railroads than there is in a pickpocket or a chicken thief."

## HERD OF BUFFALO.

To be Sent from New York to Wiels its Nat'l Park, Oklahoma.

New York, Oct. 4.- Prank Bush, n an 8,000-acre purk, which is in road

## THE SALT MARKET.

# OF MISSISSIPPI

President Strongly Advocates it Before Deep Waterway Convention.

WOULD SOLVE PROBLEMS

Irrigation of Arid Lands, Prevention of Floods, and Reclamation of Swamps.

Country's "Inexhaustable Resources" Rapidly Being Exhausted-Nation's Greatest Asset,

f citizens and visitors are throughly the streets of Memphis today to do soner to President Recoveredt and the many distinguished mon who are berg lon of the lakes-to-the-gulf waterways envention, which met at the Auditorinal streets are a mass of color and ly displayed throughout the city. The

Returning, the president and his im-mediate party will beard a special train and start for his proposed hunt in Lou-

king start for the conven-tion are governors of 16 states. United States senators, representatives, noted engineers and prominent men from all sections of the territory traversed by the Mississippi river and its tributaries. PRESIDENT ARRIVES,

President Roosevelt and party arrived in the harbor of Memphis at 12:50 p. m. and immediately landed, amid the agree-thing of whistles and cheers of the people.

The steamer Mississippi, with Prest-dent Roosevelt on board, drew along dent Roosevelt on board, drew along-ment of the Reamer Aitob, carrying the revergers at \$1.00 this morning, while the president's fleet was still miles are memphis, for the purpose of giving the president an opportunity to marte Gov. Frantz. of Oklahoma, and Gov. Curry, of New Mexico, on board the Mississippi.

"I want the governor of the territory that has become a state and the gover-nor of the territory that is about to become a state, to ride with me," the president said.

The rain feared this morning had and the parade immediately. Headed by a squad of police aree companies of militia, the to the auditorium began. Presi-

At the Auditorium rink the president spoke as follows:

PRESIDENT AT MEMPHIS.

Under any circumstances I should two come the chance of speaking at Memphis in the old historic state of Tennessee, rich in its glorious past and the certainty of an even greater futh the certainty of an even greater fu-ture; but I especially congratulate my-self that I am able to speak here on an occasion like this, when I meet not only the citizens of Tennessee, but many of the citizens of Missisippi and. Arkansas and of other states as well; and when the chief executives of so Arkansus and of other states as well; and when the chief executives of so many states are gathered to consider a subject of momentous interest to all. The Mississippi valley is a magnificent impire in size and fertility. It is better adapted to the development of inland navigation than any other valley in either hemisphere; for there are 12,000 miles of waterway now more or less fully navigable, and the conditions are so favorable that it will be easy to increase the extent of navigable waterways to almost any required degree be canalization. Early in our industrial history this valley was the seat of the largest development of inland navigation in the United States, and perhaps you will pardon my mentioning that the first steamboat west of the Alleghentes was built by a Roosevelt, my great-grandfather's brother, in 1811, for the New Orleans trade, and in that year mode the trip from Fittsburg to New Orleans. But from various causes river and cathal transportation declined all over the United States as the railroad systems came to their full development. It is our business to see that the declined and provide the property and cathal transportation declined all over the United States as the railroad systems came to their full development. rocated the canalization of the Missis-

WEALTH OF THE MISSISSIPPI VALLEY,

In wealth of natural resources so kingions of Europe can compare with the Mississum valley and the region around the Great Lakes, taken rogeth-es, and in population this huge fortile plain already surpasses all save one of two of the lurgest European kingdoms. turers, in regard to regulating the future course of the market for evaporated sait according to statements made in well-informed quarters, says the Journal of Commorce today. This action was taken, it is said, in consequence of the higher cost of labor and supplies, as well as because of the over-production of sait.

As a result of the understanding prices have recently been advanced 50 cents to 51 per ton from the low figures prevailing a month ago, when sharp price cutting was in progress.

Incidentally, a polley of retrenchment has been inaugurated and various firms have reduced their working forces.