

LATTER DAY SAINTS HOLD CONFERENCE

Annual World's Conference at Independence, Mo., Will Be Presided Over by F. M. Smith.

OMAHA WOMAN TO BE SOLOIST

This week there convenes at Independence, Mo., the annual world's conference of the Reorganized Church of Latter Day Saints. For the first time in his capacity as president of the church, Frederick M. Smith, eldest son of the late Joseph Smith, will preside. He was chosen to this position by the membership of his church one year ago at their last conference, at which time he was seriously ill in Worcester, Mass. As soon as he was able to travel he returned to Independence, Mo., and was ordained under the hands of the prominent elders and officials of the church to be its president. This office also conferring upon him the right to act as "prophet, seer and revelator."

The Latter Day Saints, as organized in 1830 by Joseph Smith, grandfather of the present leader, believe in present revelation. They hold that God can, and does, speak and reveal His will to His servants on earth today. As He did in the days of the prophets of old, so different were these claims from those of the churches about him at the time that Joseph Smith incurred the scorn and ridicule of many churchmen and members of various organizations, which enviously persecuted him through life and found a climax in his death at Carthage, Ill., in 1844, at the hands of a masked mob, while he was under the protection of officers of the state.

In the confusion which followed this tragedy Brigham Young, president of the leading quorum of the church, claimed the presidency of the entire organization and had himself ordained to that position and in a short time led the people out into the valleys of the West in a series of most remarkable journeys overland, the railways at that time not extending farther west than Council Bluffs. There, due to the really wonderful executive and enterprising ability of Brigham Young, were laid the foundations of the beautiful City of Salt Lake.

Refuses to Go.

The widow of Joseph Smith firmly refused to follow Young west, or to recognize his usurped authority, and stayed in her home on the banks of the Mississippi, with her four young sons, and reared them to be God-fearing and law-abiding citizens. When Joseph, the oldest of these sons, reached his majority, he made two great resolutions. One was that he would live in such a manner that no one, from his actions, should be justified in inferring or saying that his father had been a bad man. The other was that he would strive to make the religion for which his father laid down his life honorable in the sight of men. Thus it was that, in 1860, at the age of 25, he met with a handful of the faithful, who, like his mother, had refused to follow Young, and there he reorganized the church, and was ordained its president, which office he held until the time of his death in 1914, at Independence, Mo. How well he succeeded in carrying out the resolutions of his young manhood, is best attested by the fact that wherever he and the members of the church have lived, they have been recognized to be good citizens who live clean lives and command the respect of all men. They occupy positions of honor and trust all over the United States, and no body of people is more zealous in stamping out the iniquity of the apostate church in the west, than are the members of the Reorganization. Today, they number 100,000, and have local churches all over the world. Four different times, the supreme court of the United States has affirmed their contention that they are the true successors to the original church, founded in 1830, and that the church with headquarters at Salt Lake City, is apostate. Joseph Smith himself took the position that the doctrine of polygamy is an abomination in the sight of God, no matter who originated it. He examined every claim made that his father was responsible for this evil but was unable to trace it to him or his teachings at any time. The members of the Reorganized church are unalterably opposed to this abomination and are waging constant war against it from their pulpits, and from their homes, as private citizens.

Before his death in 1914, Joseph Smith designated his eldest son, Frederick Madison, as his successor in the office of the highest priesthood in the church. This young man had been for eight years associated with his father in the work of preaching over the affairs of the body. He pursued his studies at Graceland (the college built and sustained by the church, at Iowa and Kansas universities, and finally, within the last two years, received his doctor's degree at Clark university at Worcester, Mass., under the personal guidance and direction of Dr. G. Stanley Hall. In common with most of his fellow churchmen, Dr. Smith believes that a solution of the spiritual problems that confront humanity can only be solved by a mastery of the material and social problems of life. Latter Day Saints are Zionists. In a certain sense, and are looking forward to the establishment of a commonwealth in which all principles shall govern and predominate, when there shall be no more spangling them, and every man take the right and the opportunity to live, to study, to work and the environment in his most ideal.

Reverts to Studies.

