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CONFERENCE NOTICE.

The Seventy-fifth Semi-annual Conference of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints will be held in the Tabernacle, Salt Lake City, commencing on Thursday, October 6, 1904. A general attendance on that day of the officers and members is requested and expected.

JOSEPH F. SMITH, JOHN R. WINDER, ANTHON H. LUND, First Presidency.

CONFERENCE NOTES.

The General Priesthood meeting will be held in the tabernacle on Friday night, Oct. 7, commencing at 7 o'clock. The special Priesthood meeting usually held on the day after conference. consisting of the General Authorities, Stake Presidents and Bishoprics, High Councilors, Patriarchs, Presidents of temples and Presidents of missions, will be held in the Asembly hall on Saturday, the 8th, commencing at 10 o'clock a. m. The members of the General Boards of the Sunday School Union and Y. M. M. I. Association are also invited to this meeting.

The General Conference will adjourn on Friday afternoon to Sunday morning at 10 o'clock.

Religion cluss stake officers and class teachers will meet with the General Superintendency at the Assembly Hall, Saturday Oct 8 at 2 p. m. Sunday School Union will convene in

the Tabernacle on Sunday night, commencing at 7 o'clock.

SOCIAL DUTIES.

The subject of our duty to our neigh-

been here for six, seven or eight months, and had not made a single ac. quaintance among the Latter-day Saints. She had found employment with people not in the Church, and had never been invited into the home of a Latter-day Saint. She went to meetings, but no one ever shook hands with her; no one took pains to enquire who she was, where she was living, where she came from, or where she was going. She was looked upon as a stranger, and in turn looked upon others as strangers, and had not the adaptability to come into the confidence of any Latter-day Saint, Hence, she became thoroughly discouraged, not to say disgusted, and concluded that If this was the reception and treatment she was to receive from the Saints, after having been turned away by her friends when she received the Gospel, having joined the Church for the love of its principles, and having faith in its people-if this was to be the treatment, she want.

ed no more of It. "It may be that the young woman in this really sad case was to blame for not insisting on being received, for not being independent and taking hold of affairs without ald, but all are not constituted that way, are not aggressive, but it is evident there was much fault, not in our social organization, for that is well-nigh perfect-with our teachers. and the Priesthood quorums, our ward improvement, Sunday school, and women's associations-but in the execution of its arrangements, in the performance of duty by officers, and in the social amenities of men and women chosen for this important labor. All that the young woman needed was a kind work, some one to say, "How do you do? What is your name? Where are you living? Are you a member of the Church?" and upon learning that she was alone in the City of Balt Lake, without father, mother, sister or brother, friend or acquaintance, some one to ask her to pay them a visit, or offer her

some kindness, or show some interest in her, in her lone condition. -"Of course, there are many examples, where proper action has been taken by officers of the Church or its organizations to offset this one case where inattention was shown; but that there should be any neglected person among this people is both needless and wrong. One case is more than should ever be found, but I comprehend that there is among us too much indifference to those around us. We not only neglect in this way our neighbors who are strangers to us, but we actually neg-

lect, criminally when it is really considered, our own people, who should receive some notice and attention from "The city people have become accustomed to living near neighbors for years without associating together. There are instances where good people. well acquainted in business and upon the street, have lived neighbors for twenty-five or more years, and yet not

