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NORTHERN STATES MISSION NEWS

Northern Illinois Conference—The sints, elders, students and friends of the Chicago branch celebrated Ploneer day in Humboldt park, participating in various games, baseball and footraces. The feature of the day was a ball game between the elders and students, which will long be remembered; the score was \$4 to 6 in favor of the elders. The day was well spent and all enjoyed them-selves and a peaceful spirit prevailed. Elder Royal J, Murdock, who for the past year has been laboring in the mis-sion office as bookkeeper and secretary, has been transferred to preside over the has been transferred to preside over the

Wisconsin conference. Elder David A. Latimer has been appointed secretary of the Northern States mission. For the past 15 months he has heen president of the Wisconsin conference, where he has made many friends and been the means of bringing many honest souls to a knowledge of the gospel truths. Elder William D. Van Dyke has been

Elder William D. Van Dyke has been released from his labors as president of the Northern Illinois conference. He will now write up the mission history, after which he will travel through the various conferences visiting and en-couraging the elders and holding meet-ings with the saints, Elder Joseph A. Geddess will succeed him as president,

Arrivals-The following elders have reported to the mission headquarters: T, Frank Sevy, Panguitch, Utah; Chris Christensen, Levan, Utah; Cyrus Ellswort, Payson, Utah.

The clders of Southern Illinois conference report having an excellent time and holding many interesting meetings On July 17, 1909, Brother William Stenson of Mt. Sterling, Ill., was led into the waters of baptism by Elder James J. Glbson. Future prospects for a bountcous harvest are encouraging.

Northern Indiana Conference—El-der F. A. Richards writes: "I am in Mishawaka trying to get a place to hold meetings but they stopped the elders from holding meetings here about two years ago and also threat-ened to run us out, but I think we can mervail on them I am yooming at the ened to run us out, but I think we can prevail on them. I am rooming at the home of a Methodist minister. He is very much interested and reading the Book of Mormon. Last evening I at-tended a Christian Assembly mission and when they gave all permission to bear tostimony I arose and preached to them for 20 minutes without telling them who I was. About a hundred them who I was. About a hundred were present and at the close of the meeting expessed a desire to have me aftend again and said they had never heard such sound doctrine before. I will preach to them every chance I get whether they know me or not I such whether they know me or not. I sup-pose if they knew I was a Mormon what I said wouldn't have much weight, but believed every word I said and it was good, sound doctrine." Elder F. F. Shumway of Shoals, In-

diana, says: much is being done for the "I-find much is being done for the spread of truth that we elders little know of Sunday afternoon at Bedford a gentleman stepped out and took a Voice of Warning and told the crowd that was the best book he ever read excenting the Bible. He afterwards told

The elders here are men of affairs at home, who at the call of their leaders, have left their families, comfortable homes and duties of life, to preach in the world for from two to three years



brated the Fourth of July on the shores of Pine lake and an enjoyable time was had among friends, saints and cl-

lers. Tuesday morning we took up our ders. Tuesday morning we took up our labors as usual, visiting the homes of the people. We obtained the use of a schoolhouse and we held a very good meeting at the close of which we were greeted with hearty hand-shakes and a warm welcome back. The following Sunday we again held services on the shores of Pine lake and baptized five more converts and confirmed them members of the Church at a fast meet-ing held in the afternoon. A success-

numbers of the Chirch at a fast meet-ing held in the afternoon. A success-ful cottage meeting was also held that evening-H. M. Olmstead, E. M. Craw-ford, Alonzo Mackay, Lare C. Larsen, Samuel Courb Samuel Gough.

Minnesota Conference-The elders have been busy holding meetings and visiting friends and investigators, many of whom are very anxious to heat more pertaining to the truths of the gospel. DAVID A LATIMER, Mission Secretary.

MORMON'S PLANS-INVASION **OF VERMONT COMMENCED**

Under the above heading the Mont-peller, Vermont, Evening Argus of July 29, publishes the following anent the work of the Mormon missionaries in the state of Vermont

the state of Vermont: The state of vermont. The recent comment concerning Mor-monism in Austria referred to their lack of success, gave an opportu-nity to interview the Mormon elders laboring here. They say it is an er-ror, as there are no elders in Austria. In the course of the conversation it was learned that the Mormons keep about 2,000 elders in the civilized parts of the world preaching the theology of their church which they affirm to be the theology taught by Christ and His aposties, the theology of the Scrip-tures and reason. They also affirm that through the ministration of immortal personages the same has been re-stored to earth and that they are pre-paring people for the coming of the The recent comment concerning Morparing people for the coming of the Lord.

