## CONFERENCE ENDS IN JOINT SESSION

Mutual Improvement and Primary Workers Hold Successful Gatherings.

MANY HELPFUL ADDRESSES.

Timely Suggestion as Made by General Superintendency is Unanimously Adopted.

Three largely attended and spirited meetings of the young people's conference were held yesterday, the afternoon and evening sessions being held conjointly with the Primary associations. The weather conditions were about perfect, and the tabernacle grounds presented a most pleasing appearance when the crowds of happy

young people assembled.

At the opening of Saturday aftermoon session of the M. I. A. conference, a declaration, issued by the general superintendency, was read by B. S. Hinckley. The recommendations made in this address mark an important step in Mutual Improvement work, as they take it more into the field of social activities. George H. Brimhail moved the adoption of the recommendations and spoke in their favor, as did Blso John A. Widtsoe and President Joseph F. Smith. The declaration was unanimously adopted by the vote of the young people assembled. unanimously adopted by the vote of the conference. It is as follows:

A STRONG NEED TO MEET.

The systematic work now being done by the quorums of the priesthood pro-vides our young men with the neces-sary teachings in formal theology, and trains them in the duties that pertain to their callings in the priesthood.

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There is, however, a strong need among the young men of the Church to have an organization and meetings which they themselves conduct; in which they may learn to preside over public assemblies; to obtain a practise necessary to express themselves before the sublice, and to enfoy themselves. public; and to enjoy themselves in studying and practising civil, social, elentific, religious and educational ai-

fairs. The Young Men's Mutual Improvement associations therefore should be strengthened and their efficiency in-creased in order to counteract the tendency now so prevalent of establishing private clubs, secret and social organi-zations, and select education societies. The associations may be made to cover all these requirements, and it will be a wise policy to grant them the fullbe a wise policy to grant the the tree stillberty, consistent with the order and policy of the Church, in the selection of their officers, management and conduct of their associations.

It is of vital importance that not only

the young men of our Church but also the regularly constituted stake and ward officers thereof shall have a clear understanding as to the place and privileges which the Mutual Improvement associations hold among the Latter-day Saints, in order to promote harmony, union of purpose, and the best interests of all concerned.

KEYNOTE BY BRIGHAM YOUNG.

To define this field and to give an understanding to our young people and all concerned, we deem it expedient that a declaration should be made at this our June conference, that there is as great opportunity now as ever before for these organizations, and that increased activity in other departments should not cause the abatement of effort or efficiency in our associations; but rather that renewed effort should be put forth by our improvement workers, and that every facility should be af-

and that every facility should be af-forded them by stake and ward authori-ties to accomplish their glorious mis-sion among the youth of Zion.

The field to be occupied is religious, social and educational. The religious work is not to be formally theological in its nature, but rather to be confined to the limits outlined by President Brig-ham Young, when the organizations ham Young, when the organizations were first established: "Let the key-note of your work be the establish-ment in the youth of an individual testimony of the truth and magnitude of the great latter-day work; and the development of the eifts within them." development of the gifts within them." In other words, to obtain a testimony of the truth and to learn to declare and express that testimony; and to develop all other noble gifts within

The social includes control of various public and private amusements; mus-ical, dramatic, and other entertain-ments and festivals; field sports, ath-kic tournaments, excursions, and other varieties of social gatherings. The educational should include regu-

lar class work in ethics and practical teligion, literature, science, history, biography, art, music, civil government—supplemented by debates, oratorical and musical contests, lectures, essays,

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speaking under the auspices of the organization, and if necessary, carried on in departments under instructors capable of specializing in their partic-

COMMITTEES TO BE NAMED.

We have directed the general board to appoint committees to have in charge, under the direction of the whole board, these various divisions of our work, with chairmen who are expert in the various lines, who have a thorough knowledge of the work, and who are In sympathy with our young men.
These committees are as follows:

1. A committee on class study.
2. A committee on athletics and field

3. A committee on music and drama.
4. A committee on social affairs.
5. A committee on library and reading course.

ourse.
6. A committee on conference and conventions.
7. A missiontry committee.
8. A committee on debates, contests, and lectures.

