



## CONFERENCE AT OMAHA.

Omaha, Neb., Sept. 27.—The Elders of the Nebraska conference of the Colorado mission of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints held their semi-annual conference in this city Sept. 27 and 28, 1905 in Fraternal hall, Fourteenth and Dodge streets. Five public and two Priesthood meetings were held, the attendance not being as large as it might be for a city the size of Omaha.

Besides the Elders and Saints of Nebraska there were present President Joseph A. McRae of the Colorado mission; Elder Lorenzo Peters of Hyrum, Cache county, Utah; and Elder Lorenzo G. Peterson, Peter Nelson, John T. Gabbert, Hyrum P. Sorenson and Elder Madsen of the Iowa conference were present.

The Elders without an exception spoke of the good health they had enjoyed and they all rejoiced in the testimonies they had to bear.

The addresses of President Joseph A. McRae and Elder M. S. Steele were much appreciated by all present.

The Elders spoke upon the principles of the Gospel.

Reports were received of five baptisms and blessing of 10 children.

The Elders were anxious to return their fields of labor again. Elders J. E. Rossiter and C. P. Perry to Nemaha county; P. Baxter and Alma Radmill to Richardson county; Thomas O. Howell and George C. Nielsen to Buffalo county; President J. E. Ashcroft, W. H. Teiford, Forrest A. Fackrell and George S. Johnson, to Leavenworth, to Omaha; and W. H. Cook was transferred to Colorado.

Conference President Lewis A. Lee was released, having been in the mission field over three years, and J. E. Ashcroft succeeded him in the presidency.

ELDER W. H. CLARK, Secy.

## CONFERENCE IN OKLAHOMA.

Tulsa, Oklahoma, Sept. 26.—Semi-annual conference was held here at Tulsa Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 25 and 26. Mission President James G. Duffin and all the Elders of the conference were present. Three Priesthood and six public meetings were held. The Elders reported good work for the past five months. Many friends are being made and much prejudice is being removed.

President Duffin gave some very valuable instructions in the Priesthood meetings in regard to missionary work. At the public meetings all the Elders had the privilege of speaking on the principles of the Gospel and bearing a strong testimony to the truthfulness of the same. President Duffin spoke very forcibly on Church organization; also on the divine mission of Jesus Christ and other subjects. He said the time has come when people are thinking for themselves, and he exhorted all to study and become acquainted with the Gospel as it has been revealed through the Prophet Joseph Smith.

The meetings on Sunday were well attended. The people seemed to be interested in the principles of the Gospel, as they were explained.

A very nice luncheon was served each day at the school, for which the Saints and friends here deserve much credit.

After our meeting Sunday night President Duffin left for Kansas City.

On Monday morning the Elders and Saints met at the residence of Brother A. S. Beeler, and held a Sacrament and testimony meeting. All present bore a strong testimony to the truthfulness of the Gospel and expressed a determination to go forward with the work.

The Elders were assigned to labor as follows: On account of an odd number of Elders, President Lindsay will travel alone visiting Saints and friends in Caddo county; Elders Charles Wilson and A. W. Jack will do canvassing work in Kiowa county; Elder D. A. McClellan and A. A. Bohr in Comanche county; Elders J. A. Robison and Lorraine Rollins in Roger Mills county; and Elders J. P. Alred and W. L. Crawford will do revisiting in Greer county.

The baptism of Robert Reed's son, Carson, occurred on Monday. After a feast and merriment at Brother Bullock's farm, the Elders departed for their fields of labor. The conference was much appreciated by the Elders and Saints, and much credit is due the Saints here for the way they entertained the Elders. There have been 13 baptisms and 16 children blessed since April conference. We are in need of more Elders. The harvest is great but the laborers are few.

The "News" and Era are welcome visitors.

SAMUEL LINDSAY,  
Conference President.  
I. P. ALLRED,  
Secretary of Conference.

## FOREIGN MISSION FIELD.

The following notes respecting the progress and condition of the Gospel work in England, Syria and South Africa, are taken from the Millennial Star of Sept. 21:

## Street Star at Plymouth.

Elder John N. B. Young, writing from Plymouth, sends us interesting news which the Elders are having in that city. He says that an individual in religious attire has been disturbing their Sunday evening street meetings by relating to the people Jameson's old tales of the wicked "Mormons." The opposition has, however, only resulted in an increased interest by the people in the Elders' message, and many are enquiring after the Elders and their doctrines.

## From the Norwich Conference.

President H. A. Grover and Elder J. S. Boyce, Jr., have just returned from an extended trip around the Norwich conference. They report everything in a flourishing condition. The Elders are all well and united in their work, having so many friends that they can scarcely visit all of them and attend to other duties. In North Walsham, Ipswich, and Wisbech they held well attended district meetings, at which many strangers and friends were present. They also report having met two old sisters, one 89 years of age, the other 80 who have not seen each other for ten years, yet they are as full of life as ever.

