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CONFERENCE POSTPONED.

Box Elder Conference, advertised to
be held June 5th and 6th, is postponed
to be held June 12th and 13th.
JOSEPH F. SMITH, President.

ANNUAL Y. M. AND Y. W. M. I. A.
CONFERENCE.

The Fourteenth General Annual Con-
ference of the Young Men's and Young
Ladies' Mutual Improvement Associa-
tions of the Church of Jesus Christ
of Latter-day Saints will be held in
Salt Lake City, on Saturday and Sun-
day, June 5th and 6th, 1909.
All officers and members of the as-
sociation are requested to be present
at all of the meetings of the confer-
ence, and a cordial invitation is her-
eby extended to the Saints generally
to attend the meetings to be held in
the Tabernacle on Sunday, June 6th,
at 10 a. m. and at 2 p. m.
JOSEPH F. SMITH,
HEBER J. GRANT,
B. H. ROBERTS,
General Supply, Y. M. M. I. A.
MARGARET H. TINGEY,
RUTH M. FOX,
MAY T. NYSTROM,
Presidency, Y. L. M. I. A.

ANNUAL PRIMARY CONFERENCE.

The seventh annual general confer-
ence of the officers of the Primary As-
sociations of the Church of Jesus Christ
of Latter-day Saints will be held in
Salt Lake City, June 4th, 5th and 6th,
1909. All officers, stake and local, are
requested to be present at all the ses-
sions of this conference.
LOUIE B. FELT,
MAY ANDERSON,
CLARA W. BEEBE,
Presidency Primary Associations.

WHO IS RESPONSIBLE?

The "American" organ cannot get
away from the fact that it was an
"American" chief of police who first
publicly proposed that a part of this
city be fenced in and used for a
"stockade." It cannot get away from
the fact that another "American" of-
ficial publicly endorsed the plan and
by so doing made it possible to carry
it out. The organ cannot get away
from another damning fact, that the
"American" police force has done nothing
to close that sink of iniquity. De-
nials and evasions count for nothing.
The facts speak for themselves.

But the "stockade" plan dates fur-
ther back than the present "American"
administration. Even during the for-
mer "American" occupancy of office
there were, if we are not misinformed,
trips to Ogden and negotiations by men
intimate with the "American" party
leaders.
The Tribune maintains that the State
is responsible for the "stockade" be-
cause the license granted to the cor-
poration was a State license. This is
best characterized as silly. It shows
how desperate is the organ when it en-
gages in the hopeless task of extricat-
ing its party from the mire. The secre-
tary of state never gave the corpora-
tion any license to carry on an im-
moral business. The license was, of
course, granted for legitimate purposes,
and no other. The State did not know
that the intention was to violate the
law. It could not know that. But the
City officials and the "American" party
leaders who had been consulted before-
hand, knew what the place was built
for, and the responsibility rests upon
them.

The Tribune also contends that the
police department cannot enforce the
law, but that this is entirely the busi-
ness of the Sheriff's office. That is
another clumsy attempt at condoning
gross negligence of duty. The law ex-
pressly states that the chief of police
shall apprehend all persons committing
any offense against the ordinances of
the City, as well as the laws of the
State, "And at all times he shall dili-
gently and faithfully discharge his du-
ties and enforce all ordinances and
regulations of the City for the preser-
vation of peace and good order, and
the protection of the rights and property
of all persons."

The City ordinances make it unlawful
for anyone to engage in immoral busi-
ness; to keep a house of ill-fame, or
to reside in such a house, or resort to it.
They make it unlawful to own, or to
let any part of a building for such
purposes.
It follows that it is the duty of the
chief of police of this City to appre-
hend the persons offending against
these ordinances—not only the women,
but the owners of the property, whoever
they are—and when he fails to do so,
he is not doing his duty, especially af-
ter his attention has been called to the
violation of the law of which they are
guilty.

The boast that the "American" club
was the first association to protest
against the "stockade" is another des-
perate attempt to escape just condem-
nation. The "American" club protest-
ed, when it became evident that the
stockade proposition was so unpopular
that not to protest was to lose votes.
Whether the "American" club was the
first association to protest, or not, may
be doubted, but that makes no dif-
ference. Its protest did not come until
the decent newspapers and the West
side citizens had taken the matter up

and public opinion had been crystal-
lized against the vile scheme.
"Stockades" belong to the Tribune
plan of reforming the "Mormons." A
few years ago it suggested that saloons
and brothels would be more potent agen-
cies of liberty than newspapers. And it
has not, to our knowledge, changed its
views on that subject.

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION.