These committees may be sub-divided or added to as the wisdom of the board or the exigencies of the work may demand; and like organizations may be instituted in the various stakes and wards, as far as practicable or necessary. At the meetings of the board,

reports from these committees will be asked for and given as a regular order of business. We believe that this course will promote the welfare of all, create a good feeling among our young people, and prevent their seeking other organizations and interests to which to devote

zations and interests to which to devote their time and attention.

There is no mental, social, or physical excellence of enjoyment that the Church does not foster and desire to promote among the young men of our community, and its purpose in sustaining the Mutual improvement associations and charging them, with the care of our young men is to answer every desire of this nature, and to provide among ourselves the gratification of legithmate ambition and impulse to excel in these fields, without having to seek opportunity elsewhere.

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From the presiding priesthood of the From the presiding priesthood of the Church, in the stakes of Zion, and in the wards and missions, we therefore ask, in behalf of our young men, sympathy and support, to sustain and uphold the Young men's Mutual Improvement associations in the field of usefulness herein briefly outlined and to provide them place of meeting and amusement.

We ask that the associations be per-

We ask that the associations be permitted to select men of education and ability, for class and special teachers, who are suitable, agreeable and capable and who are in love with the young people and in full sympathy with them

people and in full sympachy with them and their views.

Granting the young people the fullest liberty consistent with the order and policy of the Church will encourage them in the faith, and they will be not a whit less amenable to the Church authorities, but rather will grow more enthusiastic in avery way for the promore these areas. thorities, but rather will grow more enthusiastic in every way for the promotion of the work of the Lord. The Young Men's Mutual Improvement associations have been from the first in very deed a help to the priesthood; and in behalf of its members we pledge ourselves and them to continue in this line in the future; being certain that no trust or added responsibility imposed upon our young people will be violated, but that they will prove loyal to the authorities and the work of the Lord. Respectfully,

JOS. F. SMITH.
HEBER J. GRANT,
B. H. ROBERTS,
General Superintendency.

THE IMPROVEMENT ERA.

"The Improvement Era" was the theme of a talk by Alpha J. Higgs. In reporting the number of Era subscirb-ers in the various stakes, he said the stakes of Maricopa, Union, Bear River and Boxelder stood at the head of the list in the order named. The speaker pointed out wherein the reading of the

pointed out wherein the reading of the Era helped the young men to lead better lives.

B. S. Hinckley spoke on the subject, "Systematic and Persistent Work." He introduced his tlak by teiling a number of characteristic stories which put the listeners in a good humor. A man who accepts a position of leadership in the Mutual Improvement association, he siad, cannot avoid the responsibility of work. The gap between those stakes that stand at the head in the matter of Era subscirbers and the matter of Era subscirbers and those that are at the foot does not represent a difference of wealth or population, or even great ability, but a difference of work done. Elder Hinckley paid a high tribute to the officers of the Boxelder associations for lead they have taken for many years-

done by we done in Jaysestions advanced by the speaker. It is pollowing were emphasized: Havint omlar officers' meetings, where the Tyrk is planned; give each stake of need a special work, placing a definite personsibility on each one; attack the weak points—that is how Napoleon whipped Blucher—leaders should lead, or else they are in the way, and ought to get out. In the lively discussion which followed, various topics were touched upon: the necessity of reaching out for mon-active members; the cultivation of manliness; the watchcare which should be exercised over the morals of the young; the methods used in successful Era work.

The general superintendency and hoard of aids were presented to the conference and sustained. The musical directors, Evan Stephens and Horace S. Ensign, were honorably released.

FIRST CONJOINT SESSION. Gathering of Workers is Held in Assembly Hall. Music and flowers, added to the pleasure of the first conjoint session of the

Co-operation" between the interests of the Young Men and the Young Ladies associations, was discussed by George Q. Morris. The speaker claimed that f was advisable to look at both as-It was advisable to look at both as-sociations as simply two branches of the same organization. To this end, the officers of both associations should plan and work together in the arranging of their conferences and conventions. Co-operation in traveling among the as-sociations of the stake and in the ger-ting up of entertial requires the same much ting up of entertainments is very much to be desired.

