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Mother's Day

May 13, 1923

Let every day be Mother's Day!
Make roses grow along her way
And beauty everywhere;
Oh, never let her eyes be wet
With tears of sorrow or regret,
And never cease to care!
Come, grown up children, and rejoice
That you can hear your Mother's voice.

A day for her! For you she gave
Long years of love and service brave,
For you her youth was spent;
There was no weight or hurt or care
Too heavy for her strength to bear,
She followed where you went;
Her courage and her love sublime
You could depend on all the time.

No day or night she set apart
On which to open wide her heart
And welcome you within;
There was no hour you would not be
First in her thought and memory,
Though you were black as sin!
Though skies were gray or skies were blue
Not once has she forgotten you.

Let every day be Mother's Day!
With love and roses strew her way,
And smiles of joy and pride;
Come, grown up children, to the knee
Where long ago you used to be
And never turn aside;
Or never let her eyes grow wet
With tears, because her babes forget.

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THIRTEENTH WARD SUNDAY SCHOOL
OGDEN, UTAH

Sept. 5th 1925

Dear Brother:

Sunday Sept. 13 will be of
ward conference for the 13
ward, and the Bishopric
have made a request
that you attend the

Friendship League at
8:55
start at the 9 o'clock a.m.
session. Other sessions
will be at 10:30 a.m. and
7 o'clock P.M., at which they
would also like everyone to be
attender.

Please arrange to be there.
This is one Sunday in the

Roll call will be ^{by Quorum} ~~at 9 AM~~
and we want to ~~make~~ as
good attendance as any Elder
Quorum in the Stake
~~Be there and on time~~

Be loyal to your Quorum; by their
aid be there on time

year you should make it
a point to be at your
Brethren's meeting. If you
should happen to be one
whose work requires
your attendance ordinarily
please arrange to take a
lay-off for that day.

Don't let anything keep you
away. Be there!

With the very best of wishes,
we are,

your Brethren,

A. V. Belmont

C. F. Daggart

Leonel B. Farr

Presidency & Quorum of Elders.

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Roll call 9 AM.
955

Ward Members

Sabbath Day.

Dalton S
 Wm Felt
 aldous - S
 Hussey - Y
 Larson S
 Mathias Y
 Nambley Y
 Simonsen Y
 Strangquist Y
 Jas Taylor S
 Lexter Taylor
 Wm-a Taylor
 Geo Wilson Y
 Wm Hill

Varney
 Clegg
 Janssen Y
 Preston
 Wilson Y
 Hoodruff Y
 Kirk Y
 Pederson S
 Sturland S

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Stopen Y
 Pickett Y
 Aamerind S
 Cyrus Brown
 Chetlain
 Lamb
 Sanders -
 Van Zyl - S
 Rutledge -
 Bowman Y
 Switman S
 Potts S
 Rose
 Sowerby
 Terry - Y
 Van der Steen S
 Jones -
 Ray Tarrant Y
 Van Dyke Y

SPECIAL PRIESTHOOD MEETING

A special meeting of the Priesthood of the Fourth Ward of the Ogden Stake of Zion was held at the meeting house on Sunday, March 13, 1927, Samuel G. Dye of the Stake Presidency, presiding and conducting. Samuel G. Dye, of the Stake Presidency, E. T. Saunders and Lester H. Froerer, of the High Council, Hyrum Belnap of the High Priests were present.

Daniel Gay Shupe performed the prelude.

John M. D. Taylor offered prayer, after which "We Thank Thee O God for a Prophet", was sung.

President Dye commended the Priesthood for the good attendance and referred to the distinctive features of our Church. One of these is the fact that in our Church nearly everyone has something to do. He gave the old outlines of the Fourth Ward and the number of Wards which have grown out of it within fifty years. He stated the object of the meeting, which was the division of the Ward, and together with a portion of the Thirteenth Ward, make a new ward, which will be known as the Twentieth Ward, of the Ogden Stake. The boundry of the Ward will include all the territory east of Monroe Avenue to the Mountains and north of 22nd St. to the Ogden River. The vote to create a ward within this district was put and unanimously carried by the priesthood. He states that Bishop Lund will be continued in his position as now held until the organization of the new Ward.

Patriarch Edward A. Olsen and Bishop Hyrum E. Lund made brief remarks, after which one verse of "Redeemer of Israel", was sung.

Hyrum Belnap offered the benediction.

SACRAMENT MEETING

Held March 13, 1927, Bishop Hyrum E. Lund presiding under the direction of Samuel G. Dye of the Stake Presidency and Counselor Lindquist (C. L.) conducting.

E. T. Saunders and L. H. Froerer, of the High Council, were present Counselor Lindquist made a number of announcements.

"Count Your Many Blessings" was sung by the congregation.

Dorothy Lund performed the prelude.

John Doxey offered prayer.

Jay Fowler and Leon Young were sustained for ordination to Office of Deacon.

The Choir sang "The Palms".

I. E. Pribble read a portion of the 61st Section of the Doctrine and Covenants, after which Wilbur D. Couch and Kenneth Randall administered the sacrament, assisted by the Deacons.

Dorothy Lund performed piano selections during the passing of the sacrament.

Samuel G. Dye, of the Stake Presidency, was pleased to see the large attendance. He stated that the special meeting of the Priesthood at 6 o'clock ratified the proposition to organize a new ward, which will take a part of the Fourth and Thirteenth Wards. He gave the reasons for the division, stating that it is desired to have smaller wards, so that the duties of the officers would not be so arduous. By the divisions more people would have a chance to work. Strength comes from service. The proposition had been referred to the Presidency of the Church and was ratified by them. The new ward was to be known as the Twentieth Ward and included all that territory between Monroe Ave. and the mountains and from 22nd St. north to the river. The division was made unanimous by the vote of those present.

Bro. Dye called on John M. D. Taylor Fred Summerill, Clarence B. Johnson, Harley P. Randall, Newell W. Pickett to bear Testimony, each of whom responded.

Pres. Dye made further remarks, stating that the ward would remain intact until April 1st.

Counselor Lindquist made brief remarks.

Singing: "Put your shoulder to the Wheel".

Benediction by C. U. Child.

There were 345 members, 50 ward teachers and 3 home missionaries present.

SPECIAL PRIESTHOOD MEETING

A special Priesthood meeting convened at the Thirteenth Ward Chapel at 6 p.m., March 13, 1927.

Bishop Edward H. Chambers presiding and conducting under the direction of President Thos. E. McKay of the Stake Presidency.

President Thos. E. McKay, Elders Ambrose P. Merrill, Lawrence A. Van Dyke, Desmond J. Barker and Wilford W. Fawson of the High Council and Eli Holton, Stake Clerk were present.

Roll Call by Quorums was as follows:

High Priests, 43 enrolled, 25 present; Seventies 50 enrolled, 23 present; Elders 118 enrolled, 38 present; Priests 33 enrolled, 4 present Teachers 47 enrolled, 11 present; Deacons 54 enrolled, 10 present.

Pres. Thos. E. McKay addressed the Priesthood. He stated that the purpose of this meeting was to consider the organization of a new ward out of parts of the Thirteenth and Fourth wards.

Elder Ambrose P. Merrill addressed the Priesthood, giving the proposed boundaries of the Thirteenth Ward same as present on south and west but extending north only as far as 22nd St. The boundaries of the proposed new Ward would be 22nd St. on the south, Monroe Ave. on the west, north to the river and east to the mountains.

Elders Hyrum H. Goddard, Heber C. Oborn, and Albert W. Bell expressed themselves as heartily in accord with the proposed division of the Ward.

Bishop Edward H. Chambers said he regretted losing the association of the good people on the north side of 22nd St. however he said he considered it a wise move to organize a new Ward.

Pres. Thos. E. McKay called for a vote in favor of the proposed formation of a new Ward.

Benediction by Elder Henry E. DeHaan.

SACRAMENT MEETING

Sacrament meeting convened in the Thirteenth Ward Chapel at 7 p.m., March 13, 1927.

Bishop Edw. H. Chambers presiding and Counselor J. Ray Williams conducting under the direction of President Thos. E. McKay of the Stake Presidency.

Pres. Thos. E. McKay, Ambrose P. Merrill, Desmond J. Barker, Lawrence A. Van Dyke, Francis A. Child, and Wilford W. Fawson of the High Council were present, also Eli Holton, Stake Clerk was present.

Singing by Congregation "How Firm a Foundation".

Prelude "Abide with Me" by Sister Echo Denning.

Prayer by Elder Wm. H. Carruth.

Singing by the Choir "O Lord Our Father".

The Sacrament was administered by Lorin F. Summerill and Geo. Daniel Taggart of the Priest's Quorum. During the passing of the bread, Sister Echo Denning rendered the selection "Lowly Before Thee" and during the passing of the water the choir sang the hymn "He Died the Great Redeemer Died".

At 7:35 p.m. the time was turned over to Pres. Thos. E. McKay.

He addressed the congregation stating that the special purpose of this meeting was to consider the advisability of the organization of a new ward out of parts of the Thirteenth and Fourth wards.

Elder Ambrose P. Merrill spoke briefly giving the proposed boundaries of the Thirteenth Ward and the proposed new ward.

Bishop Edw. H. Shambers expressed his regret in losing the association of part of the members of the ward, yet said he felt sure the organization of a new ward would be a splendid thing.

Pres. Thos. E. McKay presented the proposition and the congregation voted unanimsously to support the organization of a new ward as suggested by the Stake Presidency.

Elder Francis A. Child spoke for a short time. He said he expected much good to result from the organization of a new ward.

Chester J. Anderson of the Teacher's Quorum spoke for five minutes on the subject "Courage to do God's Will".

Singing "Come O Thou King of Kings" by the Choir.

Prayer by Elder Wm. M. McKay.

Total attendance 374 or 27.4%.

Ward Teachers present 70 or 78%.

ORGANIZATION OF THE TWENTIETH WARD OF THE OGDEN STAKE

At a meeting held in the Thirteenth Ward of the Ogden Stake at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, Sunday March 20th, 1927 the Twentieth Ward of the Ogden Stake was organized. There were in attendance 295.

President Thos. E. McKay of the Ogden Stake presiding.

"Come, Come Ye Saints" was sung by the congregation.

Prayer, by Bishop Albert B. Foulger of the Sixth Ward.

"Guide Us Oh Thou Great Jehovah" was sung by the Congregation.

Pres. McKay repeated the thought as given in the first song, "We'll find the place which God for us prepared", stating that he had full confidence that the people in the proposed ward would find the place God had prepared for them. That there would be many new responsibilities placed upon them, but that Responsibility induces growth and development.

The proposition of the organization of the New Ward was approved.

The proposition that the Ward be known as the Twentieth Ward was unanimously approved.

President McKay said there was great responsibility resting on the Stake Presidency to call men to fill these positions in the Church. He expressed it as his opinion that there was greater and faster development for those who were called to the office as Bishop than any other position in the church.

The name of Elder Arias G. Belnap was proposed as Bishop of the Twentieth Ward and he was unanimously sustained. Bishop Belnap then spoke in terms of feeling and spirit of humility his attitude and desires in accepting this position.

Newell W. Pickett was then presented to the people as first Counselor to Bishop Arias G. Belnap. He expressed his desire to fill his callings, and that he had once before filled this position in the Emerson Ward in Salt Lake City. He was unanimously sustained.

Harold B. Foutz spoke his feelings and was unanimously sustained as second counselor to the Bishopric.

Elder John Bennett Moore expressed his surprise in being called to fill the position of Ward Clerk of the Twentieth Ward, and was sustained by unanimous vote.

Bishop Edward H. Chambers of the Thirteenth Ward expressed his appreciation of those called to preside in the new ward. He spoke very highly of their wives on whom so much depends. He said that the Twentieth Ward is welcome to anything that is possible from the Thirteenth Ward.

Pres. McKay stated that the wards would continue as at present until the second Sunday in April (April 10th, 1927) because this would permit the old wards to continue with their records until the end of the first quarter of the year. The first Sunday in April being General Conference of the Church in Salt Lake City it would not be advisable to start the New Ward until after that date.

Bishop Hyrum E. Lund of the Fourth Ward said this was a church of opportunities. He compared this to a great race with the new Bishopric with their toes on the mark ready to begin, while he was breasting the tape at the finish.

Counselor Samuel G. Dye of the Stake Presidency said that he was glad that this job was done and done so well. He confessed that it has been in consideration before and they have been just a little afraid to tackle it. Now when the time was ripe it was made manifest by the Lord and of all the lot it was the easiest to do. Moses, he said, was succeeded by Joshua, then the march unto the promised land across the Jordan. And now this new ward with a young Joshua at the head would thrust in the sycle.

The Congregation sang "We Thank Thee Oh God For a Prophet".

Benediction by Elder Elijah A. Larkin.

Those Present: Pres. Thos. E. McKay and Counselor Samuel G. Dye, Eli Holton, Stake Clerk; of the Stake High Council Lester H. Froerer, Ambrose P. Merrill, Miles L. Jones, Lawrence A. Van Dyke, Edw. T. Saunders, Wilford W. Rawson, Elijah A. Larkin an ex-high councilor. Patriarch Edward A. Olsen. Bishop Edw. H. Chambers his counselors J. Ray Williams, Lawrence S. Burton and J. Russell Pulsipher, Ward Clerk of the Thirteenth Ward; Bishop Hyrum E. Lund of the Fourth Ward; Bishop Albert B. Foulger of the Sixth Ward, and President Max W. Woodbury of the Branch for the Deaf.

UNION MEETING MARCH 27, 1927

At the close of Union Meeting, Apostle Melvin J. Ballard of the Quorum of the Twelve, ordained Arias G. Belnap a High Priest and also set him apart as the Bishop of the Twentieth Ward; also set Newell W. Pickett as first counselor to him, Harold B. Foutz as second counselor to him and also ordained him a High Priest. J. Bennett Moore was set apart as Ward Clerk of the Twentieth Ward by Apostle Melvin J. Ballard.

SACRAMENT MEETING APRIL 10, 1927

Bishop Arias G. Belnap presided and conducted.

Opening Song: "Come, Come, Ye Saints", With Reginal Minson conducting.

Opening Prayer by Eli Holton.

Sacrament Song: "Jesus Once of Humble Birth" by congregation.

Newell W. Pickett read the scripture from John, Chapter 1, Verses 1 to 5, inclusive.

The Sacrament was administered by Kenneth Randall and Andrew Roghaar, with the assistants of the deacons, Gordon Lund, John Vander Werff, Clark Phipps Josiah Bell, Lester Bell, Earl Randall, and Lawrence Higginbotham. The following babies were blessed: Elva Jean Blackburn by Newell W. Pickett, Harold Bert Foutz by Harold B. Fouts, and Elwood Frodsham Brown by Arias G. Belnap.

Bishop Belnap asked the members to stay after meeting so as to get acquainted with them. It was also asked that they pay their fast offerings and tithing at the close of the meeting.

It was announced that John DeHaan, who recently returned from the Southern States Mission was going to speak in the Thirteenth Ward Chapel that evening.

The names of the following officers selected were presented and un-animously approved.

Ward Teachers: Luke Roghaar, Chairman; William Purdie and Reeben L. Short as assistants; Edwin A. Stratford as Secretary.

Relief Society: Grace McFarland, President, Carolyn Kranenburg as First Assistant, Lenora Jacobsen as second assistant, and Mattie A. Manning as Secretary.

Sunday School: J. Ezra Jacobsen as Supt., Melvin P. Randall as First Assistant, Fred C. Rabe as Second Assitant and Pollie Roghaar as Secretary.

Primary Association: Emma Edson as President, Cora Wharton as First Assistant, Edith Martin as Second Assistant, and Maud Rabe as Secretary.

Y.M.M.I.A.: William J. Brian as President, Earl C. Moore as First Assistant, and Harvey M. Larson as Second Assitant.

Y.L.M.I.A.: Myrtle Goddard as President, Blanche Johnson as First Assistant, Amie Randall as Second Assistant, and Josphine Taylor as Secretary.

Bishop Belnap expressed his testimony as to the blessings which he had received. He also expressed his appreciation for the help and advice he had received.

The balance of the time was turned over to the congregation to bear their testimonies, who were the following: John R. Paul, Hyrum H. Goddard, Isaac Pribble, James Dinsdale, Adam Martin, Henry W. Beckett, Sr., Newell W. Pickett, D. Carter Cornia, and interspersed by the congregation singing "We Thank Thee O God for a Prophet".

President John Halls welcomed the new ward into the Ogden Stake. He also remarked of the wonderful organization in the church.

Bishop Chambers of the Thirteenth Ward expressed his appreciation of being present.

Bishop Hyrum E. Lund of the Fourth Ward was unable to be present on account of the reorganization of that ward.

Closing Song: "Come Let us Anew", with Oswald Liptrot conducting and Reginald Minson accompanying.

Benediction by Counselor Harold B. Foutz

There were 290 present and 49 ward Teachers present among them.

The Visitors were: President John Halls of the Ogden Stake, Eli Holton, Stake Clerk, Harvey Taylor of the Sunday School Stake Board, and Kate Woodbury and Ida Treseder of Relief Society Stake Board.

(Signed)

J. Benett Moore
Ward Clerk

BISHOP'S MEETING MARCH 21, 1927

Bishopric all present.

Bishop Arias G. Belnap opened with prayer.

Discussed plans for holding future meetings. Was decided that would be held in the Thirteenth Ward Recreational Hall for the present. Would take up with the Bishopric of that ward to see which days and hours were available.

The following organization's were assigned to the Bishopric: *Bishop-* Priests, Old Folks Committee, Relief Society, Ward Teachers, and the Missionary Committee.

First Counselor Newell W. Pickett was assigned the Teachers, Genealogical Society, Sunday School, Primary, and the Choir.

Second Counselor Harold B. Foutz was assigned the Y.M.M.I.A., Y.L.M.I.A., Recreational Committee, Religion class, and Deacons.