The Interstate Commerce commission
originally ordered that its decision in
the Spokane rate case be effective on
June 1, but the time has now been ex-
tended to July 1.

One reason for this is that there will
be a hearing on June 9 of all complaints
that may be entered by the various
communities affected, against the es-
tablished rate. All parties in interest
will appear at Washington on the date
mentioned when the whole subject of
the traffic relations of the coast cities
to the interior will be threshed out.

The Interstate Commerce commission
is a very busy tribunal. It takes cog-
nizance not only of such cases as the
Spokane case which will become fa-
mous, but also the little conflicts that
arise between the roads and the small
shippers. Hardly a day passes that it
does not direct restitution in the inter-
est of shippers who have been imposed
upon. The refunding orders have cov-
ered as small a sum in one case as
\$2.80, and in others as high as \$2,500. In
the two and a half years of the opera-
tion of the new rate law there have
been about fourteen thousand of such
orders, in which the railroads have
made restitution and nearly six thou-
sand others where they have made no
protest against satisfying the claims
made by shippers. It is estimated that
the Commission has, in this way, saved
a million dollars to small shippers be-
sides the millions saved by rulings on
general cases.

APATHETIC CITIZEN.

Many of the ills that afflict Ameri-
can communities are due to the igno-
rance of most citizens concerning mu-
nicipal affairs, or perhaps rather to
their apathy. They may be intelligent
and well informed on many subjects
and yet careless about matters per-
taining to the city in which they live.
They may be careful about their own
business and yet content to let city af-
fairs go along as best they can, in the
hands of men whom they would not
trust in a ten-cent store without
watching them.
Some years ago the president of the
American Civic Association asked a
prominent citizen of a Western city
some questions and the replies received
illustrate very well the general condi-
tion of ignorance, or apathy, that pre-
vails. The following dialogue took
place:

"What is the debt of your city?"
"I don't know."
"Is there a legal limit to the bonded
debt, and has it been reached?"
"Indeed, I have forgotten."
"Do you remember the tax rate?"
"Er—well, it's pretty high."
"What is the total valuation, or as-
sessment, for tax purposes?"
"Let me see, I think it is about—
no, I don't remember."
"Do you know what the basis of the
assessment is?"
"It seems to me it is about full val-
uation. Wait, no, it is 15 cents. I
think. You see, I don't look after
these things. I'm not in politics."

We fancy many more similar ques-
tions might have been propounded with
the same result. We feel certain that
many Salt Lake citizens would be un-
able to answer such questions. They
never deem it necessary to inform
themselves on public affairs. They
leave that to party leaders and profes-
sional politicians. This is all wrong.
Good government can only be main-
tained when the citizens themselves
exercise their sovereignty intelligently.

NOT YET SUBSTITUTED.

As natural resources fail, human in-
geniuty tends to discover suitable sub-
stitutes for these vanishing materials
for industry.

Thus concrete becomes, in a meas-
ure, the substitute for wood; and it is
even believed, by one school of econ-
omic thought, that no resource will
ever become exhausted but that man
will have a working substitute for it.
Frederick J. Haaslin remarks that de-
natured alcohol has recently come
upon the scene as a cheap fuel and a
motive power for small establishments
which have hitherto used oil. It is
estimated that in the past half-century
the oil fields of North America have
produced enough petroleum to fill the
entire Panama canal when completed.
But the eastern oil fields are expected
to cease to flow in important quantity
within the next decade. Denatured al-
cohol, dependent not upon a stored-
up supply which can never be added
to, but upon man's power to make it,
is one of the examples of what the
world may expect as the great re-
sources near extinction.

But denatured alcohol cannot be said,
as yet, to be really in use in this coun-
try. In Sweden and Germany it has
taken the place of coal oil in the run-
ning of small engines, and this for-
tunate circumstance is enabling al-
most every workman of small means
and large ambition in those countries
to become a manufacturer on his own
account. The result is seen in the
enormous production, by those coun-
tries, of all kinds of small articles,
toys, etc., in which they now lead the
world, and from which they derive an
enormous income. But no such re-
sult in the use of denatured alcohol
has occurred in this country. Neither
can it occur, simply because the al-
cohol is too expensive.

A man, recently from Sweden, in-
forms us that denatured alcohol in that
country retails there for less than
twenty cents per gallon, and that it is,
as a fuel for small engines, several
times more effective and much easier
to use than coal oil. That is why the
article has become a real power for
good in Europe. But it is different
here.

Denatured alcohol is so expensive in
our country that it still pays better to
use coal oil. But the price of coal oil
is kept up by the tariff on it, and the
Senate seems unwilling to lower the

duty on that product. Cheap, de-
natured alcohol is the only competitor
of coal oil; but, for some reason that
is not entirely clear, we fail to get
the alcohol.