After a slience in Vermont of many years, according to Elder Smellie, the Mormons have returned to the cradle of their faith and established a conference, with headquarters at Mont-peller. There are 16 elders preaching in the

state, traveling two and two, without pay as they have no salaried preachers, but call the elders from the various walks of life, depending on those who hear their words to administer to their wants.

only one prejudiced man, but before leaving sold him a Book of Mormon. I visited a little while this morning and two more and a few doctrinal All the elders in Oklahoma are re-

All the eiders in Oklahoma are re-ported well, and they are certainly do-ing excellent work. Four of them have been working in Tahlequah and have been treated with great kindness. They have visited nearly every home and were invited in many of them where the burness were bioested in beging the inmates were interested in hearing the gospel principles explained. They held good street meetings at which many of the same faces were seen every evening. They flooded the town with tracts and books and feel that seen they have awakened some to a lasting

they have awakened some to a lasting interest in the work of salvation. Elders Galbraith and Boyce have been holding largely attended street meetings in a little Oklahoma town where they have enjoyed the favor of the mayor and city marshal who pro-tected them from the insults of hire-ling preachers who closed their doors against the elders and would have de-nied them the liberty of the streets if against the enders and would have de-nied them the liberty of the streets if it had been in their power. The hotqi man was kind enough to entertain them without charge while they were working in the town. Elders J. E. Reid and D. G. Robison are visiting friends and investigators in the exertern part of North Texns

in the eastern part of North Texas conference and say the work is progressing rapidly everywhere they have been. It is needless to say the elders are having a good time when it is known that they are holding many meetings and have done some baptizing. In Dallas, Elders Timothy Jones and

John S. Jones are engaged in finishing the canvass of the town, revisiting friends and investigators. While Missouri and Kansas have suf.

fered much loss and inconvenience by floods. Oklahoma and Texas are suf-fering from a protracted drouth. In the western part of the last named the elders say the corn crop will probably be a total failure, and this has an influence on their mission work, for while the people gladly entertain them and listen to their teachings they do

not have the money to buy the books. This is the condition as reported by Elders T. T. Murdock, E. T. Carlisle and R. H. Andrus. Elders E. L. Marier and R. H. Hig-ginson are visiting the little branch at Conway, Missouri, in the Independence conference. A. Reorganite elder has been there doing his utmost to lead our members astray, but with one pos-sible exception his efforts were fruitless. It is a matter of regret that there should be possibly one so weak as to be persuaded to give everything for nothing, but all people should have their agency and their salvation is a matter between themselves and their God.

BAPTISMS.

During the week there have been baptisms as follows: In North Texas conference, by Presi-dent James S. Crane, 1; by Elder C. D. McLane, 2; by Elder D. G. Robi-

son, 3 In East Kansas conference, by El-

der T. E. Silcock, 1. In South Texas conference by Elder John E. Mitchell, 2: by Elder Walter Stoddard, 1, and on the 18th Inst., little Etha Tuckfield was baptized on her eighth birthday at Independence, Elder

Ben F. Le Baron officiating. CENTRAL STATES MISSION. 302 South Pleasant Street, Independence, Mo., July 29.-The Twenty-fourth was loyally remembered and celebrated in various parts of the mission. We have detailed reports of the way Utah's Pioneer day was spent at St. Louis. Mo., and Marlow, Okla. At those places and here at Independence, the programs consisted of patriotic and reminiscent orations, speeches and songs sumptuous dim-ners spread on the grass in the shade of the grand old oaks, followed by of the grand old oaks, followed by sports and games of various kinds, making a day well filled with enjoy-ment. The officials of the towns named, willingly gave the use of parks and fairgrounds, and many friends took part with the saints in making the 62nd birthday of fair Utah a day long to be remembered the 62nd birthday of fair Utah a day long to be remembered. The letters from the elders tell of a few little outbursts of prejudice in places where they are laboring but nothing of a serious nature. All things considered the work is moving on in a very satisfactory way. In the cities of St. Joseph, Joplin and St. Louis, Mo., it gets better and bet-ter, Sister Phebe Harding who wrote us from the last named place, says ter, sister Phebe Harding who wrote us from the last named place, says they have several more investigators ripening for baptism. Sister Cassia Hanks of Anson, South Texas, tells of the death of her hushand, Robert Hanks, which oc-curred, June 20. Bro, Hanks was bestimed about a ways ago in Louis but with baptized about a year ago in Louis-iana by Elder R. R. Church and was 56 years of age. He was a firm and devoted member. In the past week, there have been three baptisms, all in East Kansas, sind the ordinance performed by El-der Heber P. Brockbank. Elder C. R. Walter who has labored faithfully in this mission for the past "24 meether helps honorably released '26 months, being honorably released has returned to his home in the west and Elder F. M. Monatt who has been out about 20 months was re-leased on account of the illness and mission, the first two having been as-figned to Missouri and last three signed to Missouri and last three to Independence conferences. Enter Nephi Anderson has also arhone office. CENTRAL STATES MISSION. and taken up his work in Lia-



