CONFERENCE OF LIBERTY STAKE

Services Held Yesterday in Assembly Hall and Tabernacle.

LARGE CONGREGATION THERE

Important Changes in Officers of the Stake Announced During the Services—Good Words of Counsel.

Tempted by the lovely autumn day as well as by the fact that yesterday was Liberty stake conference, a good audience was present in the tabernacle in the afternoon. In addition to the stake presidency and some of the high council there were present on the stand President John R. Winder and Elders Rudger Clawson and George F. Richards.

The services were in charge of President Hugh J. Cannon of Liberty stake, who announced the opening hymn, "Come dearest, Lord descend and dwell," which was sung by the choir.

Prayer was offered by Bishop L. A. Merrill. The choir then sang, "Lift up thy voice and sing."

Elder Elias Conway Ashton said he hoped that during the meeting all present would be able to withdraw their thoughts from the things of the world. He prefaced his remarks by reading from Matt. 18th chapter, and quoted a few lines written by Thomas Carlyle: "At all turns a man who will do faithfully must believe firmly."

He said the Latter-day Saints have shown their devotion to their religion since its inception. They have believed intensely and their conduct therefore has been uniformly in favor of good morals. The love of men for wealth and temporalities was referred to and the story of the ancient King Croesus who ruled over Lydia, was told, who came to Solon, the philosopher, and was told, in answer to his question, that no man was fortunate until after he was dead. He was afterwards taken in bondage and offered much for the release of his body. There is also the story of one man who bargained away his soul by agreeing to copy a certain code in one night. He found it too great and invited the aid of a mythical power who agreed to help him if he bargained up his soul. He did so because his soul was clouded. Many people in actual life also allow doubts to enter in and their minds become clouded by the pleasures of this butterfly existence. They thus lose sight of the things promised in the next world. These are days of commercial hysteria, when men would barter their souls for financial success.

Reference was also made to the religious ideas presented by Dr. Charles Eliot of Harvard. He says in the new religion there will be nothing supernatural. It will perform no magical rites, allow nothing occult, admit of no sacraments except those hallowed by custom or of proved value. He has tried to wipe away at one stroke that which religious people most love. In view of the revelations given to Joseph Smith, the speaker felt no hesitancy in attacking the teachings of the venerable doctor. He wanted to know if it was a religion that would encourage morality and pure ethics, doing away, as it does, with all the basic teachings of Christianity and all the great prophecies regarding Christ's mission.

Reference was also made to the strong belief of the Latter-day Saints that God does reveal himself. Illustrations were given from the Scriptures showing that God has done great things by revelation, of which the lives of Noah and Moses are conspicuous examples.

The speaker also spoke of the pleasure the gospel gave him, and referred to the fact that provision is made in the gospel for activity on the part of what, in other churches, is known as the laity. In those churches there is little or no religious activity on the part of the laity by officiating in spiritual things. Hence it is that the Latter-day Saints are strong in their belief. It is because they are all taught to do something, and in this way they learn and grow.

I cannot believe that Joseph Smith was an uninspired man after all that he has accomplished. He has proved to be stronger and greater than many of the leading thinkers and reformers, and this to me shows that God was with him.

He hoped that those who had been devoted to the work of God in its inception would never be grieved by beholding deviation from the path of truth on the part of their descendants, upon whose shoulders rests in large measure the work of carrying forward the work.

Joseph Poll sank the solo, "Dear Promised Land."

GEORGE F. RICHARDS.

Elder George F. Richards, of the council of twelve, began by reading the 23rd Psalm, beginning, "The Lord is my shepherd. I shall not want." He said: I had the pleasure of attending the morning session of the conference, where the reports of some of the shepherds of the flock were read. These reports showed the growth of the flock and told how improvements may be made. Some who have just been chosen to act as shepherds of the flock expressed themselves as desirous to do right.

The figure used in the Psalm was a favorite one with the Savior, who said on one occasion, "My sheep know my voice." He also commanded Peter to feed his lambs. Others were delegated in those days and also in these days for the same purpose.

A shepherd is pleased when he can find good pasture for his flock. Now shepherds drive their flocks, but in ancient days they led them. The shepherd is pleased when all his sheep are secure from things that would destroy them. But when he finds some refractory ones who endanger their lives and those of the flock, then he is troubled and worried.

