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CONFERENCE POSTPONED.

Box Elder Conference, advertised to be held June 5th and 6th, is postponed to be held June 12th and 13th.

JOSEPH F. SMITH, President.

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 Associations of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints will be held in Salt Lake City, on Saturday and Sunday, June 5th and 6th, 1909.

All officers and members of the association 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 6th, at 10 a. m. and at 2 and 7 p.m. JOSEPH F. SMITH.

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ANNUAL PRIMARY CONFERENCE.

The seventh annual general conference of the officers of the Primary associations 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 sessions of this conference.

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

SENATOR SMOOT IN DEBATE.

Last Friday, the Tribune published a Washington dispatch in which Senator Smooth was ridiculed. The sender of the dispatch said that Senator Cummins told Senator Smoot to sit down and that "the Senator from Iowa rubbed it in" when Senator Burrows "had suggested to Cummins that he was discourteous."

"Mr. Cummins," the dispatch said, "explained that the Utah senator had wandered so far afield in his attempted explanation of tariff schedules that it was an act of mercy to open an avenue of escape for him." And then It refers to Senator Smoot as the "Happy Hooligan" of the tariff debate, although, of course, that may have been

abuses the privilege that I extended to "Mr. Smoot. I will never ask the privilege again, Mr. President. I was "Mr. Cummins. I yielded to the Sen-tor for a question. "Mr. Cummins. I yielded to the Sen-ator for a question. "Mr. Gallinger. The Senator yielded for an explanation. "Mr. Cummins. I did not yield to the Senator for a speech. Senator for a speech. "Mr. Smoot. You asked for an ex-

"Mr. Smoot. Fou asket for an ex-blanation. "Mr. Cummins. In 1890-"Mr. Burrows. Mr. President-"The President pro tempore. Does the Senator from Iowa yield to the Senator from Michigan? "Mr. Cummins. I do.

from Michigan? "Mr. Cummins. I do. "Mr. Burrows. I think the Senator from Iowa is hardly fair to the Senator from Utah, especially as his request was seconded by the Senator from In-diana, who desires an explanation, and insists that the explanation should be made and made now. The Senator from made, and made now. The Senator from Utah was about to make such an ex-planation, and I am afraid the Sena-tor from Iowa was not quite courteous to him in not allowing him to make the

to him in not allowing him to make the explanation. "Mr. Cummins. Mr. President, from so venerable a friend I accept this re-buke, but I may commit the offense im-mediately again. I yielded to the Sena-tor from Utah for an explanation; I did not yield to him for the purpose of re-peating that old and familiar argument that it was necessary to protect the producers of America against the pro-ducers of another country. I recognize ducers of another country. I recognize that just as thoroughly as does the Senator from Michigan or the Senator Senator from Michigan or the Senator from Utah; and the explanation for which I yielded could not possibly have embraced an attempt to answer my general argument. I did not intend to be discourteous; and I hope the Senator from Utah, whenever he has an ex-planation to offer, will interrupt, be-cause I shall be glad to yield to him. "Mr. Burrows. I know how courteous the Senator from Iowa always is, and I assure him that what I said was not intended as a rebuke to him by any means, but to plead with him, rather, to allow the Senator from Utah to an-swer his question, especially in view swer his question, especially in view of the fact that the Senator from In-diana is so insistent that it shall be anusing the sense of the sense of

allow the Senator from Utah to ex-plain why it was. "Mr. Cummins. Very well; I yield to the Senator from Michigan, and if the Senator from Utah has anything fur-ther to say I will yield to him and be glad to listen to hin. "Mr. Smoot. Mr. President..." "Mr. Beveridge (to Mr. Smoot). Make the explanation. "Mr. Smoot. No; I do not think it is proper for me to make an explanation on this matter any further. I started to state the reasons for the increase I do not care especially to say any more upon that subject at this partic-ular time.

ular time. "Mr. Cummins. Mr. President, I ra-ther assumed, when I said what seemed to the Senator from Michigan discour-teous, that the Senator from Utah had really reached the end of his explana-tion, and was delighted when I inter-rupted him." rupted him.'

It is very evident from this official report that Senator Cummins was wrong, and that he acknowledged this and almost apologized. There was no excuse for the Tribune correspondent to make one of Utah's Senators appear in a false light, but the Tribune just revels in anything that reflects on Utah

and her people. Senator Smoot has shown during this tariff debate that he has mastered many of the intricacies of the subject, and he is therefore listened to with interest by his fellow-senators. They want to hear him, because he has something to say, That is what causes the chagrin of the Tribune.

We could mention a senator who nover opened his mouth in the Senate, if not to read a speech written by somebody else, and who was a disgrace to the State he represented, on account of his ignorance and uncouth manners. Senator Smoot is an honor to Utah, and that is what makes the Tribune furious.

