

## CONFERENCE OF SALT LAKE STAKE

Dr. James E. Talmage and Bishop C. W. Nibley the Speakers in Tabernacle.

### MAGNIFY CHRIST'S NAME.

Bishop Nibley Exhorted People to Follow Savior's Example and Distribute Cheer to Poor.

Two interesting addresses were delivered yesterday at the afternoon session of the Salt Lake stake conference by Dr. James E. Talmage and Bishop C. W. Nibley. Both speakers enlarged upon the reverence given the Savior's name by the Latter-day Saints. Not only is the Church called by his name, but almost all of the rites, ceremonies and prayers of the Church are done in the name of Jesus Christ.

The opening prayer was offered by Elder William Asper, and Elder D. L. Davis pronounced the benediction. The musical part of the services was unusually good. As the opening hymn, the choir sang, "Jesus once of humble birth," which was followed by the anthem, "Guiding Star." The "Hallelujah Chorus" was also sung at the close of Dr. Talmage's address and the closing hymn, "Come let us anew" was sung by the choir and congregation.

Elder Talmage began his address by explaining the custom of the Latter-day Saints of meeting in conferences, ward and general. At these conferences the names of the officers are presented and sustained from conference to conference during good behavior. In this sense the Church is democratic.

Reference was made to the name of the Church which is called the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, which had been given of God. In the book of Mormon history of the Church established by Christ on this continent the above name was given as recorded above because it was not the church of man but the church of Jesus Christ. Therefore it took his name. And when in the nineteenth century the gospel, with the priesthood or authority, came again to earth, the question as to what name should be given the Church also came up for consideration. There were many churches in the world taking the name of various men, who were servants of God. Churches were founded with good intentions and took the name of their prominent features, as the Methodists, Presbyterians, etc., but when the truth was restored in the nineteenth century there was no church known as the Church of Jesus Christ. Those who desire to range themselves under the banner of John Wesley or other men have the right to do so, and the same right should be accorded to those who want to align themselves with the Church of Jesus Christ.

The Church of Jesus Christ in these days is distinguished by name from the Church of Christ in former days. This is called the Church of Latter-day Saints. It was known to the prophets of old that the Church in early days would be followed by a great falling away and the Church of Christ would be taken from the earth. When the Church was established in these days it was said that it would never more be thrown down. Taking the name of God be false its perpetuity is assured. It is the Church of the people under authority through the divine Personage who stands at its head.

As an earthly organization the people are expected to come together and form a part in the continuance of the Church. This was attended to in the morning session, when the stake organization had been made more or less complete. The vote or voice of the people is necessary to place a man in authority over them. Thus the voice of God is heard through the people who are privileged to pass on those who are to preside over them.

Many titles heard of among men are empty but with God it is different. When Abraham's name was changed to Isaac, it carried with it something besides the change of name. So when Jacob wrestled with the angel and was thereafter called Israel, meaning one who prevailed with God, it was more than a mere change of name. The case of Hagar, the plural wife of Abraham, was also mentioned, who was into the desert because of her enmity and there she received promises regarding her son Ishmael, who, it was said, was to be a wild man. His name Ishmael was also predicted, the meaning thereof being "God shall hear him when he calls." Many of God's chosen servants have been named before their birth and others have had their names changed. The importance of having the correct name in his Church is apparent.

Elder Talmage here digressed to say that the theology of the Latter-day Saints is plain and easy to understand. God was said to be a being similar in person to man his children, and he operates through the powers of nature. The father is just as tangible a being as the Son before he was crucified and after he rose from the dead. We look upon the individual as being more than a mere body and mind. There is a being identical to man which existed before the earth was created and will exist after the world has come to decay. Man is composed of the body, mind and spirit, which constitute the soul of man, and it is the aim of the Church of Jesus Christ to develop all of these parts of man. After we have been developed in the school of life, we shall be glorified and wear these bodies as robes of honor. The curse pronounced on those unworthy ones, "Depart ye cursed," was banishment where they would not have their bodies. Their earthly estate is looked upon as a fallen one, and while men who are in this school of life and away from home, this school period is one of potential and prospective blessing. We will go back home after awhile and we will have many stories to tell them of our experience here. We shall then find the place in the mansion of our Father, for which we are fitted.

The old idea, which presented two races, heaven and hell, to the children of God is one which no rational mind can accept as true. Can you classify the human family into two classes? It is impossible. Everyone will find his level if everyone was created equal this equality is soon lost in this life.

There will be no danger of identities becoming mixed or lost because of a fall. There are not two children exactly the same. These characteristics will ever remain with us.

We are the children of God with boundless possibilities, said Elder Talmage in conclusion. Let us endeavor to be more worthy of our divine inheritance and move on to higher things, but we may be worthy of dwelling with our divine parents.