Bishop's Meeting March 27, 1927

Bishopric all present.

Bishop Belnap offered prayer.

This meeting held for considering names for selection as office of different organizations. The following names were approved:

Luke Roghaar as Chairman of Ward Teachers Committee, Grace McFarland as president of Relief Society, J. Ezra Jacobsen as Supt. of Sunday School and Emma Edson as President of Primary Association. These names to be presented to High Council Meeting March 28th.

BISHOP'S MEETING MARCH 29, 1927

Bishopric all present.

Sister Grace McFarland was interviewed for president of Relief Society and she expressed her willingness to accept the position. She was asked to select her counselors.

Luke Roghaar was interviewed for chairman of Ward Teachers Committee and he also expressed his willingness to accept the position. Was asked to select his assistants.

BISHOP'S MEETING MARCH 30, 1927

Bishopric all present.

Miss Myrtle Goddard was interviewed as President of Y.L.M.I.A.

J. Ezra Jacobsen was interviewed for Superintendent of Sunday School.

Luke Roghaar presented William Purdy as one of his assistants. Both were present. Ruebon L. Shorts" name was presented as the other assistant but was unable to be here on account of sickness.

Ways of dividing the ward into districts for ward teaching were discussed.

Bishop Belnap drew up a letter which was to be placed in the hands of all the families, which was to announce the schedule of meetings for the future. This work to be done by the Ward Teachers.

TWENTIETH WARD

(The letter)

Ogden Stake of Zion

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints.

Dear Brethren and Sisters:

It affords us much pleasure to announce that all is in readiness for the first meeting of the new Twentieth ward of the Ogden Stake which will be held at 2 o'clock Sunday, April 10th, 1927, in the Thirteenth Ward Recreational Hall, corner Twenty-third Street and Jackson Avenue.

This will be a special Fast Day Service, at which Ward Officers will be presented for your approval. No other Meeting will be held during the Day; therefore, we urge a full attendance of the entire Ward membership.

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After April 10th regular meetings will be held as follows:
Tuesday: Relief Society, 2:30 p.m.
Wednesday: Officers and Teachers' preparation meeting, 7:30 p.m.
Thursday: Primary, 4 p.m.; Y.M.M.I.A., 7:30 p.m.; Y.L.M.I.A., 7:30 p.m.
Sunday: Priesthood meeting, 9 a.m.; Sunday School, 12:15 p.m.;
Fast Day Services, 2 p.m.; Sacrament meetings 7 p.m.

All meetings will convene in the Thirteenth Ward Recreational Hall except Sunday School and Relief Society, which will meet in the Chapel. Religion Class will continue to meet in the Fourth and Thirteenth Wards until the end of the school year.

We anticipate much joy in greeting you and your families in the new Ward capacity and look forward to many happy and profitable relations in this great work.

Realizing that the success of this undertaking depends upon your attitude and your active co-operation, we therefore earnestly request that you lend your aid to the upbuilding of the Twentieth Ward, a work of opportunity and service that can only result in richer spiritual blessings.

Sincerely your brethren,
TWENTIETH WARD BISHOPRIC:
ARIAS G. BELNAP
NEWELL W. PICKETT,
HAROLD B. FOUTZ
J. BENNETT MOORE, Clerk

Ogden, Utah, April 6, 1927.

BISHOP'S MEETING MARCH 31, 1927

Bishop Belnap and his counselors were present. J. Bennett Moore was excused on account of being out of town.

Bishop Belnap offered prayer.

Grace McFarland presented her counselors, Carolyn Kranenburg and Lenora Jacobsen, who were interviewed.

Myrtle Goddard presented the names of Blanche Johnson and Amie Randall as counselors.

Emma Edson who had been approved as Primary President came with her two counselors, Cora Wharton and Edith Martin who were interviewed. They were instructed to select their workers and present their names at the Wednesday night meeting.

J. Ezra Jacobsen presented the names of Melvin P. Randall and Fred C. Rabe as his counselors. Both were approved.

The form of the genealogical record to be used was also discussed. It was decided to examine the Eighth Ward record before any decision was made.

It was also decided to let the Thirteenth Ward and Fourth Ward collect the fast offerings for April and turn over what part belonged to the Twentieth Ward.

Bishop Belnap reported that the stake had given permission to organize an Elders Quorum in the Ward.

BISHOP'S MEETING APRIL 6, 1927

Bishopric all present.

Myrtle Goddard, President of the Y.L.M.I.A. was present.

Blanche Johnson, First Counselor was unable to be present.

Amie Randall, Second Counselor was interviewed for her position.

Both had been approved.

It was suggested that they get together and select a secretary, also select some teachers and have them ready to present at Sacrament meeting April 10th, 1927.

Reginald Minson was interviewed as Ward Chorister.

Ways of handling the music work of the different organizations were discussed. It was decided to make the programs more musical and attractive to increase the attendance at meetings.

Selections of officers for the Genealogical Board was discussed. Adrain Hekking was suggested as chairman of that committee.

Adam Martin was selected as chairman of the Missionary Committee. Maud Rabe was selected as secretary of the Primary Association.

Workers for the Y.M.M.I.A. were discussed. Names of William J. Brian and Earl C. Moore were put up for discussion and selected as President and First Counselor, respectively.

BISHOP'S MEETING APRIL 8, 1927

Bishopric all present.

William J. Brian was interviewed as president of Y.M.M.I.A.

Earl C. Moore and Harvey M. Larson were selected as counselors, and were interviewed.

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS
OFFICE OF THE FIRST PRESIDENCY
SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

August 1, 1927.

Bishop Arias G. Belnap and counselors,
Ogden Twentieth Ward,
Ogden Stake.

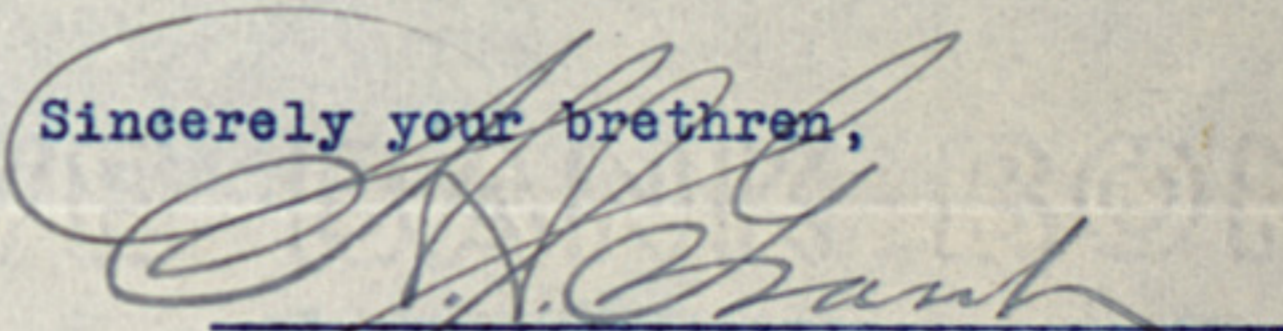
Dear Brethren:

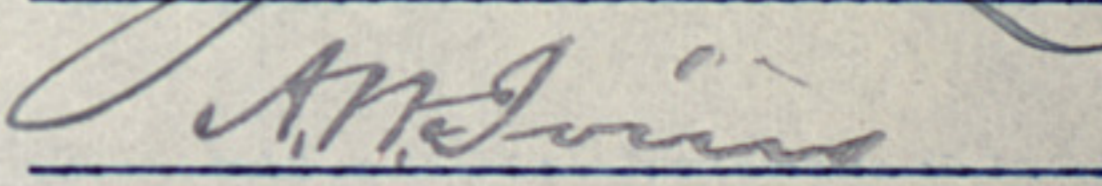
We note from your application of July 26th that you are negotiating for the purchase of a building site, which will cost \$4850.00, and that you desire to erect thereon a meeting house, the estimated cost of which is \$55,150.00, the lot and the building together to cost \$60,000.00.

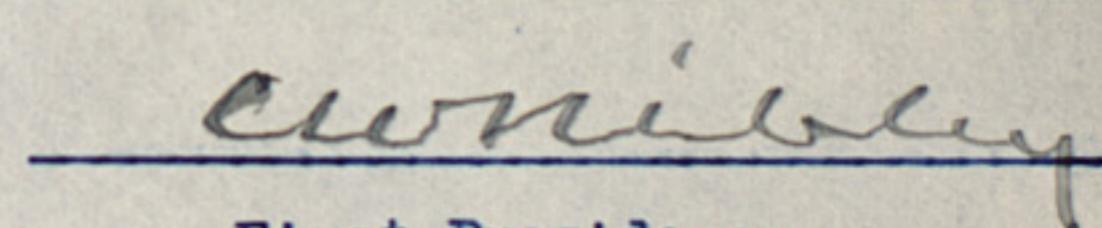
We shall be pleased to contribute the amount applied for, namely \$30,000.00, to assist you in providing suitable quarters in which the people of your ward may hold their worshiping assemblies. As rapidly as you raise, without borrowing, your proportion of the cost of the ground and the building, we shall be pleased to pay our proportion of the cost. We enclose herewith application blanks to be used when making requests for payments on this appropriation.

Wishing you unbounded success in this undertaking, we are,

Sincerely your brethren,







First Presidency.

Ogden

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDING BISHOPRIC
SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH,

August 8, 1927.

Bishop Arias G. Belnap, & Counselors,
Ogden Twentieth Ward.

Dear Brethren:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 4th and abstract of title number 714, to land you intend purchasing for a meeting-house site. On a careful examination of the abstract it is shown that title was quieted in Elizabeth M. Goddard by order and decree of court entered of record June 22, 1927, and the property is free and clear of all incumbrances.

We have, therefore, prepared a form of deed which may be used in conveying title to you as bishop of the ward, which when executed kindly return to this office for examination and approval before it is recorded. You will kindly insert dates and names where necessary, and if the grantor is a married woman her husband should be named as one of the grantors, but if she is a widow the deed should so state.

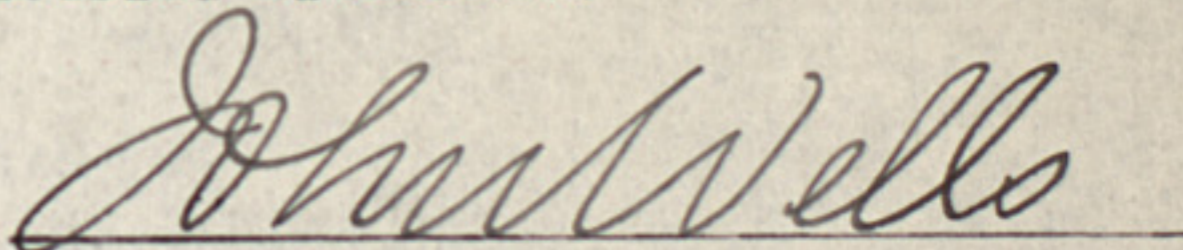
When the instrument has been filed for record we will then prepare the necessary papers to incorporate the ward with the bishop as the corporation sole.

On making inquiry at the office of the First Presidency the form of purchase we sent you to be signed by the bishop and approved by the stake presidency was handed to us for our files. Thanking you for the interest you have taken in this matter,

Your brethren in the Gospel,

THE PRESIDING BISHOPRIC.

By



Enc.
Deed
Abstract
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Ref:F.

OGDEN CITY CORPORATION

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

DIVISION OF BUILDINGS

BUILDING PERMIT

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PERMIT NO. **5748** C

Mr. A G Belnap who has certified Church of LDS
to be the _____ of Lot No. _____, Block No. _____

Ogden City, Utah, 7/27 1928

of _____ having applied for permit and having agreed to comply with all ordinances relating to buildings, is hereby granted permission to _____ on the above described premises a building to be used for _____ purposes.

Dimensions _____, containing _____ rooms, bath and closets, to be of _____ construction with _____ roof, Two stories high, with Cement foundation and Cement basement.

Cost of building when completed to be \$ 40000.00, and designated as yes fireproof.

Located on the North side of 21st, between Jackson and Van Buren

Remarks: _____

And that the said party to whom this permit is issued is hereby strictly forbidden the use of any public street, sidewalk, alley, lane or public grounds for the purpose of storing or piling any building materials except such space as provided in the ordinances of Ogden City.

And the said party is further notified and warned under penalties provided by the Revised Ordinances of Ogden City that they must conform to all of said ordinances, and all rules and decisions of the Building Inspector, and all work be done in accordance with the statement set forth herein and that no change in or departure from the general dimensions or construction described above, and further shown by the plans and specifications filed, will be allowed without permission and approved by the Building Inspector.

Receipt No. _____

Ed Jessy
Building Inspector of Ogden City

Amount Collected \$ _____

By Grout
Clerk

APPLICANT

40

After 10 days, return to
PRESIDING BISHOP'S OFFICE,
40 North Main Street,
SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH.

*Article
of Succession*

Ep. Arias G. Belnap
1111 - 21st Street,
Ogden, Utah.

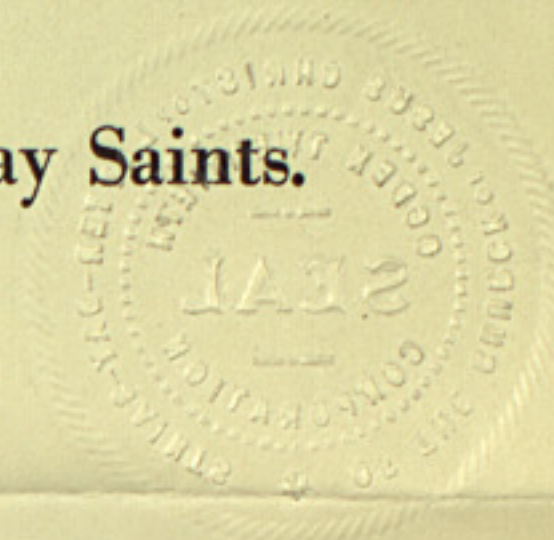
CHURCH OF JESUS
OF THE
LATTER DAY SAINTS

Ogden

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF THE OGDEN TWENTIETH

Corporation of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA }
State of Utah, } ss.
County of WEBER }

I, the undersigned, having been duly chosen and appointed Bishop of the Ogden Twentieth Ward of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, in the County of Weber and State of Utah, in conformity with the rites, regulations and discipline of said Church, being desirous of forming a corporation for the purpose of acquiring, holding and disposing of Church or religious society property, for the benefit of religion, for works of charity and for public worship, under and pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 3, Title 19, of the Compiled Laws of Utah, 1917, on "Churches and Religious Societies," and all acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto for that purpose do hereby make and subscribe, in duplicate the following

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION:

FIRST.

The name of this corporation shall be the OGDEN TWENTIETH Corporation of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

SECOND.

The object of this corporation shall be to acquire, hold and dispose of real and personal property, for the benefit of the members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (a religious society), residing and who may hereafter reside in the Ogden Twentieth Ward of said Church, in the County of Weber and State of Utah, for the benefit of religion, for works of charity and for public worship. And this corporation shall have the power, without any authority or authorization from the members of said Church or religious society, to grant, sell, convey, rent, mortgage, exchange, or otherwise dispose of any and all of its property, both real and personal.

THIRD.

The estimated value of the property of which I hold the legal title for the purpose aforesaid, at the time of making these Articles of Incorporation, is Ten Thousand Dollars.

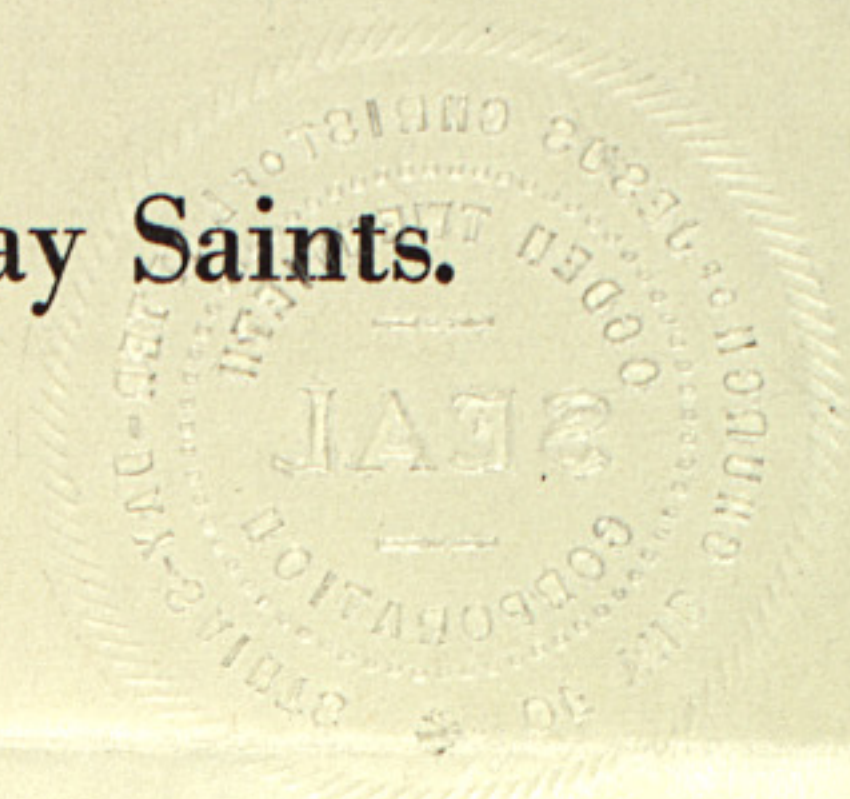
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The title of the person making these Articles of Incorporation is, Bishop of the Ogden Twentieth Ward of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, in the County of Weber, State of Utah.

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FIFTH.

The corporate seal shall contain the words, "..... OGDEN TWENTIETH Corporation of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints," and an impression thereof is hereunto affixed.

Arias G. Belnap

Bishop of the..... Ogden Twentieth Ward of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, in the County of..... Weber State of Utah.



