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NOTICE TO LOCAL BISHOPS.

The bishops of Liberty, Pioneer, Salt Lake and Ensign stakes are requested to adjourn their evening meetings of Sunday next, June 7, in order to give the members of their respective wards an opportunity to attend a convention of Church school teachers and Religion Class workers to be held in the Tabernacle on that night.

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

Y. M. AND Y. L. CONFERENCE.

The thirteenth general annual con ference of the Young Men's and Young Ladies' Mutual Improvement associations of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints will be held in Salt Lake City, on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, June 12, 13 and 14, 1908. All officers and members of the associations are requested to be present at all of the meetings of the conference, and a cordial invitation is hereby extended to the Saints generally to attend the meetings to be held in the Tabernacle on Sunday, June 14, at 2 and 7 o'clock,

JOSEPH 'H SMITH. General Superintendent Y. M. M. I. A. MARTHA H. TINGEY, President Y. L. M. I. A.

THE TWIN FALLS CONVENTION.

The accounts of the convention at Twin Falls, Idaho, show very plainly that the demagogues are utterly indifferent as to the methods by which they gain their ends. Violation of the rules generally governing deliberative assemblies is part of their tactics, and if that does not seem to be effective, threats of violence are added. By their methods they prove themselves worthy of leadership only among brigands.

The story, briefly told, seems to be this: The followers of Dubois attempted to gain control of the convention by means of a trick. The delegates of one county, in which there was a contest, were called in the roll call, because they were for Dubois, while other counties, supposed to be against him, were omlitted. By this trick the Duboisites made it appear that they were in the majority. The other side, however, refused to accept the dictum, and proceeded to transact the business for which the convention was called. Then they left the hall, and the followers of Dubois elected their delegates. A peculiar feature of the contest in Idaho is this that the Duboisites, who insist on demanding the complete separation between church and state, are making this fight on a Church, trying to obtain political power by means of that opposition. They certainly believe in the interference of the state with a Church: otherwise they would not bring a religious issue into their political conventions. On the other hand, the Democrats do not believe in the mixture of things ecclesiastical and political. And they are called "Mormons," whether they belong to the Church or not. Is that not a recognition by the enemy of the fact that the Latter-day Saints do not believe in mixing the things that belong to one sphere of influence with those of another? Mr. Brady, in an interview very properly points out how the demagothe Dubois type hurt the State of Idaho. He claims that hundreds of home-seekers who had come to take a chance at the drawing for land under the Twin Falls Salmon River project, left without completing the preliminary arrangements even, when they saw the unpatriotic banners displayed by Duboisites and heard of the strife and agitation. This is, no doubt, true. People are not attracted to states where one part of the citizens make war upon the other. And this is as true of Utah as of Idaho. If the strife-breeders are permitted to go on with their work, we will see homeseekers pass us by and take up their residence in Washington, Oregon, Callfornia. This anti-"Mormon" agitation must be ended, in the interest of business, of development, of religion. It The has no effect upon the Church. Church grows by the indwelling divine power under all kinds of circumstances, including persecution; but the effect upon the state is to retard progress and injure business.

trange of easy identification by the naked eye. Of course hawks, cranes, in and walk right out again. killdeers and wild ducks were seen at

to capture a small bird in mid-air. The English sparrows in the outer towns have not yet driven away these bands of bird-singers. Whoever wishes to have a delightful experience in birdland should be abroad in early morning, to hear this "woodland choir" in all

Are the birds actually more numerresentative. ous this spring? Many people say they are. And is this result due, in part, to

emphasized in many of the city and county schools? We really believe it two stools. is; and we therefore congratulate these teachers of the public schools who have

made a start in this direction. The "unbought grace of life," as Burke calls the sentiment and appreciation of natural beauty, is easily inculcated in the mind of youth by systematic bird study; and to be a bird-lover is to possess some of the truest instincts of refinement and humanitarian

feeling. In addition to this fine and true training of the best impulses of childhood, the whole community derives the added advantage of the delightful companionship of the feathered songsters. The farms and orchards receive, at the same time, a most thorough cleansing from field and garden pests. The sharp eyes and boundless appetite for insects possessed by this army of man's most faithful allies in his battle against the erawling hordes of worms and bugs that infest his fields and gardens, in-

sure wholesale destruction of all kinds of insect enemies. Farmers especially should rejoice in the presence of these feathered friends. Let us therefore listen to the sweet

carols of nature's fine singers and enjoy their presence before the heat of summer has diminished the volume and beauty of their melodies.

