

# CHURCH MISSIONARY

## CONFERENCE IN THE HAWAIIAN MISSION.

Lala, Island of Oahu, April 7.—The general annual conference of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the Hawaiian Islands, commenced April 4, and closed yesterday, with President Samuel E. Woolley presiding. After the usual opening exercises of song and prayer, President Woolley addressed the saints assembled and told the object of his trip to Zion, his conversations with President Joseph F. Smith and his interests in the Hawaiian people, also how the returned elders and sister in Zion had asked concerning the welfare of the Hawaiian saints. He reported the condition of the church in general and spoke of the very prosperous condition of the Hawaiian mission. He spoke at some length on fasting, fast-offering and the rendering of assistance to the poor.

Elder Eugene Jefferson Neff, spoke upon the saving power of the gospel, Christ's mission, and the work done by the Prophet Joseph Smith in the restoration of the gospel in the latter days.

A quartet, "Though deepening trials," was rendered by Elders Flowers, Stoddard, Millward and Hampton.

Elder John T. Giles (local) reported the work done in the Honolulu conference during the past year. He spoke of the visit of President Smith of the Reorganized church as resulting in so much good to the work of God, in that number of their own people left the Reorganized church and joined the true Church of Christ. He spoke at length on the blessings of those who

follows: Honorably released—Elders Eugene Jefferson Neff, Orin Cloyd Jones and Millard Fillmore Eakle. Appointments—Samuel E. Woolley, president in mission; and manager of Lala plantation; John T. Giles, asst. manager, Lala plantation; R. S. Bradford, time keeper, Lala plantation; E. E. Jacobsen, store keeper; S. D. Hampton, book-keeper, Lala plantation; W. J. Flowers, principal Lala school and clerk of the Hawaiian mission; Edith E. Hunter, asst. school teacher; Rachel Bush, music teacher; Rachel E. Woolley, manager of the domestic department of the mission house with all the sisters from Lala as her aids. Assignments of elders to conferences: Kanai—Wm. C. Jefferies and J. V. Stoddard. Oahu—Harrison H. Millard, Honolulu—A. H. Anderson, J. F. Woolley, Marvin E. Pack, Jr., Abraham Fernandez (local), and John Smith (local). West Maui—Archie A. Eliason and Gordon Taylor Hyde, East Maui—F. W. Anderson, and Nels Newman, South Hawaii—LeRoy Farr and Kenneth Henric, North Hawaii—E. E. Bush and J. Claude Kneel. Hilo—E. Wesley Smith and I. Y. Bigelow.

Presidents of auxiliary organizations: Sunday school—John T. Giles, pres.; J. P. Woolley, first counselor; M. E. Pack, Jr., second counselor; W. H. Flowers, secretary, M. I. A.—A. H.

George Shorten, H. R. Kirkham, I. E. Thompson, William A. Skidmore, L. Clark, E. F. Vause, A. B. Needham, Harold Hulme, W. J. Williams, Charles A. Sperry, W. W. Allen, J. L. Wilson, Jr., and N. L. Smith. Confirmations took place between the afternoon and evening meetings of the conference.