#### BISHOP C. W. NIBLEY.

Bishop C. W. Nibley said he had been interested in the discourse which had been delivered. The name of Jesus Christ, he said, was a name which the Latter-day Saints adored and venerated, he believed, more than any other people. As the choir had sung, they believed he would reign forever and ever. They opened their meetings, blessed their children, offered their

## Cold Weather

Is here and nothing is more stimulating and healthy than a pot of good tea.

### HEWLETT'S

Teas are always good.

prayers and baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. One or two of the ordinances of the Church, as baptism, in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and the name of Jesus Christ.

We believe that he lived, died and was resurrected, and that his spirit animates his Church. We also receive the names of the great prophets in ancient days, as Isaiah, Jeremiah, Abraham and others, and we also honor the names of prophets in our own time as Joseph Smith, Brigham Young and others, but these are far less in rank than Jesus. The world has had its mighty ones as Caesar and Napoleon, and many others, but who of all these can be likened unto Jesus?

Next Sunday under the direction of the presidency of the Church services will be held to commemorate the life of Joseph Smith, but his work, great as it is, cannot be reckoned with the greatness of the work of Jesus Christ.

The attention of the people was called to the necessity of following the example of Christ and administering good cheer to the poor and afflicted. We should not spend all we have on our own children but give also to those who are in need. It is more blessed to give than to receive.

This spirit of Christ will eventually dominate the world, not alone at Christmas time. He has given his priesthood to build up his kingdom, and not to make a favored class. It is intended to raise up a nation of kings and priests. It may look now that it would take a long time to do this. But consider what has been done in the last 75 years. Knowledge has been increased, as Daniel said it would be in the last days. This is seen in all the world. It was predicted that the spirit of God would be poured out upon all flesh in the last days.

In the life of President Winder here there was a time when there were no railroad trains. Why, I remember when wheat was cut with a cradle. In this short space of one lifetime all these wonderful changes have been established. When President Winder was born there were no telegraphs, no electric telegraphs. Now we have even wireless telegraphs. So I do not doubt that he can be accomplished in the future when God sets his hand to accomplish his purposes.

#### MORNING SESSION.

The morning meeting was held in the Assembly hall at 10 o'clock. President Nephi L. Morris and Counselor Edward T. Ashton presided. The musical numbers were given by the Fourteenth ward choir, Thomas Butler, leader.

The first selection was entitled "Dear to the heart of the shepherd." Prayer was offered by Elder William R. Jones. This was followed by the hymn, "Ere the sun goes down."

The sacrament was administered under the direction of the bishopric of the Twenty-second ward.

President Nephi L. Morris addressed the conference. He remarked that, as a rule, the attendance in the wards, at the evening services, was very good throughout the stake, but the people were lax in attending the meetings in the tabernacle. Many have religious duties placed upon them which make it difficult for them to spend an evening with their families. If those who are neglectful would bear a part of the burden of the Church, there would be a lighter load for those who are diligent. Once in a while, the fathers should remain at home and care for the children and thus give their wives an opportunity to attend meetings. This would give them a respite from the exactions of the home and enable them to broaden their minds by mingling with others.

The present Salt Lake stake has been in existence nearly six years. In that brief time numerous changes have occurred. In the 11 wards only two bishops remain of those who were in office at the time the stake began its career. All honor is due those brethren, bishops or others who have grown old in the service of the Lord. They are not forgotten by their brethren, and God himself will make their reward sure. Recently Bishop George R. Jones of the Twenty-third ward, after years of faithful service, had been relieved of the responsibilities of his office. Elder Robert M. Holt had been appointed to preside over that ward, being sustained and set apart on the 25th of November. The vacancy in the high council occasioned by the death of Elder James T. Fluhman had been filled by the appointment of William T. Noall. John L. Nebeker had been appointed an alternate high councilor.

The teachers were reported to be active in making visits among the people. At this season of the year, when the poor feel most keenly the pinch of cold and hunger, unusual efforts should be made to see that none are in need of food and warmth.

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those who are really the followers of Jesus Christ will strive to keep his commandments. They will perform the duties incumbent upon them as members of his Church—attend the meetings of the saints, pay their tithing, remember the poor, and do all other things within their power for the advancement of the interests of God's kingdom. The closing selection was "Angels singing glad hosannas," and the benediction was given by Bishop Elias S. Woodruff.

#### EVENING SESSION.

The third session of the Salt Lake stake conference which convened in the Assembly hall at 7 p. m., was devoted to the work of the Young Men's and the Young Ladies' Mutual Improvement associations and the Religion classes of the stake. Elder Harold G. Reynolds, of the Religion class superintendency, called the meeting to order. The following program was presented: Singing by the Religion class children of the stake, "Let us all press on in the work of the Lord."

Prayer in concert, by the children.

A quartet from the Twenty-second ward rendered a selection.