invited each other to their homes, to miles an hour in calm, turn in a circle take dinner together, nor to have a soof 100 yards and finally ascend and descial hour or evening. They live so nea cend without apparatus working from each other that they can almost shake the ground. The whole problem," he hands, from door to door, yet never. added, "of aerial navigation has alcall, nor associate together; they are ready been successfully solved, and perfectly exclusive. That is not a wise nothing more remains but to work out nor a good way, especially when, as by experiment the details of lifting Latter-day Saints, we should be lookand driving power." ing after the welfare of mankind, by Russia may lose her entire fleet in preaching the gospel in word and in this war with Japan, but if the airship deed. Would it not be much better if is so near perfection as here indicated, we arranged a little dinner, or invited the loss will not be irreparable, since our neighbor to come and join us in a flying machines can be built cheaper than battleships. Nations with extenlittle social, to become acquainted and sive naval programs may have to modimake him feel we are not strangers to fy these, so as not to spend vast sums him, nor he to us? And let us rememof money on useless war engines. ber the definition which Christ sanctioned of neighbor, as well as the re-To ignore the press is to ignore the quirement: He that showeth mercy nublic, unto me is my neighbor, and the commandment is: Thou shalt love thy In these lovely days all are fair neighbor as thyself. weather friends. "I hope we shall do better. But there is really little sociability among us, Robert Treat Paine, Sr., has been and there is an exclusiveness that is elected president of the International not in keeping with the warmth of the Peace congress. gospel. We do not think enough of each other; and finally, we pass each The Prohibitionists won't consent to other on the street without the slighthave a straw vote taken lest it reflect est recognition. We scarcely bow to a on their sincerity. brother, unless we are really intimate with him. That is not the spirit that It seems harder to find the right kind belongs to 'Mormonism.' It is conof reciprocity, which all want, than trary to that friendship and sociability Diogenes' honest man. that ought to characterize Latter-day All the candidates say, "My country, Saints. I believe in the broadest, most 'tis of thee I sing." Never for a mocharitable, the kindest and most loving, ment would they think of singing their spirit that it is possible for broadminded and big-souled men to exercise own praises. or to possess; and that this spirit ought When letters of acceptance by guberto be the spirit possessed and diffused natorial candidates are sent out, it by the Saints everywhere. comes pretty near being a piling on of "Let us, then, gather in the honest in the agony. heart, and treat them and each other with the spirit of warmth and love Mr. Edwin D. Mead of Boston characeristic of the gospel. Then talk 'views with alarm" the growing size about the unfortunate, the drunken, of the American navy. Others "point the weak, the erring! Do not shun with pride" to it. them, either. They ought to be saved as well as everybody else; and, if it is Governor Bates of Massachusetts appossible, let us save them, too, as well Utah State Fair pears to be in the mood to appoint as the worthy, the good and the pure. Attorney-General Moody as the late Let us save the sinner, and bring him Senator Hoar's successor. to a knowledge of the truth, if possible "Our Mutual Improvement associa-Benjamin Ide Wheeler says that the tions are invited to make a specialty of Filipinos will never have independence. this social work: the bishops should Sir Oracle having spoken, let all further lend their aid to the officers in selectagitation of the matter drop. ing and setting apart capable and experlenced missionaries, as we'' as ward Having carved his name upon the FINE HORSE RACING! teachers, who should devote their enerpillar of fame, Sculptor Bartholdi was gles, among other things, to the develugaged in designing his own tombopment of a more social spirit among stone when death overtook him. Dr. Carver in trick and fancy shooting. Austin Sisters in wonderful aerial acts. "Cupid" and "Powder Face," famous diving horses. the people. The indifferent youth as well as the stranger and the friendless, "The situation at the front is unin our midst, should be made welcome changed." is the latest news from the at our gatherings, and be induced to Japanese headquarters in the field. feel at home among the people of God. That means that Kuropatkin has not And then, let it be remembered, every retired. And Phil Green's Globe Act, with mag-ificent fireworks at night. family, every person, has a duty in this Miss Estelle Reed says there has been line. Because men or women are not ward or association officers is no good marked improvement in the methods of instruction pursued in the Indian reason why they should be exempt schools the last year. They no longer from the common social amenities of teach the young idea how to shoot. life, nor why they should not be subject to doing good temporally, spiritually The Electric Theater, Old Plantation, Statue Turned to Life, Giant Octopus, Loop-the-Loop, Jump-the-Gap, Merry-Go-'Round, High Dive from 30-foot platform into 214 feet of water. At the Auditorium hotel in Chicago and socially, JOSEPH F. SMITH." the other day Sec?. Shaw was mistaken by the clerk for a dancing master, and POTTER AND DIVORCE. he had to be identified before the cashier would cash a check for him. Such

six months, and 11.363 applications were | forgotten more about the common law pending on the 1st of July. The family of it. is the foundation of the state, and unless the foundation is kept sound, the superstructure will certainly fall. Loose divorce proceedings are the cause of many modern evils. One of