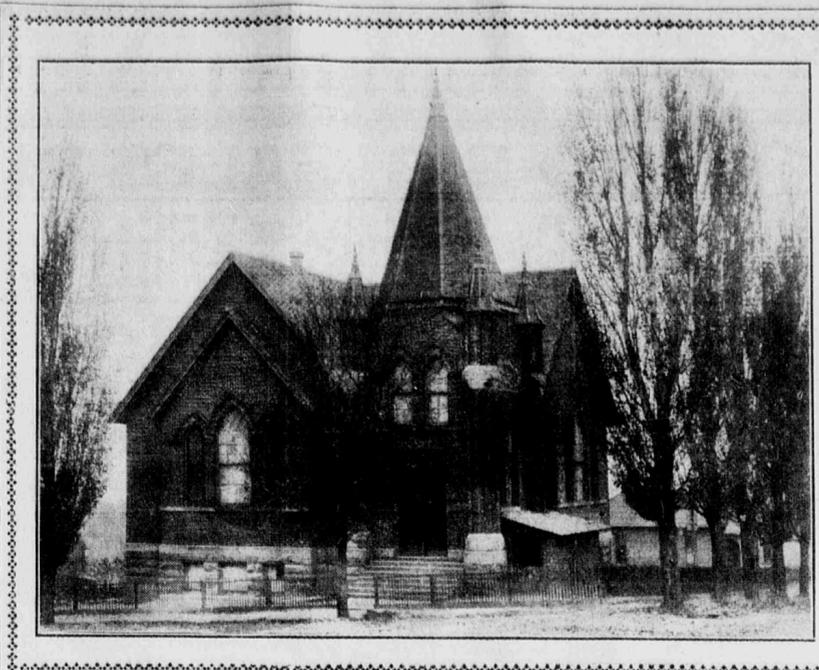
At Cornwallis Street Baths, Liverpool, on Monday evening last, the 6th inst., a baptismal service was witnessed by a large gathering of saints and other interested persons. Elder John S. Smith delivered a very able discourse on baptism. Eight converts were baptized by Elder William A. Morton. One of the number, belongs to St. Helen's branch and one to Booths branch.

A baptismal service was held at the Swan Public Baths, Norwich, on Sunday last, when another member was added to the Norwich branch, Elder Samuel Jackson officiated.

A baptismal service was held in Leigh Baths (Manchester conference), March 31, 1908. About 40 saints and friends were present. President J. C. Olsen spoke upon the object and necessity of baptism. Nine souls were then added to the fold, Elder C. A. Duke officiating.

On the 30th ult., a baptismal service was held at the Gorton Public Baths, near Manchester, when eight souls were added to the Manchester conference. Four of the candidates were from Hyde branch and four from the Manchester branch. Elders E. H. Chambers and Helaman Webster officiated.

Elder George M. Cannon, Jr., writes from South Africa, as follows: "President Brigham has requested me to write you a few lines with regard to the advancement of the work in South Africa during the month of February. Elders O. M. Rogers and C. Perry



TWENTY-SEVENTH WARD CHAPEL.

Ward Meetinghouse Which Will Be Dedicated Tomorrow Evening.

This cut represents the Twenty-seventh ward meetinghouse, which will be dedicated Sunday evening, the dedicatory prayer to be delivered by President Joseph F. Smith. The cornerstone of the structure was laid by Bishop James Maxwell, Sept. 7, 1902, plans having been adopted and work started during the month of July previous. The building cost \$15,000, complete, is of red pressed brick and is a beautiful and conveniently arranged edifice. The chapel proper has a seating capacity of 400, and provision has been made

for the installation of a gallery when such becomes necessary. The basement has one large hall, and four or five good sized class rooms. The Twenty-seventh ward bishopric is composed of James Maxwell, bishop; Orson Allen and John D. Ford, counselors. Following are the programs for services to be held Sunday and Monday evenings next:

MONDAY EVENING, 7:30 O'CLOCK. Singing, "Great God Attond," choir; prayer; anthem, "Praise Ye the Father;" choir; remarks, Dr. James T. Falmage; solo, Lucy G. Cannon; remarks, Hon. William H. King; selection, M. I. A. ladies' chorus; anthem, "Sing Ye Jehovah's Praises," choir; benediction.

SUNDAY EVENING AT 6 O'CLOCK. Singing, "Come come, ye saints," choir; prayer; anthem, "O Give Thanks," choir; opening remarks, Bishop James Maxwell; dedicatory prayer;

thusiasm, which characterized the various public meetings which followed; and especially the priesthood meetings, with which the conference concluded on Monday.

Never before did the elders and saints of the state of West Virginia experience a richer outpour of the spirit of truth.

President McQuarrie was present and in his sermons in public and his counsel in private, surely made us feel hopeful and buoyant.

The three public meetings held Sunday, the 12th inst., were well attended by members. During these services, the traveling elders had the privilege of speaking and a number of the local saints bore their testimonies.