MISSIONARIES WHO HELD THE FIRST MORMON MEETING IN LYONS, FRANCE, Names, top row, left to right-R. L. Heyborne, Irel Gudmunsen, C. P. Oldham and James L. Barker. Sitting -Conference President J. J. Toronto, Mission President Thomas E. McKay, Mrs. D. H. Lang, D. H. Lang.

at Seattle with the Utah building and | BEGINNING OF GOSPEL the Church exhibit in the government building, is furnishing the elders a splendid opportunity for answering many questions and breaking down much prejudice wherever they go. These the minds of the people, and when they meet the elders they invariably desire to know something more about the Mornon people, their doctrine and achieve-

On Sunday July 11, the resignation of J. C. Westergard as président of the Portland branch, with his counselors, Alex. Nibley and E, A. Hardy, was ac-cepted, and Le Grand Richards, form-erly of Salt Lake City, was sustained Lee Pratt as counselors. Elder Wes-tergard has labored long and faithfully and the branch has grown and pros-pered under his presidency. He retires with the good will and love of all the saints. The new officers are capable young men, full of enthusiasm and love for the work and thoroughly qualified for the positions. Elder Richards is the son of Elder George F. Richards of the council of twelve, and has al-ways been a zealous worker in the rch. On the evening of the 16th retiring presidency were given a Church. the reti testimonial by the new officers and a very pleasant evening was spent by the members of the branch in songs,

the members of the branch in songs, recitations, speeches, etc. Refreshments were served and a general good time was enjoyed by all. The Portland branch choir gave a public concert on July 9 in the meet-inghouse, consisting of some fifteen musical and other numbers, all of which were well rendered and which showed considerable talent among the members of the choir. On the follow-ing Monday evening the members of the choir were entertained at the home of President Le Grand Richards, where a most enjoyable time was spent. a most enjoyable time was spent. Bishop George Romney and Hon. John R. Barnes of Salt Lake City recently

A, Barnes of Sait Lake City recently paid us a short visit, stopping off here on their way home from a visit to the fair. They each spoke in our regular fast meeting, and their strong testi-

monies were a source of much encouragement to the saints. Elder W. H. Cassity has just been

called from Seattle to his home in Tooele City, Utah, on account of the serious illness of his wife. He stopped off in Portland to bid goodbye to his many friends here. He has labored faithfully for the past twenty-two months. has made many converts and done an excellent work. He goes home with the love of the saints and elders and their prayers that his wife may speedily WOFIC IN LYONS, FRANCE

Lyons, France, July 13.—We have been tempted to write the "News" for some time, but feeling that the results of our work did not justify space in foregone the pleasure. We are happy, however, at this time to give a short we were convinced only Sunday before last that our work had not been all in

vain, when an audience of 24 friends came to our first meeting. It was the latter part of August, 1908, that President Serge F. Balli (who has since been succeeded by Thomas E. McKay), and Conference President J. J. Toronto came to Lyons with the idea of opening up the work here. They were well received by the city authorities, and assured perfect freedom. Of course there are always two un-necessary stipulations made in promis-

necessary suppliations made in promia-ing to permit the propagation of the Mormon faith—all know what they arc. The prospects for the work at Lyons looked very favorable to Presidents Ballif and Toronto. They appointed Elder Allan J. Spencer, who has since been released, and myself to come here and commence tracting. We came the and commence tracting. We came the 11th of September and worked the best we knew how. At the priesthood meet-ing in Switzerland Dec. 13, we were hig in Switzerand Dec. 10, we water able to give a good report. It was at this meeting that Elders E. P. Old-ham, and R. L. Heyborne were ap-

pointed to labor at Lyons. Since Sept. 11 we have distributed nearly 25,000 tracts. We have met many good people, and have found a number of sincere friends. We are in no wise discouraged.

no wise discouraged. The other day learning that Presi-dent McKay and Elder Toronto were going to pay us a visit, and also that Eder and Sister Lang from Salt Lake City were due, we decided to have a meeting the following Sunday, July 4. "The better the day the better the deed." We found a nice Salle de reunion and busied ourselves Friday and Saturday notifying our most enthusiastic friends. notifying our most enthusiastic frienda When the appointed hour arrived Sun-day morning we had the respectable audience that I have before mentioned. We were edified by Elders Toronto, President McKay, Elders Lang and J. L. Barker. The latter having left his studies in Neuchapel, Switzerland, and scores in Neucompel, Switzerland, and come to Lyons to help us on the occa-slon. We enjoyed a good spirit in our meeting. Some of our friends seemed more than pleased for having come out. We intend to continue our meetings. We have arranged for a nice hall in a building that was not hear since and building that was not long since a con-

