

REGISTRATION MATTERS.

The Utah Commission has received a complaint from Fairview, Sanpete county, stating that for some unexplained reason the house to house canvass at that place has not yet begun, when in fact the work should have commenced two weeks ago.

The Commission promptly took the matter in hand and sent telegraphic instructions to the county registrar and to the apparently neglectful deputy to straighten out the irregularity at once. This the commissioners expect has already been attended to and fear no further complaint from that source.

Wellington precinct in the new county of Carbon has also been the scene of a little registration tangle but an adjustment has been made and everything is now clear sailing. It appears that two registration officers were appointed by mistake at that place. The commission of one of them was revoked.

In response to a series of questions propounded by Territorial Chairman Crane of the Republican party to the Utah Commission a few days ago Chairman Letcher has replied as follows:

Hon. Charles Crane, Chairman Territorial Republican Committee, Salt Lake City, Utah:

Sir—Replying to your letter of the 17th inst., wherein you ask: "If the officers close the house to house canvass prior to September 8th, prox., are they not nevertheless required to register any qualified person presenting himself after they close the house to house canvass up to and including September 8th, prox?" (Do you not mean September 3rd prox?)

I beg leave to say that the only instructions issued to registrars for 1894 are included in the enclosed circular. In previous years the Commission fixed a limit (being governed by the size of precinct, number of voters, etc.) within which the work of registrars should be completed, but owing to the fact that for 1894 a double registration is necessary, both a revised and a new one, no such rule has been laid down.

Between the first Monday in August (8th) and first Monday in September (3rd) the dwelling-houses must be visited, inquiries made, names added or erased, etc., and during the week commencing the last Monday in September (from September 24th to October 1st) registrars may enter names omitted, etc., upon the voters appearing and complying with the law, etc. [Instructions I, II and III.]

On or before the second Monday in October (8th) the lists must be delivered to the county clerk [Instruction IV] and any time previous to such delivery voters removing from one precinct to another in the same county may appear and have their names erased in the one and re-registered in the other. [Instruction VI.]

While the registrars have a maximum limit within which to do the house to house canvass (August 6th to September 3rd) they should only take the time actually necessary to do the work—for this alone are they compensated—and when they have completed the round of the precincts, used due diligence to secure the names of the voters, erased all disqualified, etc., and given all a fair opportunity to be registered, they can close their books—except for making transfers only of such as being on the lists desire to change from one precinct to another, and this must be done on or before October 8th—and they should not be reopened until the revision week (September 24th

to October 1st), during which latter period the names of voters omitted, etc., may be placed on the lists. [Instruction III.]

I beg to call your attention to the fact that the circular of instructions are, in all essential details, statutory provisions, and should be fairly construed and strictly enforced.

The commission, appreciating the interest which you manifest in this behalf, will greatly value your further assistance in securing, by all proper means, a full, fair and honest registration of the qualified electors throughout the Territory. With respect, very truly,

JERROLD R. LETCHER,
Chairman Utah Commission.

TO THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

To all Stake and Ward Sunday School Superintendents:

The Deseret Sunday School Union had arranged for 100,000 small envelopes, accompanied by the circular printed below, to be distributed among the various Sunday schools of the Church, according to the last census returns, with the object thereon stated and amount contributed by each donor, to wit:

Contribution of to Deseret Sunday School Union Board and Stake Sunday school organizations, for September 1, 1894, "Nickel Sunday," cents. Please hand to your teacher next Sunday, without fail.

We designed to have them reach each school one week preceding "Nickel day"—the first Sunday in September.

These envelopes are in transit to Utah, but we fear will not reach here in time for use this year. This renders it necessary to thus call your special attention to this matter, that on the first Sunday in September every Sunday school officer, teacher and pupil will be prepared to respond readily and promptly to this worthy fund. Superintendents should thoroughly explain this matter to the children in their schools that all may properly understand its object. The amounts received by the various schools should at once be forwarded to the Stake superintendents, who will in turn forward the totals, less 20 per cent retained for Stake S. S. purposes from their respective Stakes, to the general treasurer.

We trust this matter will receive your hearty co-operation, and that all the children and workers in the cause of truth respond promptly and liberally. Following is the circular referred to:

SALT LAKE CITY, July 30, 1894.
Superintendency of—Sunday School.

Dear Brethren:—Herewith we forward you envelopes, which is a few in excess of the total enrollment of your school as per your report for the year 1893. These envelopes are for your convenience in collecting the annual Deseret Sunday School Union Nickel Fund Donation on the first Sunday in September of this year.

On the Sunday previous to the time appointed for the collection, furnish one envelope to each enrolled officer, teacher and scholar of your school; explain to them the object, purpose and benefit of the donation, viz: a fifth for the use of your Stake Sunday school officers in promoting the Sunday school interests of your Stake, and the remainder for the Deseret Sunday School Union for their

use in advancing the general Sunday school interests of the Church in all the world, by preparing for publication charts, books, musical works, pamphlets, tracts, circulars, etc.; also for necessary traveling and office expenses. To all members who may be absent at this time, arrange to have sent them, where practicable, one of the envelopes.

On the Sunday appointed for collecting the envelopes, let the teachers of each department or class check off each scholar's name as he hands in the envelope containing his donation. This done, the teachers will give the envelopes to the secretary of the school, with a written report, simply showing the number of scholars enrolled in their classes and the number contributing. Officers and teachers will in like manner hand the secretary their envelopes, and he will check off their names as the teachers have checked the scholars'.

If possible, have the collection completed on the Sunday appointed; if not completed then, as may be learned from the secretary, give additional time, and until it is completed to the satisfaction of the superintendent. This accomplished, forward the entire amount to your Stake Sunday school treasurer or superintendent, who will in turn send direct to Elder George Reynolds, the general treasurer, Salt Lake City, Utah. Stake Sunday school officers and missionaries will please pay in their contributions to the secretary of the Sunday school of the ward in which they reside.

It should be the pride of every superintendent to have this business thoroughly attended to, for upon its universality depends much that will be helpful in our important work; and a spirit of liberality should be manifested by officers and teachers as an incentive to the scholars; and thus may we go forward, laboring unitedly for the salvation of God's children.

Desiring prosperity to attend all the Sunday schools, we are,

Your brethren,

GEORGE Q. CANNON,
GEORGE GODDARD,
JOHN MORGAN,

General Superintendency Sunday schools.

JOHN M. WHITAKER,
General Secretary.

Where "Nickel Sunday" comes on the same day as the regular Stake Conference as is the case in Salt Lake Stake, postpone the collection until the following Sunday.

The Emmet (Idaho) *Index* says: Mr. North, of the firm of North & Stone, the cattle kings, of Evanston, Wyo., passed just back of town a few days since with about 700 head of two and three-year-old cattle that they had bought on Weiser and Crane creek. They will ship from Caldwell to their immense stock ranch in Wyoming, which consists of 90,000 acres.

A dispatch states that a wild man has been found on Malhelm creek in Oregon. For many days past ranchers have heard strange noises among the willows and the wall of a human being blended with the yelps of coyotes. Last Saturday Lloyd Garrison was at work on Malhelm creek when the wild man suddenly made his appearance and frightened him. He heard a series of yells, and then out of the brush came the man with a scanty rag about his loins, his eyes wild and protruding from their sockets, and his emaciated body covered with short hair of dark color.