The conference throughout is in a progressive condition, with a bright future in sight for winning souls to Christ.

## Harvest of Souls at Walsall.

Elder E. S. Holmes sends the following news from Walsall under date of Sept. 14, 1905:

"It affords me much pleasure to report a baptismal service held at the Corporation Baths, Walsall, last Sunday, when 12 honest souls were initiated into the fold. Before the ordinance was performed, Elder E. S. Holmes offered prayer, and Elder W. A.

Zara as a present to us. We are indeed blessed of the Lord with many warm friends in this city, and trust that the little troubles and difficulties we had in getting here will be sanctified to the furtherance of the cause of truth."

"Aug. 15.—We failed to get this letter on time for the mail last week, and therefore will finish now. There is little change so far, and we are still doing work among the people and the Saints. The latter are feeling sad to think of our leaving them so soon. They think Sister Booth, the only woman they ever saw from Zion, ought to be with them a little longer. Last Sunday we had more visitors than ever before at any time previous to this visit. We ordained two teachers, and we are here next Sunday we shall ordain one deacon. The weather is hot for traveling, but we must be going, as the Elders in Constantinople are waiting for us.

"Sivas, Aug. 26.—We are happy to report what we believe to be a very successful visit to Zara. We left the Saints there in tears on Wednesday, Aug. 23. All who could leave their work came out along the road to bid us a last farewell. It was really hard for us to leave them, they are so dear-hearted and loving. Next year our own Saints, but many friends also came out with them beyond the suburbs of the city. Five young men who are members of the Church walked out nearly four miles along the way to have as late a parting as they could. They are all boys of great influence in Zara, and we gained the friendship, too, of many of their wealthy relatives.

"Our room was frequented nearly all day yesterday and far into the night with callers who came in to bid us welcome back to Sivas. We thank the Lord for all these good friends and hope their reward will be to know the Gospel and accept it. Some in the near future will get a good supply of Elders I shall try to have two of them come here and continue the work."

"We expect to leave here next week and spend Sunday, Sept. 3, in Tokat, the 16th in Samson, and then as soon after that as we can leave by ship we will go to Constantinople. All was well with them with the Elders at last report, also good news from Elder Vance in Antab. There are a few of our Saints here who are hoping to emigrate to Zion before long, and with the kindness of some of their friends there are those who are stanchest and best Saints, and I am going to write Broth. H. H. Hutz to intercede there for them, and most of the members bare testimony to the divinity of the work.

"Our Sunday evening meetings continue to be well attended, and the prospects are bright for another harvest in the near future."

## CHURCH MISSION ADDRESSES

For the convenience of travelers, the Deseret News gives here with the addresses of the various missions of the Church where this paper will always be found on file, and where travelers will receive courteous attention:

New York City—33 West One Hundred and Twenty-sixth St.  
Chicago—149 So. Paulina St.  
San Francisco—69 Franklin St.  
Los Angeles—423 West Twentieth St.

Denver—62 West, Sixth Ave.  
Chattanooga, Tenn.—71 Fairview Ave.

Portland—267 Hancock St.  
Kansas City—1405 Locust St.  
Mexico—Fifth Humboldt St.  
London, England—97 Farleigh Road.

Liverpool, England—10 Holly Road, Fairfield.  
Zurich, Switzerland—Hochstrasse 65, Munster.

Copenhagen—Kongensgade 11.

Stockholm, Sweden—Svartensgatan 3.

Honolulu—Punchbowl St.

Tokyo, Japan—No. 16 Kasumigashira, Yotsuya.

Toronto, Canada—226 Wilton Avenue.

of the "News" were literally "read to pieces."

I said in the beginning that the work of the Lord in this part of the world had grown. And so it has. That part of the work known as the "Sydney branch" has become a "big girl" now, having put on long dresses some four months ago. The "occasion" was the organization of a choir with over 30 members—the first Latter-day Saints choir in Australia. The writer has the honor of guiding the destinies of the new organization.

The work of the singers has been retarded by a lack of Pianofortes, but this difficulty will shortly be overcome. The good results of the organization are beginning to show. Meetings are more attractive and the old songs are given a much needed rest. The congregation soon learns the air of a new hymn by hearing the choir sing it and some of the people even pick up the parts. There is an improvement in the congregational singing as a result.

Preparations are under way for October conference. The Sunday school is also preparing for the regular university. Last year the Sydney school won high praise from outsiders for methods used and results obtained, which compared, they said, most favorably with sectarian schools that had been organized for years. This year a better showing is expected on account of a greater number attending.

