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IMPORTANT CHANGE IN THE PRESIDENCY AND APOSTLESHIP

Charles W. Penrose Is Now a Counsellor in The Presidency—Prof. James E. Talmage Is Taken Into The Quorum--New Appointments Give Entire Satisfaction.

The announcement yesterday of the appointments made to fill the vacancies occurring in the First Presidency and the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles, came as a great surprise to the majority of the members in this section. But nowhere have we heard an opposing word as to the excellency of the appointments. The elevation of Apostle Penrose to the presidency is a just recognition of that gentleman's sterling worth, his faithfulness and perseverance in the cause which he had espoused and his thorough consistency in every place he has occupied.

The appointment of Prof. James E. Talmage has given to the quorum a man who is vigorous for the cause of truth, whose known attainments are recognized by those who are not members of the church, and whose work in mineralogy and geology is recognized not only in this country, but in the European nations as well. An author of ability, and with a mind as keen as to the greatness of the work and the diversified knowledge which he possesses should make him a valuable acquisition to the quorum, where conservatism and stability are so much needed when weighty affairs come up for consideration.

The Official Announcement.
"At the regular council meeting of the First Presidency and Apostles of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints held in the Salt Lake temple this seventh day of December, 1911 at which President Joseph F. Smith and Anthon H. Lund and eight of the twelve apostles were present, Charles W. Penrose was selected and unanimously sustained as second counselor in the first presidency, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the demise of President John Henry Smith, and he was set apart to this office and calling under hands of President Joseph F. Smith, all the other authorities named assisting.

"Also James E. Talmage was appointed and unanimously sustained to be one of the twelve apostles to fill the vacancy caused by the appointment of Elder Charles W. Penrose as second counselor in the first presidency.

"JOSEPH F. SMITH, "President of the Council," Noted Church Worker.
President Penrose, since he joined the church in London, May 14, 1850, has been an ardent worker in support of his religious belief. Few men in the Mormon church today are better versed in the doctrines of the Bible. He came to this state in 1861, after ten years of missionary service in England, his native country. His rise in the church was rapid and his journalistic ability resulted in contributing to the church much of its literature. Successively he has been editor of the Millennial Star, the principal church organ of the European missions, the Ogden Junction, the Daily Junction, started in Ogden in 1886; the Salt Lake Herald and the Deseret News. He has performed many important missions for the church and took an active and leading part in public affairs at the time Utah was admitted to the union.

He served four terms as city councilman in Ogden, beginning in 1874, and also helped to frame the constitution of the state, serving as a legislator in 1875. In 1877 by request of Brigham Young, President Penrose came to Salt Lake and was later made editor-in-chief of the Deseret News. He served three more terms in the state legislature following this. He became president of the Salt Lake stake of the church in 1884, occupying that position until the date of his appointment and call as an apostle.

Nearly Four Score Years.
President Penrose is 79 years old and apparently retains all his original activity of mind and physical energies. He recently returned from England where he presided over the European mission of the church. Among church leaders and members he is regarded as a strong, practical and spiritual factor in the affairs of the religion, also a preacher polemical writer and debater of eminence.

Apostle James E. Talmage is recognized as one of the leading mineralogists and educators in the west. As a man of learning, orator and author of various works dealing with both religion.

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Miss Courtenay Morgan who with her associate players open a 3 nights engagement at the Thatcher Opera House, Monday, Dec. 11, in "An Innocent Widow."

MORE LIGHT ON SWEDISH PERSECUTION

The following letter has been received from Elder Andreas Peterson, adressed to his family in this city. In it he tells of the persecution to which the saints in Sweden are being subjected:

Stockholm, Sweden, Nov. 15.—As you probably are looking for more news from this far off land regarding the much spoken of "Mormons," I hereby refer you to a letter written by Elder A. Theodore Johnson, which you may find in the Deseret News; and if said letter could be copied in one of your local papers it might be interesting reading to Logan people.

It is a well known fact that there has been for months, a continued stir in this country by preachers and news papers about the "Mormons" and their propaganda, to the extent that nothing short of the banishment of the elders laboring here, would satisfy a great many.

