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## CONFERENCE NOTICE.

The Seventy-ninth annual general  
Conference of the Church of Jesus  
Christ of Latter-day Saints will be  
assembled in the Tabernacle, Salt Lake  
City, on Sunday, April 4, 1909, at 10  
o'clock a. m. A full attendance of the  
officers and members is hereby re-  
quested.

The first Sunday of April being Con-  
ference it is suggested that Sunday,  
March 22, be observed as fast day in  
Salt Lake, Ensign, Pioneer, Liberty,  
Granite, and Jordan stakes.

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

## SUNDAY AND PROHIBITION.

We have no desire to criticize any-  
body, and, least of all, the gentlemen  
who represent the people in the Legis-  
lature, but the question naturally  
arises, owing to the stand we have taken  
on the Sunday question: Was it ab-  
solutely necessary for our law-makers  
interested in the liquor bill to spend  
Sunday in conference on that measure?  
Has there not been sufficient time,  
since the Cannon bill was first intro-  
duced in the House, to dispose of the  
temperance question, without giving to  
it a day that ought to be devoted to  
rest and worship? The resolution passed  
by the last conference of the Church  
expressed the popular demand, not only  
for a law closing the saloons and de-  
creasing the sale of intoxicants, but al-  
so for the observance of the Sabbath.  
That demand exists and ought not to be ignored.

The prolongation of the legislative  
session far beyond the legal limits is a  
questionable expedient, at best. Not  
because there is any great danger of  
the courts pronouncing the laws enacted  
during that added time null and  
void, but because the legislative labors  
performed after the sixtieth day can-  
not be expected to be very satisfactory.  
The legislators, naturally, are anxious  
to return home, after having performed  
their duty under the law. They do not  
get sufficient rest, and they are none  
or less worried and worn-out, and un-  
der the circumstances they cannot be  
expected to do their best. For that reason  
it would be better not to have a  
notorious addition to the legislative day.  
It would be better to confine the ses-  
sion to the legal limits. But if this is  
impossible owing to the volume and im-  
portance of the business in hand, the  
legislators should have it in their power  
to prolong the session. They should  
be paid for their extra work and suf-  
ficient time should be provided for  
rest. The legislative work done post  
obitum, as it were, cannot be expected  
to give full satisfaction.

A great deal has been said about in-  
terference regulation of the drink traffic.  
Regulation of that traffic is an utter  
impossibility, and the saloon men who  
ask for regulation know that. A promi-  
nent Catholic clergyman is quoted as  
follows: "The modern Ameri-  
can saloon, with its gambling  
den, wine room, and back par-  
lors, is nothing more or less than a  
living part of hell. It is the 'hang  
out' for all loafers, ruffians, sapha-  
ras and worthless sports in town. The  
police in every town will tell you that  
murders, suicides, robberies, thefts, and  
all crimes originate at the saloon bar,  
and any lawyer can tell you that the  
bought perjurers who crowd courts  
and make justice impossible, can be  
secured from any nearby saloon. The  
up-to-date bar room, whether we like  
to admit it or not, saps the vitality of  
our manhood, steals the blood money  
from the laboring man, starves the in-  
nocent, drives women to despair, makes  
beasts out of men, and sends countless  
souls to eternal perdition."

Another line well said that he never  
heard of a good saloon. "My honest  
opinion," he said, "is that saloons, and  
I don't think I miss the truth very  
much, is that the good saloon is the  
bad saloon, and the better saloon is the  
worse saloon, and the best saloon is the  
worst saloon. The good saloon  
sows the seed, the bad saloon cultivates  
the crop, and the devil reaps the har-  
vest."

Regulation of such a business is en-  
tirely out of the question. As long  
as the people suffer the ignominy  
to play politics for gain we will have  
the bad saloon, the one in which blood  
money is extracted from the laboring  
man. It is high time for the desert  
citizens all over the land, to rise  
in their might, and assume the full  
responsibility for communal and state  
government and exclude for ever from  
the control of our American institu-  
tions a business whose chief concern  
is to send men to eternal perdition.  
And that can only be done by prohibi-  
tion. A regulated saloon is bound  
to intrude itself into politics for the  
purpose of "regulating" the government  
in the interests of drunkenness, gam-  
bling, licentiousness and other evils.

## MARRYING FOR TITLES.

Marrying for money, notoriously cel-  
ebrated for its bitter denunciations,  
is closely approached if not equalled

in matters of matrimonial infelicity by  
the results when rich American ladies  
marry for European titles.

The beautiful Baroness Loeffelholz,  
formerly Mrs. Shope of New York, has  
recently been granted a divorce by a  
German court.

