

## CONFERENCE OF LIBERTY STAKE.

Meetings in Assembly Hall and  
Tabernacle Sunday Morning  
And Afternoon.

### LATTER AN EASTER SERVICE.

Good Reports, Timely Instructions,  
Splendid Music and Beautiful  
Decorations.

The opening session of the Liberty stake conference was held at 10 a. m. Sunday, April 23, in the Assembly hall. There were present President John R. Winder, Elder C. W. Penrose of the Council of Apostles, Elders Hugh J. Cannon, A. H. Schulthess and Philip S. Maycock of the Liberty stake presidency, most of the High Councilors and ward bishops and a good attendance of members.

After the usual devotional exercises of singing and prayer, Elder Maycock greeted the Saints and presented the general and stake authorities of the Church, all of whom were sustained without a dissenting vote or voice.

Reports were made by Bishop Edwin S. Sheets of the Thirty-first ward, Sister Annie S. Musser of the Relief societies and Elder F. M. Michelson of the High Council. All reports showed an excellent condition of affairs. Since the organization of the stake some 14 months ago, the High Council has had no occasion to settle any differences or difficulties.

Thomas Ashworth favored the congregation with a tenor solo.

Elder Schulthess made a short address on the subject of tithing, urging the importance of its prompt payment, and telling how the means of the Church are spent for the furtherance of the cause of the Gospel.

Elder Hugh J. Cannon, the president of the stake, who has but recently returned from the German mission, made his first address to the Saints of his stake since his appointment as president at its organization. He said that so far as he has been able to learn, all the affairs of the stake are in first class condition. He referred briefly to the law of the Lord enjoining the Saints to love their neighbors as themselves, sacrifices bring forth the blessings of heaven and offer means of salvation, and the Saints should willingly make them when necessary.

Elder Joseph E. Taylor congratulated the people of the stake on the excellent condition of affairs, and suggested the importance of difference on the part of the Priesthood in keeping all the branches and organizations of the Church alive and thrifty. To the sis-

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ters of the Relief society he suggested that they continue to store wheat, and they would rejoice in their labors in a day to come.

President Winder said: "I merely wish to express my pleasure in what we have heard, and especially in hearing the voice of your president. His voice and manner reminds me very much of his father, and it makes me rejoice to see his son coming forth in his work. I rejoice to think that the people are in such a united condition as they are in this stake."

After the singing and benediction the conference adjourned till 2 p. m.

### AFTERNOON SESSION.

Special Music and Address by  
Elder C. W. Penrose.

The afternoon session of the conference was held in the Tabernacle, the lower floor of the spacious building being crowded. The stands were beautifully decorated with Easter lilies, geraniums and ferns, while the special music, under the direction of Prof. Stephens, was a feature much appreciated by those present. Elder Charles W. Penrose delivered the most interesting discourse on the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

The choir sang the anthem:

"Unfold ye portals everlasting."

Prayer was offered by Elder John N. Pike.

The choir further sang:

The Hallelujah Chorus.

Elder Charles W. Penrose of the Council of the Apostles was the speaker. He expressed pleasure at being privileged to meet with such a large congregation of Latter-day Saints who had come together for the purpose of manifesting thankfulness to God for the glorious gift of His Son Jesus Christ.

This, said the speaker, was the day honored by the Christian world as the anniversary of that upon which our Lord and Savior arose from the tomb. Whether this was the exact anniversary of that important event, he was not fully prepared to say; but the spirit of the occasion was commendable and praiseworthy and in its celebration the Latter-day Saints gladly joined with the Christian world.

Elder Penrose referred to the fact that the meeting was one of the sessions of the quarterly conference of the Liberty stake. The name thereof was in itself significant. It meant the utmost freedom of thought and act without infringement upon the rights of others, and therefore was in line with the principles and beliefs of the Saints of God. The speaker alluded to the morning meeting and the good reports heard, and congratulated the Saints of Liberty stake on the splendid condition of their ecclesiastical affairs.

Referring to Easter and the event commemorated, Elder Penrose read passages from the 28th chapter of Matthew and the 20th chapter of John showing the circumstances connected with the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Luke's account was also referred to, and the statement of the Savior cited, in which He said, "Handle me and see, for a spirit hath not flesh and blood

as ye see me have." This thought the speaker, was a most important declaration, as it demonstrated to the disciples that indeed, Jesus, the Christ had come forth out of the tomb. That they might know that His body was tangible He ate some broiled fish and honeycomb. Later, He presented Himself to Thomas, who doubted, and exhibited to him the prints of the nails in His feet and hands, of the spear wound in his side. Or Him the Savior remarked, "Blessed art thou, Thomas, for having seen and believed, but more blessed are they, who have not seen, but yet have believed."