Lucy W. Smith testified to the bene-

fits of co-operation as practised in the Salt Lake stake.
Charles H. Hart called attention to

the fact that closer co-operation tends to make more uniformity in work.

A preliminary program cannot be successfully planned and carried out unless there is co-operation between the officers of both associations, said Lottle Paul Bayter, who spake on the sub-Paul Baxter, who spoke on the subject of "Preliminary Programs," which, she said, should be in their nature artistic, inspirational, and should appeal to the emotions. To illustrate, she told the story of the hymn "Come, come, ye saints," and explained how it can be said.

saints," and explained how it can be used in a preliminary program. She alyso gave other practical suggestions. The Farmers ward ladies' chorus sang, "Christ Is Risen."

George H. Brimhall spoke on the subject of "Order, How to Secure It." He said the first condition of order is preparation; the second, punctuality; the third, push. First establish authority, then proceed. Those who are out of order should be made to realize fhat they are in conflict, not so much with the presiding authority as with the established rule or law. Stop when there is disorder. When the mower gets out of order, the farmer does not continue on around the field. People like to be managed, if only they have the idea that they are managing themthe idea that they are managing themselves. Co-operation is a factor for order. The weight or responsibility on the shoulder makes for steadiness.

SUNDAY MORNING SESSION.

Large Attendance at Tabernacle Testimony Meeting.

Sunday morning session, held in the tabernacle, was a testimony meeting. There was a large attendance of young men and young women, and a most delightful and inspiring time was had. Prest. Joseph F. Smith presided, and at the opening of the meeting bore a powerful testimony to the truth and stability of the latter-day work begun by the appearance of the Father and the Son to the young man, Joseph Smith. Brief but earnest testimonies were borne by members of the congre-gation. In closing the meeting, Presi-dent Smith expressed his entire satisdent Smith expressed his entire satisfaction with what had been said by those who had borne their testimonies. He felt that the Lord had greatly blessed the meeting in permitting only the still, sweet influence of the good spirit to move to testimony. The president said he was pleased to see the simplicity of the women's apparel, and felt to bless them for their good sense in thus refraining from following after in thus refraining from following after the fashlons of the world. He depre-cated the tendency to unnatural adornment of dress and hair.

MEET WITH PRIMARY.

Afternoon Session in Tabernacle is Well Attended.

A conjoint general meeting of the M. I. A and Primary associations was held I. A and Primary associations was held at 2 p. m. Sunday. There was a large attendance, the tabernacle being filled. Elder Geo. Richards, of the quorum of the Twelve, one of whose duties by appointment, is to look after the Primary association, spoke on the work being done for the children. The speaker said this work is so important that it ought to be under the special care in the stakes of a high councilor and in the stakes of a high councilor, and in the wards of a member of the bishop-ric. These ought to co-operate with the Primary workers and aid them in The proper chaperonage of young

people was the subject of a talk by Junius F. Wells. He said that in the past there had not been so close a watch care over the young people, because it was thought that isolation. among the mountains was protection enough, where although the people might have been rough and uncouth, enough, where although the people might have been rough and uncouth, they were right at heart; but now conditions have changed. There are in this city all sorts of attractions to take the young in contact with the world. The new movement in the Mutual Improvement associations will greatly aid in giving proper amusements to young people. The M. I. Associations ought to be the chaperones of the young, by seeing that the Spirit of God enters into and permeates every walk of their lives. Elder Welfs spoke of the power in the hands of pure, noble young women to lead the young men away from evil companions and protect them from sinful habits. He related an incident in his own life to illustrate this. The speaker advised the young people to be ever ready to explain and to defend the gospel and the Latter-day Saints. Ample opportunity will be given to the young people of this city to do this because of the many people who will visit this city during the summer.

Futh May Fox, representing the Y. L. M. I. associations, endorsed what had been said on the subject of chaperonage, but wished to add that it was of the utmost importance for the parents to have a close watchcare over their children. She spoke of the need

ents to have a close watchcare over their children. She spoke of the need of co-operation between the parents and the Mutual officers in the work of training the young.