Miss Ella Haggis, celebrated for her  
beauty, and the possessor of a fortune  
of \$2,000,000, failed to make roasts this  
winter married life she led as the Coun-  
tess of Pottelitz de Palma. She and the  
Count were married in 1882, when the  
bride was barely eighteen, and their  
divorce in 1901 was one of the sensa-  
tions of the day.

The experiences of Anna Gould are  
still fresh in the public mind. She has  
recently divorced Count Bond de Cas-  
tellane, and married Prince Helle de  
Sagan.

Miss Constance Vanderbilt recently  
secured a divorce from the Duke of  
Marborough, and settled upon him  
\$100,000 for his support.

The story of our recent cases is told  
as follows in the New York World:

Miss Helen Morton, daughter of Levi  
P. Morton, started on her career as the  
Duchess of Valenay with celat. Her  
husband was better known here as  
Count Bond de Castellane-Perigord.  
Their marriage in St. Mary's Church,  
London, was attended by Ambassador  
Choate and his staff. Troubles soon  
came and the honeymoon was short  
and eventful.

After nineteen years as the wife of  
the Duke de Dino, Miss Elizabeth Cur-  
tis, once a Brooklyn belle, was com-  
pelled to divorce him. Then the Duke  
took another American wife. Mrs.  
Stevens, who, in turn, divorced him  
and went to Paris to live under the  
name of Mrs. de Talland.

Miss Evelyn Bryant, a daughter of  
Mrs. J. W. Mackay by a former mar-  
riage, was wed to the altar by Prince  
Ferdinand Colonna di Galatini. He be-  
came a spendthrift and when she cut  
off her funds as a means of self-pres-  
ervation he divorced her.

The marriage of Miss May Cuyler, of  
Morristown, N. J., to Sir Philip Grey  
Ferguson lost the promise of its begin-  
ning and they separated after many  
stormy scenes.

No better fortune attended the mar-  
riage of Miss Edith Van Buren with the  
Count di Castellamaro, of Genoa. Mrs.  
Burke Roche, daughter of Frank  
Work, married the Hon. James Booth-  
by Roche, only to divorce him for  
adultery, who in turn was put  
aside. Miss Gertrude Courtlandt Wells,  
who married Baron Von Courtlandt de  
Grafenfeld after she had separated from  
Schuyler Hamilton, Jr., of New  
York, found necessity for a legal ter-  
mination of her nuptial match.

Miss Marie Schroeder, a Red Bank,  
N. J., heiress, closed her matrimonial  
experiences with Count Pier by  
acting as her own detective and get-  
ting in Paris the evidence needed to  
obtain a divorce.

After the marriage of Miss Frances  
Cutting to Harold Courtney, a near  
relative of the Earl of Devon, the  
husband filed suit for divorce on the  
ground that she was mentally un-  
balanced, and in this manner ended an-  
other romance.

May Yuba, the actress, who may be  
set down in the list of New York girls  
who married titles, was divorced from  
Lord Hope to become the bride of  
Capt. Putnam Bradley Strong. The  
sensational career of the couple has  
been the world for its stage.

Neither money nor social position has  
done with real happiness. As  
Moore puts it:

"But off the choice what heart can  
doubt,  
Of tests with love, or thrones with-  
out?"

Trowbridge indicates by an apt il-  
lustration the kind of things that bring  
peace of mind:

"Few wants, pure hopes, and noble  
ends;  
Some land to till and a few good  
friends."

It is generally surmised that the mar-  
riages between American heiresses and  
foreign wearers of titles are love  
matches; and the results of these un-  
happy unions amply sustain the sur-  
position.

## ALLIANCE FOR PEACE.

According to the Washington Herald,  
Mr. Carnegie is of the opinion that if  
the United States and Great Britain  
would enter into an agreement to co-  
operate in the defense of the respective  
possessions of the two powers in the  
Atlantic and Pacific, there would be  
no further need of naval expansion,  
and peace would be guaranteed. The  
United States, by such an agreement,  
would be under obligation to defend  
the British possessions on this side of  
the globe, and Great Britain would  
defend the Philippines, Hawaii, and  
the Pacific coast against foreign at-  
tacks.

It is not improbable that as the na-  
tions progress in their mad race for  
superiority in naval strength, the time  
must come when they will realize that  
such superiority can cost economically  
be maintained by two, or more,  
powers combining for defense.

The practicability and utility of such  
combinations have been amply demon-  
strated in the dust and triple alliances  
between the great powers of the world,  
in the interest of peace.