Do we realize that we bring trouble to our Master by neglecting to do those things we should do? Passages were read from the Doctrine and Covenants regarding the worth of souls in the sight of God and his joy was said to be great in the soul that repents and turns to God. When we retrace our steps, if we have gone astray and been unmindful of the voice of God, it makes our Father rejoice.

Reference was also made to Mosiah iii chapter and 7th verse, which described the agony of the Savior for the wickedness and abomination of his people whom he loved. God gave his only begotten Son that whosoever believeth on him might have everlasting life. Because of the intensity and perfection of his love when the people do wrong it causes sorrow to the Master.

Shepherds have been delegated to watch over the people and lead them. They also love the people. It is true they are mortals and have their imperfections which they are overcoming day by day. These shepherds love the flock and they have great responsibilities in connection with them. We pray for them, for our teachers, bishops and the authorities. Are we sincere in our prayers? Do we give evidence before the Lord and the people that we are in earnest by heeding their counsels and refraining from those things we should not do? Do we seek to lessen the trials of the bishops and presidents of stakes and assist to lighten their loads? The people also have responsibilities that they do not allow themselves to be drawn into by and forbidden paths.

The gospel of Christ has borne good fruits in these last days. Passages were read from the Scriptures regarding spiritual gifts, which should be earnestly sought for the purpose of glorifying God and building up his work and not to use them for one's selfish ends.

All of these gifts are not given to one person as a rule, though many people enjoy many of these gifts. The people have been brought from many nations. Our wives have come from other lands than our fathers and mothers in many cases. One of the fruits of the gospel is found in the gift of our wives to us, not for a short time but they are ours forever.

It has been revealed by God that every blessing received is predicated upon law. Even our wives and all we are promised in the future is predicated on our obedience to the gospel. We cannot afford to wander away, to neglect our duty and thus give the adversary an opportunity to enter in. Seek opportunities to do good and we will find them. In this way we can try to make the gospel what we desire it to be—a reality.

The choir sang the hymn, "Praise the Lord all the nations." Benediction was offered by Patriarch Angus M. Cannon.

MORNING SESSION.

The morning session of the Liberty stake conference convened in assembly hall yesterday morning. The choir sang, "Come, O thou King of kings," after which the opening prayer was offered by Bishop Heber C. Iverson. The choir than sang, "What was witnessed in the heavens."

President Arnold H. Schulthess welcomed the saints present and then presented the general and stake authorities, all of whom were unanimously sustained. He also referred to the fact that Joseph Warburton had been honorably released from the office of bishop of the First ward after a continuous service of 49 years. Bishop Warburton in a few words also told of his appointment as bishop in 1861 under instructions from President Brigham Young, and expressed his appreciation of the gospel.

After the choir had sung, "Those who sow in tears shall reap in joy," reports were made by E. M. Ashton, superintendent of the stake Y. M. M. I. A., and Lottie Paul Baxter, superintendent of the Y. L. M. I. A. Bishop John Vetterli reported the condition of the new Emigration ward. All reports showed conditions to be excellent.

The following new members of the high council were appointed to take the places of those who had left the stake: Leonard G. Hardy, John T. Thorup and William H. Lovesey. All of them expressed themselves as being willing to occupy their positions and of endeavoring to magnify their callings.

Lucy Hickman then sang "Love divine," after which President B. S. Hinckley spoke of the wonderful organization of the Church, and the necessity of faith on the part of members of the Church. He also said a few words in praise of the good work accomplished by Bishop Warburton.

President Francis M. Lyman spoke in favor of the magazines for the auxiliary organizations, which, he said, are not being patronized as they should be. He also referred to the fact that there are many people living in the various wards who have not brought their recommends.

In a few words President John R. Winder said that to his knowledge Bishop Warburton had been laboring in the temple 16 years, during which time he had done a great work for the redemption of his ancestors. He also complimented the stake authorities on the condition of the stake.

President Hugh J. Cannon made a few remarks in conclusion in which he thanked the Thirty-third ward choir for the music furnished and expressed his appreciation of the work of the Lord and the members living in the stake.

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WEEKLY HEALTH REPORT.

Slight Decrease in Typhoid Accompanies Colder Weather.