STATE OF UTAH,

County of..... WEBER } ss.

On this..... 10th day of..... December A. D. 19.27....., before me

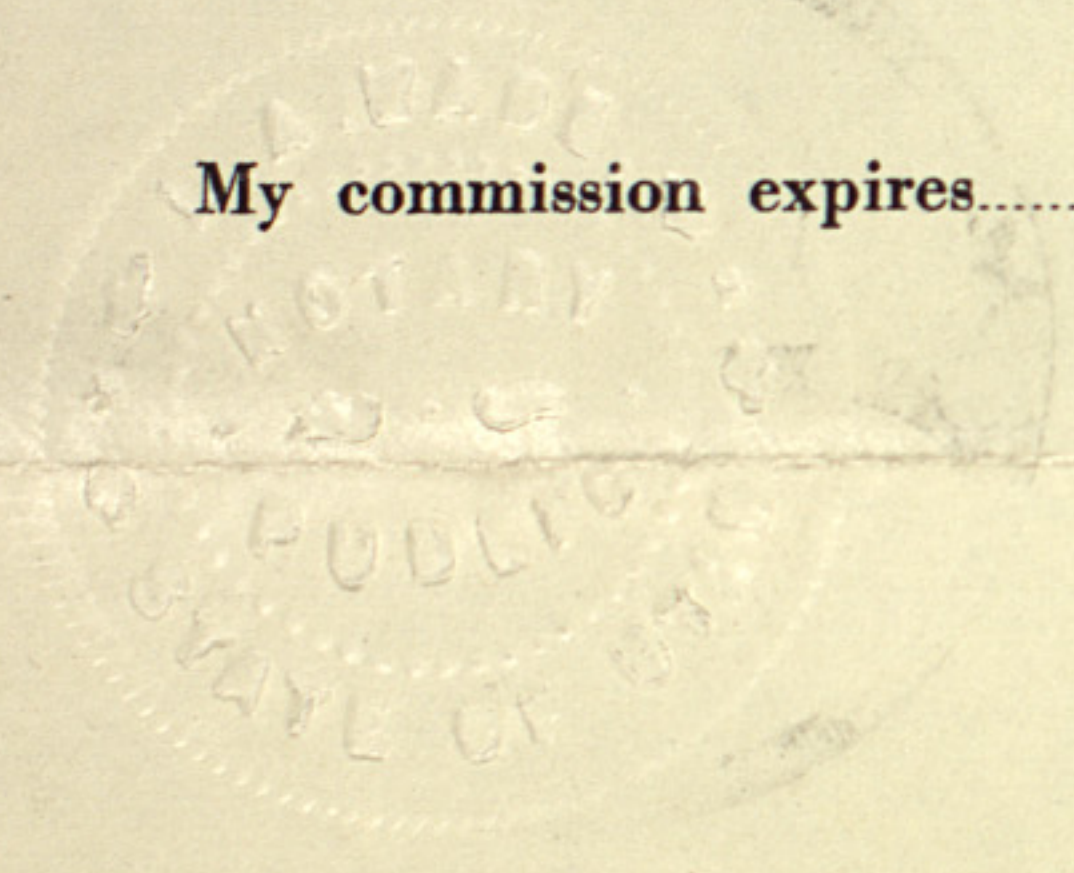
Jester G. Wade

....., a notary public in and for said County, personally appeared..... Arias G. Belnap who is known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument as Bishop of the..... Ogden Twentieth Ward of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, in the County of..... Weber State of Utah, and duly acknowledged to me that he executed the same as such Bishop.

Jester G. Wade Notary Public. in and for the State of Utah.

My commission expires..... Residing at

Notary Public, Res. Ogden, Utah,
My Commission Expires May 27, 1928.



Ogden

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDING BISHOPRIC

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH,

November 30, 1927.

Bishop Arias G. Belnap and Counselors,

Ogden Twentieth Ward.

Dear Brethren:

Enclosed please find Articles of Incorporation which have been prepared for the purpose of incorporating your ward as a corporation sole.

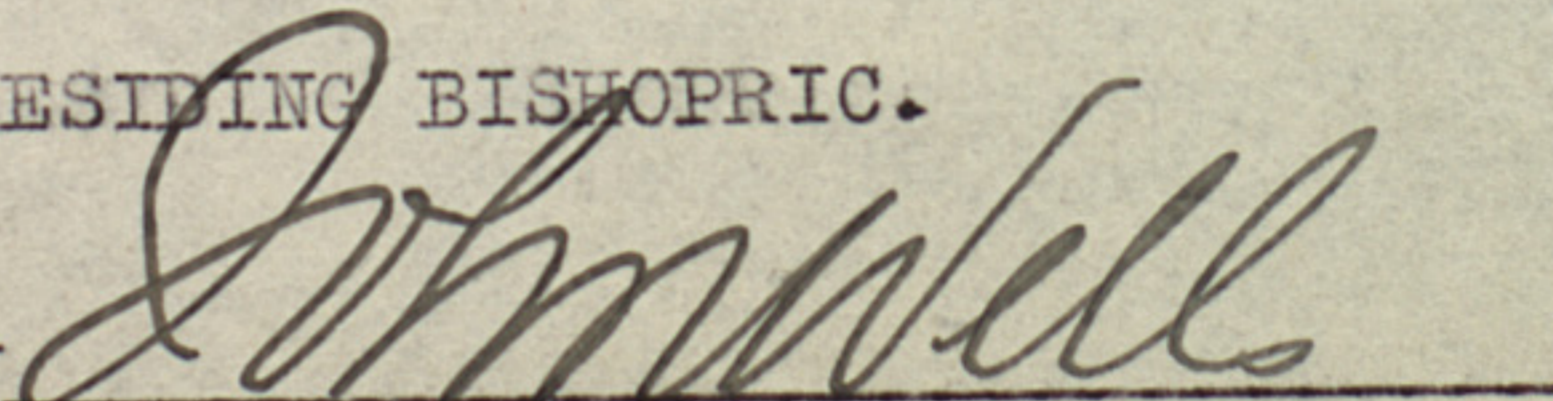
Please sign each of these papers and acknowledge them before a Notary Public, after which send the white and blue colored copies to this office and retain the buff colored copy for your files.

Under separate cover we are sending you a corporate seal to be retained by you and used as occasion may require.

Your Brethren in the Gospel,

THE PRESIDING BISHOPRIC.

By



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Articles of Incorporation

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After 10 days, return to
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CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDING BISHOPRIC
SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

January 28, 1928.

Bishop Arias G. Belnap,
Ogden 20th Ward.

Dear Brother:

We are attaching wheat deposit receipt #1107
for \$82.24 in favor of your Ward Relief Society,
covering the remittance of cash for this amount.

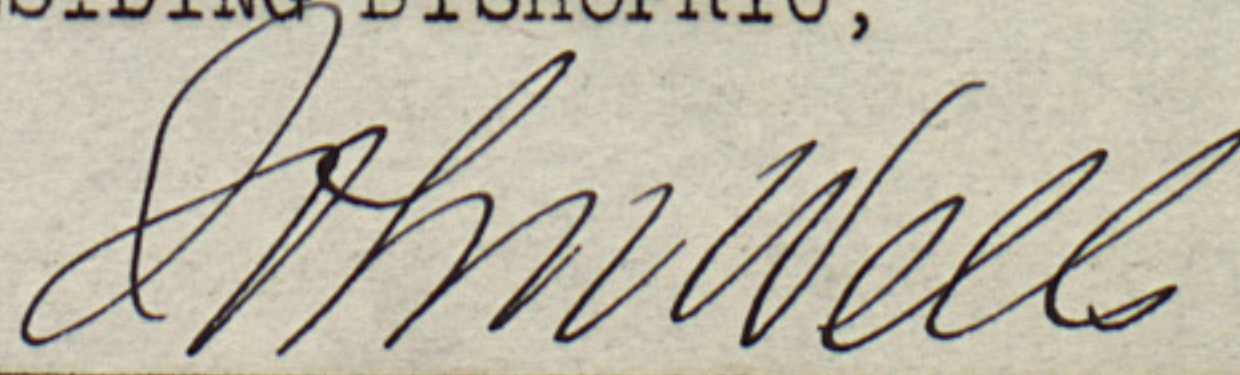
This receipt should be carefully preserved
by the Relief Society officers, so that it may be
available at such time as distribution of this fund
may be authorized by the First Presidency. Care should
be exercised to see that it is not lost.

This letter should be copied in the Ward
Historical Record, also in the Minutes of the Ward
Relief Society, so that the wheat fund account may be
made a permanent part of the Ward Record.

Your brethren in the Gospel,

THE PRESIDING BISHOPRIC,

By



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Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

Office of

Presiding Bishopric

No. 1107

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Salt Lake City, Utah, February 12-1922

The Relief Society of 20th Ward, Ogden Stake,
has deposited with the Presiding Bishopric, the sum of
Eighty Two and 24/100 Dollars,

payable to said Relief Society when authorized by the First Presidency and upon
surrender of this receipt. Not negotiable.

Interest on this deposit shall be at the rate of four per cent per annum from
date, payable July first of each year.

Sylvester A. Cannon
PRESIDING BISHOP

By Fred Judge

Ogden Standard
June 3, 1928

WARD WILL LAY CORNER STONE

Ceremonies Will Take Place On Monday Evening

Members of the Twentieth ward, under the direction of Bishop Arias G. Belnap, are completing preparations to lay the corner stone of their meeting house Monday night, the ceremonies commencing at 8 o'clock. Construction of the building, situated at 1034 Twenty-first street, has been progressing rapidly and male members of the ward have spent several evenings pouring cement and hauling away dirt.

Among the articles to be placed in the stone will be an issue of The Ogden Standard-Examiner, a history of the Twentieth ward to date and names of officers and teachers in the ward organizations.

Special guests have been invited, including the presidency of the Ogden stake, with all stake officers, bishoprics of the Fourth and Thirteenth wards and John Howard Jenkins, former bishop of the Thirteenth ward, who has just returned from presiding over the New Zealand mission. All ward members are asked to be present to witness the ceremonies.

The program will commence with the Twentieth ward choir singing, "Lo the Mighty God Appearing." H. H. Goddard will give a talk, after which the corner stone will be placed in position. Prayer will be offered by Hyrum E. Lund, former bishop of the Fourth ward. Bishop Arias G. Belnap will give a short historical sketch of the ward and the construction so far. After several other short talks, the choir will sing "An Angel From On High." Benediction will be pronounced by Isaac Blair.

The next ward activity to be held on the new meeting house grounds will be an open-air construction carnival, to be staged by all ward organizations. Beginning with an open-air program, the carnival will include sideshows, concessions and booths, ending with a dance on the sub-floor of the recreation hall.

TUESDAY EVENING, JUNE 5, 1928.

CROWD SEES STONE PLACED

Twentieth Ward Guests and Members at Ceremony

Approximately 800 people, on temporary seats in front of the Twentieth ward chapel, witnessed the laying of the cornerstone Monday night at 8:55 o'clock. President Samuel G. Dye, J. Howard Jenkins, former bishop of the Thirteenth ward and Bishop Arias G. Belnap of the Twentieth ward were the honorary masons, assisted by Clyde T. Greenwell, contractor.

The program, conducted by Bishop Belnap, begun shortly after 8 o'clock with the choir singing, "Lo, the Mighty God Appearing." Hyrum E. Lund, former Fourth ward bishop, offered the invocation. Bishop Belnap then gave a brief, interesting outline of the history of the ward, which was organized on March 20, 1927, and the construction of the new meeting house. Hyrum H. Goddard gave the principal address, explaining the "great bond of unity and love being developed through the sacrifices and the effort put forth in the construction of a place of worship." The marble block was then placed on the corner slab. The choir sang "An Angel From On High." Samuel G. Dye, of the Ogden stake first presidency, gave an address on "The Latter Day Saints as Builders." J. Howard Jenkins, who recently returned from presiding over the New Zealand mission, gave an interesting talk. He called the new ward the daughter of the Thirteenth ward, with the Fourth ward as grandparent, saying that "the daughters usually exceed all those things accomplished by their noble ancestors."

GUESTS PRESENT

Special visitors were Samuel G. Dye, of the Ogden stake first presidency; Elijah Larkin, Lester H. Froerer, Nathan J. Barker, James Barker and George E. Brown of the Ogden stake high council; Patriarch Edward A. Olsen, Bishops Edward H. Chambers of the Thirteenth ward and Edward T. Saunders of the Fourth ward; J. Howard Jenkins, former bishop of the Thirteenth ward and Hyrum E. Lund, former bishop of the Fourth ward.

Concluding remarks were made by Bishop Belnap, telling of the construction carnival to be held on the grounds on June 13. He extended an invitation to all present and their friends to come in their overalls and sack aprons and participate in what is expected to be the biggest ward affair of the year. Mayor Frank Francis is expected to be the principal speaker on the program which will precede a dance on the exposed sub-floor of the recreation hall.

The congregation sang "Come, Come, Ye Saints," and Isaac Blair pronounced the benediction.

BOX PROVIDED

A box near the cornerstone contains copies of Ogden and Salt Lake newspapers, an historical record of the ward, names of those who contributed to the building fund and those who donated their labor.

It is hoped to have the building ready for occupancy by Thanksgiving day.

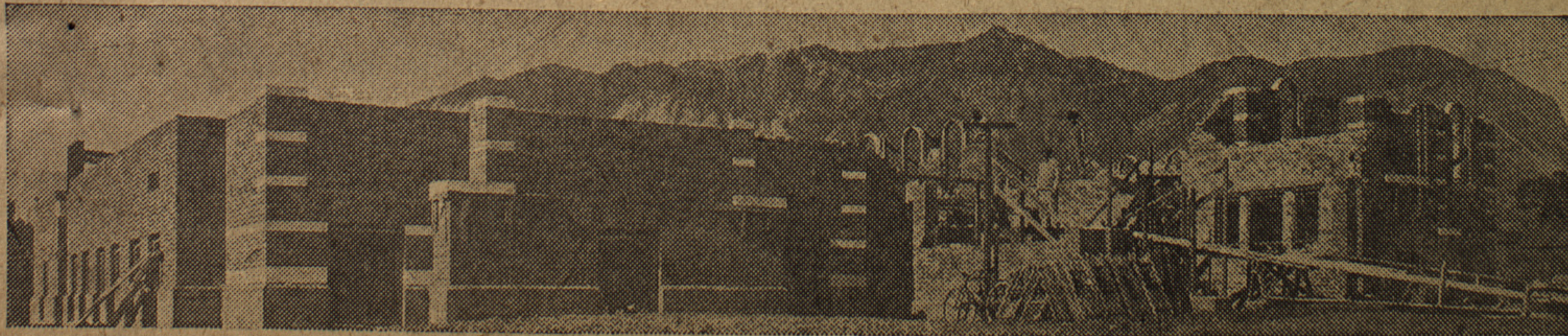
The building will be constructed of straw colored brick, with white stone facing. It will be constructed in three units. One unit will contain the chapel, one will provide the recreational hall and the central unit will be for a main entrance. There will be 12 classrooms and other rooms in the basement. Estimated cost is \$45,000.

JUNE 10, 1928.

The Standard-Examine

THIS is a view of the Twentieth ward chapel and amusement hall, being erected on Twenty-first street, above Jackson avenue. It is hoped that the \$45,000 building will be partially occupied this fall. A construction carnival for benefit of the building fund will be held on the evening of Wednesday, June 13.

(Rabe Studio Photo)



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Do you Remember

July 1927

Were you one of those present at the priesthood meetings called on the evening of Sunday, March 13, ~~1927~~ and at the Sacrament meetings immediately following of the people of the Ogden Fourth and Thirteenth Wards when a proposal to organize a new ward from parts of each of these wards was unanimously approved, ~~and the boundaries for the new ward were set as 22nd Street on the South, Monroe Avenue on the West, Ogden River on the North, and the Mountains on the East?~~

Were you present one week later, Sunday, March 20, when the people living within these bounds met at the 13th Ward Chapel and unanimously approved organizing the new ward of 891 ~~scouts~~ ^{members} and giving it the name of the Ogden Twentieth Ward? ~~Do you remember raising your hand in sustaining vote of the first bishopric of that ward with Arias G. Belnap as Bishop, with Newell W. Pickett as first counselor and Harold B. Foutz as second counselor, and J. Bennett Moore as ward clerk?~~

Do you remember how we worked and planned together preparatory to building our new home which was started with the ~~breaking~~ of ground on October 7, 1927?

Then came Miss 1928

Do you remember (back to) June 4, ~~1928~~ when construction on the building had progressed sufficiently ~~so~~ that the cornerstone could be laid? Were you one of those who on that occasion sat on the improvised plank benches, stood in the dirt, or had a seat amongst those on the platform where the bishop's office is now? Or did you stand or sit on the temporary ~~construction of the building~~ ^{shed} at the front?

Do you remember June 22nd when the brick work was nearly completed and the rafters were being put in place over the recreation hall and a construction carnival was held ~~at which~~ and a number of booths were erected, selling from these candy, soda water, hot dogs, pop corn, balloons, caps, noise makers, house hold articles, clothing, fruit, etc.? ~~A program was given at which Mayor Frank Francis, a non-member congratulated the people for the building up of the community and encouraged them to push on to a speedy conclusion of this work?~~ ^{addressed us?} The boy Scouts had gathered much wood and logs, placing them in the center

of the lot east of the building, then saturated the huge pile with used crank case oil. At the conclusion of the Mayor's talk the fire was lighted and the fire department called. As a part of the pre-arranged plan, the fire department after leaving the business section opened their sirens and sped to the grounds followed by numerous cars and people. The sky was a red mass, and hundreds of people from all over town excitedly hurried to the grounds expecting to see the 20th Ward Building burned down. A barn dance was then enjoyed by the crowd in the open recreation hall, the first dance or party in the building. ~~much~~ money was raised as a result of the carnival.