YAQUI INDIANS YIELD.

According to reports from Mexico, the majority of the Yaqui Indians, through their chiefs, have, finally, agreed to submit to Mexican rule and lay down their arms. All are expected to yield. They are given until the 15th of this month to decide.

This ends a warfare that has lasted for over a hundred years. The Yaquis have fought for independence against the encroachments of the white race. But they have waged a losing war, notwithstanding their bravery. They are described as both agriculturists and warriors. They are said to be industrious, and good workers. In war their savagery has been awful. They have spared neither age nor sex. From their point of view they are entitled to the absolute self-government which their ancestors enjoyed, and to the control of a large area of land. The white men demand that the aborigines of every country admit them to at least an equal share of the soil. The Indians of America have accepted the inevitable. The Africans are being subdued. But the Aslatics seem to be awakening to resistance.

A SAVAGE CONCEPTION.

Prof. Goldwin Smith, Canada's grand old man, is quoted as follows:

"In a few weeks Democrats and Re-publicans will be organizing a political war against each other in a spirit hard-ly less bellicose than that of actual warfar with arsenals full of political project. s on both sides; while the community will be inflamed, intrigue, and perhaps not a little corruption of different kinds will be at work, and the press on both sides will be blowing the investe with more worded to effort with more regard to eff than truth." It is to be regretted that, notwithstanding our civilization, we have not advanced beyond the savage conception of an election as a "war," a "battle," a "conflict," in which one side must be "conquered" in order that the other may get away with "the spoils." Some day citizens will get together and agree on public affairs like friends, like members of the same family disoussing their common interests. Some day selfishness in office seeking will be overcome, and the generations that then live will look back upon our crude methods with about the same sentiment that we read about the conditions prevailing under feudalism.

a distance; and a shrike was observed

ties are promising tariff reform. The the teaching about birds, so recently promise probably will be another illus, tration of falling to the ground between

A New York woman won a divorce suit because her husband, through great jealousy, locked her up in a closet. The skeleton in that closet was clothed with flesh.

> Kansas City spent \$20,000 in advertising, and obtained in return industries that added over \$100,000 per year But Kansas did to the city pay rolls. not have knockers that sent out octopus maps.

Somebody has suggested, says the Boston Herald, that Mr. Roosevelt might take the Vice Presidency. This would be a new turn altogether. John Quincy Adams went back to the House and Andrew Johnson to the Senate, but no President has been made Vice President.

It is asserted that more than \$100-000 will be expended in 1908-09 by the Federal government in building trails, establishing telephone lines, and erecting permanent bridges in the Bitter Root national forests of Idaho, where 3,860,960 of the 4,552,850 acres in the preserves are within what is known as "the panhandle of the Gem State," east of Spokane. Maj. Frank A. Fenn, supervisor, has charge of the work. It will require five years to completo the work at a total cost of \$500,000 to \$600,000. A half-breed Nez Perce Indian is chief surveyor on the forest.

Congressman Boutell has no com-

nents to make on Congressman Lilley's statement, feeling, no doubt, that that report submerged the Connecticut rep-And now both the great national par-

at all likely to occupy it.

GOOD FOR BIRD STUDY.

A teacher in the public schools and a family that dwell near the home of the writer units in declaring that the birds, especially the singing birds, are more numerous in the vicinity of houses and cities this spring than they have ever before known them to be

This testimony accords with the writer's own observation; the native birds seem to be especially plentiful and friendly. During a half day's stroll in a single town not far to the north the writer noted the black and yellow orioles, tawny martins, numerous small, yellow goldfinches, a brown and yellow canary, many housefinches, lazuli bunt, ings, chipping sparrows, wrens, sage sparrows, the common (Brewer), the yellow-head, and the red-wing of the black-bird family, besides numerous mourning doves, meadowlarks, robins horned larks. No doubt other

On whose wheel is this rain water?