The result is that notwithstanding
its desirability and efficiency as a fuel,
notwithstanding the Congressional and
other official reports concerning it, and
notwithstanding the probable exhaus-
tion in the near future of several of the
principal oil-fields of this country, de-
natured alcohol is not yet substituted
in our country for the less desirable
and more expensive oil fuels.

The joy rider never affects the street
car.

The flat craze seems to be flattening
out.

The women still pin their faith to
the great hatpin.

If man ever had man buffaloes then
Hans has John Bull.

Those who are affected with the itch
for office should be quarantined.

It is the airships that pass in the
night that are driving England crazy.

The doctrine of conservation of na-
tive fauna does not extend to Africa.

The Montana brewery strike is over.
There was a good deal of froth about it.

Why worry about the open door policy
in Manchuria when it does not exist
for our theaters?

The Senate is meeting earlier than it
did but will it meet the public demand
that it hurry up?

And now the Colonel has killed a
python. How the likeness between him
and Hercules grows!

It is real fun to see Senator Smoot, in
the tariff skirmishes in the Senate,
bring down the Clay pigeons.

The Sultan has promised to uphold
the constitution. In this regard Turkey
is the great promised land.

According to his own version John
Helms seems to have overshadowed
Detective Burns in several respects.

Mr. Roosevelt made himself quite
popular in the south but President Taft
is out-Heroding Herod down there.

Dr. Wiley says that 90 per cent of the
liquor that is sold as whisky is a
fraud. The doctor seems to be a good
judge of whisky.

A burglar proof glass has been in-
vented in France. People who live in
houses made of it can throw stones
with perfect safety.

Personally, President Taft says he is
not in favor of a two dollar tariff on
lumber for any purpose. This is the
word with the bark.

Framing a tariff bill has always been
regarded as a very important matter,
but here comes Senator Nelson who
says it is a ticklish business.

"Having fun" is a dismal business
after you pass fifty," says the Atholston
Globe. Dismal? That is too light and
bright a word. It doesn't begin to de-
scribe it.

A Virginia justice has decided that
a man who has been jilted may not
legally recover the engagement ring.
If he recovers his senses he can con-
sider himself fortunate.

The Warm Springs property should
never be alienated from the city, either
by sale or long lease. How valuable it
is our citizens scarcely realize. Where
is the city that is so favored in this
respect as Salt Lake City? Let the
City keep the Springs for the benefit of
its people.

The Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition
is splendidly exploited by the publicity
department of the exposition, and the
transcontinental rail lines. Attractive
folders have been issued by the vari-
ous railroads. The one just off the
press and now being distributed by the
Denver & Rio Grande is one of the
most brilliant and attractive. The cov-
er design is characteristic of the Yukon
country, representing the Polar sea,
aurora borealis and totem poles of the
far north.

"The Church organ demands that
peace be agreed to on the church basis;
that resistance to the hierarchy shall
cease, and that all shall come under
the Mormon yoke."—Tribune, May 21.

When and where did the "News" ever
demand that? When and where did the
"News" say anything that any reason-
able being can construe to convey that
idea even? Does the Tribune consider
it necessary to make such false state-
ments in behalf of its cause? Or
does it make them because of inability
to comprehend and tell the truth? In
either case it is evident that the paper
is unworthy of the position of leader-
ship it assumes. The quotation is but
a sample of the stuff of which the en-
tire Tribune article is made up.

DON'T WORRY—ENGLAND'S ALL
RIGHT.

Cincinnati Enquirer.
To the pessimistically disposed there
are many things in the English situa-
tion to cause uneasiness, but nations,
like individuals, have ups and downs,
and it is altogether probable that
England will emerge from her pres-
ent period of depression as vigor-
ous and prosperous as she has ever
been, to resume her onward career
and to maintain and increase her
power and prestige at home and
abroad. It is to the interest of all the
world that it should be so.

OWNERSHIP TO A CAR SEAT.

Rochester Democrat.
The idea that a person can pre-
empt a seat in a passenger coach by
the simple process of depositing a grip
or suit case thereon has been shatter-
ed by a decision just handed down by
the Court of Appeals. It seems like
a rather trivial matter to take before
that august tribunal, but somebody,
it appears, had sufficient interest in
the question to carry it straight
through the courts. The case in which
the decision was handed down was

typical. A passenger placed his satchel
in a seat and went through into the
smoking car. When he returned an-
other man occupied the seat and re-
fused to surrender it to the first
claimant. The usual argument fol-
lowed, ending in a quarrel in which
the men came to blows. The Court of
Appeals decides that the first comer
did not have an inalienable right to
the seat; that passenger coaches are
intended to carry passengers, not
baggage, and that the placing of bag-
gage on a seat does not confer a
title to the seat. The decision is broad
enough to put a stop to controversies
of this nature in the future.