Do you remember the first religious service held in the building, our Ward Conference on December 16, 1928? ~~Do you recall that~~ The building was only temporarily completed, the windows were only half in and glazed with plain glass, ~~awaiting the art glass to arrive~~; temporary radiators had been installed; the plastering was incomplete in the lower halls; there was no trimming on the doors and windows or around the base; all doors were missing except the 2 temporary doors in front and those in the recreation hall entrance; the only classrooms available, and these without doors or trimming, were the bishop's office and the check room and those over the Bishop's office. You may remember how the sisters of the Relief Society besides caring for the poor, solicited funds and saved their dimes for the building fund, encouraged us when weary, served luncheons to the men at work, and even ^{proposed} helping with the labor ~~when~~ on the meeting house ~~when the men failed~~, so anxious were they to finish our home. X

Miss 1929 was ushered in and

You may recall that in our anxiety to become established in our new quarters for the ward conference ~~in~~ December, 1928, and during 1929 to prepare classrooms under the recreational hall wing, that we had over-reached ourselves and were indebted in the amount of \$4,000.00, ~~\$~~2,000 of which we had to raise. ~~Do you remember the little baseball banks that were placed in the Sunday School in which the children~~ ^{adults} dropped their pennies, nickels, and dimes in order to keep the ball rolling, ~~which they did by rolling in~~ ^{realizing} \$858.98.

Report of the 13th Ward from the date
of organization March 20th, 1927
to the first ward conference
November 27th, 1927.

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One week later (March 20th) the people living within these bounds meet in the 13th Ward Chapel at 2 o'clock P.M. The proposition to organize the new Ward was approved. The proposition that the new ward be known as the Twentieth Ward was unanimously approved.

Arias G. Belnap was selected and sustained as Bishop, with Newell W. Pickett as first counselor and Harold B. Foutz as second counselor, with J. Bennett Moore as Ward Clerk. Each of these were set apart for the offices mentioned on the 27th of March by Apostle Melvin J. Ballard of the Quorum of the Twelve.

Pres. Thos. E. McKay stated that the Wards would continue as at present until the Second Sunday in April (Apr. 10th -27) because this would permit the old wards to finish their records for the first quarter of the year. The first Sunday in April being General Conference of the Church in Salt Lake City it would not be advisable to start the new ward until after that date.

The hours and days following were long arduous ones for the Bishopric. There was no place to go, no home to move into, no organizations to help us, no record of the 891 ward members. Young, inexperienced in Ward organization, and largely unacquainted with the Ward membership, we set at our task. Conferences were held with the Bishops and ward clerks of the 4th and 13th Wards. Day after day was spent acquainting ourselves with the necessities ahead and how to meet them. We met often together, numerous visits to members of the Ward were made, seeking prospective ward officers. Then came the choice of heads of organizations, getting them properly approved, interviewing them, helping them in turn select their associates and workers. Having these approved by the stake authorities, and examining them as to proper qualifications and desires for service.

Busy as we were, yet must we say those were happy days. Oh, how glad we were when that second Sunday in April came and we were prepared. Arrangements had been made for the use of the 13th Ward building for our services. Letters giving the schedule of meetings had been sent to every home in the ward, by the Deacons and Teachers.

At this meeting the organizations who had to meet the people during the week and be at work were set in order. These were the Ward Teachers Committee, Relief Society, Sunday School, Primary Association, Y.M. M.I.A. and the Y.L.M.I.A.

Due to removals from the ward, school work, and other worthy causes some changes have been made necessary. The Bishopric likewise lost one of its number when Newell W. Pickett removed to Salt Lake City because of employment. This change taking place July 24th brought Lester A. Wade, who was then President of the Elders Quorum, into the Bishopric as Second Counselor. Harold B. Foutz was advanced to First Counselor. It has been with deep regret that these many changes have been made. These with the numerous changes among our teaching corp reminds us of the saying --that Bishoprics are so busy repairing their fences that there is scarcely time to do anything else.

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Priesthood work

In many wards the Aaronic Priesthood has it all over the Melchizedek both in attendance at meetings and in class work. That is not the case in this ward. The High Priests, Seventies, and Elders are holding up the records. These organizations are doing a good work.

The Aaronic Priesthood quorums being under the supervision of the Bishopric we assume full responsibility for the failure of these quorums to function properly. There are many who we have not reached, both in problems of efficiency and attendance. A glance at our rolls many Sundays is discouraging.

Parents should know that many boys and young men are not attending. Many of those who do come are not on time, staying outside until class period. Many accept assignments for Sunday School and Sacrament meetings, they leave home, peek in at our door, and then find it nice walking down 23rd street to places unknown. One Sunday 12 volunteered for sacrament duty, & 4 responded. Others of our older boys feel that they should have all the priveleges of the Ward, that it should help them when in need, listen to their wishes, let them represent us in our activities, yet are only willing to attend the M.I.A. for the express purpose of playing basketball. Priesthood, Sunday School, Sacrament meetings, work in building our meeting house does not mean anything in their young lives. They say, give us a boy scouts room; are you going to give us a place to play basket ball; and give us a good place to hold our parties, when you build our own building.

If they could only be made to see that the more indifferent to their activities they are, the closer we must be confined to them. The more we are confined to them the less time we can give to other organizations. The less time we can give to other organizations the longer it will take to complete our building. When one part of the machine breaks down, all parts must suffer.

Parents, if you have a boy in the Priesthood, remember that you understand him better than we; kindly co-operate with us. Help us to help you and the boy. We love your boys and want to see them clean, pure and useful.

Ward Teaching

In times past this work has required much of the time of Bishoprics. We do not know what we would do today, if it this phase of the work were not so well directed by the Ward Teachers Committee. They cooperate constantly with the Bishopric and are in harmony with us. This month is but an example of their work. Last Sunday (report day) 94% of the teaching was completed. Today it is all done *and reports are in.*

When our teaching is reported all done, we often have some families who were not personally visited, but diligent efforts have been made to visit them. Credit is therefore given the teacher for having completed his work. We endeavor to see that our teachers visit and teach, but we cannot guarantee that you will all be home to receive them. Should you for any reason not be visited, ascertain from your presiding teacher the reason why.

Poor teaching, gossiping teaching, undue long visits injurious teaching should all be reported, that this work may improve. Generally, our teachers are doing a very good work. We say, God bless our teachers and cause you to appreciate them.

Relief Society

Relief Society

A strong band of willing workers are enrolled in our Ward society. Ably directed and taught by very capable teachers. 71 are enrolled. The attendance is very good. Of this number 48 are visiting teachers all active and doing a good work. During the Month of October every family in the Ward was visited. This record they expect to continue.

Relief society offers much to our women in a religious social and literary way. They are trying to get more young mothers interested and attending. Mothers and wives who will study the lessons and attend the services can be better helpmates. Men get away from the home daily, mingle socially with others, broaden and develop if they choose. You brethren sitting here, if you only understood what relief society can do for your wives and mothers you would insist that they leave the home each week to participate in this benefit. It will get them out of the home to breath, keep them from being narrow and indifferent. It will enable them to keep pace with your every step--none need become backnumbers.

Sisters if you could only measure values and see the gem in store for you none would hesitate. ^{Here is a} world famous organization pleading to give its wares away among a people who say "if there is anything virtuous, lovely, or of good report or praiseworthy, we seek after these things,

The aim to have every Latter Day Saint woman a member of the society is a timely one. These women banded together have directly been of great help to the Bishopric.

Sunday School.

Of all the organizations that are working under handicaps and might have reason to complain it is the Sunday School. But there is no complaint, they are working in harmony. They are appreciative of assistance given them, Meeting at 12:15 P.M each Sunday is an unusual hour and offers many problems. Priesthood meeting has been dismissed two hours, the men go home, most of whom do not return. The boys too go away, many failing to come back for Sunday School. It frequently happens that there is hardly sufficient to properly handle the sacrament. Mothers, too, find ita most difficult hour. But this is the best we can offer at this time. More members of the Priesthood are needed as tea chers.

In spite of the seeming difficulties, the school is well up in the Stake comparative reports. There were 202 members enrolled when first organized, increasing up to now to 283 members. 49 to 52% of these are in attendance each Sunday. The junior Sudday School has nearly doubled in enrollmet. About 90 children are enrolled with a very good attendance each Sunday.

The first monthly reports to go to the stake showed an average monthly attendance of 1 to 2 members in the Parents class. It is indeed gratifying to know that through hard, persiätent work and capable teaching that the reports now going in show from 15 to 18 members as an ~~monthly~~ average attendance. It would please us more if twice this many parents would interest themselves in parents class work.

We are proud of our Sunday School and grateful for the kindly attitude of our teachers and members in helping to make a hard problem easy.

Mutual Improvement Associations

Both associations are fully organized. There being eleven officers and teachers in the Y.L.M.I.A. and 12 in the Y.M.M.I.A. There are 75 enrolled with an average attendance of 40 members in the Young Ladies, and 60 enrolled with an average attendance of 42 in the Y.M.'s. This gives an average attendance of 82. Here again we find the attendance increasing.

All meetings and activities have been held according to schedule.

Fathers and mothers would do well to come to association meetings with their children. You will find a splendid class, interesting subject matter, presented by a capable teacher. Fathers who insist on remaining home could profitably tend to the household duties, relieving the mother or wife for M.I.A. service,, joining with the children in their after mutual parties.

The Improvement Era quota for the ward is 45. We regret to say that we are a long way short of the quota.

These associations are to be complimented for their able supervision of recreation in the Ward. They have gathered around them a recreation committee that functions. Since their organization last spring they have assisted in 16 parties. They were in a large measure responsible for the Budget plan now in effect. More will be said about this later. Listen to a part of their report:

"All parties and programs are made up with one aim in view, and that to give you the best we can and to develop our local talent as much as possible."

"You and your family need recreation and we are here to help you get it. To give you better service for either Ward or home parties our committee is divided as follows:

Children up to 14 years---

Mae McFarland

Adolescent Children

Josephine Davis

Adults

D. Carter Cornia

Ward parties, Dances, Music
hall dates

Herman J. Westbroek.

"We are in full harmony with the Bishopric and Ward officers and thank them for their loyal support. We have no troubles, and no bills to pay. Our motto is:

"A Recreation Committee with Service." Call on us when you want to have a good time."

We know they are in a position to serve you. They are studying this work, they are subscribers to the best recreation bulletins that can be found, giving them a rich assortment of games, plays, stunts, home and community social helps and suggestions. When calling on them for help do not expect them to do all the work. You can do the work after they plan has been made.

Primary

This organization has been doing splendid work. They are fully organized and working in harmony. They have an enrollment of 172 pupils with an average attendance of 85. The teaching corp is composed of 14 able teachers. Here as in the religion class nearly all of these are young married women.

During the summer months when attendance usually drops off these teachers strove diligently to hold the children. They met at 10 o'clock each Wednesday morning, usually in the open. There they had class, played games and partook of refreshments. Just last Tuesday they were assigned the childrens Thanksgiving party. A better childrens party could not have been given; games, a good program and dancing (music with a two piece orchestra) with nuts and candy for refreshments. ~~xxxx~~ Fully 200 children came to the party. We feel they are doing all they can for the children in their care.

Religion Class

The religion class being part of the Church school system supervised directly by the Ward Board of Education, it was deemed best not to take the children away from their classes until the close of the spring term. Each member could then receive his or her grades and enter our class this fall with the credits earned thus far. Consequently this organization did not take its place with the other auxiliaries until the 18th of September. Care had been taken in the beginning to see that our principal was not taken by other organizations. There are now 12 teachers enrolled all on the job. These have been chosen from amongst the younger mothers of the ward, with but two exceptions. Nearly all of these have had good educations. Their attendance at classes, sacrament meetings and teacher training shows that they are deeply interested in the education of our children.

In the religion class children are enrolled from the first to the eighth grades inclusive. There are nearly 100 enrolled with more than 60 at each weekly meeting. Enrollment in all grades has been increasing. The enrollment in the 6th, 7th and 8th grades is altogether too small, but even these have increased. Parents of the ward are not sending their children to these grades as they should. We have reports coming back to us that this parent or that parent does not care to send their children to religion class. They say, our children go to Primary, Sunday School, some to priesthood meeting, they are boy scouts, and so on, and we think they shouldn't have to go to religion class.

Surely parents who take this attitude are depriving their children of the proper foundation for entry into the Priesthood. They are depriving them of Religious Education. It is this lack of a proper religious foundation that causes so many of our Priesthood to be indifferent as they grow older. Until November 1st we had no eighth grade pupils, or in other words no prospects of a graduate from our class this year. We are pleased however that six or about one third of those who should be in class are now enrolled. We shall not be satisfied however until parents cooperating with our faculty have all of religion class age and grade enrolled and in attendance.

Teacher Training, a part of our school system.

This course of study is open to all who care to participate. It is expected however, that all officers and teachers of the ward, all Ward teachers and all relief society visiting teachers attend. The lessons are given each Wednesday evening at 7:30 and close at 8:15. Members of the class not engaged in other association work are at liberty to return home at the conclusion of the class.

Human nature in Religious Education, the course we are studying, is just as applicable, if not more so, in the home on the street, and the play ground as it is in the class room. Our class is largely attended. Our teacher trainer is working long and hard to give you a proper insight and understanding of this important subject.

Missionaries

We have ~~5~~¹² Elders on foreign missions. Of this number only one has been sent since our organization. We should have more to fill our quota. We want more and hope soon to have more.

We now have 12 local missionaries, 8 of whom are men and 4 women. These are doing a splendid work, standing high in the stake. A report up to the first of the month shows 648 evenings spent in this work, comprising 1364 hours. 1368 calls were made and 1065 gospel conversations were had. 735 tracts were given away. 13 cottage meetings were held, some at the auto camp grounds, resulting in 3 baptisms.

These brethren and sisters have ushered at our sacrament meetings, visited many of our priesthood members besides visiting for the Bishopric, and have been useful in them all.

Geneological Committee

After becoming organized May 29th, this committee became a live organization for the living. There are 11 members and so far as we can tell they are doing a quality of work equal to any other in the stake. They have participated in all temple excursions. Nearly all going down on one occasion. Under their direction on Oct 15th, nine of our boys and twelve of our girls went to the temple, resulting in 551 baptisms for the dead being performed. They have records of the progress in geneology work of 120 families. The two sacrament meetings they conducted were among the best meetings we have held.

We commend them to you and urge that when they enter your home either for cottage meetings, geneology, missionary work, and as such as they are sent to do, that you will tak them in and give heed to what they have to say.

Ward Choir

Our choir has an enrollment of 43 members. As many as 39 have been in attendance at our Sacrament meetings. We are short a few good bass singers and hope soon to have three or four join. It takes time to learn new songs, anthems, chorus's etc, and the choir is working hard to learn more music for the ward to enjoy. They hope to become the best choir in the stake. Judging from the good start made in their youth, we are sure they will be. We are more than pleased to have them singing for us.

Old folks committee

Organized just prior to old folks day this summer, the committee members assigned did their work so well that the Bishopric had very little to do. On Old Folks day at the park, after looking at the various ward gatherings, listening to the comments of the passer by, we were convinced that the new 20th ward had the cleanest and best location, the best display, the best meals, the best entertainment, and the 40 best looking old people at the park. We learned much in our first undertaking, erred some, yes--but we hope we shall not make the same mistakes another year.

Equipment

We do not have to borrow from the 13th ward as we have our own sacrament sets, table linen, standard church works, Sunday School song books, L.D. S. Hymns for the choir, and dishes for handling the old folks.

Census

This is required af a new ward in order to get a complete record of its members. This is now complete except one block and that had but a few uncompleted families on it. Besides the regular information required in a census we tried to get the occupation and special talents of all members of the ward. Organizations may get information they need from these records by cooperating with the ward clerk.

Budget

All of our organizations are working on a budget plan. This is new to us as a ward because neither the 4th or 13th wards had used this ~~plan~~. We are one of the 13 wards in the County who have adopted this ~~plan~~, which is only two years old as a plan in this county.

To finance the budget, ~~each~~ families are considered as a whole. A family admittance charge of \$5.00 to all entertainments was detirmined. This entitles each member of the family to a ticket to the entertainments sponsored by the Ward.

Twelver entertainments have been carefully planned and published on the ticket for the adults and nine parties for the children. Six of these however are held together.

So far our parties have been high class in every respect. Our dancing parties have been preceded by a vaudeville and each dancing party will be conducted on similar lines throughout the year, thereby affording entertainment to those who do not dance. Not having to worry about financing the party and getting a crowd organizations are putting all their energy into the party itself., The parties are in this way balanced to suit the needs of the people.

Not as many tickets were sold as we expected, but enough were sold to insure with careful spending the success of the plan the first year. Should there be any surplus this will go into the meeting house fund, and we sure plan on a surplus if you help.

Meeting House

Just as soon as organizations were put in shape to run we turned our time and attention toward the erecting of a meeting house. Available building sites were looked for, several were investigated, negotiations were entered into for their purchase. Days were spent looking at meeting houses in Salt Lake City, many in Ogden and Weber county were studied, then on to Brigham, Wellsville and as far north as Smithfield. Other times were spent with the Superintendent of Building Construction looking at various types of buildings, and discussing our problems and needs. Following is a chronological order of events as they have taken place.

June 26th. Meeting with Presidents of priesthood quorums and members of the priesthood who were heading other organizations, the results of our negotiations for real estate were explained. These had been entered into carefully by the Stake Presidency, Stake Building and Grounds Committee and the Stake Finance Committee. All were in accord as to the selection proposed. It was voted to obtain an option on the ground immediately and then obtain permission from the Ward to purchase it.

June 28th. An option was taken by the Bishopric for a piece of ground on the north side of 21st between Jackson and Van Buren Ave. having a frontage of 325 feet and a depth of 137 feet to a 16 foot alley.

June 3rd. Proposal to purchase real estate on which option was held was unanimously approved by the Priesthood and the Saints of the ward at their respective sessions during the day.

