

MANY OPINIONS

As to Whether Utah Shall Hold a Fair This Year.

ANSWERS TO THE SOCIETY.

They Appear to be as Varied as the Question of Whether or Not Utah Should Be Made a State.

For some time past the question of whether or not it will be advisable to hold a Territorial Fair this year has been considered by the officers of the D. A. & M. Society and a few days ago the self-explanatory card was mailed to prominent business men:

Office of D. A. & M. Society,
SALT LAKE CITY, Jan. 29, 1893.
Will you kindly write upon the attached paid reply card your opinion as to the advisability of holding a Territorial Fair during 1893?

Obliging,
Geo. D. Cannon, Asst. Sec.

Replies have been received as follows:

W. B. President: I do not think it advisable to hold a Territorial Fair in Utah because of the Columbian Exposition in Chicago. The D. A. & M. Society should, however, in every way possible encourage the holding of Utah to hold fairs which will become great auxiliaries to the territorial fairs, and thereby awaken a more general interest in the territorial fair than has been manifested by the few exhibitors the last year or two.

F. L. Williams: Our money and a series will be expended on the Columbian fair. I am of the opinion we had better omit a Territorial fair this year.

E. A. McDaniel: I am in favor of holding the fair, but think the stock show should be out this time. Make it an agricultural and industrial show of a very high standard. I think it would be a mistake not to hold a fair in 1893.

W. S. McCormick: I suppose it would indicate a sign of weakness if the Territorial fair is not held this year, and think, perhaps, it would be better to continue the "show" for appearance sake if for no other, although possibly a loss may be sustained.

George A. Lower: I think it would be advisable to have a Territorial fair this year.

Robert Sherman: I am certainly in favor of a fair in 1893. The same question came up in Iowa (my old home) and the unanimous sentiment was to go ahead notwithstanding the World's Fair. If I was can it come by me.

George T. Odell: Unfavorable.

E. A. De Riquel: Yes, by all means; and let it be known that the fair is to be given.

Geo. M. Cannon: Hardly think it wise to hold fair but think it better to center our efforts on a creditable exhibit at the World's Fair.

C. E. Allen: Yes.

A. H. Cannon: I think a territorial fair should be held this year by all means. It seems to me a disadvantage for one season will do great injury to the following year's exhibit.

A. H. Snow: Taking all things into consideration I say—no fair till '94.

James Phelps: In view of the efforts of Utah to make a good showing at the World's Fair at Chicago, it appears to me it would be an "off" year for a local fair.

E. C. Coffin: I am of the opinion that the territorial fair is in every way beneficial to the general history of the Territory. It brings the different localities in a better knowledge of the resources of each, and works to promote the common good.

O. H. Hardy: I see no reason why we should not hold our territorial fair. It brings the resources of our Territory before the public and does a great deal of good. The Chicago Exposition should cut no figure in the matter.

Geo. A. Snow: I am not in favor of holding the fair in 1893. The same question came up in Iowa (my old home) and the unanimous sentiment was to go ahead notwithstanding the World's Fair. If I was can it come by me.

C. H. Sawyer: There are circumstances which make me think it would be a good move to hold our fair this year—principally depression of trade, World's Fair at Chicago, and the fact that most of the exhibitors will have their attention turned to the World's Fair, and will not make one at our annual fair if one is held, on that account.

J. M. Hinkley: Should favor fair this year more than any other. We are likely to have many visitors during the usual time of holding the fair.

L. H. Hink: I am of the opinion that in view of the efforts being made to represent Utah at Chicago, it would be unwise to try to make a creditable fair here this season.

Ellis A. Smith: I think it would be unwise to endeavor to hold a territorial fair this year, as everybody are exerting themselves to make the World's Fair a success, and are called upon for all they can possibly give to help it.

R. A. Kennen: In the absence of Mr. Cannon, who is indisposed and has been for several days, I will undertake to reply for him. I don't think he or the paper (Deseret News) have ever entertained the idea that, in my feelings for the fair and its management, and if we were held would undoubtedly tell it every proper encouragement. The great Chicago attraction might militate somewhat against success, but as a general proposition the home exposition should not be neglected.

W. W. Brown: My opinion is a fair should be held. The prosperity of our Territory depends upon agriculture, stock raising, poultry raising, etc. The annual fair is the best means of improvement in agriculture and stock raising, the very best varieties to be shown.

L. A. Henton: I think it advisable to hold the fair for the majority of the people of this Territory will not attend the Columbian Exposition, and they certainly should be attracted to the exhibition of this kind if our finances will permit.

FROM OUTSIDE BOULEVARD.

In answer to the letters sent to the

different states and territories as to whether they would hold fairs this year, the following replies have been received:

FORBES, South Carolina.
Yes, Mr. Nov. 2, 1893 and 1894.
TOWNS, W. H. H. Secretary.

ALBANY, New York.
Replying to your favor of 21st instant, would be glad to hold a fair in 1893, provided that the fair shall be held on the second Thursday in September to coincide with the Columbian Exposition.