Aarhus, Denmark, as they proceeded on the 7th of July to Aalborg conference O. A. GARFF

PRESIDENT LUND VISITS BERGEN, NORWAY

Bergen, Norway, July 16.—Presi-dent Anthon H. Lund, President Charles W. Penrose of the European mission and Andrew Jenson, president of the Scandinavian mission, and

of the Scandinavian mission, president of the Scandinavian mission, and party, arrived here last midnight and were met at the depot by elders and saints and a harty handshake was exchanged bidding them welcome to Bergen. A light lunch was prepared by our sisters of which visitors and elders partook with a relish. It had been advertised extensively in three different papers that a meet-ing would be held in one of the most popular halls in the city. For some cause the vísiting party was delayed, giving some disappointment. The elders, however, held a meeting. Presi-dent Enoch E. Christofferson and El-ders Samuel Christensen, Chas. Kjar and Ole Sitterud plainly and forcibly and Ole Sitterud plainly and forcibly explained the principles of the gospel. On Wednesday afternoon a priesthood meeting was held where much good counsel and encouragement were given to elders. It was again adver-tised that another meeting would be tised that another meeting would be held on Wednesday evening and that the visitors would be present. The meeting began at 8:30 where the visitors explained the gospel princi-ples its restoration, etc., and the great work which is being accomplished by the Latter-day Saints. It was in-deed a spiritual feast and was listen-ed to by a very attentive audience. Our conference choir under the direc-tion of Wilford H. Wilde furnished the singing. The party left for Chris-tlania Thursday morning, July 15. WILFORD H. WILDE. Conference Secretary.

BAPTISMS IN GREAT BRITAIN.

In the river Ribble, near Preston In the river Ribble, near Preston (Liverpool conference), where the first baptism was performed in England, one more convert was added to the Church by baptism on the 17th inst., Elder Charles T. Lesueur officiating. At Chester (Liverpool conference), on Monday evening, July 18, another mem-ber was added to the Church by bap-tism, President E. H. Williams officiat-ing. Confermation took place the same

Confirmation took place the same ing. evening, Elder George A. Parry officiating

On Saturday evening, July 17, 1909, a baptism was performed at Burnley Public Baths (Liverpool conference),

a long, persuasive talk, we succeeded in gotting his consent to canvass the town and hold meetings, provided we would teach, as he said, nothing but 'Cod's Word.'

Word." Our labor was crowned with nuc-cess in all lines. The book sales were good and our meetings were so well attended that our meeting places would not accommodate the people and lowith-tions to hold meetings were so numer-ous that we were unable to fill all the our futurents. Usands ware hourseshor appointments: friends were increasing of every side, and the future was bright for a rich harvest, when to our dismay the storm cloud lowered in the form of an unsigned letter addressed to the "Mormon Preachers," telling them to leave town at once without being run aut, and probably stoned. We paid hut little attention to it and wont on with our work. A fow days later, on Sunour work. A few days later, on Sun-day, the mayor sent a policeman to or-der us to leave town. We looked the mayor up to learn the reason for this sudden change in his attitude towards us and found him at church. After the services were over we called him aside and heard this explantion, that we had been teaching Joseph Smith, the Book of. Mormon, and not "God's Word," that he was afraid our dootrine would be danwas afraid our doctrine would be dan-gerous to the religion of the town. [Demetrius is not dead yet. (Acts 19).]. and concluded by saying that the best thing to do was to leave town at onco. No persuasion would change him from his decision. He, however, granted us the privilege of filling our appointments before we left, for which we thanked

The citizens begged us to stop and preach irrespective of what the inavor had said, but we felt that we should stand by the tweifth article of our faith.

BEAVER STAKE CONFERENCE.