July 10th. A committee was appointed by the Bishopric acting under instruction of the Priesthood, to determine what plan shall be used in financing the purchase of the lot and erecting the building.

July 17th. The committee appointed recommended that an allotment plan be used, and that the Bishopric with what help they needed should make the allotments. Unanimously approved at the priesthood and sacrament meetings. These committeemen were sustained as a finance and building committee to assist the Bishopric.

July 22nd. Application was made to the trustee-in-trust of the Church for financial help in this building equal to one half its cost.

July 24th. The committee and Bishopric went to Salt Lake to study two types of buildings recommended by the Supt of Bldg. Construction.

July 26th. Making out allotments began and proceeded daily until all completed on July 31st.

August 1st. Application of 22nd for funds approved by Pres. Grant.

August 9th. Committee and Bishopric reached a decision to build a Colonial, three unit building. The building to have two wings, one for the Chapel, one for the recreation hall, joined together with an entry unit at the front, with class rooms to extend under the entire building.

August 28th. Deed to the land was received. There is remaining a balance of \$500.00 unpaid.

September 1st. A pencil sketch of our proposed building with floor plans was received.

Sept 18th. Sketches with certain modifications approved by the Saints

Sept 20th. Place where the building is to stand was determined.

Sept 22nd. Saturday afternoon. Stakes for the excavation were driven. Batter boards to protect and hold the markings for future use were erected.

Oct 4th Contract for the excavating was let to Wm. Vankomen and D. L. Wilson. Work had been delayed due to rain storms.

Oct 7th. Ground was first broken, the lucern being plowed under. No further work was done until Monday October 10th. From then until Oct 17th four to five teams worked steadily.

Oct 12th Final payment of \$500.00 paid on the lot.

Oct 13th and 14th. Tool house completed. Electric lights were placed about the grounds so that night work could be carried on.

Oct 17th. Team work on the excavating was completed.

They had excavated 888 cu. yards of dirt. At night members of the Priesthood gathered on the grounds and began squaring up the walls and digging the footings for the building to stand on.

Oct 27th By this time the footings were largely dug and we began pouring the footings with concrete.

Nov 16th. The concrete footings for the building except the front entry were completed. Up to this point it is estimated that ~~xxx~~ over 100 yards of dirt have been moved by hand; 56¹/₂ yards of concrete were necessary to fill the footings.

Nov 25th. At this writing storms have interfered with the work since ~~Nov 18th~~ Nov 18th. While some night work has gone on it has only been a little now and again. Carpenters began making the forms for the building. Complete working drawings have not been received. The basement drawings are now done, excepting window details. Lack of these drawings has also interfered. Getting these drawings from the Supt of Bldg. Const. saves us the architects fee of \$2500.00 for a building this size. We feel we can well afford to delay a little while saving this sum.

Nov 26th The forms for the boiler room and coal room being complete they were set in place. Forms are being built in panels so as the building of the foundation goes on they may be stripped and used on other parts of the walls.

But after this is all said and done, the one thing that pleases us most is the fact that the lot, materials and all so far as we have gone is bought and paid for.

We are pleased with the support that all of the organizations are giving to the building up of this ward. We are grateful to those who have paid, worked on the building and to the sisters who have served refreshments on the grounds. Grateful to all who are aiding in any way. We are grateful for the harmony that is in the ward, and the good social feeling. We have full confidence in the Saints of this Ward that they will continue on in the Spirit of this work even beyond the building of the meeting house.

We acknowledge with thanks the cooperation and help that has been given to us by ~~the~~ Bishop Lund and Bishop Chambers in getting this work started and keeping it going.



Second Annual Conference report of the Ogden 20th Ward,
December 16th, 1928

We are pleased to meet with the Saints of the 20th Ward today in the Second Ward Conference; and to review the condition of the Ward.

It is just 20 months ago, (lacking 4 days) since the Ward was organized. The population on record November 30th, 1928 was 993, compared with 903 a year ago, and 891 when first organized; an increase of 90 within the last year or an increase of 102 from the beginning. Our annual report, however, will show more than 1000 souls on the Ward record.

SACRAMENT MEETING

Our average attendance at Sacramento ^{Meeting} for the 11 months of this year is 19% compared with 18% for the 9 months of last year, an increase of 1%. This we know is low and expect to show a much larger increase this coming year.

PRIESTHOODS

The new Priesthood ~~M.I.A.~~ plan having been instituted since our conference of last year makes comparative percents under the same conditions impossible. They do indicate, however, that another year of schooling under the new plan will bring the attendance back or even better than before.

The average percent of attendance of the Melchisedek Priesthood for the 8 months of meeting this year is 25, compared with 37% for last year, a decrease of 12%.

The Aaronic Priesthood have an average of 17% for the 11 months of this year compared with 26% for 9 months of last year a decrease of 9%.

Most quorums show an increase since the fall term began, quite an increase being noted the last three weeks in some of the quorums.

WARD TEACHING

We now have 73 acting ward teaching. There is little change this year in the high standing which they set last year. Forty three per cent attended Sacramento meetings in 1927 and also this year. You will note that this is far above the ^{Ward} average attendance at Sacramento meeting. Ninety nine percent of the teaching has been completed this year or 1% short of last years perfect record. We know that about 25 families are not visited each month, these being reported as inaccessible or not at home when the teachers call. Under these conditions 100% credit is given the teacher for having completed his work.

We have a good wide awake ward teachers committee who go out of their way to render service and assist their teachers.

RELIEF SOCIETY

There are 76 enrolled for 1928 an increase of 5 over last year. Thirty four percent have attended meeting, an increase of 2% over last yr. Forty four of these are visiting teachers compared to 48 a year ago. Their districts were reported completely visited for 8 of the 11 months this year compared with 1 during the 9 months of last year.

The sisters of the relief society have looked to the poor, nursed the sick, solicited funds and saved their dimes for the Building fund, encouraged us when weary, served lunches (with others) to the men at work, and even proffering their labor on the meeting house should the men fail, so anxious have they been to finish our home.

The decorating in the hall today was done by them.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Under the new plan our Sunday School has an enrollment of 400 compared with 296 for last year, with an average ~~percentage~~ attendance of 50% compared with 56% for last year. It might be well to note that the parents class of last year was not enrolled or counted with the pupils attendance. This year they are enrolled and counted.

There are 5 male and 19 female officers and teachers for a total of 24, compared with 7 male and 27 female officers and teachers, a total of 34 last year. Their ^{at} Sunday School is 78% and increase of 1% over last year. _{attendance}

Sunday School (contd)

We believe that by having our school at 10 A.M. instead of 11:30 A.M. will assist in improving efficiency and attendance. The information required in the New Priesthood rolls and roll pad may likewise bring results in the Gospel Doctrine department; a department that we point to with pride.

We commend the Sunday School for putting a bank in each class so that the children may save their pennies, nickels and dime for the meeting house. This has helped thus far to the extent of \$160.00

MUTUAL IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATIONS

A heavy responsibility now rests upon these organizations. They are working as smoothly as can be expected under the new plan. They directed the Budget and the selling of the Budget tickets. They have directed all of our recreational work. Each organization shows an increased attendance, and an increase in officers and teachers. The adult departments are largely responsible for the increased attendance.

We are happy to note an increase of the last few weeks; also to see that upon reassembling that nearly all of our adults have remained to the M.I. A. classes where they belong. We believe our M.I.A. is heading toward a golden harvest. Thanks to our faithful workers.

PRIMARY

They have assumed the leisure time activities of the children under M.I.A. age. They have already been host on two occasions to upwards of 200 children, and the third party is nigh at hand. These have been splendid entertainments.

The best tribute that can be paid the officers and teachers of the Primary is that the children who have joined, just will not stay away.

MISSIONARIES

We are far below our quota in having missionaries in foreign fields. We hope soon to be able to have more out at work.

We likewise need more at home. Those we do have are doing splendid work as their report will show; ~~xxxxxxx~~

Evenings and days spent in work	945
Hours in work	2666
Calls made while in active work	1847
First invitations in homes	378
Re-visits to homes	1096
Gospel conversations	2596
Tracts distributed	1500
Cottage meetings held	20
Resulting in	20 baptisms as compared

with 3 in 1927. This alone speaks well of the kind of work done.

GENEOLOGICAL WORK

This committee reorganized during the year has been doing good work. They are sorely interested in genealogy. They have received and spent for proxy work \$71.25; 103 recommends have been issued resulting in 239 endowments for the dead; 8 endowments for the living and 839 baptisms for the dead. These figures are much larger than for last year.

They have held 3 cottage meetings and taken the boys and girls on 2 baptismal excursions.

WARD CHOIR

We are pleased to have them singing for us. No organization has been any more loyal than they. During the summer when many found it convenient to visit away, take trips, or seek cool shady nooks on the Sabbath, they stuck faithfully to their posts. They are a home loving ~~group~~ group, most of whom have families; and we regret that sickness has entered amongst them of late interfering with their learning.

We appreciate the services of our conductor, Bro. Minson.

MEETING HOUSE

A report here for the purpose of our ward records is proper, especially so that the records may contain some of the activities since the laying of the corner stone, June 4th, 1928.

Aug 8th, 1927 The lot was purchased, final payment Oct 12th, 27.

Oct 7th, 1927--The first ground was broken. Work stopping

Dec 10th on account of storms and freezing temperatures.

June 4th, 1928 Corner stone was laid (See Historical record page 55 and 56)

June 11th----Construction carnival and barn dance scheduled for the 13th inst. was postponed until June 22nd on account of rains. Frames for the windows completed.

June 12th----Ceiling joist over Bishops office placed.

June 19th----Began placing of the rafter trusses for the recreational hall.

June 22nd----Construction carnival held. A number of booths were erected, selling from them, candy, soda water, hot dogs, pop corn, balloons, caps, noise makers, house hold articles, clothing, fruit, etc. A program was given at which Mayor Frank Francis, a non-member, congratulated the people for the building up of the community and encouraged them to push on to a speedy conclusion of this work. The boy Scouts had gathered much wood and logs, placing them in the center of the lot east of the building; then saturated the high pile with used crank case oil. At the conclusion of the Mayor's talk the fire was lighted and the fire department called. As a part of the pre-arranged plan, the fire department after leaving the business section opened their sirens, and speed to the grounds followed by numerous cars and people. The sky was a red mass, and hundreds of people from all over town excitedly hurried to the grounds expecting to see the 20th Ward building burned down. A barn dance was then enjoyed by a crowd in the open recreation hall, the first dance or party in the building. Much money was raised as a result of the carnival.

July 12th----Brick work completed, excepting fireplaces.

Being in debt it was decided to stop construction until bills were all paid.

Aug 20th----Being out of debt construction of the cornice was began with Alfred R. Ford as foreman. Up until this time Herman Bell had been in charge of construction. When we stopped work July 12th Herman Bell secured work as foreman on a school building, necessitating the selection of another foreman.

Aug 23rd----Wiring contract let to Mr. E. E. Oberg for the annex and east wing.

Sept 4th----Elders quorum began placing the sheathing on the roof; returning each evening until all complete.

Sept 5th----Other Quorums of the Priesthood began digging the sewer from the curb into the building. Ferrie Ross (nearly blind) and Tom Dizanza working in the street. This was all completed Oct 4th.

Sept 12th----First work on the steam pipe trenches in the basement started by the High Priests. All work under the annex and recreation hall completed Oct 30th.

Sept 7th ----Shingling began Sept 1st (omitted above)

Oct 16th----Laid subfloor under stage, the cornice is now done.

Oct 18th----Began placing of fill in strips to receive the

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Celotex ceiling insulation. Celotex first thickness being placed Oct 20th until completed. This is to remain through the winter without another thickness.

Oct 22nd Plumbing now roughed in. Alma Wharton assisted by his son Thos. Wharton being the plumbers. Maple floor arrived.

Oct 23rd---Started placing concrete sills.

Oct 30th---Priesthood turned out in large numbers and graded for the front steps and walk.

Nov 5th---Mopped roof placed over the front entry.

Nov 6th---Let contract to Boyle Furniture for 300 chairs for recreation hall. Chairs arrived Dec 6th.

Nov 10th ---Front walk and stepped completed by Graham Higginson contractor. The rear steps were poured a week later.

Nov 19th---Plastering started on Annex and Recreation hall by Chas. G. Price a High Priest of the North Weber Stake.

Nov 20th---Windows and doors in Basement boarded up for winter.

Nov 22nd---Priesthood leveled and graded for concrete floor in the basement.

Nov 28th---Laying of Maple floor on stage and hall started.

Plastering going on in projection room and upstairs.

Nov 30th---Steam fitters and plumbers at work.

Halverson bros. being the contractors.

Dec 1st --- Sunday---Ward Conference postponed due to delay in materials arriving, holding up steam fitters, art glass for the windows.

Dec 7th---Copper top placed on dome.

Dec 14th---Today we have received the following contributions,

A Piano by Angus W. Wright of W. H. Wright and sons, An organ from Myron Crandall, A clock from J. S. Lewis jewelers.

(previously received organs from Glen-Bros -Roberts Music co., and Larine Osborne Chard.) Drinking fountain by Robt. Minnoch.

Dec 15th---The building is now temporarily ready for Conference in the morning. Windows are half in, glazed with plain glass waiting for art glass to arrive. Radiators are loaned by Halverson bros, until ventilators and radiators arrive. Plaster is incomplete in lower front hall and ladies rest room. A temporary toilet has been set up for the men in the janitors room because funds will not permit completion of the heating under the chapel. There is no trim on the doors, windows, or around the base. Doors are all omitted except front two and in recreation hall. Being in debt almost \$4000.00 (one half to be raised by us) we will now bend our efforts toward getting out of debt. Plumbing fixtures have been set by the plumbers. Recreation hall, stage (no curtains) Bishop's office, check room, circle room, dressing room, projection room units are now available for class rooms until others are finished.

We are pleased to be here today in our own building, but wish we could say as in the past that we are out of debt. When the steam fitters, plumber, plasterer and Electrician complete their work we will be owing quite a sum. (About \$4000.00)

We have confidence in our members that they will not lay down, but will continue giving their support thereby enabling us to be out of debt by Spring.

The following table is interesting in that it shows why we have been able to do what we have. It also explains why we are not farther along and out of debt. Payments to the building fund ~~are~~ ~~divided~~ by the 283 families is divided as follows:

91 families have paid nothing to date

Those paying less than \$5.00 18 families

5 to 10 dollars	37 families	150 to 200 dollars	3 families
10 to 15 "	21 "	200 to 300 "	2 "
15 to 25 "	28 "	300 to 500 "	2 "
25 to 50 "	29 "	Over 500 "	2 "
50 to 75 "	23 "		
75 to 100 "	14 "	Total families who have paid	
100 to 125 "	9 "	to Nov 30th--192.	
125 to 150 "	4 "		

The Bishopric extend our thanks and gratitude to these noble families, and to the earnest efforts of the finance and building committee together with the associate workers who have all toiled hard to give us what we have today. We wish to extend this same appreciation to the Priesthood, the Organizations and our friends who have so loyally aided.

We hope that you have observed the points wherein our Ward is weak and if you are one able to strengthen ~~us~~ that you will do it. these weak links

May God bless you abundantly, and may his peace attend you

Sincerely your brethren

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Oct 31-1929

We are very much pleased to spend a day each year in Conference with our members. This is the third annual Ward Conference since our organization March 20th, 1927.

Our ward population on record Oct 31, 1929 was 979 compared with 993 Nov 30th, a year ago, a decrease of 14.

SACRAMENT MEETING

Our average attendance at Sacrament meeting for the 10 months this year is 18% compared with 19% for 11 months last year. We have nearly always been from 1 to 3 points below the Stake average. While not the lowest of the larger wards still we need much improvement before ranking with the leaders. We appreciate the privilege of having fast meeting on Sunday morning. This is now one of the largest meetings in the Ward, and enjoyed by many. We hope the arrangement will not be disturbed.

PRIESTHOOD

During the months of July and August members of the High Council representing the Class Instruction, Personal Welfare, Church Service, and Miscellaneous committees of the Melchizedek Priesthood, meet with these ward quorum committees, quorum presidencies, and the Bishopric each Sunday morning at 9 o'clock A.M. in directing our ward along the lines as outlined by the General Authorities. Since that time Bro. Samuel Martin alone of the Council has been left to assist. The Bishopric organized along these lines with Bro. Wade in charge of Class Instruction, Brother Foutz having charge of Personal Welfare, Bishop Belnap has Church Service and Bro. Moore looks after the Miscellaneous committees. Each quorum presidency, with one exception, is organized similarly to look after the quorum committees.

Until Nov. 3rd, we ~~met~~ all met together each Sunday; on this latter day ~~we~~ each committee was given a written schedule giving the date their report should be ready, the Sunday on which to meet with the Bishopric for the approval of the report, and the date when it should be presented to the quorum for approval or rejection. Under this arrangement the committee whose report is due and the member of the Quorum Presidency or class committeeman who has this report work in charge meet with the Bishopric.

In many instances the quorum committees are functioning very well; reports are in splendid condition and the subject matter is excellent. In other instances we observe some are still dissatisfied with certain phases of the class programs as in effect; resulting in unfilled vacancies in committees with no immediate prospect of filling these vacancies; others who are willing are carrying an excessive amount of work because of lack of numbers in the Quorums or pure indifference of some. We also observe that most committees who follow their projects to a successful conclusion have splendid reports and time is insufficient on Tuesday.

While all is not functioning as smoothly as desired, still indications point to a brighter future. The attendance so far this year in the Melchizedek Priesthood quorums is 28% compared with 25% for the same period in 1928, while the average attendance for the Aaronic Priesthood is 20% compared with 17% for the same period in 1928. Each showing an increase of 3%.