After his ordination to the presidency of the church last May, Dr. Smith returned to his studies at Clark university. Since his graduation there, he has been very actively engaged in stimulating his people to greater spiritual and material pursuits. He has organized classes among them for advancement along the lines of intellectual, intellectual and vocational achievement. His last venture of young men studying the sciences, he has thought about the establishment of various institutions at Independence, Mo., and Lambert, Mo., where exist the two largest congregations of his church at the present time. Scores of young men are studying the sciences, fitting themselves for service in this direction. He has arranged for a medical inspection of the children in these large places. He is organizing the "Cultural Hall" where the young people of the church shall find mental and physical recreation. His last venture of young men studying the sciences, he has thought about the establishment of various institutions at Independence, Mo., and Lambert, Mo., where exist the two largest congregations of his church at the present time. Scores of young men are studying the sciences, fitting themselves for service in this direction. He has arranged for a medical inspection of the children in these large places. He is organizing the "Cultural Hall" where the young people of the church shall find mental and physical recreation.

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fort, providing always that they are used in the right way and at the right time. It is his ambition to have the people of his church stand high in the points of efficiency and culture, of spirituality, as well as of service in the practical things of life. He believes that Christianity is a thing adequate and adaptable for daily use—not something to be taken out and aired for a few hours once a week. He believes the keynote of a successful Christian life is spelled by the word "service," and that that service should be rendered to those who need it, regardless of caste, station or fortune in life.

Choose New Bishop.

At the approaching conference some interest will center around the choosing of a new presiding bishop of the church, to take the place of E. L. Kelley, whose resignation was accepted at the last conference. It is thought to place some young man in this position, whose experience in business shall qualify him for taking charge of the rapidly enlarging financial affairs of the church. Their treasury is maintained by the tithes and free-will offerings of the members, and out of this fund, churches are built, schools established, old people's homes and children's homes maintained, as well as the families of the missionaries supported. The missionaries go out, almost literally "without purse or scrip," having no salary or allowance, but dependent upon the kindness and generosity of the people among whom they labor and preach. Those missionaries have added to the church, by baptism this year, over 6,000 members, and they gather to these annual conferences to the number of 600 or 800 to counsel together, to imbibe new ideas, and new courage for another year of proselyting. They form, together with the several other forms of priesthood represented at the conferences and the large number of delegates from among the lay members of the church, chosen by various local churches, one of the most democratic bodies extant. No doctrine can be forced upon this organization; no priest-ridden, ignorant people accepting blindly what is offered them, but everything is discussed openly, and the humblest member has the right to be heard and has equal chance with every other member of the conference for voice and vote.

Lovers of Music.

The Latter Day Saints are great lovers of music. Indeed music might be said to be a part of their great religion, since one of their recent "revelations" tells them to "cultivate the gifts of music and of song." Thus they have a general church chorister, whose duty it is to direct the musical activities of the whole church, to stimulate and suggest and outline, and above all to combine their efforts for these annual assemblies. For months the various local choirs have been studying under his direction and when they meet this week, they will have a vast chorus prepared to sing in utmost harmony and enthusiasm. It has been the custom, for several years, to prepare, in addition to the anthems, an oratorio sung by the an masse chorus. This year they will give the "Messiah," when Mrs. W. N. Robinson of Kansas City, Mr. Paul N. Craig of Omaha and Miss Ethel Kinnaman of New York City will be among the soloists. Mr. A. N. Froxie, Jr., of New York City is the national chorister, and Mr. E. C. Bell of St. Louis, his first assistant, and both will be in attendance at the conference. Bishop Richard C. Evans of Toronto, Can., has been holding a series of services in Kansas City, preceding the convening of the annual meeting. Plans are being made to have him visit Omaha after the adjournment of conference for a series of services. The local branch of the Reorganized Latter Day Saints meet in their little church at the corner of Twenty-fourth and Ohio streets and hold services every Sabbath morning and evening, at which the public would be cordially welcomed.

Attorney Sues for Fees.

Over the \$10,000 although this has been brought by "charitable" litigation against Oscar Lindner, but services in settling in the estate of the late John Lindner.

Eczema Wash Used in Hospitals

How many hospital patients have been benefited by this Eczema Wash, or the famous "Eczema Wash" of the Eczema Wash Co., of New York City. It is a simple, yet powerful, and effective treatment for all cases of eczema, whether it be of the scalp, face, neck, arms, or legs. It is a simple, yet powerful, and effective treatment for all cases of eczema, whether it be of the scalp, face, neck, arms, or legs. It is a simple, yet powerful, and effective treatment for all cases of eczema, whether it be of the scalp, face, neck, arms, or legs.