The one hundred and twenty-ninth uarterly conference of Beaver stake was held on Saturday and Sunday, July 17 and 18, 1909, at Beaver City. July 17 and 18, 1909, at Beaver City. There were present of the general au-thorities, Eiders George F. Richards, of the apostles' quorum. Rulon S Wells, of the First Council of Seventy, and Superintendent Horace H. Cum-mings of the Church schools, whose instructions were appreciated by all. All the stake presidency and patri-archs, a good representation of the high council, bishops of wards and other brethren, were also present. The reports of the stake presidency and of the bishops indicated a steady improvement among the saints.

improvement among the saints. The general and stake authorities were presented and sustained.

were presented and sustained. Stake Superintendent of Sunday schools Reinhard Maeser and his as-sistants were honorably released and John G. McQuarrie was appointed stake superintendent of Sunday schools, with Robert B. White and George C. Murdock as his assistants. Stake Cholester William G. Ficklay

Stake Choirster William G. Bickley was also honorably released and Al-fred M. Durham appointed to the posi-

tion. Bishop Ebenezer Tanner, Jr., Mil-ford ward, resigned and William J. Burns was ordained a bishop to pre-side over Milford ward, with Stephen H. Fotheringham and Edward H. Bird as his counselors; John Arrington clerk.

An unusually good feeling was mani-fest during the conference.

WOODRUFF STAKE CONFERENCE

The Woodruff stake quarterly con-ference was held at Diamondvilla Saturday and Sunday, July 31 and Aug. 1

President John W. Baxter and coun-selors Archie McKinnon and Thos. J. Tingey presided over the confer-

Elders Orson F. Whitney and Rulon S. Wells of the general authorities were also present and addressed the conference at each of the meetings. This was the first stake conference stake, and Mormon and non-Mormon seemed alike interested. Supt. Thos. seemed alike interested. Supt. Thos. Sneddon closed all the coal mines in the district on Saturday so that all might have an opportunity of attend-ing the conference. Mr. O. H. Brown proprietor of the Daly hotel, not a member of the Church, opened that large hostelry to the conference visi-tors free of charge, even refusing room to patrons to make room for

ng the Bible. He afterwards told us that seven years ago his little boy found one on the street and that when it was brought home he was going to It was brought home he was going to burn it when the thought came to him to "prove all things and hold fast to that which is good." He read the book, was impressed with It and loaned it to friends and later sent for several to give away. While working in a country where there was no Sunday school a where there was no Sunday school a number of people asked him to organize ne, which he did and taught them the truths which he found in the Voice of Warning and many were deeply interested. The gentleman also has a Book of Mormon, which he believed to be a true record and also believed Joseph Smith's testimony and that he was a prophet of God."

East Iowa Conference—The 24th of July was celebrated by the saints of the Rock Island branch. It was an ideal day, so the saints with many of their friends turned out to do honor to the pioneers of Utah in song and speech, ... We feel very encouraged with the work in the Rock Island branch. Each day we meet people who are anxious to know more about the gospel. We are having he gospel. We are having success our Sunday school and new members are continually added.

Northern Indiana Conference—We have had ideal weather for the last two days and our plans have worked very

. days and our plans have worked very well. Saturday, July 24, Elder W. B. Jacobs and I had the pleasure of baptizing five of those who have been investigating for some time. They are good honest people and I truly be-lieve they will be valuable assistants to us here. . . . We met in a social way on Pioneer day in the park and listened to a brief sketch of the travels of the saints while crossing the plains. A good time was had, although it was only getting acquainted; some-thing unknown of here before.—D. thing unknown of here before .- D. Albert Banks, president, Indiana Conference.

Wisconsin Conference—Company A arrived at Embarrass June 16, and found the people interested in the truths of the gospel. On the 20th we held a bartismal meeting on the Usm. We told him we would hold another service in a few days. During the week we held 10 meetings, three in Embarrass, then went to Clinton-ville traveling without purse and scrip. We appeared upon the streets of a peaceful meeting we explained to of a peaceful meeting we explained to the people that we were traveling as the people that we were traveling as the apostles of old, depending upon the people for food and shelter, but as we received no invitations for the night we went to one of the large hotels 23-3 were accommodated with a comfortable bed for the night and breakfast wart bed for the night, and breakfast next morning. The good people of the city provided for us for the remainder of

Leaving Clintonville we traveled to the little village of "Welcome." Suc-be done among them."
 be done among them."

as required. These elders support their families and themselves during their absence

with their private means. Elder L. W. Larsen atta Larsen attaches the degree of B. A. to his signature, being a professor in their educational sys-tem, which is most thorough and com-plete, and supported by their church at an annual expense of \$450,000. They also have the regular district school system that ranks fourth, educationally n the Union. Elder B. C. Gates is a professor of

music and ranks high as a planist. He is a grandson of Brigham Young, a native of Vermont, the nation's great col-onizer, who founded a commonwealth in the desert.

Elder Smellie, who presides over the work in Vermont, is a man of affairs, engaged in mining, farming and other enterprises. He was one of the early settlers of Idaho where he surveyed and alded in the construction of many of the large irrigation systems, which have caused the desert to bring forth and blossom as the rose. His home is now in Alberta, Can.,

where he has farmed extensively. The elders have headquarters at 33 St. Paul street. For the present they are prin-

cipally engaged in the country, but with the approach of winter will hold regu-lar services in the cities.