these is the lawlesness that manifests itself among children. One of Chlcago's educators recently said that divorces were responsible for truancy and juvenile crimes in that city. He found that there are in Chicago about 35,000 divorced persons, the parents of about 40,000 children. It is shown that a majority of the boys and girls committed to correctional institutions belong to this body of 40,000 children of the di-Vorced A truant officer of Des Moines, Ia., agrees with his Chicago colleague. In a

report to the board of education, he says that of 168 cases of truancy investigated in West Des Moines the parents of the children in a majority of cases vere either divorced persons or drunkards. He tells of one boy 9 years old who had given him a great deal of trouble as a reckless and persistent truant. He discovered that, through divorces, the lad had six living parents, one matural father and two stepfathers, one natural mother and two stepmothers, The two with whom the boy lived made no effort to keep him in school, and the child is headed toward ruin. This phase of the divorce evil, were there no other, is grave enough to call for serious attention. It will not be denled that in some cases divorce is the escape from the effects of a very serious mistake, and in such cases the remedy is justified, just as is the amputation of a limb under certain circumstances. But there should be less

of that kind of mistakes. The marriage relation should be sacred. It is the dense ignorance regarding this relation, and the consequent triffing with it, that is the cause of so many divorces, and reform should go to the root of the evil.

AIR NAVIGATION.

Lieutenant-Colonel Capper, of the British army, now on a visit to this country, is quoted as having expressed the opinion that, within the next twelve years the supremacy of nations will be decided in the air. That is to say, he believes that within that period of time. air navigation will be developed and military conflicts will be decided by flying machines. "The British government," he says, "In seriously considering and spending much money just now on the problem of the airship. Our war office recently commissioned Dr. Barton, the most expert man today on aerial machine construction, to build an airship for practical use in war. The war office has stipulated, and Dr. Barton has guaranteed, that his machine shall be able to carry three men, also fuel and apparatus for 24 hours, remain in the air 24 hours, have a speed of 13

than all his carping critics ever knew

J. F. Schermerhorn of New York declares that his son Amos Schermerhorn was the driver of the British Secretary

Hugh Gurney's automobile on Sept. 25 when Mr. Gurnay was charged with violating the Stockbridge speed ordinance, Mr. Schermerhorn also says that Sheriff Noble, who made the arrest, was being given a ride in the machine as an accommodation when he apprised the automobilists that they were exceeding the speed limit. Truly Mr. Gurney is a modern knight. The world has witnessed no such gallant act since Sir Walter Raleigh spread his cloak for Elizabeth to walk upon.

THE LEE INCIDENT.

New York Evening Sun. Special Justice Phelps of Lee, a country town in the Berkshire Hills, awoke one morning to find himself fa-mous. He had fined no less a person-age than Hugh Gurney, Esq., third secretary of the British embassy at Washngton, \$25 for violating the speed law n his automobile and \$25 more for conempt of court. There seems to be no doubt that Mr. Gurney tooled his auto through the main street of Stockbridge, of whose elms the inhabitants are extravagantly proud, at a high rate of speed. The third secretary was "pinched" by Deputy Sheriff D. A. No-ble. Both the Special Justice and the diplomat found themselves in an awkward position. The magistrate was aware of the popular hostility to scorching, and deemed it his duty to make an example of such an offender is the distinguished-looking offender Moreover, he was an Englishman, and clemency would never be condoned by the villagers. But the third secretary, us a representative of his Britannic najecty's government, had been cruelly outraged, for he was exempt from arrest as a member of the diplomatic corps. The canons of international law made his person sacred, and Mr. Gurney lost no time in trying to enlighten the unsophisticated Solon.

Springfield Republican.

After the much that has been and will be said about the international pisode in the Lee police court, it will be admitted that the third assistant secretary of the British embassy, Mr. Gurney, by no means appears in the light of a heroic figure The people of the vicinage have no sympathy to waste on him, and neither will the rest of us have. He broke the local regulations regarding the speed at which automobiles can be driven, and the consequences thereof are not such as will be likely to endear him to his superiors in the British diplomatic service. That good deal of local feeling should be aroused on the subject is, under all the circumstances, not to be wondered at, But Uncle Sam and the state authorities must proceed strictly according to international law, and are doing so as fast as the circumstances will per-

Boston Post.