LIQUOR, LOBBYISTS AND
POLITICS.

New York Post.
We shall never know whether Ameri-
can saloons can be made as harm-
less as cigar stores until they are
taken wholly out of politics; and this
can be done only under a thoroughly
rationalized government, which suc-
cessfully divorces the police from
politics and from the bartender,
punishes crime, and keeps efficient,
honest men in every court and office.
Would the brewer and the distiller
gain a fair hearing before it is too
late, let them disengage their ap-
petites and stand for all those re-
forms. If they do not, the prohibition-
ists will say they cannot do it and
live.

WANTS PLENTY OF TIME.

Dayton (Pa.) News.
The Boston Herald of April 19 made
the official and exclusive announce-
ment of the inception of a movement
to commemorate the 30th anniversary
of the landing of the Pilgrims and the
founding of New England by a world's
tercentennial exposition in Boston in
1909. It is a good piece ahead yet,
out New England wants to take plenty
of time to get ready for the big event.

SALT LAKE THEATRE
LAKE THEATRE
GEO. D. FYER, MANAGER.
Thursday, Friday and Saturday, and
Saturday Matinee.
May 20, 21, 22
Charles Frohman Presents.
JOHN DREW
In His Latest and Greatest Comedy Hit
JACK STRAW
By W. Somerset Maugham, Author
of "Lady Frederick."
Prices—50c, 75c, 1.00, 1.50, 2.00, 2.50, 3.00, 3.50, 4.00, 4.50, 5.00, 5.50, 6.00, 6.50, 7.00, 7.50, 8.00, 8.50, 9.00, 9.50, 10.00. Sale of seats begins Tuesday.

BOTH PHONES 3669
ADVANCED
Vaudeville
Cepheum
THEATRE
MATINEE DAILY EXCEPT
SUNDAY.
Marshall B. Wilder.
Tom Nawn & Co. Eight Melanias.
Four Casting Dancers.
Lockwood & Bryson.
Kathleen Fitzpatrick Atkins.
Coe & Boyd.
The Kirodrome, Orpheum, Orpheum.
Matinee, 15c, 25c, 50c; box seat, 75c.
Evening, 25c, 50c, 75c; box seat, 75c.

COLONIAL
Bell 434. Ind. 150.
TONIGHT
Ernest Shuter Presents
MR. MONROE SALISBURY
In the popular modern drama,
THE MILLS OF THE GODS
By George Bernard Shaw, author of
"The Man of the Hour."
A Great Metropolitan Cast
Prices—50c, 75c, 1.00, 1.50, 2.00, 2.50, 3.00, 3.50, 4.00, 4.50, 5.00, 5.50, 6.00, 6.50, 7.00, 7.50, 8.00, 8.50, 9.00, 9.50, 10.00. Matinee Wed-
nesday and Saturday, 50c, 75c, 1.00, 1.50, 2.00, 2.50, 3.00, 3.50, 4.00, 4.50, 5.00, 5.50, 6.00, 6.50, 7.00, 7.50, 8.00, 8.50, 9.00, 9.50, 10.00. Next Week—"At the Rainbow's End."

BUNGALOW
Bell 3355. Ind. 261.
TONIGHT
Willard Mack Presents
RALPH STUART
Supported by Mary Hall and associate
players. Kenneth McDonald's
greatest effort.
THE TRANSCENDERS
Prices, 75c, 50c, 25c, Matinee Wed-
nesday and Saturday, 50c, 75c, 1.00, 1.50, 2.00, 2.50, 3.00, 3.50, 4.00, 4.50, 5.00, 5.50, 6.00, 6.50, 7.00, 7.50, 8.00, 8.50, 9.00, 9.50, 10.00. Next Week—"At the Rainbow's End."

GRAND THEATRE
ALL WEEK
Matinee Wednesday and Saturday.
Riddell and LeMay's Company of
Superb Players Presents The Beauti-
ful Southern Melodrama.
The Hearts of the Blue Ridge.
A play of intense heart interest, in-
terspersed with old plantation melo-
dies and up-to-date melodrama.
Tickets now on sale. Ind. phone
3737; Bell 1557.
Prices, 15c, 25c, 35c, 50c. Curtain at
8:30 sharp.