The chief doubtful state is that of weather, the

Secretary Taft is America's foremost citizen of the world.

Strawberries and straw hats both are backward this year.

"Will you have a transfer?" "If you please. Thanks, awfully."

As the old-time song says, "Tomorrow the sun may be shining."

One of the sins of dancing is trying to when you don't know how.

The social boycott is recommended by some as a remedy against divorce.

A man who pads his expense account is not far removed from a footbad.

When wages are on a sliding scale the slide rule is not used to compute them.

of Freddy Dubois it may be said that he is a good hater and a hater of the good

In measuring the heat of the sun it would be perfectly proper to the to the sunbeams

Senator Platt wants nothing more to do with "Airy, fairy Lillian," after that last bill.

The telehpone company is engaged in the good work of removing the big sticks from the center of First avenue.

It is useless to urge people to "See America first" with excursion rates twenty-five per cent higher than last year.

It must have been a Bourbon who tried to kill Dreyfus, for Bourbons never forget anything nor learn anything.

That open door in Manchuria seems kinds were present, but not within to be one of the revolving kind through

restaurant or a theater or a hotel would be to put on your hat and quit. He might mistake anybody present for someone against whom he had a might mistake anybody present for someone against whom he had a grudge. A crazy man is more likely to make mistakes than a same one. Who-ever did offend him would do so at the risk of life itself. It should be pro-vided by law that murderers, acquitted on the ground of insanity, must stay in confinement for the rest of their methless lines. worthless lives,

Hartford Courant.

and found wanting.

FROHMAN ON WHY PLAYS FAIL

San Francisco Bulletin. "Why Plays Fail" is the title of a recent article by Daniel Frohman; but while Mr. Frohman's article is interest-ting, it fails to tell why plays fail, Truth is, Mr. Frohman does not know Truth is, Mr. Fromman does not know why plays fail. He knows why some plays would fail if they were produced; but he does not know why so many plays fail that seem to an experienced manager to have the elements of popu-larity. Public taste is capricious and back one success does not insure any larity. Public taste is capricious and fickle. One success does not insure an-other. George Ade wrote two extra-ordinarily successful plays: but his third play was a dismal "frost;" and now his fourth, "Father and the Boys," has caught the public's fancy. Even the most successful playwrights make frequent failures. Why did the latest play of Augustus Thomas fail? If maangers could answer this question the business of producing plays would be indeed a business, rather than a saries of blind speculation. HAS DONE WELL.

Pittsburgh Gazette.

Pittsburgh Gazette. Congress will be the chief point of attack under the head of criticism of Republican management. Congress, however, is to be commended for the good work it has done. The one thing that can be said against it is that it has not done all that the President wished it to do and recommended. It may be proper to raise the question of congressional achievement in the con-gressional ac obscure it

WOES OF CHRISTIAN SOCIALISTS

New York Evening Sun. New York Evening Sun. The clerical Socialists, who sathered yesterday in conference at the Church of the Ascension, have joined the noble army of martyrs. At least they see martyrdom staring them in the face. For it appears that the trus-tees of some of the churches are not inclined to view with approval the activity of the parsons in a move-ment which was described as follows by one of the speakers: "There is no Christian Socialism as an economic force. We believe in Christianity be-ing brought to bear in furthering the cause of Socialism, however, as Soforce. We bruke to bear in furthering the cause of Socialism, however, as So-cialism is the cause of justice and right, but it is an economic, not a religious, movement." That is plain enough. It is not unnatural that there should be objections to making religion a mere instrument for the furthering of a propaganda which is purely secular. To the orthodox this seems very like a case of putting the cart before the horse. And it would not he surprising if pulpits were emptied in consequence.