CLOSING SESSION.

Mutual and Primary Workers Meet Together in Enjoyable Service.

The evening session opened by the large congregation singing, "Our God, we raise to Thee," and Mr. A. C. Crawford rendering the beautiful baritone solo, "The Publican."

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Miss Vilate Peart spoke on Primary work, She said there are over 50,000 children between the ages of 4 and 14 enrolled in this association. The teachers number 8,000. The children are graded into three divisions, and the work is outlined to suit the various ages. Miss Peart read a number of testimonies, contributed by leading men and women, to the value of the Primary as an educational factor in their early as an educational factor in their eacly

President Francis M. Lyman spoke on devotion in the home and in public worship. In this connection he said he believed it better for us all if we would believed it better for us all if we would not prolong our meetings late into the night. We should do our work and take our pleasure in the day time, de-voting the night to sleep and rest. When the sun goes down, birds and beasts, acting on the laws of nature, retire to rest: they are alive and stir-ring, moreover, at sunrise in the morr-ing. He hoped that encouragement would go out from this conference to every stake and ward in Zion, for a better attendance at our sacrament

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meetings; for this is needed among the communities of the saints. We should not so wear ourselves out by work and late hours during the week that we are too tired to go to meeting on the

are too tired to go to meeting on the Sabbath.

The auxiliary associations are doing much to assist the parents in the training of their children, but the parents should not neglect their part of the responsibility because of this assistance. They should see that there is a spirit of devotion in the home; and because of the lack of time for instruction during the week, the Sabbath should be devoted to this duty.

President Lyman blessed those who had come together and had been so faithful in doing their duty in these associations.

associations.

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Miss Hazel Greaves sang "The Dawn of Hope." Alice K. Smith said she could speak After R., Smill said sile could speak for the general board of Y. L. M. I. A. when she said the members of that organization were united in their labors. Their hearts were in the work, and they were striving to help both the young women and the young men to live lives of purity and goodness.

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G. A. R. LIVING FLAG.

Excellent Progress Reported on Big Encampment Feature.

Prof. W. A. Wetzell, who has charge of the "Living Flag" feature of the big parade of G. A. R. veterans during encampment week, reports that excellent progress is being made with the children. The flag will be stretched across Main street at Seventh South street, on a platform, and the children will be taught to rise and sit by sections, so that the effect of a flag waving might be produced. The living flag was a great feature of the forty-second encampment held last year at Toledo, O., but it is proposed to make the Salt Lake living flag superior to all previous efforts. In order to do this Prof. Wetzell solicits the aid of parents of the children to take part, that they support with enthusiasm the movement, and the efforts of the professor should be sustained all the way through. of the "Living Flag" feature of the big

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WILD CHASE FOR DESPERADO

Boise, Ida., June 7.-Clayton Danks, desperado and alleged horse thief, was captured at Loverridge Ferry, on Sualie iver, by Roy Hodge and three other men after an exciting chase of 15 miles, He vas brought into Boise yesterday by W was brought into Boise yesterday by W. D. Evans of Mountain Home. Danks was in a gunfight two weeks ago with Sheriff Taylor of Blaine county, from which he escaped unhurt. Last week he held up Hodge's saloon in Brunneau, and being closely putsued was compelled to flee on foot. A running fire was kept up for a number of miles before reaching the ferry, at which place a ball from Hodge's gun struck Danks in the shoulder, causing him to surrender.

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5. The Chippendales. Grant. \$1.50.
6. The Story of Thyrza. Brown. \$1.35.
DESERET NEWS BOOK STORE, CEMENT WORKERS MEET.

The recently organized union of the ement workers held his regular weekly meeting yesterday morning at Labor hall. The meeting was attended by sevcial local contractors who expressed themselves as being in sympathy with the movement. Several new members were admitted at yesterday's meeting and satisfactory progress was reported. The members are quite enthusiastic

view of the fact that each year wit-nesses the growing importance of the cement industry all over the country. The next regular meeting will be held in Labor hall next Sunday at 2:30 p. m. instead of in the morning as hereto-fore.

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