RACING
"They're Off"
Opening day Saturday, May
22nd
Utah Jockey Club's
Spring and summer meeting.
Forty days of Racing, May
22nd to July 7th, inclusive.

Cullen Handi-
cap on Sat.
Six high class races daily. Rain or
shine. Utah State Band.
Racing Course, The Utah State Fair
Grounds.
First Race at 2 p. m. Sharp.
THE TURF AND FIELD CLUB.
(Use of the Club House for Mem-
bers only. Automobile enclosure and
attendance.)
General Admission—Gentlemen, \$1;
Ladies, 50c. To the boxes: Single box
Seat, 50c; box, per day, \$2; box for
season, \$50.
John Condron, President; W. H.
Gleason, Treasurer; W. W. Finn,
General Manager.

Z. C. M. I.
Wind-Up Sale
SATURDAY
In Dry Goods Dept.
THE 1909 Annual May Sale has been an unqual-
ified success. Determined to keep up the brisk
buying to the close of the sale, we offer a number
of extra special bargains for the last day—Saturday
Pongee Silk Half Price
FOR SATURDAY ONLY.
36-inch Ecru Pongee, all silk, suitable for dresses, separate skirts,
ladies' and children's coats, a splendid value at the regular
price \$1.50 a yard, while it lasts Saturday, a yard 75c
10 Yards to a Customer.
Our entire line of Black and Colored Lace Half Price
Robes, Saturday only
Corset Special Saturday
Warner Bros. Rust Proof Corsets—one of our most popular num-
bers—in white, for the medium figure, with four hose supporter at-
tachments. Sizes from 18 to 32. Regular retail price \$1.25. 75c
Saturday only, your choice at
Saturday Glove Special
"Monitor" 2-Clasp Pique Gloves, black and all colors and all sizes. \$1.60
Never sold less than \$2.00 a pair. Special
Cloak Department Special
Two Black Petticoat specials will be offered Saturday. There are not a great many
of these Petticoats—it will be a case of first come, first served.
A line of Black Petticoats, up to 50c A line of Black Silk Petticoats, \$3.00
\$1.50 values, while they last, each. while they last, each
Millinery
Specials
FOR SATURDAY ONLY
ALL TRIMMED HATS, includ-
ing Pattern Hats, and the newest
creations of our own Half Price
millinery experts ...
ALL FLOWERS in Half Price
stock Saturday only
ALL UNTRIMMED SHAPES
and other Millinery Materials
for One-Third Off
OUR ENTIRE LINE of beautiful
Plumes, 25% Off
at
Saturday the Last Day of Our
Great May Sale.
In addition to the extraordinary bargains mentioned above, the same price reduc-
tions that have maintained all week will continue tomorrow on Suits, Dresses, Skirts,
Coats, Jackets, Waists, Silks, Dress Goods, Linens and Staples, Laces, Embroideries,
Under Muslins, Corsets, Underwear, Jewelry, etc., etc.
Special Bargain Tables
IN LINEN AND STAPLE DEPT.
5c Table Every effort will be made to replenish this table that has been so popular during the week. Many goods will be sold at less than cost.
8 1-3c Table Materials that are in daily use will be found on this table. Many of them are worth double the price asked for them.
10c Table Here you will find goods that sell regularly from 12 1-2c to 20c a yard, and are in constant demand, especially where there is a family.
Handkerchief Specials Plain white and printed hemstitched Handkerchiefs. Regular 5c values, Saturday, 2 1-2c each. Women's hemstitched and embroidered Linen Handkerchiefs. Regular 35c values, Saturday, each, 25c. Women's hemstitched and scalloped embroidered Swiss Handkerchiefs. Good 25c values, Saturday, each, 15c. Women's hemstitched and scalloped embroidered Swiss Handkerchiefs. Up to 60c values, Saturday, each, 25c.
Neckwear Specials All our regular 35c washable stock collars; fancy stocks, Dutch collars, jabots, bows, etc., Saturday, your choice, 25c.
Handbag Reductions A special line of handbags, up to \$1.00 values, Saturday your choice at, 25c. A special line of handbags, regular \$1.50 and \$2.00 values, Saturday, your choice, \$1.00 at.
Belt Reductions Our entire line of Ladies' Belts, 25% Off Saturday at.
Ribbon Reductions An immense line of ribbons—taffetas, satin taffetas, failleines, messalines, fancies, etc., up to 5 1-2 inches wide, and up to 65c values, a yard, 25c.
All other ribbons will be sold during remainder of sale at, 20% Off.
OUR DRUG DEPT. IS AT 112-114 SOUTH MAIN ST.