CENTRAL STATES MISSION ACTIVITIES

Independence, Mo., July 23 .- The lead-Independence, Mo., July 23.—Ine lead-ing feature of our correspondence for the past week is, perhaps, the report of the making of many friends. In all sections of this mission our elders find those who are willing and glad to give these theory or a sent them in them kindly words and assist them in spreading their heaven-sent message. Many are the homes visited by our humble co-workers where, owing to

evil reports which have gone ahead of them, they are admitted with reluct-ance, but when our side of the story is arrived at Embarrass June 1C, and found the people interested in the truths of the gospel. On the 20th we held a bartismal meeting on the shores of Pine Lake and after ex-ylaining the principles of baptism to a congregation of about 45. Eldess E. M. Crawford and H. M. Olmstead bapized the five children of Sister folara Oakley. Three meetings were held that day and during the after-noon a young man applied for bap-tism. We told him we would holk another service in a few days. During warm invitations to come again. Among the pleasantest experiences of missionary life are those of friend-

inaking. In the East Kansas conference Eiders William W. Wilson and Philando Pack-William W. Wilson and Philando Pack-William W. Wilson and Philando Packer have been enjoying themselves with friends they have recently made an others found by our elders many year ago. These elders have recently visite ago. These elders have recently visited the branch at Jay holding meeting with the saints among whom a feace-ful spirit prevails. President Peter Mortensen of the same conference says: "I have met some of the beat friends in my re-visiting trip that I have ever met in my life. There are many good, honest people in Kansas, and I can see where much good can be done among them." President C. E. Bronson of St. John

NORTHWESTERN STATES

MISSION NOTES

562 Main St., Portland, Or., July 20. elders of this mission are taking prevailing throughout the northwest and urning their efforts to the country districts. As a result a great work is being done in increased number of families visited, tracts distributed, books sold and gospel conversations held, totaling a greater number than has ever been reported in the history of the mission in the same length of time. President Melvin J. Ballard is now completing a tour of all the branches and conferences of the mission, in-structing the saints and advising and encouraging the elders and urging them

to put greater energy into their work. With a few exceptions the health of the elders is good, and they are all working with renewed zeal and determination to bear the gospel message to the greatest number of families pos-sible.

The Alaska-Youkon-Pacific exposition

recover

Five baptisms were performed on Sunday, the 4th, in the local Y. M. C. A. building, here, by Conference Presi-dent Austin Hyde, and twenty or more have been reported so far in the mission this month

NORTHWESTERN STATES MIS-SION

H. C. MORTENSEN, Secretary.

THE KELSEY GOLONY, TEXAS.

The following sketch of the largest branch of the Church in this country, outside of regularly organized stakes of Zion, by Wm. D. Goodson, one of of Zion, by W.M. D. Goodson, one of its members, who has been a member of the Church for 14 years, will be of interest to "News" readers. The con-tribution is taken from the Liahona the Elders' Journal: Elder Goodson

I have a wife and five children and came to Kelsey in February, 1908. I wished to gather with the saints, that my children could have the advantage of the Sunday school and the different associations and privileges of the gathered condition.

We have a complete organization of the Church and the largest branch in the United States outside of the stakes of Zion. We number between three and four hundred members, and main-tain two Sunday schools. We are sur-rounded by a tolerant and broad-minded people, and especially is this true of our county officers, who seem to mani-fest a desire to give our people their rights in common with other citizens. We have broken ground for a new church house which we desire to have ready for fall conference. Also we have a good free school, system and are putting forth our efforts to make it second to none in the county. We have as good an all-round country as there is to be found in the United States; you can produce all varieties of fruit, except oranges and a few other species that are adapted only to the extreme hot climate. Grapes do well here. The principal crops have been corn and cotton, but people are fast turning their attention to truck and the better breeds of stock. We have light sandy soil which is especially suited to sandy soil which is especially suited to truck and fruit growing. And since the Marshall & East Texas railway has improved its line, which runs through our place, we have first-class railroad facilities. There are a good many cattle and hogs shipped from this county every year, at paying price. One can buy land on very casy terms as a rule, and it is not out of reach of the poorest. Most all the farms around our colony that are ownfarms around our colony that are own ed by gentiles or out-siders, can be bought at reasonable prices. It seems It seems that the Lord is opening the way for His people in this part of His vine-We are located in the western part

of Upshur county and the northeast-ern part of the state, only six miles from Gilmer, the county seat of Up-shur county. The health of the peo-This place offers good opportunities

for a number of business men in such vocations as merchandising, cotton sinning, fruit canning, shoemaking, blacksmithing and a number of other businesses. We have earnts here from at least 12 states of the Union, and several families who have emigrated or left here for the west, have returned and say this country suits them better, as the circumstances and conditions here are better for the man of small means than the western states are LOW.