The climax, however, was reached when the elders met on Monday to receive the final instructions. The joy there experienced could not be expressed.

Conference president, O. F. Anderson, and Archie Neilson were released. It was really touching to witness the tribute of love and respect given to these humble and faithful men. Elders George W. Ford and Floyd Rose were transferred, one to the N. England conference, the other to east Pennsylvania, which leaves the Twenty-seventh ward to consider a very extensive field of operation.

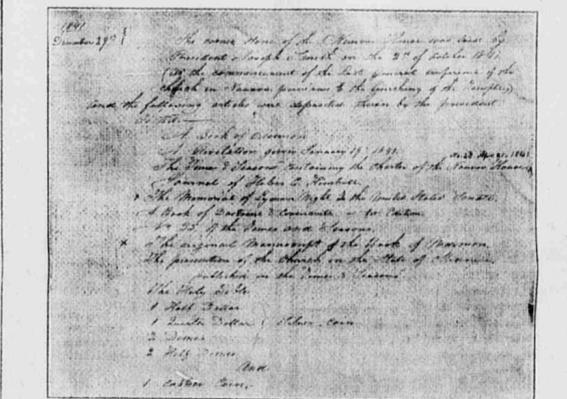
Elder H. S. Rice has been chosen to succeed President O. F. Anderson, and he has selected Elders E. Fred Park and John G. Terry as his counselors.

Since our last fall conference we have been trying the experiment so far with little dispute. When the walls of the State mission, to this method of traveling in companies, we attribute much of the success of the past winter.

Our working force is now divided into two divisions and we mean to give this system a more thorough test in the season now before us.

GEORGE W. MORRIS, Secretary.

## Josephite Claims Are Completely Disproved



1841, December 29. The cornerstone of the Nauvoo House was laid by President Joseph Smith on the 2nd of October, 1841 (at the commencement of the last general conference of the Church in Nauvoo, previous to the finishing of the temple), and the following articles were deposited therein by the president, to-wit: A Book of Mormon; a revelation given Jan. 19, 1841; the Times and Seasons containing the charter of the Nauvoo House, No. 23, April 21, 1841; Journal of Heber C. Kimball; the memorial of Lyman Wight to the United States senate; a book of Doctrine and Covenants first edition; No. 35 of the Times and Seasons; the original manuscript of the Book of Mormon; the persecution of the Church in the state of Missouri published in the "Times and Seasons"; the Holy Bible, one half dollar, one quarter dollar, two dimes, two half dimes, silver coins, and one copper coin.—Excerpt from the History of Joseph Smith, as recorded under his supervision, Dec. 29, 1841.

The above fac-simile of a portion of a page of history written during the lifetime of the Prophet Joseph Smith, should forever settle any controversy that might arise as to the disposition made by him of the original manuscript of the Book of Mormon. As to the fate of the manuscript that was placed in the cement box of the cornerstone of the Nauvoo House, there is and can be but little dispute. When the walls and foundation of the building, never finished, were razed by Dr. Lewis C. Bidamon, whom Mrs. Emma Smith married subsequent to the prophet's death, the contents of the receptacle were found to be much damaged by moisture and the ravages of time.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints makes no claim to having in its possession the original manuscript of the Book of Mormon, but President Joseph F. Smith, as an individual, is the owner of pages 3 to 22 of the manuscript, given to him while on a visit to Nauvoo in the year 1878. A few additional pages of the same document are in the hands of various other persons, but the main portion of the original manuscript is no longer in existence.