When the First White Men Crossed Nebraska in 1739

The first white men to cross the entire state of Nebraska from northeast to southwest were the Mallet brothers and six other French companions, a party of eight, who made this trip in 1739. The accompanying cut is a pen drawing, as nearly correct in detail historically as possible from the records. This group, as sketched here is one of the fifty to seventy-five historical groups that are to be represented in the grand historical parade to be held on the streets of Omaha during the week in the fall. Beginning with the days before the coming of Coronado, the Spaniard, with his thirty-six soldiers, the historical groups will portray with the respective groups all the important groups of scouts, trappers, explorers, and federal troops that ever touched the soil now known as Nebraska, from the discovery of America to the present day. The Mallet expedition, pictured here, is only one of the scores of groups to be shown, and is given here merely as an example of the kind of parade this is to be.

Clark, Notorious Counterfeiter, is Taken After Fight

LOS ANGELES, Cal., April 1.—James D. Clark, believed by federal secret service men here to be one of the cleverest coin counterfeiters in the country, was in jail here today following his capture late last night after desperately resisting arrest. Clark was located in a cabin in the nearby hills and was overpowered by two secret service men assisted by members of the police force. Revolvers and sawed-off shotguns were found in the cabin, as well as dice and alloys for the counterfeiting of gold coins.

Law Abolishing Coroner's Office Declared Valid

The laws passed by the last legislature, abolishing the office of county coroner and making constables appointive instead of elective offices, are both upheld by District Judge George A. Day, before whom two mandamus suits were heard. William Dorrance, undertaker, who was refused by the election commissioner when he tendered his filing fee for the job of coroner, brought the first suit, and Ellis, who sought to be constable again, brought the second. In making the ruling, the court declared both laws to be perfectly plain, and reasonable, and therefore valid.

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Meat Cause of Lame Back and Kidney Trouble

Take a glass of Salts to flush Kidneys if your back is aching. Noted authority says Uric Acid from meat irritates the Bladder. Meat forms uric acid which exalts and overworks the kidneys in their efforts to filter it from the system. Regular use of meat must flush the kidneys occasionally. You must relieve them like you relieve your bowels; removing all the acids, waste and poison, else you feel a dull misery in the kidney region, sharp pains in the back or sick headache, distaste, your stomach sour, tongue is coated and when the weather is bad you have rheumatic twinges. The urine is cloudy, full of sediment; the channels often get irritated, obliging you to get up two or three times during the night. To neutralize these irritating acids and flush off the body's urinous waste get about four ounces of Jad Salts from any pharmacy; take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then set fine and bladder disorders disappear. This famous salts is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for generations to clean and stimulate sluggish kidneys and stop bladder irritation. Jad Salts is inexpensive; harmless and makes a delightful after-dinner lithia-water drink which millions of men and women take now and then, thus avoiding serious kidney and bladder diseases.—Advertisement.

The Social Pirates advertisement featuring a large illustration of two women in period dress, one holding a pistol. Text includes: 'The Social Pirates', 'A series of plots for what is undoubtedly The Most Fascinating and Entertaining Stories ever published have been conceived by the celebrated dramatist, GEORGE BRONSON HOWARD and novelized by the well-known author, HUGH C. WEIR', 'The Adventures of Two Remarkably Smart and Attractive Young Women', 'Do Not Hesitate to Match Their Wits against their male enemies; or, these same opponents whose cunning, reputation and position make them all the more dangerous? Yet daringly and fearlessly MONA AND MARY FIGHT FIRE WITH FIRE seeking the vulnerable spots in the armor of the enemy until they leave them "hors de combat" or crying for mercy. So much so that the result of most of the campaigns conducted by Mona and Mary Will Make Every Woman Smile With Delight and at the same time set many men of concealed habits and unscrupulous natures wondering if they are really quite as smart as they thought they were.', 'The Social Pirates and the very name of HUGH C. WEIR, the well-known writer, is of itself sufficient guarantee of the literary merits of the novelization. No more conceptive brain and virile pen could have been selected for this task than those of these two celebrities in their chosen profession.', 'Be Sure and Read the First Story Entitled The Little Monte Carlo in The Sunday Bee', 'The super-sensational society masterpiece, "The Social Pirates," will be exhibited for the first time in Greater Omaha, FRIDAY, APRIL 7, at the BESSIE THEATER SOUTH SIDE.'