O. HOWARD, Secretary.
SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Jan. 23, 1893.
The Illinois is board of agriculture to hold a fair in 1893, as announced by the Columbian Exposition.

W. C. GARDNER, Secretary.
TOWNS, W. H. H. Secretary.
TOWNS, W. H. H. Secretary.
We hold our fair on 2nd & 3rd, 1893.
GARDNER, W. H. H. Secretary.

On account of the Columbian Exposition the probability is we will not. The question is not yet decided.
H. M. FERRY, President.

THE COUNTY COURT.

Yesterday afternoon's Session, Left Over from the Morning's Session.

Subsequent to the close of the Court report at the proceedings at the county court yesterday the following matters came up:

The compensations of the assessor and collector for collecting and assessing the special school taxes of 1892 were fixed at \$100, to be divided equally.

The county attorney reported on the bond of Fred L. Kent, road supervisor, that it should be approved by the probate judge.

On appeal to McDowell & Lytle's commission, submitted at the last meeting, the attorney reported that the court was not compelled to respect the motion. Refused to the joint city and county building commission.

The clerk was instructed to communicate with the authorities of Utah county with reference to Johnnie Peterson, and to inform them that when the clerk was refused of belonging to Utah county.

In reference to the petition of the Security Abstract & Insurance company, with reference to the county attorney reported that the court should issue the same. This report was adopted and the bond fixed at \$20,000.

Now Hinkley's petition for refunding of taxes was denied in accordance with the report of the attorney.

The county attorney's communication asking that a plat of Wilkes' subdivision be filed in his office, the attorney reported favorably, and Clerk Meloy was instructed to notify Mr. Wilkes to file same at once for the approval of the probate judge.

The county attorney was granted further time in which to report in the matter of interest on the county warrants.

With respect to James S. Scott's petition for relief on account of a tax sale, the attorney reported that the county could set the property if it wished to do so, and that the three sections were appointed as a committee to investigate the matter, the title to which was in the county by virtue of tax sales.

The board will meet again next Monday morning.

THE WEBER STAKE.

Statistical and Other Information by Andrew Jensen.

Editor Deseret News:
On the 14th of January, 1893, I commenced my travels for the year in the interest of Church history by performing a journey with horse and buggy from "Boonsboro, Md." south of Salt Lake City, in Ogden, a distance of forty-two miles. My field of labor on this trip is the Weber Stake of Zion.

On Sunday and Monday, the 15th and 16th, I attended the regular quarterly conference of the Weber Stake of Zion held in the old historic building known as the Ogden Tabernacle. This society, yet very unpretentious edifice, has roomed with the voice of inspiration and the sweet music of the songs of Zion almost every Sabbath day and on many other occasions besides, since the year 1827, when it was first erected.

The building measures 100 feet from east to west and fifty feet from north to south, and it was built by the early pioneers of the territory. It is a fine example of the architecture of the time, and is a valuable relic of the past.

On the 17th inst. I commenced my historical tour in the interest of the Weber Stake in the comfortable office of Elder Joseph Standish, the Stake historian, who has been gathering together historical data pertaining to this part of the country. With his assistance I began to make a general and complete history of the Stake in the Weber Stake of Zion.

The Weber Stake consists of 25 organized bishop's wards, with a total membership of 12,014, or 2,500 families. The Stake is bounded by the 34th, 35th, 36th, 37th, 38th, 39th, 40th, 41st, 42nd, 43rd, 44th, 45th, 46th, 47th, 48th, 49th, 50th, 51st, 52nd, 53rd, 54th, 55th, 56th, 57th, 58th, 59th, 60th, 61st, 62nd, 63rd, 64th, 65th, 66th, 67th, 68th, 69th, 70th, 71st, 72nd, 73rd, 74th, 75th, 76th, 77th, 78th, 79th, 80th, 81st, 82nd, 83rd, 84th, 85th, 86th, 87th, 88th, 89th, 90th, 91st, 92nd, 93rd, 94th, 95th, 96th, 97th, 98th, 99th, 100th, 101st, 102nd, 103rd, 104th, 105th, 106th, 107th, 108th, 109th, 110th, 111th, 112th, 113th, 114th, 115th, 116th, 117th, 118th, 119th, 120th, 121st, 122nd, 123rd, 124th, 125th, 126th, 127th, 128th, 129th, 130th, 131st, 132nd, 133rd, 134th, 135th, 136th, 137th, 138th, 139th, 140th, 141st, 142nd, 143rd, 144th, 145th, 146th, 147th, 148th, 149th, 150th, 151st, 152nd, 153rd, 154th, 155th, 156th, 157th, 158th, 159th, 160th, 161st, 162nd, 163rd, 164th, 165th, 166th, 167th, 168th, 169th, 170th, 171st, 172nd, 173rd, 174th, 175th, 176th, 177th, 178th, 179th, 180th, 181st, 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