Lyons is still a Catholic city. As a rule those who are not satisfied with Catholicism are dissatisfied with re-ligion in general. The people treat us good and we know they need the gospel here. The harvest in France is indeed great and the laborers are equally few.

Your brother in the gosp IREL GUDMUNSEN.

PRESIDENT A. H. LUND AND PARTY AT AARHUS, DENMARK

Aarhus, Denmark, July 16 .- Saturday evening, July 3, President Anthon H. Lund, wife and daughter Eva, President C. W. Penrose of the European mission, and wife, and Mission President Andrew Jenson, wife and two daughters, Mrs. Reynolds and Miss Eva, arrived at Aarhus. They were met at the de-pot by some of the elders stationed 1909. there, who conducted them to apart ments at the Skansen hotel. Shortly Shortly after, the party, together with eight of the 24 elders laboring in Aarhus conference, proceeded to the beautiful home

of Mrs. Hermansen, where a bounteous supper was served to the entire party lowed.

On Sunday, July Fourth, was the much talked of Danish-American day, at the Aarhus fair, or "Handudstilling." The day was most enjoyably spent, by attending meetings, where well-con-structed programs, consisting of speech-es, song and music, were rendered, with a "Sexa" of delicious dishes being served to all Danish-Americans present. A concert, pronounced a success, was also part of the program of the day. There were approximately 50 elders from Zion, who participated in the festivities of the day, and, according to statements issued by local papers, about 1,000 visitors from the other side of the Atlantic attended the celebration, given in honor of the birthday of our nation. At 8 o'clock Sunday evening a meet-ing was held at the Latter-day Saints conference headquarters, Borupsgade 12, the hall being filled with friends and strangers, who listened with interest to the discourses by our visiting leaders. President Penrose, not speaking the Danish language, was assisted by President Andrew Jenson as interpreter. Monday, July 5, in the forenoon, a hurried but interesting visit was paid the exposition grounds. Dinner was taken at the home of P. S. Christiansen, a local elder of our Church residing at Aarhus. The afternoon was pleasantly spent by driving through the parks ad-joining the city, and along the beautiful joining the city, and along the beautiful beach, the drive being an arrangement of Brother Christiansen's, who also bore the expenses. In the evening another well attended meeting was held at our hall, Presidents Lund, Penrose and Jen-son using most of the time. Sister Reynolds rendered in an excellent man-ner the solo, "O ye mountains high," which was greatly appreciated by all. Tuesday, July 6, at 10 o'clock a. m. Tuesday, July 6, at 10 o'clock a. m., the visiting brethren met with the el-ders in priesthood meeting, which lasted ders in priesthood meeting, which asted fully four hours. Many excellent and timely instructions were given us tra-veling elders, by our leaders there pres-ent. In the afternoon of the same day, the party proceeded to Randers, a city of about 25,000 inhabitants, located a lit-tie north of Aarhus, and belonging to this concerners where a well attended

this conference, where a well attended meeting was held in a neat and spacious hall, rented for the occasion, all the leading brethren speaking very inter-estingly upon the principles of truth

when four converts were initiated into the Church. Elder W. Alma Richins performed the ceremony.

At Middlesbro' (Newcastle - conference), on July 19, another member was added to the Church by baptism, Elder

Added to the Church by Daplism, Ender Harold R. Smoot officiating. A baptismal service was held in the Gatehead Public Baths (Newcastle con-ference), Sunday, July 18, 1909, Presi-dent E. H. Cornwall spoke upon the ordinance of baptism, after which three converts were bantized by Eldens converts were baptized by Elder Frank A. Purrington and William T Tarbet. Confirmation took place at the fternoon services.

On Saturday, July 17, 1909, there was a baptismal service held in the Leigh branch of the Manchester conference. at which three persons were baptized by Elder William A. Langton. In the meeting at the water's edge Elder J. M. McMurdle spoke on the ordinance of baptism.-Millennial Star, July 22,

INTERESTING MISSIONARY INCIDENT IN MONTANA

Butte, Montana, July 28 .- On July 20 An evening of social enjoyment fol- President Melvin J. Ballard paid a visit to the Butte branch, and held a very successful meeting that evening, giv-

ing, timely instructions to both saints and elders.

