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ANNUAL Y. M. AND Y. L. M. I. A.  
CONFERENCE.

The Fourteenth General Annual Con-  
ference of the Young Men's and Young  
Ladies' Mutual Improvement Associa-  
tions of the Church of Jesus Christ  
of Latter-day Saints will be held in  
Salt Lake City, on Saturday and Sun-  
day, June 5th and 6th, 1909.

All officers and members of the as-  
sociation are requested to be present  
at all of the meetings of the confer-  
ence, and a cordial invitation is here-  
by extended to the Saints generally  
to attend the meetings to be held in  
the Tabernacle on Sunday, June 6th,  
at 10 a. m. and at 2 and 7 p. m.

JOSEPH F. SMITH,  
HUBERT J. GRANT,  
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MAY T. NYSTROM,  
Presidency Y. L. M. I. A.

ANNUAL PRIMARY CONFERENCE.

The seventh annual general confer-  
ence of the officers of the Primary As-  
sociations of the Church of Jesus Christ  
of Latter-day Saints will be held in  
Salt Lake City, June 4th, 5th and 6th,  
1909. All officers, stake and local, are  
requested to be present at all the ses-  
sions of this conference.

LOUIE B. FELT,  
MAY ANDERSON,  
CLARA W. BEEBE,  
Presidency Primary Associations.

THE "CORNERING" OF WHEAT.

The wisdom of the world thus far has  
never devised a means whereby govern-  
ments can regulate the prices of even  
the common necessities of life.

The recent "cornering" of the wheat  
market in Chicago through the pur-  
chase of all the available supply by  
certain speculators, followed by a de-  
cided rise in the price of wheat and  
flour, is a phenomenon that has at-  
tracted the attention and excited the  
alarm of the civilized world.

The manipulation of the wheat specu-  
lators is quite generally denounced as  
a crime. The chief operators in these  
dealings is a Mr. James A. Patten of  
the Chicago grain-pit, who has bought  
up 25,000,000 bushels to be delivered to  
his order in May. This is practically  
one-sixth of the wheat crop of the United  
States. The present holders of  
wheat dare not sell now, or they may  
fail to deliver according to their con-  
tracts with Mr. Patten in May. The  
result is that the wheat is lying idle  
in elevators for weeks and for perhaps  
months, since Mr. Patten and his as-  
sociates closed most of these agree-  
ments last winter. The mills cannot  
grind this wheat, and flour has there-  
fore advanced in price at least \$7 a bar-  
rel in the great centers of population.  
The size of the bread loaf has been re-  
duced, and the loss is falling upon the  
consumers of bread.

May wheat has sold as high as \$1.29  
per bushel in Chicago, and \$1.35 in New  
York. Some fears are entertained that  
prices will advance till a bread famine  
may result. Predictions of \$1.50 wheat  
in New York are made freely.

On March 5th of this year, the govern-  
ment reports showed 143,692,000  
bushels of wheat in the hands of farm-  
ers. The price of wheat, upon this  
announcement, fell seven cents per  
bushel, or 22 cents lower than the re-  
cent high prices.

Mr. Patten argues that if he and his  
associates had not bought up the wheat,  
foreigners would have done so, and the  
price would then have been higher  
with us than it is today; since in that  
event, he claims, "we would have been  
compelled to buy from the very Euro-  
peans we sold to." He regards it as  
fortunate that it was Americans who  
first diagnosed crop conditions and took  
advantage of them—not for the sake of  
philanthropy, but for the making of  
legitimate profits. He denies any mani-  
pulation of the market. Here is his  
explanation:

"For three or four years this has been  
coming, and I saw it. At the end of  
each crop bins were empty everywhere.  
With increasing population here and  
abroad, it was obvious that sooner or  
later the crop of one year would be  
exhausted before a new crop was at  
hand. Last fall, if not earlier, I saw  
it coming. I bought wheat, and my  
friends did likewise. The great un-  
thinking public here and in Europe  
would not, or could not, see what was  
coming. Liverpool would not buy  
months ago, thinking the prices of that  
day too high. Now Europe wants 55-  
60,000,000 bushels. The harvest was early  
last year. It has been trying to cover  
thirteen months' instead of the usual  
twelve, and it can't do it. We need  
wheat for the mills right here in Chi-  
cago now."