Ward teaching since June has been in the hands of the Quorum Church Service committees. The change has not yet reached the efficiency of the previous arrangement, some not being visited each month. Reports are inaccurate to the same extent that they

On Tuesday evenings prayer meeting is held at 7:15 instead of 7 P.M., with the Bishopric, presidencies of quorums, and Y.M.M.I.A. expected present. Not all who should be there are always present.

The Aaronic Priesthood committee with four members and is functioning.

AUXILIARIES

We regret that a number of changes have taken place among the heads of our organizations since our last conference. Some of the losses follow: J. Ezra Jacobson, Fred C. Rabe, Clarence Walker of the Sunday School Superintendency. Emma Edson and Edith Martin of the Primary presidency. LeRoy Condie and Mae Lund of the M. I. A. presidencies. Adam Martin chairman of the Missionary committee. Herman Westhoek and J. Reginald Minson of the Choir, besides many teachers and ward teachers.

A survey of the auxiliaries shows that the attendance of officers, teachers and members is on the increase, with the Sunday School showing the greater gain. This organization with an enrollment of 393 has an attendance of 58% for 1929 as compared with 50% for 1928. The officers and teachers attendance at prayer meeting is 54% as against 34% last year and 83% at Sunday School compared with 78% for the same period a year ago. Officers and teachers throughout the ward could profitably show and increased interest in their prayer meetings.

Time will not permit a detailed report of each organization.

MISSIONARIES

A year ago we had only one missionary in the field. Today we have two and a third will be entertained at a farewell party Friday November 22nd. We expect that two or three more may follow before the winter is over.

We do wish our people could see their way clear to willingly donate the \$1.00 asked in behalf of our missionaries as they go into the field so that each might have his transportation paid by the Ward to the field of labor. We should be willing to do as much so that our own good name and home may be ably upheld in the world, if for no other reason.

Removals and the calling into Priesthood committees of some who it was felt could not be spared from committee work has struck deeply into our Genealogical and Missionary work. In spite of this they have each done well. The missionary committee is down to five members, but they have succeeded in baptizing 14 to date as compared with 20 for the year of 1928.

SUGGESTIVE IMPROVEMENTS

We believe that our Ward can be improved upon in the following ways; besides those already mentioned:

By the Priesthood submitting willingly to the present plan, as to committees, quorum meetings and especially in remaining for the entire priesthood period which does not end until dismissal at 9 P.M. Tuesday, and by their presence and support of the Sunday School.

By parents occasionally attending primary, visiting classes in Sunday School and M. I. A. and in cooperating with your children's teachers.

By parents teaching discipline, order, punctuality, respect for teachers and authority, proper care of meeting houses, and in checking with children ~~and~~; boys especially of the Aaronic Priesthood as to their assignments and their encouraging them in their fulfillment.

By being present and seeing that children are in their place and not playing in the halls ~~and~~ or out of doors.

~~By a closer observance of the Sabbath day and in a more regular attendance at sacrament meeting.~~

By a closer observance of the Sabbath day and in a more regular attendance at Sacrament meeting.

IMPROVEMENTS AND ITEMS OF MERIT FOR YEAR

We are pleased to report and improvement in the discipline in all meetings.

Punctuality is likewise improving.

More entered M.I.A. contests this last year than the year before; doing equally as well.

Subscriptions for the Era total 71. This compares with 11 subscriptions for 1928.

More families have participated in Ward Maintenance (or Ward Budget) this year than last, but we still need more.

Seventeen boy Scouts went to Camp Kiesel this summer.

Sixteen girls went to the Stake Camp in South Fork.

Our Elders Quorum visited the hospital each night for two weeks administering to the sick--being complimented on the splendid manner in which they did it.

The 24th of July outing at the Ogden Stake Camp grounds was excellent.

Our Ward plays have been far above the average.

The banks in the Sunday School have continued to roll along gathering from \$15.00 to \$25.00 monthly for the meeting house.

The committee work for building funds and monthly socials held by them has been commendable

MEETING HOUSE

We now find ourselves able to continue construction on our building. This fall we have graded the grounds, placed the concrete stairways entrances to each side of the building; placed gutters along the roof to carry off the water, and painted the outside to its finished condition. The front doors and the doors to the east entrance to the recreational hall are here ready to install. Partitions in the basement have been placed, plastering there begins tomorrow. Ceilings and floors will now be completed. The hardwood for basement floors, bishops office and check room, for stairs, casings and base throughout the building, which is now in use, is here. The inside doors alone remain to come. This is all being done as fast as means will permit. Our members will do well to find ways and means to pay up their just portion toward this construction with an aim to completing our own building at an early date, leaving other wards to do their own boosting and to solving their own problems.

We are grateful to those who have come to us with encouragement saying, "we are glad we have not been plunged into excessive building beyond our ability to pay, or to maintain after completion. We are glad you have not launched us into competition to keep up with the Jones's, for our fields are just as fertile as others and we will enjoy ourselves and develop as well as though our building were many times larger."

It has been our aim, without regard to what others have done in the past or may do in the future, to build a beautiful home of which we may well be proud, but no larger nor more expensive than absolutely needed.

Our appreciation and thanks goes out to our officers, teachers, and numerous workers who have helped in ward, quorum, or auxiliary organization activities. Also to our stake visitors who have been considerate of the inconveniences under which we meet, and the assistance they have given us.

Last but not least, we appreciate our membership, the Lord's children in this, a choice vineyard. May we be loyal, kind, charitable, and united to each other,

Sincerely your brethren,

FOURTH Annual Ward Conference Report--Nov 16th, 1930

We are pleased to meet together in this the 4th Ward Conference since our organization Three years and seven months ago; and to review with you the condition of our Ward.

Our Ward population on record Oct 31st, 1930 was 1037 an increase of 58 since one year ago and an increase of 35 since the first of the year.

SACRAMENT MEETINGS

Our average attendance for the 10 months of this year is 19% and increase of 1% over the same period a year ago. We appreciate the increase but wish it were up to or above the stake average. We are unable to state how this compares with the other city wards due to the discontinuance of the stake monthly comparative reports. Our attendance at Sacrament meetings can and should be improved.

TITHING AND FAST OFFERING

Our records this year shows a decrease in the amount of tithing paid and the number of tithpayers. The decrease in tithing can not be blamed to the unemployed, but is directly traceable to the almost non-payment of tithing by a number who have been regularly employed and who were good tithpayers last year.

Fast offering has likewise decreased a small amount even tho the number of those paying has been the same each year. We hope that our tithes and fast offerings for 1930 will yet show an increase over the year 1929.

PRIESTHOOD AND WARD TEACHING

We are pleased to report that on Dec. 29th, 1929 that a Seventies Quorum was organized in the ward; it being known as the 9th Quorum of Seventy, succeeding two other quorums designated by that number but which have since been discontinued.

The Melchisedek Priesthood has an average attendance of 29% an increase of 1% over last year at quorum meetings, while the Aaronic Priesthood has decreased 3% or from 20% to 17%. Since the closing of school and M. I. A. in May the priesthood meetings have been held at 9:30 A. M. Sunday mornings. It was generally expected that Aaronic priesthood attendance would increase by holding meetings on Sunday morning, but in our Ward it has been just the reverse. The Average attendance on Tuesday evenings this year was 22% whereas it has dropped to 12% on Sunday mornings. A large number of our boys were employed on Sunday during the summer but since these boys have been attending school there has been no increase. There are many men holding the aaronic priesthood meetings that holds the per cents down in this group. *who fail to attend*

Those boys attending however have done excellent work in the performance of their duties. The manner in which the Deacons and Priests have officiated in the Sacrament ordinance has brought favorable comment from many of our visitors.

The Ward teaching has been in the hands of the Church Service committees since June of 1929. Even though 100% of our families have not been visited each month there has been an increase from 96% to 97% visited this year. One and some times two pairs of teachers have prevented us from getting the coveted 100%.

COMPARATIVE ATTENDANCES

Our Ward teachers attendance at sacrament meeting is 46 % for this year an increase of 5% over last year.

The Relief Society ^{have} 89 enrolled with an average of 28% in attendance in 1929 and 1930

There are 64 enrolled in the Y. M. M. I. A with an attendance of 83%.

There are 81 enrolled in the Y.L.M.I.A. with an attendance of 62% and increase of 3% over last year.

The Primary have 241 enrolled with 50% in attendance as compared with 54 % a year ago.

There are 402 enrolled in the Sunday School of whom 59% are in attendance compared with 58% a year ago.

MISSIONARIES

A year ago we had two Elders on foreign missions, one of whom has since returned home. Today we are pleased to be able to report that we have 5 of our members in foreign fields.

ACTIVITIES

The year 1930 has been one of activity. In our meeting house the kitchen, ^{and} class rooms have been plastered, equipped, decorated and seated. All doors and trim to our basement, front entry, and recreation hall together with the placing of the front entry steps, completion of the Bishopric's office and the recent completion of the woodwork in the recreation hall, the paneling of the ceiling and installation of the lighting fixtures, leaves only a rolling door in our party room down stairs and decorating in the recreation hall and front entry to complete this side of our building.

Steam pipe trenches have been completed under the chapel and the rough concrete has been placed for the baptismal font and the conduit necessary for wiring of the class rooms under the chapel has been installed.

Completion of parts of our present unit made possible the holding of large dinner parties in the early spring and our Ward Birthday party of March 21st.

June 27th was Ward Carnival night and it was a big affair.

July 24th we celebrated in Liberty Park. It was another day of labor but well worth it for it was the biggest recreational event we had yet tried. According to visitors present from all parts of Weber County it was the best celebration held in Liberty Park for years, if not the best for all time.

Oct 29-30th and 31st found our workers right back into work on a monster Bazaar. And oh what a success it was!

These celebrations and minor events produced nearly \$1300.00 for our building fund. This amount together with donated labor and collections put us out of debt so we are able to pay all outstanding accounts to Nov. 1st, 1930. And this is a grand and glorious feeling.

To keep us from going stale we staged four missionary parties, 17 recreational events scheduled on our budget for adults and children, ~~and~~ entertained the old folks at Lorin Farr Park, completed the Ward Census, and began the publishing of a monthly eight page ward newspaper -- named Good Will. Three issues of Good Will have already been printed. We are proud of our new endeavour and hope we can improve on it to the good of our members.

Changes

Removals, home duties, work and advancement has necessitated changes in the Seventies and Elders Quorums, the Y.M.M.I.A., Choir, Relief Society, Primary presidencies and the Genealogical and Missionary Committees. Numerous changes have been made in the teaching staff in each ~~an~~ organization.

MISCELLANEOUS

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✓ It is worthy of note that the Relief Society with the payment of \$225.00 were the first of our organizations or quorums to pay for the finishing of their room as agreed. And for good measure they recently paid an additional \$50.00.

The little banks used in the Sunday School for the building fund collected \$171.93 this last year, making the total collected from the banks to date \$558.85.

Subscriptions to the Era are way below our quota; only about one fourth being subscribed.

Seats are badly needed for our Primary and Kindergarden departments.

Song books are too few for our Sunday School. Genealogical survey sheets and Pedigree charts are long past due, only a few families interesting themselves sufficient to complete this work and hand it in to the committee. This work should be completed before the end of the year.

CONCLUSION

We hope for strict economy among our members and that you will be in sympathy with our building program, so that with your financial assistance we can dedicate this building long before our next Ward Conference.

May we express our appreciation to our ward members, our officers and teachers, and the workers who have served by special appointment during the year, ~~and~~ our stake workers and our choir who have stayed together and sang for us all year.

We pray that we may continue to be loyal to our Ward, tolerant, charitable and kind,

Sincerely your brethren

Twentieth Ward Bishopric.



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We are meeting today in our fifth annual Ward Conference, this being nearly four years and eight months since our Ward organization. Our ward population is 1057.

On July 5th, 1931 Bro. Harold B. Foutz who had served in the Bishopric since our Ward was first organized and Bro. Lester A. Wade who had served since July 24th, 1927 were honorably released. Bro. Henry Noorda and Bro. Herbert Woods were unanimously sustained as their successors.

Changes have also been necessary in the presidencies and committees of the Relief Society, Sunday School, Y.M.M.I.A. Primary; Aaronic Priesthood Committee, Missionary, and Genealogical Committees and all priesthood Quorums. Numerous changes have been made among the teachers in most organizations.

SACRAMENT MEETINGS

Our average attendance for the past year is the same as a year ago, 19%. The Winter, Spring and Fall months attendance has been better than a year ago, but the summer months this year shows a large decrease over previous summers.

TITHING AND FAST OFFERINGS

The first ten months of this year shows but a very slight decrease (\$71.46) in the amount of tithing paid whereas the number of tithes payers have increased. This is very encouraging in view of the chaotic condition of affairs prevailing in the world today. Again we point out to you that the decrease in tithes cannot be charged wholly to the lack of employment, for there are a number regularly employed and who have paid a goodly tithing other years, but who are today comparatively small if not non-tithes payers. However, a number of our brethren and sisters are to be commended for their regularity in paying tithes as their income is received.

Fast offerings received reveals a similar condition for while there too a decrease (\$17.80) in the amount paid is noted, the number paying has increased.

Contributions received by our Relief Society for the relief of the poor has diminished greatly, so that their funds are practically exhausted. Calls for assistance and money expended for relief has been much greater than for the same period a year ago. These combined conditions will make it much harder for us to render the relief necessary this winter.

PRIESTHOOD AND WARD TEACHING

The Melchizedek Priesthood has an average attendance at Quorum meetings of 32% an increase of 3% over last year, while the Aaronic Priesthood has decreased 1% or from 17% to 16%. However this is a 3% increased attendance for 1931 over the period of 1930 during which priesthood meetings were held on Sunday. Attendance of the boys has not been nearly as good on Sunday as when priesthood meetings were held on Tuesday. The attendance of Teachers and Priests especially is nearly twice as large at present at M.I. A. as at priesthood meetings. Many of these boys stay out late on Saturday night and remain in bed on Sunday Mornings, so that it might appear that their failure to attend priesthood meetings is more of a reflection upon the parent than upon the boy.

It might be well to observe that of the 121 enrolled in the Aaronic Priesthood, that 65 are men well over the Aaronic Priesthood age and almost without exception these men are inactive.

It has been a pleasure to observe the excellent work being done by the boys who do attend. Many times during the year visitors coming to our Sunday School and Sacrament Meetings have commented on the excellent manner in which our priesthood officiate in the ordinance of the Sacrament.

Nov 15-31

1931

Attendance - July 5 - 1931 - 1928 and April 13 - 1929
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We are pleased to report that the Aaronic Priesthood corelation committee as outlined by the Presiding Bishopric is now getting into operation and improvement has been noted the last three months and we believe greater improvement is coming.

AUXILIARIES AND COMMITTEES

The Relief Society have 90 enrolled with an average attendance of 33% and an increase of 5% over last year. In the Sunday School 406 are enrolled with an average attendance of 58% as compared with 59% last year. There are 73 enrolled in the Y.M.M.I.A. with an average attendance of 57% compared with 70% for the same period a year ago. 91 are enrolled in the Y.L.M.I.A. with an average of 70% an increase of 8% over last year. The Primary have 143 enrolled with a 65% average attendance this year and an increase of 7% over the year 1930.

The Geneological committee has been reinforced this year with 11 new members giving us 19 workers. A weekly meeting to which all ward members are welcome is held at 7:30 P.M. each Wednesday. In addition to the regular excursions to the temple they have conducted two Junior baptismal excursions resulting in baptisms being performed for 134 male and 181 female dead or a total of 315.

MISSIONARIES

We have four missionaries laboring in foreign fields. This year one missionary departed for foreign fields and two returned home. Reports coming to us indicate that our Missionaries are doing splendid work.

Eight brethren and sisters have been called this year to serve as local missionaries with appointments in our ward, and three have been released. This gives us 10 missionaries laboring in our ward. Their labors have resulted in 4 baptisms. They have also been instrumental in welcoming newly arrived members into the Ward and in stimulating others to activity.

WARD TEACHING

Our Ward teaching has been ably conducted this year by the Church Service Committees of the Melchizedek Priesthood Quorums. Ninety-nine per cent of the teaching has been done this year an increase of 2% over last year. The attendance of Ward teachers at Sacrament meetings is 47% an increase of 1% over last year.

ACTIVITIES

Since our meeting of a year ago approximately \$7000.00 has been spent ~~in the~~ toward the completion of our chapel, a rolling partition door has been installed in the basement under our recreational hall.

A beautiful plaque has been installed in the chapel and awaits only the completion of the building before unveiling.

The heating and plumbing for the remainder of the building has all been roughed in.

The wiring is all complete ~~in~~ except for the panel board on the stand. This cannot be done until the chapel is ~~done~~ ^{ready}.

Most of the gravel necessary for the outside walks has been hauled. class rooms

The cement floor for the ~~basement~~ under the chapel is complete.

The remaining class rooms and chapel has been plastered with interior colored stucco, so that further decoration is unnecessary. Except for some of the ceilings that will be in paneled Celotex this work is complete.

The windows are all in and ready except the front window in the chapel. Our

Our social activities have included 15 recreational events scheduled on the budget for adults and children; 1 Missionary farewell party; two ward dinner parties; one operetta which was the first of this kind we had attempted; two parties for the ward building fund sponsored by organizations of the ward and three plays. One of these plays went outside of the ward on a number of occasions and were able to return with \$100.00 which was given into the building fund.

The three outstanding ~~social~~ social accomplishments of our younger boys and girls were, the Aaronic Priesthood athletic program and traffic dance; the Cantata and the fall home coming, both by the primary association.

MISCELLANEOUS

Application is now being made upon the trustee-in-trust of the church for all sums of money now due from them for ward building purposes. Upon receipt of this money and its distribution the ward will be entirely out of debt, for which we are very thankful.

$\frac{1}{2}$ The little banks placed in the Sunday School returned \$114.59 this year bringing the total received for the building fund from this source to \$673.44.