Special Justice Pheips of the Lee po. ice court has probably rendered him. self liable to three years in jail and a money fine as big as the "discretion of the court" may impose. So have the sheriff and the constable and all the others concerned in the humiliation of the representative of his Britanic ma-jesty who induiged in the recreation of auto scorching upon the highways of sylvan Berkshire in deflance of the law of the land. But while we regret that a member of the judiciary of this commonwealth should be so poorly read in federal and international law as to fail to recognize the sacrosanct character of Scorcher Gurney, we must confess to admiration of the sturdy way in which Judge Phelps stood up for the authority of the state.



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bors in a social way, is brought to the attention of the Latter-day Saints by President Joseph F. Smith, through an editorial in the Improvement Era for October. The neglect therein referred to is largely occasioned by the strenuous life of the majority of our people, particularly in the larger cities and towns of Utah.

There is so much for every live citizen to do, and so many meetings to attend, that the masses of the memhers of the Church have their time so fully occupied, that social entertainment is almost out of the question. Still, a great many of them, especially the women and children, do take occasion to go to parties and on excursions and to various amusements, and a portion of the time thus occupied should be devoted to the purposes set forth in the Era article.

Not only should courtesies be extended to new-comers and those who have no relatives or intimate friends here, but to "the stranger within our gates" who knows nothing of our faith, our lives or our intentions. The truth should be set forth to residents who are unacquainted with our principles, and the Gospel should be declared to them as occasion permits. There should be no feeling of hostility among us to people not of our faith, for tolerance, peace and good will to all men make up an article of our creed. As citizens of this grand republic we can dwell together in amity, conceding to every individual his rights, and maintaining the liberty extended by the Creator and provided for in the heaven-inspired Constitution of our common country.

We fully agree with the sentiments expressed in the Era editorial, and therefore copy it here in its entirety, commending it to the attention of all our readers:

"The improvement associations have local missionaries set apart by the Bishops of the wards. The work of these officers is of great importance, and by proper care can be made very effective. In line with this work, and which should also be considered by our associations, are the social amenities due to strangers, and that we owe to each other. Not only are our young people frequently thoughtlessly neglectful in these respects, but this carelessness extends to the people of the ward as a whole, including the teachers and ward officers, whose special duty it is to look after these things.

"It has become so customary to look out for oneself, to be independent, that the thought of showing anxiety for others, or that any one in our midst could be in a dependent mood, seems not often to arise in our minds. This has led to an apparent coldness and lack of sociability among us which has caused offense to many of our friends, and been a stumbling block to strangers even of our own faith.

"I call to mind that not long ago, a young lady was desirous of obtaining a passage to England, Against much prejudice in her native land, she had joined the Church, embracing the Gospel agaist the wishes of her friends. She had come to Utah, and now, after llving here several months, she felt as if she were in a foreign land among strangers, and had concluded, there. fore, to return to her old home. Enquiring as to the reason for this dissat-

Bishop Potter of New York sounds a ls fame. timely note of warning when the declares that unless something is done to stem the tide of divorce that is threatening this country, society is in danger of relapsing into a state of barbarism. isfaction, it was learned that she had There were 4,316 divorces in one state in

It is rather amusing to read the comments of many papers on Judge Parker's want of knowledge of the common law as displayed in his letter of acceptance. It is quite safe to say that he has

The Boston Globe.

When Massachusetts and the federal government have made due amends for the arrest at Lee of the third secretary of the British embassy for exceeding the lawful speed for automo-biles, it will be in order for the Brit-ish government to make the amenda that are equally due to us whose laws have been violated by its representative. It is quite right, in accordance with the usages of nations, that our tive. courts should not undertake to punish any diplomatic representative of another nation. But no nation has the right to maintain in this country an agent who will not conform to all-our laws, large and small alike.

The Worcester Telegram.





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