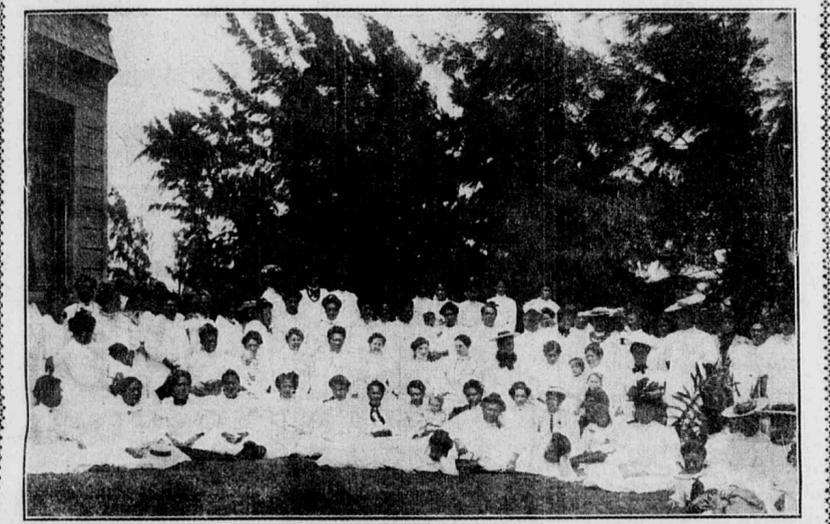
WAS NO CONTROVERSY. The Prophet Joseph Smith well knew whether or not the papers placed by him in the cornerstone of the Nauvoo House comprised the original manuscript of the Book of Mormon, or whether it was a copy by there deposited. He says it was the former, and his statement is taken as true by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Will the body styling itself the Reorganized church assert that the prophet told an untruth in the matter of the manuscript? It must be remembered that there was no controversy whatsoever at that time regarding the subject of the manuscripts. It was well known at the time that there were two, the original and a copy, the Church having the former and Oliver Cowdery being possessed of the latter.

OLIVER COWDERY'S COPY. Oliver Cowdery kept his copy until about the year 1852, when he gave it to his friend and fellow witness, David Whitmer. At the death of Whitmer it passed into the hands of his nephew, George Schweich, who, ten or twelve years ago, sold it to the Reorganized church for a consideration of \$2,400. This document is the one that Frederick M. Smith referred to during the recent conference of his church, in the following words, as reported in the Kansas City Times:

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RELIEF SOCIETY WORKERS IN THE HAWAIIAN MISSION.

heard the words of God and of the unfortunate condition of those who disregard the same. President Eugene J. Neff in charge. The services consisted of thoroughly prepared lessons on the following subjects: "The Life of Joseph F. Smith," led by Kahiina, local; "The Book of Mormon," led by Elder John T. Giles; Organ solo, Violet Kekuku; "Blessings Arising From Persecution," led by Kahiina, local solo, Lilla Naimoa; "Building of Temples in Ancient and Modern Times," led by Elder Hampton; quartet, Sam Kekauoha and company. Impressive remarks by President Woolley on "Temple Work."

Sunday, 10 a. m., April 5, general meeting convened, President Woolley presiding, in which the presidents of conferences reported everything being in excellent condition. Number present 378.

General meeting convened at 2 p. m., Elders John T. Giles, J. F. Woolley, A. Eliason and Prest. Woolley were the speakers. Number present, 281.

Sunday school conference convened at 7 p. m., Sunday School Mission President T. Giles presiding. The exercises consisted of class lessons on the following subjects: Adam, Eve, Noah and his sons; primary class, led by Sister Hattie Davis; Joseph, son of Jacob, led by John T. Giles; "The New Covenant," led by Sister Rachel E. Woolley; "Our Pre-existence," led by Ruth Kauhini; "The holy priesthood," led by Elder S. D. Hampton; "The New Jerusalem," led by Elder J. E. Jacobsen. Number present, 352.

Monday, 10 a. m., April 6, Priesthood meeting convened, President Woolley presiding, in which many valuable words were spoken in regard to receiving the priesthood and the duties of those holding it. Valuable instruction was given in regard to local conditions. Present 89.

Meeting of the sisters convened at the mission house at the same hour. Sister Woolley presiding, where much good instruction was given on the duties of the sisters. Present 105.

At 2 p. m., Primary conference convened with Sister Hattie Davis of Honolulu, presiding. This consisted of an excellent program rendered by the late conference assisted by numbers from the various conferences. It showed the excellent condition of the Primary work in the islands. Present 50.