The objection to a defensive alliance  
with Great Britain would be the tradi-  
tional aversion of this country to any  
entanglement with foreign powers.  
But an agreement, or understanding  
with the greatest naval power on earth,  
for the purpose of preserving the peace  
of the world, and limiting further naval  
expansion, would possibly not be-  
long to the category of "entangling al-  
liances." Our mission as a nation is  
one of peace and if peace can be pre-  
served by any other means than the  
constant preparation for war and the  
progressive increase of war burdens, it  
is surely the duty of the statesmen of  
both nations to address themselves to the  
business of providing such means.

## THE NEW TARIFF MEASURE.

While various rumors concerning  
tariff revision continue to emanate  
from Washington, it is probable that  
cheaper shoes, clothing, window glass,  
lumber, paper and steel, will be the re-  
sult of the passage of the measure now  
being framed.

Indications point to a 10 per cent  
reduction in all steel schedules except  
killed; to a strong scaling down of the  
duties on woolens; to a similar reduc-  
tion on window glass; and to the aboli-  
tion of the duty on lumber and on print  
paper pulp.

There is, it appears, not much en-  
couragement for the coffee importers in  
the sentiment on a coffee tax. Chair-  
man Payne is still strongly in favor  
of the tax as a revenue producer.

Of course the taxes on many articles

will be increased in order to secure the  
necessary revenues, of which there is  
now an impending deficit of large pro-  
portions. Pottery is said to be one of  
these articles, also such luxuries as  
laces, perfumes, toilet articles, and  
silks.

A curious result of the consideration  
of only the tariff at the special session  
is that such house will have to remain  
for a long time in session but with  
nothing to do.

All bills for raising revenue must  
originate in the House of Representa-  
tives. It is generally conceded that  
at least two months will be required  
for the House to conclude considera-  
tion of all the schedules. During this  
long period the Senate will have nothing  
to do in respect to the tariff, and  
even after the bill leaves the House it  
will be in the hands of the Committee  
on Finance for some time before the  
Senate actually gets it and the debate  
begins. Then will begin a long wait  
by the House of Representatives until  
the Senate amendments can be known  
and conference appointed to bring  
about an agreement upon them.

Tariff making is one of the most dif-  
ficult things with which the American  
Congress has had to deal. The com-  
plexity of the interests represented,  
the differences of opinion among members,  
and the thousands of articles to be  
taxed, combine to make the revision of  
the tariff a vast undertaking.

The smile that won't come off soon  
seems to be a staple.

Will politicians never learn that  
honesty is the best policy?

All work and no pay must make even  
legislators feel somewhat dull.

Many a man is driven to drink be-  
cause he can't walk there.

President Taft will not carry out the  
Roosevelt reformed spelling policy.

Public virtue these days is fair as  
a star when only one is in the sky.

Matters have come to a head in Los  
Angeles. The head is Mayor Stephens.

If those "insurgents" had been Cubans  
there might have been intervention.

Courting a girl and courting a re-  
built are often one and the same  
thing.

Cuba's fear of another intervention  
may prove to be the palladium of her  
liberties.

Hitch your airship to a star; it will  
be easier than hitching your wagon  
to one.

For a while yesterday the national  
House of Representatives was the  
true house of birth.

The poet usually gets there with  
both "feet," but it isn't often that  
it does him any good.

The army transport Logan recognizes  
that there is many a "ship" between the  
ship and the shore.

"How can I tell what is going to hap-  
pen?" says Mr. Harriman. That is  
just what people want to know.

It sounds wondrous wise for a man to  
say he is hiding his face, but it  
usually means that he is badly left.

The opening of the extra session of  
Congress was almost as interesting as  
the spring opening of a fashionable mil-  
linery shop.

No matter on what lines the new  
tariff bill is framed it cannot produce  
revenue as fast as Congress can devise  
schemes for spending it.

A little boy born in Wisconsin on  
March 4 has been named William  
Howard Taft, and already he is mak-  
ing a noise in the world.

"Professor Starr is afraid Roose-  
velt's age may tell against him if he  
is stricken with the fever in Africa.  
The professor's fear is wholly unfound-  
ed. Mr. Roosevelt has no age," says  
the Chicago Record-Herald. At any  
rate in history it will be known as  
the Roosevelt age.

## GRADUATED INHERITANCE TAX.

Chicago Tribune:  
The tariff as revised may not provide  
immediately so much revenue as is  
needed. With an eye to that con-  
tingency President Taft suggests the  
adoption of new forms of taxation.  
Among these he recommends a gradu-  
ated inheritance tax. Much can be  
said in its favor. It can be collected  
with certainty and ease and at small  
cost. The graduated inheritance tax  
of 1908 brought in \$10,000,000 in 1901  
and 1902, and would be more productive  
now. When the income of the govern-  
ment is falling as much below its ex-  
penditures as it is now it is the duty  
of Congress to supplement the cus-  
tomary taxes with new ones, giving the  
preference to those which are the least  
burdensome and whose yield can be  
most accurately estimated. The inheri-  
tance tax is an excellent tax for an  
emergency and should be resorted to  
by the national government in emer-  
gencies only.