The Philadelphia Ledger adds the ex-  
planation that the exporting price is  
not determined in Chicago but in Liver-  
pool, and that when wheat begins to  
flow outward prices are naturally equal-  
ized. Wheat, it says, is one of the  
great mediums of international ex-  
change. Gold is the other. Gold is  
now cheap, and not in demand, while  
wheat is dear and is needed at home.  
We are consequently exporting gold  
rather than wheat. The prices of these  
two commodities are reciprocally re-  
lated to one another, and the relative  
fall in gold is so evidently associated  
with a relative rise in wheat—both be-  
ing exportable—as to give the Chicago  
bills a basis for their speculative move-  
ment.

Most of the papers, however, express

the conviction that the speculators have  
turned these natural conditions to their  
own artificial advantage at the public  
expense. If it could be proved that  
there has been a combination for the  
purpose of forcing up the price of bread,  
the indignation of the people would be  
much greater than it is.

It is said that in both Germany and  
France severe penalties are prescribed  
for the punishment of those who deal  
in grain "futures" or who attempt to  
establish a "corner in foodstuffs." Such  
operations are regarded there, not only  
as stealing, but as stealing from the  
poor, and it is thought by many of the  
editors that similar attention should  
be paid in this country to controlling  
the gambling of the stock markets  
when employed to advance the prices of  
the common staples of life.

It may be that the present abnormal  
prices will stimulate heavy spring  
planting of wheat and other cereals,  
and so finally reduce the prices, by an-  
ticipation of increased crops, within a  
few months.

Meantime, the poor must pay more  
for their bread; and since most of the  
farmers have sold their wheat, they get  
no immediate share of the vast  
profits signified in the abnormal rise of  
prices.

NO ESSENTIAL DIFFERENCE.

It is encouraging to note the manner  
in which the various business inter-  
ests of the City are coming to the aid  
of the local Y. M. C. A. As one of the  
speakers pointed out at the Commercial  
club meeting yesterday, the significant  
feature of the affair is not so much  
that the business men of the City are  
determined to save the Association as  
that a question has at last been pre-  
sented on which all are united. He pre-  
dicts that it means the beginning of  
the end of the dissension and bitter-  
ness that have already existed too long  
in Salt Lake City, and if his prediction  
be right the Commercial club's action  
in coming to the relief of the Y. M. C.  
A. may prove to be the most important  
work the club has ever undertaken.

The manner in which this speaker's  
remarks were received indicated con-  
clusively that his attitude had the en-  
dorsement of the many representative  
business men of all parties and beliefs  
who were present. The very fact that  
so many business men have become ac-  
tively associated with the movement is  
in itself an encouraging sign. It shows  
that there are in fact, no fundamental  
or irreconcilable differences here, and  
that the people of the City can get to-  
gether in a good cause and accomplish  
results.

SALT LAKE AND THE PIONEER.

We have mentioned, locally, the ex-  
cellent pamphlet issued by the Denver  
and Rio Grande Railroad for the in-  
formation of the veterans of the Grand  
Army and other visitors who will honor  
the City by their presence the coming  
summer. It is a fine advertisement  
for Salt Lake as well as for the road.  
The author, Judge Colborn, gives a  
very fine description of the Valley and  
the city, and pays a glowing tribute  
to the work of the Pioneers. We quote  
these paragraphs:

"Thus in the valley of the Great Salt  
Lake with the ending of the long jour-  
ney of Brigham Young's First Com-  
pany, began far western civilization.  
"Is it not a proud thing for Salt  
Lake to say that she was the genesis  
of that great movement? And will it  
not stand ever to her credit and soften  
whatever may be laid up against her by  
those who have quarreled with her for  
religious sake?"  
"To think of what the Rocky Moun-  
tain region was when Brigham Young  
began that memorable journey, is to  
think of great treeless plains grazed  
by millions of Buffalo and almost un-  
marked by a white man's trail; of  
cloud-crested, snow covered mountains  
through whose forbidden barriers few  
passages were known; of weary stretch-  
es of desert, scorching in the sun and  
awful in their solitudes; of wild beasts  
and savage men in undisputed do-  
minion—a wilderness so vast, so vague,  
so filled with the most intrepid dare  
devil."

"Five of the one hundred and forty-  
eight founders of Salt Lake are still  
living. What mighty memories must  
be theirs!"  
"They saw, and Salt Lake saw, the  
wagon trail the Mormons made when  
they came a highway over which, within  
three years, a hundred thousand men  
journeyed to the land of gold; they  
saw under irrigation the constant creep-  
ing of the green over the gray of the  
desert; they saw year after year long  
wagon trains toiling painfully into the  
west; they saw the stage coaches of  
Ben Holladay dashing from station to  
station, and the swift flying riders of  
the Pony Express; they saw the build-  
ing of the first trans-continental rail-  
road and after that—the subjugation  
of the savage—the pathetic and the  
buffalo—the carving out of states—and  
at last, where they found the wastes,  
they saw a populous and productive  
empire. Was there ever such another  
thrilling and fascinating moving pic-  
ture unfolded to mortal eyes?"

This gives an idea of the spirit in  
which this pamphlet is published. Its  
aim is to call attention to the brilliant  
achievements of the empire-builders  
of Utah. That is the kind of advertising  
the State needs, and well deserves.

"AMERICAN" ORGAN BRAYING.

The "American" organ is still frantic-  
ally striving to square itself with the  
public on two points; first, on its un-  
called-for falsehood that the "News"  
ignored the Kearns skyscraper busi-  
ness; and, secondly, on the peculiar  
fact that ex-Senator Kearns did not  
have faith enough in the American  
party to commence any noteworthy  
building enterprise on the strength of  
the victory in the municipal election of  
that party, but waited until the party  
had been defeated in the county and  
school elections.

As to the first of these points, the  
Tribune can no more square itself than  
it can tell the truth. The paper sim-  
ply said the "News" ignored the little  
Kearns building, after we had writ-  
ten it up twice. And the paper refuses  
to correct its error. It insists that we  
only had one mention of the building,  
thereby showing that its mendacity is  
premeditated and wilful.

As to the other point, no one can  
blame the Tribune for experiencing that  
dread feeling, Entertaining citizens,  
fully believing in the future of Salt  
Lake City and in the final triumph of  
American principles over the pseudo-  
American policy of hatred and graft  
of which the Tribune is the hired ex-

ponent, went ahead and constructed  
and planned and built up the City to the  
best of their ability. They spent their  
own money and induced other capital-  
ists to invest, while beneficiaries of the  
so-called American party waited and  
waited, and made money out of the  
taxes of the people, bragging all the  
time of the improvements THEY made,  
but which the taxpayers paid for at  
exorbitant rates. No wonder that the  
Tribune now raves. The following  
paragraph from its editorial columns  
fully depicts its condition. If we may  
take the liberty of changing the term  
of "church organ" to "American or-  
gan":

"The 'American' organ is a silly, bab-  
bling baby. It winds itself up in the  
thread of its own 'argument' so that it  
is helpless. It is obliged to ignore facts,  
logic and reason, and depend altogether  
on insane raving, false statements, and  
ignoring of plain facts. And all the  
time in its unconscious cerebration, it  
is well aware that it is making an ass  
of itself and trying to fight off the ir-  
resistible conclusions of daily experi-  
ence and the universal observations and  
knowledge of the people of Salt  
Lake."