A peculiar incident happened about half an hour before the meeting comnenced. An old gentleman entered the nall and gave his name as Peter S Morrison, said he was acquainted with the Prophet Joseph Smith and was at Carthage at the time of his martyrdom, in fact, had lived along with the In fact, had lived along with the prophet's father for some few years, therefore was personally acquainted with him. By request he spoke to saints and strangers present, bearing testimony that he knew Joseph Smith was a prophet of God. He claims he want to Nauvoe expressive to be bear

went to Nauvoo expressly to be bap-tized at the time the prophet was killed but when the leader was dead and the people so torn up, his light, so to speak, went out; he had followed the body of the saints in all the states where they had located except Missouri, and had made some two or three efforts to be had some two of three enors to be baptized, but something came in his way. Sunday, July 25, he again bore his testimony to the saints, and in his remarks turned to the bishop and said: "I wish to be baptized." so on the 26th Peter S. Morrison, who was born March 11, 1813, was baptized into the Church of Lorus Object of Latter day Saints and Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, and we feel like saying he is one of the oldest and yet youngest members in the Church. He declares he has always borne his testimony to the worth and character of the prophet, and, using his

own words, he said after baptism and confirmation, that "it is one of the most happy days of my life."

We rejolce over such testimony and feel it will yet bear fruit. The elders here are laboring diligently for the spread of truth and feel that the seed being sown will soon bear fruit. JOSEPH C. COWLEY, President Butte Conference.

BIGOTRY IN ALABAMA.

Elder Leo W. Childs, writing recentby to the Lishona from Lenett, Ala, relates the story of the experience of the eiders in that town "About a month ago we elders, Samuel A. Worthen, Joseph F. Nielsen and myself, en-tered the town of Lanett for the purand salvation as revealed again to man-kind. This ended the visit of our dis-tinguished party, in the conference of and laid our plans before him, and after

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room to patrons to make room for conference people. On Saturday evening an excellent concert was given by the musical tai-ent 'of the stake, which won high compliments from Elder O. F. Whitney. The singing for the conference was furnished by the Elkol choir under the indership of Prof W. J. Funk. The Diamondville people, under the direction of Bishop John Stevenson and counselors did themselves proud n providing entertainment for the providing entertainment for the visitors.

PETER MCKINNON Stake Clerk

RETURNED MISSIONARIES.

The missionaries named below have reported at the Church Historian's of-fice in this softy their safe return on dates given from the foreign mission field, all in good health except where noted. The gospel work they report is in a fourishing condition in all the districts represented.

July 7.--Nils J. Sandberg of Brighton ward. Salt Lake county. from the Swed-ish mission: set apart. Oct. 15, 1908, Res-turns on account of illness.

July 23 .- Walter H. Caldwell of Caldwell, Alberta, Canada, from the Brit-ish mission; set apart Jan. 8, 1907. Presided over Newcastle conference 21 nonths.

July 29.-Clarence R. Walter of South Cottonwood, Salt Lake county, from the Central States mission; set apart June 4 1909.

July 30.-Joseph Frank Daybell of Charleston, Wasatch county, from the British mission; set apart May 28, 1907. A. Kelsey Chatfield of 438 east Sec-ond South street, Salt Lake City, from the British mission; set apart June 25, 1907. 1907.

Aug. 1.-W. H. Dickson of Cowley, Big Horn county, Wyo., from the New Zea-land mission; set apart Sept. 7, 1996, acted as editor of the Maori mission namer

Edwin Earl Bush of Clover. Tooele

Edwin Earl Bush of Clover. Tooele county, from the Hawaiian mission: set apart Oct 6, 1905. Presided over North Hawaii and Oahu conferences. Rachel D. Bush of Henefer. Summit county, from the Hawaiian mission; set apart Oct 8, 1905. Besides laboring as president of the Primary association. Sister Bush taught music at Laie and Honolulu. The Hawaiian people, she says are very quick in learning music. Honolulu. The Hawalian people, she says, are very quick in learning music,

Aug. 2.-James F. Cottam of St. George, Washington county, from the Australian mission; set apart May 18, 1907. Presided over Victoria conference,

Aug. 4.-Morten C. Jensen, Jr., of Richfield, Sevier county, from the Scandinavian mission; set apart Jan-

Scandinavian mission; set apart Jale 5. 1907. Otto E. Johnson of Preston, Onelda county, Idaho, from the Socandnavian mission; set apart April 20, 1907. West choir leader of the splendld Christiania choir during his labors. Wilford A. Jorgensen of Logan. Cache county, from the Scandinavian mission; set apart Aug. 20, 1907. Ezra L. Kunz, of Bern, Bear Lake county, Idaho, from the Swiss and Ger-man mission; set apart Oct. 15, 1908. James W. Phippen of Forterville. Mor-gan county, from the British mission; set apart April 20, 1907.

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