Elder Penrose said the Latter-day Saints were not wholly dependent upon the which is written in the ancient Scriptures. They prized them as highly as any people upon earth, but in the Nineteenth century, the Lord had revealed to them His mind and will, and had made plain many things not wholly explained in the Bible.

Elder Penrose took up the ministry of Jesus Christ and referred to His baptism by John in the river Jordan. He told of His betrayal by Judas for 30 pieces of silver, and referred to other incidents leading up to His crucifixion. His statement to one of the malefactors crucified beside Him, "Today shalt thou be with me in Paradise," was cited to show that a greater significance attached to it than the world generally understood. Peter answered this question clearly as to where Christ was while His body was in the tomb, for he explained that while His body lay in the tomb, Jesus Christ, who had been crucified, went and preached to the spirits in prison, which sometimes were disobedient when once the long suffering of God waited in the days of Noah. He preached to them the same Gospel He had preached to the living, "that they might be judged according to men in the flesh, but live according to God in the spirit." He went there on fulfillment of Isaiah's prophecies concerning Him to "open the eyes that were bound," to "lead captivity captive," and grasp the keys of hell and of death. This showed the "mercy of God over all His works," and dispelled the idea prevalent in the world, that there was no hope for sinners beyond the grave.

Elder Penrose referred to the glories of eternity and in connection therewith read from the 7th section of the book of Doctrine and Covenants, concerning a vision given to Joseph Smith, the Prophet, and Sidney Rigdon, Feb. 16, 1832. These men testified that the heavens were opened in them and that they saw Jesus, the Christ, sitting on the right hand of God, exercising power and great glory. Jesus was "the first fruits of them that sleep," and His sufferings upon the cross atoned for the original sin and brought about the resurrection of all the race of Adam. It had been decreed that all mankind should suffer death, and should be judged according to the deeds done in the body. John, the Revelator, was permitted to see this, for he said he "saw the dead, small and great, stand before God, and the books were opened and they were judged out of the things written in the books, according to their works. And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them; and they were all judged, every man according to his works."

The speaker dwelt upon the personality of the risen Jesus Christ, and contrasted the mortal with the immortal, showing the change brought by the resurrection of the body. He testified to the reality of the resurrection, and the glories that awaited those who accepted the Savior and kept His commandments. The result rested with



ourselves. Jesus had pointed out the way. His blood cleansed us from all sin, provided we learned His ways and walked in His paths. The good, the noble and the true would be rewarded, while the wicked would be cast out and suffer the consequences of their own acts. But all would be raised from the dead, "every man in his own order," those who are Christ's at His coming to be resurrected first, and the rest according to their fitness until every one came forth, and received their portion in the many mansions and different degrees of glory of the Father's Kingdom. The resurrection of Christ Jesus opened the portals of the tomb and gave hope and joy and prepared the path to eternal progress for all humanity. The speaker closed with an exhortation to the Saints to live in the spirit of the Redeemer and follow His splendid example.

Mrs. Lizzie Thomas Edward then rendered the solo, "I Know That My Redeemer Liveth," after which the choir sang the anthem, "The Lord Now Victorious," and the benediction was pronounced by Patriarch Adam Spleis.

### FORTUNES OF OUR PRESIDENTS.

Philadelphia Press. Washington left an estate valued at \$30,000; John Adams left about \$75,000; Jefferson died so poor that he would have been a pauper had not Congress purchased his library for \$20,000; Madison left about \$150,000; Monroe died poor and was buried at the expense of relatives; John Quincy Adams left about \$5,000 at his death; Jackson about \$80,000; Van Buren, \$100,000; Polk, \$150,000; Taylor, \$150,000; Tyler married a woman of wealth; Fillmore left \$200,000; Pierce, \$30,000; Buchanan, \$200,000; Lincoln, \$75,000; Johnson, \$50,000; Grant lost his wealth in the Grant & Ward failure; Hayes, Garfield and Harrison were all moderately well off, and Cleveland's fortune is probably large. McKinley's fortune was not over \$50,000.

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Impressive Talk by President Joseph  
F. Smith—Music and Other  
Exercises.

A most profitable district Sunday school convention, comprising the Salt Lake, Emagin, Tooele and Davis stakes, closed last night after four interesting sessions in Barratt hall. The convention opened Saturday night with a large attendance, particularly from Davis stake. President Joseph F. Smith, general superintendent of Church Sunday schools, made an impressive address, urging upon those assembled the importance of the Sabbath school work, and lauding the officers and teachers for their untiring efforts in its behalf.