14 Scouts went to Camp Kiesel; this being by far the largest number yet to go from our ward.

32 girls and their leaders went to the Stake Camp during the summer, these being the largest and best behaved yet to go to the stake summer camp.

5 of our organizations held social activities with their officers and teachers, and 7 held class or quorum parties in addition to the activities previously listed. We commend these social gatherings to all organizations.

Following are the number of subscriptions we have on record for Church publications:

Era --28; Relief Society Magazine--23; Instructor 17; Children's Friend--10; Utah Geneological Magazine 7.

CONCLUSION

We extend our thanks and appreciation to all the members of our Ward; for the support they are giving us and the fine spirit which prevails here. We appreciate the splendid officers and teachers laboring in all organizations. We are grateful for help given by members of the stake family; especially are we grateful to Bro. Mitchell of the High Council who has served in our Ward a long time.

We pray for a continuation of the Spirit of the Lord in our midst and that we may all be stimulated thereby to greater activity.

Sincerely your brethren

Twentieth Ward Bishopric

We are very pleased to meet with you in this our sixth annual ward conference since our organization five years and eight months ago. Our ward population is 1012.

We have suffered many losses in the personnel of our ward officers and teachers this past year owing to removals, marriage, sickness, calls to other work and employment. A complete reorganization having taken place in the Y.M.M.I.A., Primary and Deacons presidencies. Vacancies also occurring in the presidencies of the Seventies, Elders and Teachers quorums; secretary of the priests quorum; all Aaronic Priesthood supervisors, superintendency of the Sunday School and the Ward chorister. Numerous changes have been made in all auxiliary organizations, missionary and geneological committees; priesthood quorum committees and ward teachers.

SACRAMENT MEETINGS

Our attendance at Sacrament meetings has been better this year than in any year thus far; especially was this true of the summer months attendance, which accounts largely for the increase in average attendance from 19% last year to 22% this year.

PRIESTHOOD

The attendance at priesthood meetings has also increased. With 135 enrolled the average for the Melchizedek Priesthood is 37% compared with 32% last year. The average for the Aaronic Priesthood is 22% an increase of 6% over last year.

It might be well to observe that of the 110 enrolled in the Aaronic priesthood that 65 or more than half the number are way over the Aaronic priesthood age, or the age for their quorums. Forty nine of these are married men who seldom if ever attend. While there is room for improvement, especially among the older boys, these boys of the Aaronic Priesthood have done good efficient work and it is regrettable that their attendance records are held back by so many inactive adults.

AUXILIARIES AND COMMITTEES

Other attendance statistics for the 1st ten months of this year are as follows:

The Relief Society have 90 enrolled with an average attendance of 27% compared with 33% last year.

In the Sunday School 391 are enrolled with an average attendance of 65% as compared with 58% last year.

The Y.M.M.I.A. have 79 enrolled averaging ~~61~~ 64% this year and 57% last year.

Sixty six are enrolled in the Y.L.M.I.A. with an attendance of 88% as compared with 70% last year.

The Geneological committee have 16 enrolled with 85% in attendance compared with 80% last year. In addition to the regular monthly excursions to the Salt Lake temple two were conducted to the Logan temple in which 82 participated doing endowments for 156 people. Two junior baptismal excursions were held with 8 boys and 8 girls participation resulting in 253 baptisms for the dead being performed.

MISSIONARIES

We now have but one missionary laboring in foreign fields. No missionaries going out this year whereas three have returned home.

A year ago there were ten brethren and sisters serving as stake missionaries in our ward. Since then two have removed from the ward. Because of employment, sickness and the long service of others all have recently been released. No others have since been called. Altho this activity for these reasons has been more spasmodic than usual the results have been very satisfactory. Four adults and eight children over 10 years of age who had been cancelled from the church membership records or twelve in all were baptized.

TITHING AND FAST OFFERINGS

Due no doubt to the large number in our Ward unemployed there has been a decrease both in the amount of tithing paid and the number who have paid. Tithes received have not come, in any large amounts but mostly from small regular payments.

Fast offering has increased slightly in amount, altho the number paying has decreased. Receipts by the relief society for their general and charity funds combined have decreased more than one half compared with last year. On the other hand expenditures by the Bishopric and relief society for this year for relief purposes is greater than for the same period a year ago. This condition of course can not continue long for funds available are almost exhausted.

PERSONAL WELFARE---RELIEF WORK

Through our personal welfare and miscellaneous committees, and participated in by the unemployed, peaches were gathered for all families of whom we knew could use them; 35 families have been assisted in putting in their winter potatoes and 32 families put in winter onions. Others were directed in getting apples. Should there be others in need who desire apples we believe arrangements can yet be made to accommodate them. Through these efforts we have in storage we believe sufficient potatoes and onions for our needy this winter; together with some apples.

We have gladly cooperated with the stake in their welfare movements, getting men, women, and trucks when needed. We are happy in the part we played in giving information, men and women which lead to that cooperative movement wherein 12,000 cans of peaches and tomatoes were canned at a local factory in a single day for the four stake relief.

Temporary employment has also been secured for quite a number. Few if any of our unemployed desire charity, preferring to earn their own way. They have rustled wood for fuel; have filled every available bottle with fruit or vegetables and have stored everything they could get. Even then we are not sure that there will not be suffering.

Two parties have been given--one for general relief and the other for specific family relief.

We are grateful for the assistance rendered by the Community Service last winter and the present Weber County Relief Committee.

We would be most unkind if we failed to commend the noble efforts of our Relief Society sisters in this relief work. For surely no ward has been any more fortunate than we in having such a responsible, kind, painstaking, efficient and hard working group of workers.

CHOIR

Our choir, 35 in number, have been most loyal throughout the year. Even summer with its alluring attractions did not take them from their place on Sunday. Only on one occasion during the year, and that so that they could sing in North Ogden, were we without their music.

WARD TEACHING

Our ward teaching, ably directed by the church service committees of the Melchizedek quorums, reached the same 99% of efficiency of the families visited in 1932 as in 1931. Failing this year in having 100% only by the very narrowest of margins.

BUILDING ACTIVITIES

Notwithstanding the depression there has been expended toward the completion of our building approximately \$6700.00 which includes:

Millwork for the recreation hall ceiling, stage proscenium arch, balcony and check room windows.

Payment for windows in the chapel wing of the building.

Installation of the art glass window in the front of the chapel.

Installation of the paneled and beamed ceilings in the class rooms and chapel of the chapel wing.

Baptismal font finished in tile of a beautiful color.

BUILDING ACTIVITIES CONT'D

Door and window trim, except doors, for the class rooms and chapel in the west wing.

Cabinet for choir music and equipment and sacrament trays built in the chapel.

Finished oak wood tile floors placed in class rooms and hall of the chapel wing.

Finished floors laid in the chapel.

Pulpit, Sacrament table and choir loft detail all milled and finished in place.

All floors sanded and finished including the class rooms floors of the recreation hall wing.

Radiators installed in class rooms and chapel except for two ventilating units.

Check room equipped with cloak and hat racks.

Painting of all wood work in the chapel wing and finishing of the oak trim in the recreational hall which had previously only been oiled and filled to preserve the wood.

Along with other contracts let at the first of the year we let a contract for all painting and decorating throughout the entire building; the woodwork to be immediately varnished, and the contractor to have the privilege of accepting other work as it came, just so long as all decorating were completed this fall. For we had felt that we could finish the building this year and that would be about time to have the decorating finished.

When we found that business conditions did not improve with spring or summer and we saw that funds would not be available with which to finish the building or pay this contractor, we suspended completion of the decorating until funds are available; even tho the contractor is willing to complete the work and receive his money next fall or even later.

Through this action we have been able to pay our other contracts; we have kept from plunging you in debt and have saved ourselves much anxiety and embarrassment.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Our social activities have included 15 recreational events scheduled in our budget for adults and children.

Seven officers and teachers parties have been held.

Twelve organization parties, which includes after mutual, quorum and primary home coming parties.

There were 26 class parties held; 5 invitational aaronic priesthood dancing parties and one theater party.

Two one act plays; several weekly children's dancing parties. One very successful three act drama and one carnival dancing party for the building fund.

Our M-men participated in basket ball.

We also took part in the Ogden stake wheels of progress pageant at the stadium.

The several picture shows held were not sufficiently successfully financially to warrant their continuation.

Nineteen of our deacons with the Aaronic priesthood supervisors and the Bishopric recently visited the temple square mission services, the temple grounds, Deseret museum and the State Capitol Building.

Our mutual girls attended the Stake Camp. A number of our ward members availed themselves this summer of the camping facilities at the stake camp grounds.

MISCELLANEOUS

The little banks placed in the Sunday School returned \$88.35 for the year or a total toward the building fund to date of \$761.79.

Following are the number of subscriptions reported to us for church publications: Era 28; Relief Societh Magazine 29; Instructor 15; Childrens Friend 13; Genealogical Magazine 5.

During the year there have been 21 births; 12 deaths; 11 marriages only 2 of which were in the temple, three by stake or ward authorities and 6 by civil authorities. Two of these were married to non-members. Five have been excommunicated, 22 baptized, 25 advanced in the priesthood. There have been 90 received into the ward and 134 removed.

The boy scouts answered the call of the district council to gather clothing for relief. They received honorable mention from the council for completing the canvass and being one of the first three troops

MISCELLANEOUS**CONT'D

in delivering their clothing at relief headquarters without any adult assistance whatsoever.

CONCLUSION

We extend our thanks and appreciation to all the members of the Ward; our officers and teachers and the workers who have served by special appointment; for the support they are giving us and the fine spirit that prevails here. We are grateful for the help extended by our stake family.

We pray for a continuation of the Spirit of the Lord in our midst; that we may be kind, tolerant, charitable, loyal and united.

Sincerely your brethren

Twentieth Ward Bishopric

Seventh Annual Ward Conference Report--Oct 15th, 1933.

It is with a great deal of pleasure that we meet with and welcome you to our Seventh Annual Ward Conference since our organization on March 20th, 1927.

Many changes have taken place in the personnel of our officers, teachers, and members since last year, owing to removals, marriages, sickness, calls to other work and employment. A complete reorganization having taken place in our teachers and two deacons quorums. Vacancies have also occurred in the presidencies of the Y.M. and Y.L.M.I.A., Primary, the Superintendency of the Sunday School--and secretarial changes in the Seventy and Elders quorums. Numerous other changes have been made in all auxiliary organizations, Genealogical committees, priesthood quorum committees and ward teachers.

SACRAMENT MEETINGS

It has been gratifying to us to observe that the attendance at our Sacrament meetings has been increasing the past two years--the average for the first nine months of this year being 23% compared with 21% for the same period last year.

Priesthood

The attendance at Priesthood meeting has increased 6% for the Melchizedek priesthood and 5% for the Aaronic priesthood over the same period last year. According to the ~~attendance~~ stake comparative reports the attendance of the Melchizedek priesthood in our Ward frequently leads the stake and ranks always with the very highest wards in the stake. Except for the fact that thirty nine of the 111 in the Aaronic priesthood are married and over the 20 year age limit for the Aaronic priesthood the records of the boys would be much better; for in most instances these men are inactive. The increased attendance in the Aaronic priesthood, while much lower in per cent than in the Melchizedek priesthood, ^{has been due largely} to the supervisors who are completely organized and improving in their activity. Plans are under way for still an improved organization which should bring even better results for next year.

With the increased attendance at Sacrament and priesthood meeting together with the high percent of ward teaching done our ward has been equal or above the general stake average each month.

The Old folks committee, which had functioned so well in past years, were all released this year so that this work could properly come under the Miscellaneous Activity Committee of the Priesthood.

Recent reports reaching us show that our priesthood Committee weekly reports are in proper form and are confined to the proper activity for each committee.

WARD TEACHING

Our Ward Teaching is under the direction of the Church Service Committee of the Melchizedek priesthood. Ninety-nine percent of the teaching has been completed this year which is the same as last year. This could not have been accomplished except for the large amount of visiting completed by the Committee members. We regret that some teachers accept their call altogether too lightly--frequently neglecting to visit, thereby compelling some one of the committee already burdened with calls to do their work for them. Such teaching cannot be as efficient as if the teacher did his own work. It is disappointing that ward teachers are not all present on report day as they should be. Generally those who fail to attend also fail to have their teaching done and must be followed even to the end of the month and must often be helped with their teaching.

While reporting on Ward teaching it may be well to call to your attention that no ward teacher's outline booklets will be published for 1954. The Ward teachers outlines as published in the Improvement Era will be followed. It is therefore desirable and urged that all families and ward teachers especially have the Era in the home.

TITHING AND FAST OFFERINGS

It is encouraging in view of the chaotic financial conditions that prevail that the tithes for this year are but slightly less (\$100.06) than for the same period a year ago. Increases have been made during the months of March, April July and Sept. with June and August practically even so that it is not improbable for an actual increase before the end of the year. The depression has reduced the number who should pay tithing by one seventh yet the number actually paying has increased by 15%; and there has been a decrease in the non-tithepayers of 34%.

During the month of September the first Presidency of the Church called for a survey of the Church membership relative to relief matters. This we made in part by taking a questionnaire to all families of the ward. Part of the survey was the classification of those in distress as to their tithing record. Of the 275 families in the ward 96 had or were receiving County relief this year. By referring to our records for the past four years we found that of the 96 who are in need of partial or ~~would~~ full relief this winter that only 5 had been full tithers and two of these have no one dependent upon them. There are 20 others who have paid at some time during the four years studied but none of these have paid more than \$15.00 in a year and most of them had paid less than \$5.00 in any of the four years; and 69 have paid no tithing whatsoever. It should be gratifying to you who pay tithing that even though your income has been greatly reduced yet relief is not yet necessary.

Only six fewer have paid fast offering this year whereas the amount contributed is only two thirds as large per capita as a year ago. Contributions to the Relief Society have likewise fallen off.

MISSIONARIES

Two of our number are laboring in foreign missionary fields. While this is below the church quota it is one more than was away a year ago.

Our local missionary work disorganized for sometime is at present being reorganized but has not progressed far enough for presentation of the missionaries to you today.

CHOIR

It seems to us that Sacrament services would be most unattractive without the presence of our choir. Summer with its many counter attractions and vacations did not disturb our choir sufficient to keep them away. At all times they have been in their place. We commend those who have given of their efforts to keep it together and those loyal and faithful members who have not failed the ward--even for a single service.

AUXILIARIES and COMMITTEES

Other attendance statistics for the first nine months of this year are as follows:

The Relief Society have 88 enrolled with an average attendance of 29% for ~~this~~ years, *and 27 per a year ago*

There are 397 enrolled in the Sunday School having an average attendance of 64% an increase of 2% over last year.

63 are enrolled in the Y.M.M.I.A. with 60% in attendance compared with 64% last year.

The Y.L.M.I.A. have 77 enrolled with 85% attending compared with 70% a year ago.

There are 143 enrolled in the Primary whose average is 52% as compared with 60% last year.

There are 12 workers in the Geneological Committee with

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75% attending this year and 66% last year. We are advised by the Stake Committee that in temple work performed thus far this year that our ward leads the stake. Twenty two more people have been recommended to the temple this year than for the same period of 1932

All these organizations should be commended for their efforts. The Relief Society for their noble relief work. The Sunday School in teaching young and old. The M.I.A. and Primary for carrying on the recreational program of the ward and the Geneological committee for the many successful excursions to the Logan, Salt Lake and Manti temples.

BUILDING ACTIVITIES

We have been reluctant during this depressed period to press the members of the ward for funds with which to finish the building. Seeing no definite change in sight we have recently organized our forces to push on toward completion even though the going be rough.

The remaining doors and hardware needed for the chapel wing have been ordered and delivery has been promised within the next three weeks.

With prices steadily advancing we were able with a small down payment to protect the bid made a year ago for the chapel pews--thereby effecting a saving to the ward of the present increased prices of slightly over \$300.00. The pews will be made during the winter season as a fill in job as payments are applied so that should we be able to make full payment on or before April 1st, 1934 we will receive an additional discount over the previous bids. There yet remains the necessity of raising locally \$1000.00 before April 1st, if we are able to get the \$200.00 discount offered and this we propose to get.

The Elders quorum have volunteered to paint the walls of all the rooms upstairs and necessary work has been done to start this work this week. Their donated labor will be deducted from the painting contract let last year but suspended during the present period. It is probable that other painting will be donated this winter and credit applied the same way.

We have no outstanding debts on the building and have sufficient to pay for the doors and hardware when they arrive.

WARD MAINTENANCE

While the building program can be abandoned without it costing us money, this is not the case with ward maintenance for these expenses pile up month after month. This has been by far the hardest thing confronting us this year--how to keep operating without a substantial loss. Our ward maintenance drive now on with which to balance our budget bids fair to bring the needed relief. Nearly sufficient has already been collected to pay our back expenditures to date. There remains however that sum needed to pay for winter fuel, light, water, recreation and organization upkeep for the coming months. We feel sure that with the payments of what has and will yet be pledged that there need be no deficit on the first of the year.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Our social activities have included 15 recreational events scheduled in our budget for adults and children.

Seven officers and teachers parties have been held.

Twelve organization parties which includes after mutual, quorum, relief society, etc have been held.

Twenty two class parties, such as ward, picnic, theater and others have been engaged in.

Our Ward M. Men participated in Basket ball and also are entered in the city Soccer league.

In the M. I. A. contests most events were entered by our members. We received second place in the one act plays in the stake. We won first place in M. Men's public speaking in our stake and second place in this event in the interdivision. Our entry being defeated by the young man who later won the Church finals.

Our stake camp grounds proved far more popular with our members than in years past. Camping and parties were indulged in while 43 of our M.I.A. girls and chaperons crowded the girls home to capacity.

Many other items have been worth of mention but time will

MISCELLANEOUS

The little banks placed in the Sunday School returned \$62.30 for the year or a total towards the building fund to date of \$824.09.