The children gave a recitation "The Fifth Wheel," in allusion to the criticism of some who have said that the Religion classes are no more necessary to the Church than is a fifth wheel to a wagon.

Solo by Lottie Butler of the Fourteenth ward.

A paper was read by Mrs. Bertha Asper on the subject "The Need of Religious Training in Childhood."

A double quartet from the Sixteenth ward sang "O Calvary."

Elder Joseph A. F. Everett, a member of the stake Religion class, testified that the object of the association which he represented was to teach the children to carry out in their daily lives the precepts which they learned in the classes.

"Nearer, my God to thee" was sung by Miss Annie Erickson. During the singing of this piece of music, four young women of the Nineteenth ward, dressed in loose white gowns, illustrated the sentiments of the hymn by making appropriate gestures.

The girls of the Fifteenth ward Religion class sang "Twinkle, twinkle little star."

Elder Supt. Henry B. Elder of the Religion classes spoke of many acts of practical charity which had been performed by the little children—such as chopping kindling for the aged and carrying provisions to those who are poor. Among other things the children are taught correct table manners, to treat one another with kindness and courtesy, and to pray often for the guidance of the Lord.

A solo was sung by Carl McMillan of the Twenty-eighth ward. Brief remarks regarding the work of the Mutual Improvement associations were made by Stake Supts. Alexander E. Carr and Charles H. Wesley.

Ellie M. Ashton, a member of the stake board of the Young Ladies' association, spoke on "Kindness and Helpfulness."

Master Jensen of the Twenty-eighth ward sang a solo.

John C. Lake and Edwin A. Parsons rendered a duet. "The morning breaks, the shadows flee."

#### ELDER B. S. HINCKLEY.

Elder Bryant S. Hinckley, a member of the general board of the Young Men's Mutual Improvement association, addressed the meeting. He told the boys that the whole purpose of improvement work was to teach them to appreciate the whole of life—to kindle upon the altar of their heart a love of all that is true, and to bring boys into communion with heaven. The boy who receives his education upon the street corner today will be the failure of tomorrow. He who mingles with the upright and the noble will be a success in the future. Every boy is traveling on one of two roads—the path that leads to safety and happiness or the one that brings him to destruction and bitter remorse. It is much better to shun the way of evil and walk in the way of righteousness and honor.

President Martha H. Tinney of the Young Ladies' associations of the Church thanked the stake workers for the program which had been presented.

"We thank thee, O God for a prophet," was sung by the congregation and the children of the Religion classes after which Elder Brigham F. Grant pronounced the benediction.

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#### FUNERAL OF MRS. WILDING.

Services Held in the Sixteenth Ward Chapel Sunday Afternoon.

The funeral services of Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Wilding, who died Friday of old age, was held at the Sixteenth ward chapel at 12:15 Sunday afternoon. The music was impressive and many tributes were paid by the speakers to the

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## SHOWER OF BOTTLES HURLED AT ROBBER

Youthful Yeggman Fails to Hold Up Hurry Back Saloon Saturday Night.

"Throw up your hands and be quick about it. The first man who starts anything will get plugged," yelled a youthful robber armed with a big Colt's revolver, upon entering the Hurry Back saloon, 62 west First South street, about 12:30 Saturday night.

The next instant things were coming beer, whiskey and seltzer bottles, 8 Ochler, a retired army sergeant, proved the best shot in the bottle brigade, hitting the robber in the head with a whis-

ky bottle. The robber quickly backed out of the saloon, shouting as he ran. One of the bullets took effect in the left arm of Isaac Martin, bartender. The bullet fractured a bone in Martin's arm and severed an artery. The wounded man was taken to the emergency hospital where Dr. Steele dressed the wound and then ordered the man sent to St. Mark's hospital.

The robber made his escape but in his flight dropped his hat. He had part of his face concealed under a white handkerchief. He wore a brown derby hat and a light suit of clothes. He was described as being tall and slender and not more, apparently, than 21 years of age. When he entered the saloon there were 12 men in the place and his command "hands up," was met with surprising resistance. The wounded bartender is reported to be rapidly recovering.

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## AMUSEMENTS

Orpheum—The new bill especially arranged for Christmas week will be seen tonight.

Colonial—Bernard Daly will be seen through the week and the customary matinees will be given Wednesday and Christmas afternoon.

Grand—The Mack Co. in the Irish play "Mayvourne" will continue throughout the week.

Shubert—The play of "The Bachelor," which will be seen at the Shubert Friday night, will be followed by "The Vagabond King," a romantic play on the order of "The Prisoner of Zenda," all the following week. The new company will be headed by Miss Lovie Palmer and Mr. Alfred Swenson, the popular Salt Lake actor.

Mission—A complete change of bill is announced for Wednesday, the leading feature of which will be "The Markham Divorce Case."

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Fancy Work Boxes  
Black Silks  
Powder Boxes  
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Umbrellas  
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