According to the week end report of the city board of health, the typhoid epidemic has been materially reduced during the past week, only 26 cases having been reported, compared with 101 for the week previous. For the corresponding week last year 19 cases of typhoid were reported.

There were 40 cases of contagious and infectious diseases reported during the week, those outside of the typhoid cases being as follows: Smallpox, 1 case; diphtheria, 2; tuberculosis, 1; scarlet fever, 6; measles, 1, and chickenpox, 3 cases. There were 42 births recorded during the week, 22 males and 20 females; 27 deaths were reported, 14 being males and 13 females; nine were shipped for burial. In the isolation hospital at the close of the week, one case of smallpox remains, while five houses are still in quarantine on account of smallpox, 14 on account of scarlet fever and three on account of diphtheria.

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FORTY-EIGHT YEARS IN THE BISHOPRIC

Joseph Warburton "Father of the First Ward" Honorably Released — J. C. Duncan Appointed.

The bishopric of the First ward was last night reorganized for the first time in 48 years, Joseph Warburton, who for that length of time has presided over the destinies of the ward being

BISHOP JOHN C. DUNCAN.

honorably released, and John C. Duncan, the new bishop, unanimously sustained.

Elders F. M. Lyman and George F. Richards of the council of twelve were present as were also Hugh J. Cannon and B. S. Hinckley and A. Schulthess of the stake presidency. The reorganization was effected by Elder Lyman. Bishop Warburton gave a farewell official talk to his people, over whom he had presided so many years; but he said he had not laid down the harness, as he is an active laborer in the temple and in other callings. Bishop Warburton was set apart by President Brigham Young 48 years ago, as counselor to Bishop Moon of the First ward, but soon afterward Bishop Moon moved away and Bishop Warburton's service began. The people of the First ward feel like they are all children of Bishop Warburton, and he will ever be held in affectionate remembrance by them.

John C. Duncan the new bishop is a young man of 27 years, having been born in this city Jan. 8, 1882. He has always lived in the First ward. He has been actively engaged in the various organizations of the ward, and is now in the presidency of the elders' quorum. He was superintendent of the ward Sunday school for three years, and has been in the high council of Liberty stake for more than four years past. He is second assistant to the stake Sunday school superintendency, and labored as a missionary in Great Britain for 28 months under Presidents Francis M. Lyman and Heber J. Grant.

Jos. R. Squires was chosen first counselor to Bishop Duncan. Mr. Squires is a son of John Squires of old time barber fame in this city, and is an exemplary young man. He is at present superintendent of the Sunday school of the First ward and is active in many of the Church organizations.

The second counselor chosen was Edwin C. Davis. Mr. Davis is well known throughout the ward, and is loved and respected by all who know him. He is a business man of considerable ability, and is in the employ of Child, Cole & Co., brokers. He has recently returned from a successful mission in Great Britain.

Elder Francis M. Lyman made a little heart to heart talk to the people which was much appreciated by all present. He told of the good works of Bishop Warburton, who he said would now be called upon to officiate as a patriarch. President Lyman blessed the people of the ward, and urged them to sustain their new bishopric as they had done the old one.

Elder Duncan was set apart as bishop of the ward by President Lyman, Elder Squires as first counselor by Elder Geo. F. Richards, Bishop Warburton was ordained a patriarch by President Lyman and Elder Davis was set apart as second counselor by Elder Richards. The singing by the choir was particularly pleasing, and a good spirit prevailed throughout the meeting.

HOME READING COURSE.

List of Titles Recommended by City Board of Education.

Reports on the home reading course instituted in the public schools for the past two years have been tabulated and made public by Supt. D. H. Christensen. The purpose of the reading courses is to encourage home reading by the pupils of books recommended by the superintendent and school board, outside of the regular courses of study, and to this end it circulating libraries have been installed in the school buildings from which the children may select the books they choose to read. The list following gives the titles of books read by the pupils in the different grades during that time:

"Ben Hur," "Gulliver's Travels," "Silas Marner," "Ivanhoe," "David Copperfield," "Astoria," "American Cruiser in East," "Uncle Sam's Secrets," "Tale of Two Cities," "Alice of Old Vincennes," "Felix Holt," "Daniel Webster," "History for Graded and District Schools," "Uncle Sam's Soldiers," "Last of the Mohicans," "Last Days of Pompeii," "Kenilworth," "Red Rock," "John C. Calhoun," "Lewis and Clark," "Alhambra," "Scottish Chiefs," "Guy Mannering," "Helen Keller's Story of Her Life," "Winning His Way," "Huckleberry Finn," "Little City of Hope," "Chance for Himself," "Blazed Trail," "Put Yourself in His Place," "Men of Old Greece," "Under the Lilacs," "Wild Animals I Have Known," "He Knew Lincoln," "Tom Sawyer," "Anderson's Fairy Tales," 1 and 2; "Cudjo's Cave," "Rose in Bloom," "Tramp Abroad," "Hoosier Schoolmaster," "Roland," "Woodfolks at School," "Stories From Nibelungen," "Drummer Boy," "Uncle Tom's Cabin," "Eight Cousins," "Madam How and Lady Why," "Prince and the Pauper," "Wilderness Ways," "Robin Hood," "Last of the Barons," "Hereward," "Crisis," "Widow O'Callahan's Boys," "Blight Life," "Thaddeus of Warsaw," "Man Without a Country," "Deerslayer," "Talisman," "Alexander Hamilton," "Old Greek Stories," "Red Rover," "Lorna Doone," "Treasure Island," "Old Fashioned Girl," "Tom Brown's School Days," "Nicholas Nickelby," "Child's History of England," "Biography of a Grizzly Bear," "Merry Animal Tales," "Pilgrim's Progress," "Lion of the North," "Boy," "Old Norse Stories," "Camp and Firesides of the Revolution," "Jo's Boys," "Swiss Family Robinson," "Robinson Crusoe," "Water Babies," "Pathfinder," "Vicar of Wakefield," "Giant Scissors," "Little Men," "Frank the Young Naturalist," "Uncle Remus," "Story of a Bad Boy," "Secrets of the Woods," "Little Men too," "Cave Boy of the Age of Stones," "Little Women," "Black Beauty," "Little Lord Fauntleroy," "Pinnochio," "Baldwin's Hero Tales," "Little Colonel," "Grimm's Fairy Tales," "Two Little Knights of Kentucky," "Children of the Cliff."

FAIR GROUNDS DESERTED.

All Exhibits Removed and All Were Glad to See Finish.

The state fair grounds looked as sad and lonesome and strange as the deserted village Sunday night, when moving day had chosen. An army of men worked from early morn in piling the exhibits into wagons to bring into town or in ship away, and when darkness fell, the interior of the manufactures building looked as cold and cheerless as a huge barn in mid winter. The gay decorations, vari-colored bunting and flaunting streamers were torn away, and nothing but the naked skeleton of the girders and beams was left to shock the eye.

But every animal on exhibit in the grounds was glad to go home, and the pigs squealed for joy, the horses neighed and whinnied, the sheep bleated, the cows mooed and the bulls bellowed, in a babel of relief that the fair was over. Most of the dogs and chickens had been taken home late Saturday night. The few lonely canines who were left over night in the chill went wild with joy on the arrival of their owners.

PURITAN RAILROADERS HERE.

Were Entertained by Local Street Car Officials.

Ninety-two members of the Massachusetts Street Railway association attendant on the national convention at Denver spent yesterday in this city, the guests of the Utah Light & Railway company. They are traveling in a special train to the Seattle fair, in charge of F. A. McCormick of the Boston & Maine road, and on reaching this city were met at the Rio Grande station by these local railway officials: G. W. Manning, assistant superintendent; J. G. Williams, general supervisor; G. S. Gannett, treasurer, W. C. Baker, chief clerk; B. W. Mendenhall, commercial agent; O. A. Honnold, electrical engineer, and L. L. Dagron, chief engineer. Three special cars were provided by the company to take the visitors over the city.

The visitors were taken to the Commercial club where a fine luncheon had been provided, when they went by special train to Saltair in cars provided by the Oregon Short Line. Quite a number of the party went in bathing, although the water was none too warm. On the return the visitors were shown over the town in special street cars, and at 6 p. m., the special pulled out for Butte, with the party all delighted with the hearty and generous treatment accorded them in Salt Lake.