You know that Pastor Astev, an unscrupulous man, is here working upon the people to become hostile to the Mormons, especially the missionaries, and he has for some time been traveling up and down the country telling fearful stories about Utah and her people; calling at missionary headquarters and getting the names of the elders and sending them to the authorities. The procedure has been followed by summons, hence most of the elders have had to give a detailed account of their labor in the ministry before officers of the law.

Five elders have been banished. And when we asked why through the American legation, these elders having broken no law, only proclaiming the gospel of a crucified Redeemer, the answer came that "the king's government took this decision because the individuals in question had carried on within their kingdom an active propaganda for Mormonism of such a nature as to demoralize the population of the districts in which they resided. To this decision the following protest was entered:

To The King.
"Whereas, in accordance with the decision of your Royal Highness, Messrs. Amos C. Nilson, Harold T. Cederlund, Gustaf Larson and Hyrum E. Hanson, citizens of the United State of America, have been banished from this kingdom, and in answer to the inquiry of the U.S. minister con
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BIG DOUBLE VOTE OFFER CLOSES TONIGHT AT 10 P. M.

Tonight at ten o'clock the double vote offer will close. We hope that every candidate will have remembered and secured by that time all those promised subscriptions for which they have been waiting and working the last two weeks. It may be that tomorrow you will remember several persons who had promised you their payments if you would call again. Guard against this. Remember them all today. It is important to you that you secure as many payments as possible today. For never again will you be enabled to secure this high rate of votes. When the clock strikes ten tonight your chance to take advantage of this wonderful offer will have past. No one should realize this more strongly than you. A little thoughtful careful planning today may save you many sorry regrets on the morrow. Take heed now before it is everlastingly too late.

Who Said Triple Votes?
The person that thinks that holding their collections until next week will enable them to secure triple or quadruple votes or some other marvelous offer that it has been noised about that the contest department is about to make is going to wake up with a high bump. They are the ones who are going to carry around the heavy heart and the sorry regret. We have said it before but we will repeat for the benefit of those who either haven't read our statements in regard to this matter or have read and still harbor a doubt as to our intentions. We will state here positively that after tonight it will be

impossible for anyone to secure double votes or anything higher on their payments.

We have removed the last doubt. It is now up to you to see that you believe and take heed.

Watch for Tuesday's Offer.
Tuesday we will have a new offer. No, it won't be an offer of double votes nor anything higher. But we have arranged to give you something to work for. Something that you can work to win and still win the auto or the piano or any of the other prizes. Sort of a little contest within the contest. Or better we may arrange for every candidate to secure one of these new prizes. That sounds all right doesn't it? What are they? Two or three more automobiles perhaps. Who knows? But then wait and watch Tuesday's issue and all this doubt will be cleared up. Remember in Tuesday's issue.

Contestant No. 2323.
A new contestant has entered the race. Her name is well—she told us not to divulge her name. And so she has taken the remarkable number of 2323. What does the choosing of this number mean. Skiddo and skiddoo again. But for who? She has quite a few votes too, hasn't she? Watch out for her, she may come in stronger next time. Then again she may hold all of her votes but to drop them the last night and they might be sufficient to walk off with the prize. Doubtless she is a good worker for in the few days that have passed since she entered the race now is the winter of our discontent!
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BANEFUL INFLUENCES OF CIGARETTE SMOKING

BY DOCTOR ADAMSON.

A life hangs in the balance, a well made young man lies upon the operating table. It is a simple operation, with little or no danger as a rule, but you notice the doctor is white, who is giving the chloroform, getting a worried look, and the chief surgeon exchanges glances with the doctor giving the anaesthetic, who has charge of the pulse also; he has noticed the blood growing dark under his knife. The father and mother who are anxiously watching—their grief plainly written on their faces—note that something is wrong. The chloroform is discontinued, the operation is suspended and stimulants and artificial breathing is resorted to, but all in vain, there is no hope. A Tobacco heart!

A simple case of pneumonia, but the cough persistent and irritating and will not be relieved by the usual remedies. The case goes from bad to worse, resulting in death. The real cause—CIGARETTES!
You have all, no doubt, read something recently of the young man, Henry Clay Beattie, Jr., of Richmond, Va., who shot his young wife to death and carried her body in an automobile, a man of good family, but a cigarette fiend who spent his last days in the death cell, rolling and smoking cigarettes.