## APPROPRIATIONS BY CONGRESS.

Chicago Record-Herald.  
A few days ago Senator Hohen-  
way spoke on the subject of tax ap-  
propriations and defended Congress  
against the charge of extravagance.  
He said that the appropriations dur-  
ing the last eight years had amounted  
to \$274,123,413 less than the esti-  
mates submitted by the executive de-  
partments. The estimates for the eight  
years were \$287,244,393 and the ap-  
propriations \$274,123,413, and the  
senator declared that "if Congress  
had not stood against the pressure  
brought by both executive departments  
and by citizens, in place of having  
found a cash balance in the treasury  
we would have been compelled to in-  
crease the tax on the subject of tax ap-  
propriations." The same debt was  
secured by Chairman Taft and the  
appropriations committee in the House  
Thursday. He said that the increase  
in appropriations was undoubtedly  
except in time of war, and he ascribed  
it to popular and executive de-  
sires for appropriations for the ex-  
ercise of right and justice, belonging  
to the states and unnecessary  
war expenditures in time of peace. He  
criticized the executive branch of the  
government for not keeping estimates  
open afternoons and evenings cat-  
ers to only the best people. La-  
ter he said that the appropriations  
would be \$10,000,000 at the close of  
the present fiscal year. He put the cur-  
rent appropriations at \$1,944,544,223.

which, as another member pointed out,  
exceeded the appropriations of the  
last session by more than \$10,000,000.

## NATIONAL WEAKNESSES.

Wall Street Journal.  
A reviewer of oriental conditions  
says that China's fatal weakness is its  
lack of self-consequence. A reviewer  
of western conditions might say with  
equal truth that the greatest weakness  
here and in Europe is an exaggerated  
state of self-consequence, which keeps  
us and our neighbors awake nights,  
planning to repel attempts at foreign  
conquest.

## JUST FOR FUN.

"That fellow has all kinds of  
money," remarked the worshiper of  
wealth.

"Yes," was the reply. "But he's  
mighty careful not to spoil his col-  
lection by losing any specimens."—  
Washington Star.

"In bad electrical storms there is  
one thing which is general, even  
including people not at all curious."  
"What is that?"  
"Everybody is inclined to rubber."—  
Baltimore American.

Mr. Jawback—Mr. Brateigh gets  
\$12,000 a year just for furnishing his  
trim with ideas. I'd like to have a  
job like that.

Mrs. Jawback—Yes—and we'd  
starve to death.—Cleveland Leader.

"Why have you thrown over Mr.  
Pitcoe?"

"Oh, I could never marry a man  
with a crooked leg."  
"What made his leg crooked?"  
"I ran over it with my motor car."—  
Success.

Jane—That desecrated Glimble girl  
poses as a perfect angel. To bear her  
talk to the men you'd think that the  
made up in Paradise were dusting  
off their wings.

Mame—I think it more likely they  
are fireproofing them.—Cleveland  
Plain Dealer.

## RECENT PUBLICATIONS.

In the March American Magazine,  
Samuel Hopkins Adams relates the ad-  
ventures of a somnambulist. It is the  
true story of a man with whom Mr.  
Adams roomed while in college. It is  
doubtful whether a more extraordinary  
case of this kind was ever recorded.

In the same number Ida M. Tarbell,  
writing under the title "Where Every  
Penny Counts," shows how the tariff  
operates to increase the cost of living.  
Irving Bachelder presents a mass of new  
and interesting facts about Commo-  
dore Vanderbilt. Edwin Lefevre writes  
an imaginary conversation about  
Roosevelt, in which a railroad mag-  
nate, a great nerve specialist, and a  
famous novelist give their ideas of the  
man. George Fitch, the new humorist,  
writes on Taft. William Allen White  
continues his series. Ingraham Lovell  
proceeds with his serial story. Other  
story writers are: Mrs. L. H. Har-  
dies, James R. Conolly, Octavia Roberts  
and James Oprewein. "The Interpro-  
prietor's House" and "The Plumber's  
Shop" are full of good reading.—Blt  
avonue, New York.

Mr. Ernest C. Pezzotta, the artist,  
contributes to the Outing Magazine for  
March a descriptive article entitled  
"Around Messina and Reggio," illus-  
trated by several of his own drawings.  
"With the Blackjacks of the Alabama  
and the Maine," by B. Clifford  
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that strided the earth. A glimpse of  
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