The closing session convened at 8 p. m., President Woolley presiding. Elder O. C. Jones spoke at length on "The Indians and the Hawaiians being originally the same family." He showed the excellent condition of the increase in number of the children in the Church.

Vocal solo was rendered by Sister Rachel E. Woolley. President Woolley presented the general authorities of the Church which were all unanimously sustained.

Anderson, pres.; E. Wesley Smith, first counselor; William C. Jefferies, second counselor; W. J. Flowers, secretary. Relief Society—Rachel E. Woolley, pres.; Edna Jacobsen, Rachel Bush, Edith E. Hunter and Minerva Kamuela, counselors; Violet Kekuku, asst. secretary; Hannah Mahukihali, treasurer.

On Saturday and Monday a fair was held in the schoolhouse during the afternoon and evening. The Hawaiian girls and women, under the careful instruction of their able teacher Sister Rachel E. Woolley. Sofa pillows, table covers, dollies, wall pockets, etc., of excellent workmanship, lined the walls, showing the ability of our Hawaiian girls of whom we are very proud.

The Hawaiian mission stands today in the best condition it has ever stood. W. J. FLOWERS, Mission Clerk.

Rockwood report four baptisms at Grahamstown, with prospects of more in the near future, and Elders Samuel N. Alger, Jr., and Alma T. Jones write saying they were privileged to add two more to the fold at Fernex, with Ruth Kauhini, stock seven baptisms were performed, and a large number are expected, we are looking forward to the arrival of Elder and Sister Stewart with happy anticipations, but regret very much to think of bidding farewell to President Raider shortly after they reach us. All of the missionaries are well, and with the saints are eager to push on in the great work in which we are engaged.

Elders Ralph Harker and C. H. Breverton officiated at a baptismal service which was held in the Tisbury Baths, Sunderland (Newcastle conference), on the 2nd inst., when five members were added to the Church of Christ.

## CONFERENCE AT BEAVER.

The one hundred and twenty-fourth quarterly conference of Beaver stake of Zion was held on the 18th and 19th of April, 1908, in Beaver City.

Elders George Albert Smith of the quorum of apostles, Joseph W. McMurrin of the first council of seventy, Bishop Frank S. Tingey of the Seventeenth ward, Salt Lake City, were visitors. All the stake presidency, a good representation of the high council, three patriarchs and a goodly number of the priesthood were also present.

After the opening exercises on Saturday morning, President Charles D. White made a few opening remarks, and was followed by Elder George Albert Smith, who called the roll of stake officers and the Melchizedek priesthood, and commented on the comparatively small attendance. He then suggested that the meeting be devoted to testimony bearing, and 31 persons bore their testimony. The young people especially were anxious to take advantage of this opportunity, and a splendid spirit was manifest throughout the meeting. The good feeling was so marked that it formed the basis of most of the discourses in the subsequent meetings.

On Saturday evening a priesthood meeting was held, when Elder Smith took up the annual report of the stake in detail, calling attention to the various items and urging a change for the better where necessary.

Elder Smith's remarks during the conference were directed to the subjects of fast offerings and the solemnity of the marriage covenant, deprecating the idea of so many of our young people being married by civil officers. Elder Joseph W. McMurrin spoke upon the duties of the saints and those holding responsible positions in the Church.

The general and local authorities were sustained and the usual meetings of the Sunday school union and the Mutuals were held.

The Sunday meetings were very largely attended, and the conference was very much enjoyed by all. WILLIAM G. BICKLEY.

## BAPTISMS IN FOREIGN MISSIONS

In the Millennium Star of April 9 the following reports of baptisms are given: Sunday morning last, at the close of the opening services of the London conference about 300 saints and investigators repaired to Tibberton Square Baths, where a baptismal service was held. An appropriate address was made by President Soren Petersen, after which 47 converts entered the fold of Christ. The ordinance of baptism was performed by Elders D.

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