SALOONS ORDERED CLOSED.

Near Approach of Election May Explain Reason for Order.

All of the saloons in the city were closed promptly at midnight, Saturday night, on orders of the police, received direct from Mayor Bransford. No reason for changing saloon closing time from 1 o'clock to 12 o'clock was vouchsafed, but the fact that election is not far off robbed the unusual order of its surprise.

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NO ARRESTS IN RILEY CASE.

Police Think They Have a Clew Given By Hardware Clerk.

Notwithstanding the fact that five whole days have elapsed since Special Officer C. C. Riley was shot to death by a hold-up, in the line of duty, Chief of Police Barlow and Chief of Detectives George Sheets are sanguine that they will eventually capture the murderer. The police think that they have a strong clew in a new bit of information to the effect that the murderer and his companion, on Tuesday afternoon, visited a certain hardware store and purchased cartridges for a .38 caliber revolver. The clerk who sold the men the cartridges has given the police a close description of what he thinks were the holdups.

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FERNSTROM TO ASK POLICE TO EXPLAIN

Why Slot Machines and Gambling Are Permitted to Run in Violation Of the Ordinance.

One of the matters which will be considered by tonight's city council session will be the resignation of City Engineer L. C. Kelsey, which was handed to Mayor Bransford and accepted by him last week. The resignation is to take effect, it is understood, on Oct. 15, although no date is set in the designation itself. As the mayor has already passed on it, the duty of the council is but perfunctory, and will occupy perhaps but a moment's time.

The matter of the application of the residents of the Waterloo district for annexation to the city will also be considered. One hundred and sixteen property owners south of Tenth South street and north of Twelfth South have filed a petition asking that this section be included in the city limits, so that the residents may have the advantages of city water and city school privileges. So far no opposition to the petition has developed, and the legal steps may be authorized tonight looking to the annexation of Waterloo.

Councilman Fernstrom, it is said, has a "resolution" up his sleeve which will cause something doing in the police department. He proposes to know why the city officers do not enforce the law as to gambling and slot machines, and his resolution has to do with this condition, and demands that the council be given an explanation why the law is not enforced. While the "American" majority will no doubt vote the resolution down, yet it will become a matter of record that the minority demands the enforcement of the law and the "American" majority refuses to grant this.

An amended ordinance regarding meat inspection may come up for consideration. The present ordinance confines slaughtering to plants where there is city inspection, thus preventing the small dealer or the farmer from killing his two or three animals. It is proposed to amend the ordinance so that the farmer or small dealer can take his slaughtered animals to some central inspecting plant and have the seal of approval of the city meat inspector placed on his carcasses.

A successor to Special Police Officer C. C. Riley, who was murdered by a hold-up thug last week, will likely be appointed. E. Glaser, it is said, has been selected by Chief Barlow for the place.

The council will probably concur in the action of the finance committee of Thursday night, in turning down the claim of the Campbell Building company for $6,784.32 for work done on the wooden stave outlet pipe. The work was not satisfactory to the city, and P. J. Moran was put to work and covered the wooden stave pipe with a covering of concrete so that the leaks would be done away with. The Campbell company has threatened to bring suit unless the bill is paid, but the city claims the work was not done according to specifications, and will fight the suit.

CUSTOMS IN CUBA.

Thomas Weir Tells of the Natives in Their Homes.

Thomas Weir lectured last night in the Westminster Presbyterian church on his trips through the West Indies in general, and on Cuban funeral customs in particular. He said in part:

"The hearse is a gorgeous affair, highly colored and gilded, with perhaps a motto like the following: 'Look for me tomorrow, you will not find me.' The horses are draped in orange or black, and the driver of the hearse wears a full court costume and if the station in life of the deceased will permit, liveried pastmen accompany the hearse. Upon arrival at the cemetery entrance the corpse is taken into the chapel for a brief service, after which it is conveyed on the shoulders of four bearers to the grave.

"Among the poorer classes the corpse is carried on the shoulders of bearers all the way from the house to the cemetery. In the lower classes the coffin is often rented for the occasion only, and upon reaching the cemetery, the body is rolled into a trench and the coffin returned to the undertaker. It is not considered good form for a woman, even the wife or mother of the deceased, to follow the corpse to the cemetery."

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