Just a word more, and that to those who may be called on a mission to Australia. Some of the Elders who have been sent here in the past, thought they were coming to a trying climate and a country where missionary opportunities were circumscribed. The truth is just the opposite. The health of the Elders here is as good as in any place where our Brethren are.

Food obtainable is good and so is the water, speaking generally. There is ample opportunity to develop every talent used by a missionary and plenty of country to work in. The people here are as good as any people, except those in our own mountain vales. They are hospitable, kind, and very tolerant, and think a Yankee is a pretty good fellow, even if he is a "Mormon." If you are sent here you may be sure you are coming to a first class field in every respect.

D. D. MCKAY.

## RETURNED MISSIONARIES

Elder James O. Bullock of Pleasant Grove, Utah Co., returned Oct. 5, 1905, from the Eastern States mission, for which he was set apart Oct. 21, 1903. The South West Virginia conference was also the scene of his labors in preaching the restored Gospel. The spirit of prejudice is not as strong as formerly but there is more indifference to religion. The people are very hospitable to the Elders.

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Elder Albert Harry Thomas of Los Angeles, California, passed through this city Sept. 16, 1905, on his return from the British mission, for which he was set apart June 23, 1903. The Liverpool conference was his field of labor during his absence, spending seven months in the Liverpool office.

Elder Niels Mikkelson Thorup of Fountain Green, Sanpete Co., Utah, arrived in this city Sept. 21, 1905, on his return from the Scandinavian mission, whither he was sent July 8, 1903. The conference of Ansborg and Archus Denmark, were his fields of labor. The conditions in both these fields are favorable. The Elders are making many friends, and many are investigating the Gospel.

Elder Rohr Thos. Brown of Grantsville, Tooele Co., returned Oct. 2, 1905, from the Colorado mission, where since Oct. 29, 1903, he has been laboring with success in various conferences. The mission here is in a flourishing condition, with ample room for more laborers. People are becoming less prejudiced against the "Mormon" people, and the work is gaining strength.

Elder Bent Franklin Cluff of Central, Graham Co., Arizona, passed through this city Oct. 3, 1905, on his return from the British mission, to which he was assigned May 26, 1903. In the Bristol conference, where he labored, the Elders are making many friends.

Elder Charles Elliot Rowan, Jr., of Coyote, Gareld Co., passed through a short time ago we were favored with an appreciated visit of two weeks from our conference president, A. O. Ingelstrom, and traveling missionaries E. L. Swalberg and Miss Hilma Loefstrom. During their stay we had the pleasure of leading five souls into the waters of baptism. A number of meetings were also held in different parts of the branch, which were well attended. The singing and music furnished by Elder Swalberg contributed much to the success of the meetings.

The work of the Lord is going forward notwithstanding opposition. The principal opponents are the ministers, who profess to be the followers of the meek and lowly Nazarene. They will resort to every despotic method to defame Utah and her people, and as a result some doors are closed against us, but on the other hand many are open. Those who are investigating the doctrine, hence those ministers are indirectly and unconsciously causing many to investigate the Gospel. We feel greatly encouraged in the work as the prospects for the future are bright.

The "News" and Era are among our most welcome visitors.

## APATHY ABATING.

## General Awakening in the Australian Mission—Choir Organized.

Sydney, Australia, Sept. 11.—In years past the missionary work performed in this land by our Elders brought very small returns. In part, at least, this was due to religious apathy, which is the bane of missionary work in this country, now as well as in the past. The bent of the average Australian mind is to sports—horse-racing, football and cricket—rather than to religion. However, in the last two or three years our work in the community has picked up rapidly. For example the attendance at meetings in Sydney have increased 20 per cent in the last 12 months. Baptisms have grown more numerous and the circle of friends has greatly extended. The same prosperous conditions obtain throughout the mission.

This improvement is not spasmodic, but is a steady growth; nor is it due to any revival of religious interest among the people generally. It is the result of systematic work on the part of President Duckworth and the Elders, assisted of course by the blessings of the Lord.

Most of the Elders' time is spent in tractacting and visiting. That sort of work brings the people to return. Street meetings are practically discontinued throughout the mission. In some cities the people lost interest in them and they died a natural death, and in others—Sydney among them—the police refused permission, except on bye streets, where few people went. That put street meetings out of business.

The "News" and Era are doing good service. A year or two ago one of the Elders, who thought that these publications would do good work if placed where the public could see them, approached the city librarian to that end. A place was readily granted to each, in the library, and a promise made that each volume of the paper should be bound and kept for future use. This lead was followed by Elders in other cities till now you will not delay our stay here beyond our previously stated time, if we can prevent it. Just now we are in receipt of a most beautifully prepared bouquet, measuring about 15 by 25 inches, sent from one of the wealthy families of

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