TO RAISE THE BALANCE.

the question would be different. But the welfare of the children is includof both parents. When it is done they suffer. Family life suffers, and whatfor evil, since the family is the foundation of the state.

attention of the wisest and best among

The situation in France is rather peculiar. There the employes of the post office department threaten to strike against the rules and regulations of that department. They propose to measure the strength of a union against that of the French government. Relying on the sympathy of the public they demand the resignation of the cabinet. That is a peculiar situation. It is in one respect as if the employes of a manufacturing establishment were to demand the resignation of the business manager as a condition of permiting any work to be done there.

story. The postal employes are not only employes. They are citizens of France, and as sovereign citizens they have a voice in the management of the affairs of the government. The cabinet ministers are their representatives. As French citizens they have a right to demand that the government follow a certain policy, and if this demand is ignored it is their privilege to try to influence public opinion and the government policy. As citizens they can do properly what would be highly improper in mere employes. The Railway Workmen's Union have

declared their sympathy with their "civil service comrades," who, according to them, are "struggling for the right to form a union and for liberty of opinion." They, undoubtedly, regard their comrades from the viewpoint of citizens and not as government employes.

ownership, or control, of every branch of industry believe that under such conditions there would be no disputes between employers and employes, for the reason that as the state controlled evry branch of trade, industry and activity it is inconceivable that it should strike against itself. But the situation in France in the present instance shows how little there is in such an argument. There the government is defied by its own agents.

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the progress of many pursuits in sci-ence, art, literature, electrical appli-ances, engineering skill, and many other important factors in the stride few and far between. Men were man-y men, and women were womanly wo-men, living nearer to God; conse-





added in the Tribune office. We had a suspicion when we first saw

the alleged dispatch and the headlines that it was a malicious misrepresentation of facts and an entirely uncalled for attack upon one of Utah's representatives in the Senate. This suspition is confirmed by the full report in the Congressional Record, now at hand. In order that our readers may judge for themselves, we quote the following. Senator Cummins of Iowa was asking for information regarding the increase in the duty on oilcloth. In this he was seconded by Senator Beveridge:

"Mr. Beveridge. I want to say this: the Senator from Iowa looked around and saw at that time only one member of the Finance Committee on the loor of the Senate. I observed there were three. Then the Senator from iowa made the statement about this conspicuous item of the bill, and asked the Finance Committee here to explain t, but it was not done. I then asked for an explanation of it, but the ex-planation was not given. I will say to the Senator from Ohio that the Senator from Iowa specifically requested an inswer to his question; and it is not interrupting him that we shall insist that the question shall be answered. 'Mr. Smoot. Mr. President, 1 ask

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Senator from Iowa yield to the Sena-tor from Utah? Mr. Cummins. I yield to the Senator

from Utah. I want information upon ibis matter; and if my advices are in-correct, I shall frankly admit my mis-

take. "Mr. Smoot. I ask the Senator to say under what paragraphs the particular silcloth of which he speaks fall.? "Mr. Cummins. There is but one paragraph relating to ollcloth. "Mr. Smoot. Then that paragraph is 142

"Mr. Supper and the second sec Solth falls, and if the Senator will re-sume his seat for a moment, I will open the matter up to him so that he will have no trouble in seeing exactly the point I am making. I desire to de-relop for a moment, inasmuch as it has been challenged, the history of the tariant on ollcloth and linoleum. "Mr. Smoot. I want to call the at-iention of the Senator to the fact that the House bill provided a duty on oll-cloth under 11 feet. We simply made t under 9 feet.

t under 9 feet.

"Mr. Cummins. Yes; and that is the way you raised the duty without any-body knowing anything about it. "Mr. Smoot. Mr. President, that itatement would take too long to an-ower right here and now, but I think t can be answered all right t can be answered all right.

t can be answered all right. "Mr. Cummins. I make the charge that when you reduced the width you alsed the duty, without specifically suggesting a raise of duty. "Mr. Smoot. I want to say to the fenate here today that there is an ab-solute reason for it, and that reason will be given to the Senate beyond ques-tion. I am perfectly aware of the fact that the manufacturers on the other did have examined our schedules, and ide have examined our schedules, and by manufacturing within one-half an nch of the specified width have brought a their products under a lower rate of introducts on the specified with the specified with the specified width have brought and the specific sp luty. Now, because we are trying to rotect the American people against the alf-incl

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There are no less than 30 committees consisting of well known business men engaged today in trying to raise the balance of the funds needed by the Y. M. C. A. to make up the \$150,000. This day, we are told, is the last to subscribe, and the prospects are said to be good for complete success. The people are responding willingly and liberally to the appeals made. We hope that before the day is over, the full amount will be secured. Never before have so strenuous efforts been made in this City for a philanthophic cause, outside the Church and they

deserve reward,

THE DIVORCE PROBLEM.

The rush to the divorce court before the new law took effect was not very creditable to the participants in the race. It proved that a number of married persons were seeking separation with speedy re-marriage in view. Else why the rush before the law prohibiting re-matriage within a year from the date of divorce became operative?

A professor of the Columbia University, occupying the chair of sociology, some years ago made the remark that under the modern system many marriages are but "clandestine polygamy." This criticism is severe, but, in view of the frivolous ease with which marriages are entered into and then dis-

solved, is it not just? The professor thought that "one of the chief causes of the high rate of divorce in the United States is to be

found in the high-spirited character maintained by American women." It is more probable that one of the chief causes is hasty and ill-advised marrlages.

The many wrecks on the sea of matrimony are a warning and an admonition to the young, and especially to the girls, not to strike out alone but to consult their parents. Girls should confide in their mothers as to what companions to choose, and how to

spend the time in their company. Mother has had the advantage of experience which children lack. She knows the ways of the world. Children see things from their point of view. It is necessarily a narrow point of view. Mother knows. Happy the daughter who confides in her mother. Happy she who can go to her mother with her little secrets and misgivings her girlish hopes and fears, and talk of these, freely assured that mother will understand and advise, tenderly and sensibly and rightly. If children generally would confide in their parents they would not so often find themselves stranded on the rocks and temptations along the stormy shores of life.

But whatever the cause, the rate at which divorces increase in number is ever had.

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