With the change suggested this is  
perfectly correct.

Try as it may, June cannot beat these  
days.

The creeks are having a high old  
time.

There is no fool like the fellow who  
fools you.

Ideals are all right when they do  
not ignore realities.

Would a woman who wears a scuttie  
hat scuttie a ship?

High prices do not make high living;  
they make living high.

Solomon must half as wise as a  
sophomore thinks he is.

Some people think they are stoics  
when they are only bores.

Aladdin's lamp is still to be pre-  
ferred to any electric light.

As a hunter Kermit is proving himself  
a worthy son of a noble sire.

Filling a report does not always  
smooth the rough points in it.

Many a man who is called a crank is  
nothing but a snapping turtle.

A buried hatchet is always dangerous  
until rust has turned it to earth.

The marriage itself is never a fail-  
ure, but the aftermath may be.

Nimrod was a mighty hunter before  
Colonel Roosevelt but he isn't now.

Only millionaires can afford to have  
their bread buttered on both sides those  
days.

The decision in the commodities  
clause case was a sort of two-edged  
sword.

'A' man would rather have a piece of  
his wife's mind than a sample to  
match.

Between South Bend and North  
Bend, Indiana should get things fair-  
ly straight.

Some of Constantinople's erstwhile  
despots have been suspended in air as  
terrible examples.

The loud laugh that speaks the vac-  
ant mind, isn't the kind that makes  
people grow fat.

Senator Johnson of North Dakota will  
fight the proposition to erect a statue  
in Washington to Alexander Hamilton.  
Everybody has heard of Hamilton but  
who is Johnson?

Castro thinks of suing France for  
damages for not permitting him to stay  
at Martinique. Here is a case where  
Castro will find second thoughts much  
the best.

Senator McCumber of North Dakota  
and Senator Piles of Washington find-  
ing it utterly impossible to agree on  
the lumber schedule should refer their  
differences to the Chicago Peace con-  
gress.

Because eleven soldiers in the Philip-  
pines drank wood alcohol and died, the  
chief surgeon for the islands tries to  
turn it into an argument in favor of  
the restoration of the army canteen,  
saying he believes that had the soldier  
victims been accorded the privileges of  
ordinary citizens and allowed to pur-  
chase beer at the isolated post their  
lives would not have been sacrificed. It  
is a puerile attempt and only provokes  
contempt. The lesson taught is not to  
drink at all.

Some time ago the Boston Herald  
ceased publishing a so-called comic  
supplement. Now the Nineteenth Cen-  
tury Club of Chicago has declared war  
upon the "comic," and the International  
Kindergarten Association has pledged  
its efforts to secure more refined en-  
tertainment for children. The revolt is  
based upon observed effects of the  
"comic," rather than upon theoretical  
injuries. Mothers and teachers know  
by experience that children will imitate  
the ridiculous, improper pranks pic-  
tured of a Sunday—deliberately, if they  
may, and unconsciously, even if they  
are restrained. At a recent meeting  
of newspaper publishers, Mr. R. J. Bur-  
dette appealed to all present to make  
war upon the horrible "comic."

WOMEN TENEMENT BUILDERS.

New York World.  
The purpose of Mrs. William K.  
Vanderbilt to erect at a cost of \$1-  
000,000 a block of improved tenement  
houses on East Seventy-seventh street  
follows close upon Mrs. Sage's pur-  
chase of fifty acres south of Jamaica  
village for a model suburb. The Sage  
dwellings, with space for some variation  
in plan from the conventional  
gridiron, will probably provide in-  
terior play grounds and gardens and  
other semi-rural conveniences. Their  
occupants can have rapid transit to  
Manhattan, but there will be plenty of  
local laborers to house. The Pennsylv-  
ania railroad yards and the Jamaica  
bay dock improvements will employ  
thousands of men, and probably some  
laborers, men and women, on the  
nearby truck farms will for a time  
continue to live in Jamaica. The

shively tenements, as Mrs. Vanderbilt  
calls her venture, are quite as inter-  
esting, as an experiment in designing  
houses for the open air treatment of  
tuberculosis tenants. Women are the  
natural home planners and builders.  
In no way can wealthy women better  
employ their means and talents than  
in providing cheap dwellings in the  
best developed form.