Harry Thaw, who shot and killed Stanford White, in New York, a few years ago, and the story of who's life, told at the trial by his wife, shocked the world, was also a cigarette fiend and had a cigarette between his teeth when he killed his victim.

Coming nearer home—Dr. Gowans of the Industrial school at Ogden, says that the boys that are sent to him are, without exception, cigarette smokers.

Again, should you ever visit a prize fight you will note that just before it begins the referee steps into the ring and says "No Smoking." Now this order is not the result of false sentiment, modesty nor religion, he doesn't care how much you smoke, drink or debauch yourself, but he does know that smoke, even second hand, hurts the lungs and spoils the wind of the fighters and therefore will not permit it.

While the evil effects of tobacco are noticeable upon every one that uses it, they are particularly noticeable upon the youth, as in the majority of instances they either chew it or smoke it in the form of cigarettes, and the burning of the tobacco and paper in proximity with the saliva, distills a subtle chemical poison that has its effect upon even the strongest constitution.

Cigarette smoking usually begins with an effort, upon the part of the boy, to be smart, and soon becomes a pleasure and a satisfaction, and serves to bridge over moments of nervousness and embarrassment and then a fixed habit and apparent necessity of life. This stage soon evolves into a third stage of fever, unrest and a wandering of mind, accompanied by a loss of mental and moral control, and finally a flabbiness of tissue results from taking the smoke into the
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FLOWER OF THE RANCH

A half-breed of the Sioux Indian is Miss Betty Caldwell, who is playing the part of "Flower" in the musical comedy, "The Flower of the Ranch," coming to the Thatcher Opera House on Saturday evening, December 16.

Miss Caldwell was born in Oklahoma Territory nineteen years ago. Her mother was a full-blooded Sioux, her father a white man who was one of the first to stake a claim when the strip was opened up in 1889. They lived on the ranch for nearly fourteen years and then sold it and moved to Kansas City, where the father was engaged in the live stock business. This change brought about splendid opportunities for an education, of which Miss Caldwell made the best. In a recent interview regarding herself and the part of "Flower," Miss Caldwell has the following to say.

"Oh, I am so glad that my mother was an Indian, for the older I grow, the more I realize that the North American Indian is fast becoming extinct, and I have a feeling of love for the race and, in fact, I really believe that every true American down in his heart has a feeling of deep regret when they realize the crushing defeat that the redman has experienced; yet I realize it is all for the best, for I can see both sides as I travel about in this great country. There is one thing that I notice, and that is the attention that is sometimes shown me, for the Americans and Canadians are alike in their curiosity to meet me, simply because I am a descendant of the Indian; and so few are in the theatrical profession. It seems that in the part of "Flower"

LEWISTON IS HEARD FROM

Lewiston, Utah, Dec. 6.—Lured by Hazel eyes, Mr. Reuben Karren last week fell into a Pond. He is a son of Mr. George Karren of this town, and he was united in marriage in the Salt Lake temple on Nov. 29 to Miss Hazel Pond, a daughter of Mr. Mark Pond of Lewiston. These are both popular young people of this place and both have scores of friends here and elsewhere who wish them every happiness of married life. Mrs. Karren is teacher of domestic science in the Lewiston High school.

This spell of fair weather has meant much to the Lewiston farmers, giving them an opportunity to deliver all of their beets to the factory. The mammoth pile of beets that the factory had out in the open is now in the sheds. The last load was taken in yesterday. The factory's coal supply got down so low recently that they would have been obliged to close down in another hour had not a couple of cars come to their rescue just in the nick of time. It is thought that this season's run will be completed within another month.

A very well attended dancing party was given at the Sugar Factory hall last night. The proceeds were applied on the new piano lately installed there. Ellwood's orchestra furnished the music.

I actually live and breathe the ranch atmosphere. It gives me a longing for the level plains to be there riding a broncho, helping the cowboys during the round-up, and to mingle with the wild steers. Yet I like the part of "Flower" and hope that I shall play the part for seasons to come."