Prof. Horace Cummings, a member of the general Sunday school board, discussed "The Spirit vs. the Letter," throwing out some very valuable suggestions along these lines. He opposed formality and criticized the tendency to become technical.

"Practical Talks" were given by Supt. Charles B. Felt of Salt Lake stake, who discussed, "Preparation and Condition of Sunday School Rooms," and by Arthur W. Breen, who considered, "The Social Side of Sunday School Work." The program included an address of welcome by Supt. George H. Wallace of Emagin stake; a song service, led by Alvin A. Beasley; a solo by George D. Pyper, and a duet by Mrs. A. E. Carr and Mrs. Ella Ridges.

### SUNDAY MEETINGS.

Sunday morning and afternoon the attendance was particularly gratifying. Barratt hall being taxed to the utmost for general assembly. The topics discussed in the several departments were all timely, pertaining as they did to different branches of Sunday school work.

The superintendents' department, presided over by Supt. J. M. Tanner, considered the following: "The Best Method of Increasing the Attendance and Punctuality; How to Promote It," "Weekly Meetings of Officers and Teachers; Their Importance," and "Fast Day Exercises."

### THEOLOGICAL TOPICS.

In the theological department the following subjects were discussed: "The lesson aim; how to secure it; how to teach; how to apply it;" was the topic presented by Archie Bevan and discussed by A. C. Reese, William Armstrong and Dr. James E. Talmage. "Home Preparation" was considered by

## TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY.

### (DO YOU REMEMBER?)

Abbe Ganahat was guillotined in Paris, for the murder of Madame Bal-leich.

A great crowd witnessed the legal hanging of C. L. Moffett at Dallas, Arkansas.

President Cleveland refused clemency to General Swain, judge advocate general.

### FIVE YEARS AGO TODAY.

General Ballington Booth of the Salvation Army renounced Great Britain, to become an American citizen.

Five tons of nitro glycerine exploded at Lima, Ohio. No one was killed. Earl Russell was granted a divorce in London from his wife, on grounds of cruelty.

The question of prohibition occupied the attention of the Constitutional convention.

### TEN YEARS AGO TODAY.

Frank H. Peters, bookkeeper of the Union Mercantile Co., at Mercur, committed suicide by shooting.

An explosion of blasting powder at Larimer, Pa., caused the death of several persons.

Charles A. Harper, one of Utah's original pioneers, died suddenly at Big Cottonwood.

The United States senate by a vote of 33 to 32 refused to seat Hon. M. S. Quay, of Pennsylvania. He had been appointed by the governor of his state.

Sarah A. Howard and discussed by Dr. James E. Talmage and Stephen L. Richards. Percy Goddard very ably presented the topic, "Keeping to the Subject—the Ill Effects of Unprofitable Discussion." This was followed by a practical illustration in presenting a lesson by Fernora Fox.

### INTERMEDIATE WORK.

In the First and Second Intermediate departments, there were papers on "Sunday Learning," "Importance of Memorizing the Teachings of the Savior," "The Proper Use of the Names of Deity," "The Absent Boy: How to Reach Him and How to Hold Him," and "The Proper Use of References in Studying Church History." Levi E. Young discussed the question, "The Distinction Between Historical Facts and Individual Interpretation and the Advantages to Sunday School Pupils of Studying Church History and Modern Revelation."

### KINDERGARTEN AND PRIMARY.

The Kindergarten department considered "The Religious Element in Sunday School Kindergarten Work," "How Should the Death of Christ be Presented to Little Children," and "The Importance of Having a Definite Purpose in Every Lesson Given." The Use and Abuse of the Story, "What Makes the Ideal Primary Department?" "What Are the Principal Difficulties Encountered by the Primary Teacher and How Should They be Overcome?" were the questions discussed by teachers of the Primary department.

In the department for choristers and organists the program rendered was as follows: "Importance of Memorizing the Words of Songs," "Importance of Thorough Preparation of the Songs for the Day," "Responsibilities of Choristers and Organists as Officers of the School," and the "Importance of Appropriate Sacramental Hymns and Music."

### EVENING SESSION.

At the evening meeting, addresses were made by Dr. James E. Talmage, President Richard W. Young, President Nephil L. Morris, Elder John M. Mills and William A. Morton of the general board. Nearly all made reference to "The Wayward Boy," and offered times

by suggestions as to how to handle him. Dr. Talmage summarized the convention's work, while Elder William Spry of Tooele discussed the subject, "The Usher," and Elder Nathan Barlow of Davis spoke on "Home Cooperation in Sunday School Work." During the evening Hugh W. Douglass rendered the solo, "O Shining Light." The convention was thoroughly successful and its results will doubtless be felt for good in the stakes named.

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