THE INDIAN SHOPPERS.

The Delineator.

Few white women can extract more  
pleasure from the purchase of neces-  
sities, or make of it a more protracted  
dissipation, than the Indian woman.  
In search of gaudy bling-bling, calico  
gingham, multi-hued handkerchiefs  
with which to turban her head, or  
perhaps a pair of shiny storm-rubbers  
to wear over her moccasins in bad  
weather, she spends more hours than  
she does dollars, driving the shrewd-  
est of bargains. One peculiarity of the  
Indian woman shopping is that she  
will deal with men clerks only, edu-  
cated Indian women excepted. Fre-  
quently she will cross the street to  
another store to make her purchase  
for no other reason than that a man  
is there to serve her, the rival shop  
having made the mistake of sending  
a girl clerk to learn her wants. If the  
clerk can speak "Chinook," the uni-  
versal jargon of the Indian, so much  
the better; she will wait patiently for  
hours to secure his services. The In-  
dian woman shopping is never in a  
hurry. Pointing to a pile of dress  
goods she exclaims, "Ener," and the  
clerk proceeds to tap each bolt until  
a satisfied smile convinces him he  
has hit on the desired one. Carefully  
feeling the cloth, the Indian woman,  
after many minutes, bargains for a  
couple of yards, she pays for it and  
slowly moves on to the adjoining  
counter, where the calicoes or ging-  
hams of percales tempt. The bolts lie  
in fantastically piled rows before her,  
but she patiently waits for the clerk to  
handle them one by one, and after an  
hour's deliberation she purchases  
a few yards, once more settles her ac-  
count and moves on to the next coun-  
ter. She goes through the entire store,  
paying for each article as it is bought,  
until the twilight fades, the electric  
globes twinkle and the clerk's shopping  
is at an end. Probably she has spent  
a couple of dollars in four hours, one  
peculiar feature being that the large  
purchases have been made more  
quickly and with less bartering than  
the small ones.

JUST FOR FUN

More Than Figurative.

"Alas," sighed Weary Wiggins, gaz-  
ing dejectedly upon his torn and tattered  
trousers, "I'm afraid these here  
pants is on their last legs!"—Lippin-  
cott's.

Bargain Kids.

Little Abe—Fader, der was a fire in  
school today!  
Father—Den, if der teacher knows  
her business, she mark you all down  
tomorrow!—Bohemian Magazine.

Ha!

The Wife—Give me that letter you  
just opened!  
The Husband—Why?  
The Wife—You turned pale when  
you opened it, and thrust it hastily in  
your pocket. I demand to see it.  
The Husband—Here it is, woman. It  
is the bill for your Easter hat.—Cleve-  
land Leader.

At the Seaside.

Summer Visitor—Did you ever see a  
water spout, Capt. Olds?  
Capt. O.—Aye, mum, that I have,  
dozens.

S. V.—Really, how remarkable!  
Where did you see them, if I may ask?  
Capt. O.—At the plumber's, mum, at  
the plumber's.—Harvard Lampoon.

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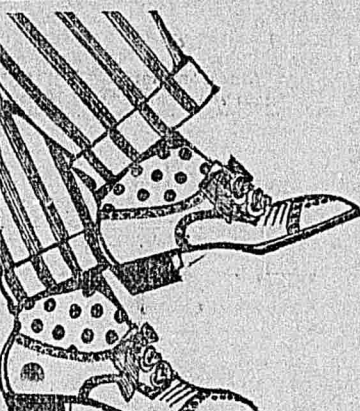
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