During the year there have been 25 births, 10 deaths, 4 marriages three of which were performed in the temple. Twenty five have been baptized a number of whom were adults--18 advanced in the priesthood. There have been 92 received into the ward and 105 have removed.

CONCLUSION

Our appreciation and thanks goes out to our officers, teachers and numerous workers who have helped in the ward, quorum, and auxiliary organization activities--and to our stake visitors.

We remember and appreciate all of the ward membership, the Lord's children in this a very choice vineyard. These have been loyal and united and we believe enjoying the best ward spirit yet had in our ward.

May we continue so--serving the Lord diligently.

Sincerely your Brethren

Twentieth Ward Bishopric

Thank Counselor & Wives

Eighth Annual Ward Conference Report--Oct 14th, 1934.

It is with a great deal of satisfaction and pleasure that we meet together in our eighth annual Ward Conference, to review our condition for the past year.

Owing to removals, marriages, sickness, ordinations and calls to other organization work numerous changes have occurred during the past year in the personnel of our officers and teachers. Complete reorganizations have occurred in the Elders, Teachers and both Deacon's Quorums. One vacancy occurred in the presidency of the Seventies and Primary association. Various changes have been necessary in all auxiliary organizations, genealogical and priesthood quorum committees and Ward teachers.

SACRAMENT MEETINGS

While the attendance at Sacrament meetings dropped off during the summer months we are grateful that we have been able to maintain an average of 210 people each Sunday for a percentage of 23% which is the same as for the first nine months of last year.

PRIESTHOOD

Our Priesthood quorums show an improved condition over last year. They are following the prescribed course as outlined and committees with one quorum exception have functioned well. Interest, except in the quorum noted, has increased so that attendance records this year are much improved over a year ago. Our Melchizedek priesthood has rated high in the stake rating, leading all city wards month by month as the stake records have come to us. The smaller county wards with few enrolled have even been hard pressed to remain ahead of us. There have been time when they have been lower than we. There are 135 enrolled in the Melchizedek priesthood quorums with an average attendance of 46% compared with 43% last yr.

The Aaronic Priesthood has not been so successful; but even here a steady increase has been going on for the past three years. Only in one year prior to 1931 did we reach as high as 20% attendance; ~~most-always-~~ In 1931 the attendance was 16%. Last year the average had reached 27% and this year so far the attendance has averaged 30%, an increase of 3%.

There are 111 enrolled, of which number 38 are adult men, some of whom have been active this year in the adult Aaronic Priesthood class. Five of our boys are away serving in the army or the navy.

With these increased attendances and with an even break at Sacrament meeting we have been able to maintain our general average above that of the Stake in all but one month this year. A decline in the percentage of ward teaching for the one month was the reason for us falling just under the stake average.

OLD FOLKS

THE ENTERTAINMENT OF OUR Old folks carried on for the last two years under the direction of the Miscellaneous Activity Committees was done so in the same pleasing, efficient manner as heretofore.

WARD TEACHING

At the beginning of the year the ward teaching districts was increased from 43 to 67. This was done with the purpose of placing more teachers in the service as well as reducing the amount of teaching necessary by each teacher. From three to six families is all that they now have to visit. There is but one exception to this.

It has been difficult to keep these 24 extra districts properly organized with responsible ward teachers. This has resulted in a decrease of teaching accomplished from 99% last year to 94% this year. The last two months being primarily responsible for this decrease.

It may be interesting to know that in February all ward teachers and their wives or sweethearts were served at a dinner program at which time a challenge was given by one of the Melchizedek quorums and accepted by the others to a ward teaching contest for six months, based upon the per cent of teaching completed by the teachers themselves and the reports in by the third Sunday of each month. The losers to entertain the winning quorum at another dinner program at the conclusion of the contest.

Last Friday night about 150 gathered in the Recreational Hall for the pay off. The High Priests and Seventies each with 72% did themselves proud in entertain the Elders who won with 75%. Both entertainments were among the finest held in our ward.

TITHING AND FAST OFFERING

It is gratifying to notice that while employment conditions are still bad in the ward and heavy contributions have been made to other funds, that there has been an increase both in the amount of tithes paid and the number paying as compared with the same period last year. Many are trying to pay a more honest tithing than ever before in our ward history.

Fast offering contributions and disbursements are about the same for both years.

We sincerely hope that none of our people are preying upon the county or Government for relief work when relief is not needed. We observe that prosecutions are being made where people fraudulently accept funds. During the past week the Salt Lake papers carried the news of 175 such cases now pending before the courts. A startling condition of one apparently needing no help was uncovered in Ogden thru an automobile accident. There are no doubt many cases here of fraudulent dealings or falsifying in order to get relief. We hope none of our number are guilty of such practices so that we shall have no sorrow among us resulting therefrom.

MISSIONARIES

Two of our number are still laboring in foreign fields. So far this year no others have been called. We should appreciate information from friends or parents or even appreciate volunteers so that others who may be willing and able may get into the field.

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Our local missionary work, organized again since our last conference, has been hampered thru lack of numbers. These five members have been active visiting our adult group in the Aaronic Priesthood and many others of the Melchizedek quorums who have been inactive. It was largely through their efforts that the Aaronic Priesthood class was organized. Their work has resulted in one adult baptism as well as getting a number close onto and over nine years baptized. Recently six others have been called and set apart thereby increasing their numbers to a much better working group.

CHOIR

We desire to commend all those who have given of their time and talents so that our Sacramental services might be enriched with beautiful music. Surely we have been blessed by having our choir actively on the job winter, summer, spring and fall. Rehearsals were abandoned during the summer months but the choir has always been here, sing for our services.

Outstanding among their work the last year were the Christmas and Easter Cantatas. The Easter Cantata entitled "Captain of the Guard" was sung twice in our ward; once at the State Reformatory, and once for the Huntsville ward. They were well received at both of the latter places; and well they could be for their singing was equally good as at home.

We wish Ward Conference could be held on the third Sunday of October each year thereby giving us more time to prepare new music and getting away from the interference which we encounter by following General Conference only one week. This also interferes with getting our people to conference; with getting priesthood quorum reports; and entails an unusual amount of running around to the part of all officers in order to be ready for conference.

AUXILIARIES AND COMMITTEES

Additional statistics for the nine months of this year follow:

In the Relief Society 75 are enrolled with 38% attending as compared with 27% a year ago.

The Sunday School have an enrollment of 469 with 65% attending an increase of 1% over last year.

There are 61 enrolled in the Y.M. M. I. A. with an average attendance of 73% compared with 60% last year.

Eighty seven are enrolled in the Y.W.M.I.A. who have 69% attending compared with 75% a year ago.

The Primary have 139 enrolled with 68% attending as compared with 52% for last year.

There are 10 enrolled in the Genealogical Committee. Approximately 825 endowments for the dead have been performed of the years quota of 1000. 1338 baptisms for the dead have been performed. Besides the regular excursions to Salt Lake two endowment excursions completing 107 endowments were held in the Logan temple. There were also two childrens baptismal excursions to the Logan temple when 415 baptisms were performed.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Relief Society presidency report that they have just completed a visit to every Latter-day saint family in the ward; that they were well received; and that most members are in good health with no serious sickness.

In the Sunday School the Junior Sunday School has been divided into two divisions--the Primary and Kindergarden with a supervisor in each.

In the M. I.A. stake contests we were entered in all events. Our ward won first places in the Drama, Van Guard retold story, and the Gleaner Girl's public speaking contests.

The Adult department sponsored a summer lecture course bringing to us such men as Rev. John Edward Carver, Dr. Geo. W. Middleton, Nephi L. Morris and Levi Edgar Young.

Outstanding among the childrens baptismal excursions was the one to Salt Lake in August. Our ward having gathered 923 names were given the entire stake assignment so that we were able to send 40 boys and girls to the temple, to do this work. They were complimented at the temple for this extraordinary ward undertaking. Most of these boys and girls visited the temple mission accompanying a group of tourists thru the grounds. The missionary in charge observing such a large group of children inquired of them what they were doing. These were proud children when they arose before those tourists and listened to the explanation of the reasons for them being there.

The little banks placed in the Sunday School returned \$858.98 during our building campaign.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Our social activities have included 14 ward recreational events for adults and children.

Ten officers and teachers parties have been held.

Fourteen organization parties which includes after mutual, quorum, relief society, etc have been held.

Twenty class parties, such as ward, picnic, theater and others were engaged in.

In addition to these were those dinner, dancing, and drama parties given for our building fund.

Our M-men participated in basketball and soccer.

M.I. A. contest have already been mentioned.

A group of our young people spent their leisure time this summer preparing two one act plays.

The stake camp grounds proved popular among ward members, but our girls camp failed to respond as usual, this year on account of their assignment coming so close to the opening of school.

Many other items worthy of mention must be passed as time will not permit.

MISCELLANEOUS

The following subscriptions to church magazines are on record:
Relief Society magazine 37; Instructor 26; Children's Friend 13;
Utah Geneological Magazine 3; Improvement Era (our full quota of)71.

During the year there have been 12 births; 7 deaths; 17 marriages

10 of who were performed in the temple, 6 were married by ward authorities and one was by civil authority. Only one of these 17 was married to a non-member. 22 have been baptized; 29 advanced in the priesthood; 169 have been received from other wards; and 134 removed from the ward; two have been divorced; 161 have been recommended to the temple.

WARD MAINTENANCE

Ever since our ward organization we have operated on a budget plan both for ward maintenance and recreation. Last year we used a voluntary system of contribution with no charge whatsoever for recreation. This we gave or included as part of the ward maintenance. It added materially to the social side of the ward for every one could come just as easily as though they were coming to any service. We were compelled to skimp and watch carefully always but have been successful in keeping out of debt. This year the plan will be as open in all events but will be modified somewhat to include subscription to the church magazines. ~~These lists~~ Lists of contributions desired from the various families are ready and will probably go into all homes this week.

BUILDING ACTIVITIES

Perhaps the greatest accomplishment of our years activity is that which brought about the completion and dedication of our chapel on June 24th. Few if any will ever forget the wonderful meetings of that memorial day marking the culmination of our efforts extending back to March 20th, 1927; and back through four years of most discouraging financial depression. We will all point with pride to this achievement for years to come.

CONCLUSION

Completing a period such as this causes us to give thanks to our ~~father who has~~ heavenly Father who has sustained and aided us; thanks and appreciation to our wonderful officers and teachers; thanks to the noble people who reside here; and thanks to our stake visitors and stake authorities.

May the spirit of unity, cooperation, and love continue with us--that our desire and opportunity to serve the Lord may not be impaired

Sincerely your brethren

Twentieth Ward Bishopric

Ninth Annual Ward Conference-----October 27th, 1935

In compiling the report for this year we did so as usual with the intention of gaining the facts pertaining to our ward welfare; seeking out the weak points as well as the strong.

Removals from the ward, marriages, sickness, ordinations and calls to other organization work have necessitated numerous changes during the year in the personnel of our officers and teachers. [Vacancies occurred in the presidencies of the Seventy and Elders quorums, the Y.W.M.I.A., Primary and Sunday School. Reorganization taking place in two of these, namely, the Y.W.M.I.A. and Sunday School. Various changes have been necessary in all auxiliary organization, genealogical, missionary and priesthood quorum committees, choir and ward teachers. In the Sunday School 22 were released and 22 sustained. Some of the smaller organizations lost equally as large a percentage of their workers. We do not recall a year when changes have been so fast and numerous.

SACRAMENT MEETINGS

Attendance at Sacrament meetings shows a decrease of 2% for the first nine months this year as compared with the same period a year ago. It is also 2% below the stake average for the same period. (Stake 22--Ward 20)

PRIESTHOOD

Since our last conference the Priesthood has been combined with the Sunday School. At first attendance was greater and interest ran high, but since it seems to have been on the wane. The attendance at Melchizedek priesthood meeting dropped from 46% to 39%, which is however, still 8 points above the stake average.

The decline in priesthood has been reflected thru-out all their activities and attendances at other services. We are now holding the priesthood prayer and cooperative meeting at 9:30 A. M. each Sunday morning and anticipate that it will prove more effective and beneficial than the Wednesday evening meeting.

All quorums are following the prescribed courses of study and form of organization as suggested by the General Authorities.

The Aaronic priesthood has shown the same condition with 24% attending this year as against 30% last year. As like begets like, so it is 'like father like son.' Of the 118 enrolled in the Aaronic Priesthood 63 are over 20 years of age. Nearly all of whom are inactive, so that the boys are handicapped by their elders. Difficulty has been experienced in having supervisors for the boys. The committee, but recently reinforced, we hope will remain intact and function as it should.

OLD FOLKS

Our old folks entertainment was carried on again this year thru the cooperation of our Miscellaneous activities committees and Relief Society in an equally efficient and pleasing manner. The day was unusually warm, but having the best location in the park our people were very comfortable.

WARD TEACHING

Shakespeare - Be it that than be me to follow

No changes have been made this year in the number of districts, there being 67. Our average visits for the year was 93% compared with 94% a year ago. More and more do the brethren attempt to excuse themselves from this most important call, casting an increasing obligation upon the Church Service Committee and Ward Bishopric. Ward teaching should be the organized missionary work at home. A study of this report should easily convince any thinking teacher of the desirability and necessity of increased vigilance and more effective teaching.

The recent visits in the interest of ward maintenance also brought to our attention the work that should be done all over the ward. We cite a few conditions, that you as teachers have in nearly every district:

Some said, "we have lived in the ward six months to a year and a half and have never seen a ward teacher," yet a teacher calls next door." *England*

Another said, "don't send so and so here as a teacher any more, he teaches my children more false doctrine than we parents can overcome in weeks."

Others said, "Please ask the Bishop to send us ward teachers who can teach us the Gospel. We need the Gospel and its encouragement." *Edison*

Still another said, "we want the teachers, but we cant get the family in if they see the teachers first, because they never know when to go, even tho all they said say could have been said in five minutes."

Another who had previously refused to receive the letter and the subscription card said, "money, money, that's all the only time anyone comes to see us. We've lived here a year and we see ward teachers walk by our home monthly." Now nothing could be farther from the truth than wanting their money--we would far rather have them in person and in spirit than all of their money. Fortunately a fine, tactful young man called on them. He made friends with them, converted them--and others have since called on them and they have paid ward maintenance and we believe made much happier than they were before.

The Missionary Committee write in their report to the Bishop, "We find that there is a great need of missionary work among our own members. Some of our worst enemies are not outsiders as one would think but are those who are on the rolls as members."

One of the ward maintenance workers returned and said, "Is Mr. and Mrs. _____ members of the church"? When informed that they were and that the brother held the Melchisedek Priesthood he said, "how in the world did he ever do it, you would never know they were even members. They asked me many questions among which was to tell them about the coming forth of the Book of Mormon and when I concluded, they said, 'we don't believe it.' "

These visits were climaxed with this notation on the back of the letter,

Dear Bishop:

Just mark our name off because we dont never attend any meetings and I don't want you to be bothered with us. I thank you.

Signed _____

P. S. Because it makes it bad for the church when you have our name down and we never come out to meetings. If we were fixed so we could pay our tithing then I wouldn't mind. I thank you again so just drop us out of the picture for now.

We ask you sane thinking people, Do we need anyone worse than we need teachers?

TITHING AND FAST OFFERING

We are pleased to report that with seemingly improved employment the conditions that our people are keeping up with the trend in the payment of their tithes. Not only has the amount received increased but the number paying have likewise increased. Our members are paying as they receive which is as it should be.

Fast offerings, while still less than they should be, have likewise increased as has the number paying.

We repeat from our last conference report, "we sincerely hope that none of our people are preying upon the County or Government for relief when relief is not needed." or that because of that relief they fail seeking to help themselves.

MISSIONARIES

With the recent return of Wendel C. Porter from the East Central States Mission, our number has been reduced to one. That one is Byron K. Belnap who is laboring in the Swiss-German Mission.

There are nine brethren and sisters engaged in our local missionary work. Their efforts and accomplishments will compare favorable with many of the conferences in foreign fields. During the year they served 1293 hours,; made 1435 calls of which 520 were first visits. They have had 1402 gospel conversations; distributed 304 tracts; held 5 cottage meetings; visited both members and non-members resulting in 11 baptisms. Of these 2 were adults and 9 were children over nine years of age who had been dropped from the church membership record.

CHOIR

No No Sacrament service is complete without music. Most desirable is that which is and has been rendered by our ward choir. The winters have not been too cold or the summers too hot to swerve them from their purpose. They are always with us, lightening the Bishopric's responsibilities and enriching our services. Christmas or special occasions do not pass by without an extra effort on their part to please us.

AUXILIARIES AND COMMITTEES

Additional statistics for the nine months of this year follows:

There are 75 enrolled in the Relief Society with an average attendance of 31 % as compared with 38% last year.

The Sunday School enrollment is 449 with 60% attending compared with 65 % a year ago.

66 are enrolled in the YMMIA with an average attendance of 74% an increase of 1% over last year.

There are 80 enrolled in the YWMIA with 65% attending for the nine months mutual period compared with 69% for the year before.

The Primary have 127 enrolled with 67% attending compared with 68% a year ago.

There are 13 enrolled in the Genealogical Committee. Endowments for the living and dead total 845. Baptisms for the dead were performed for 2306. Having accumulated sufficient names to handle an entire stake excursion our ward was again permitted to have a ward baptismal day. On one occasion 40 boys and girls from the Church History class of the Sunday School with escorts, went to Salt Lake. Besides baptisms being performed, they attended the temple mission services, visited the Desert

Museum, and the exhibits at the State Capitol. Needless to say they were a happy but weary lot who returned home.

Besides the monthly endowment excursions to Salt lake, excursions have been conducted this year to Logan, Manti and St. George.

The Seventies and Elders quorums have promoted temple excursions.

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST AND SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Since our last conference a new reed organ has been installed here in the chapel and fully paid for.

The Seventies Quorum cleaned and renovated their class room.

The Sunday School painted the benches used in the Junior Sunday School. The little banks, so common while we were building this house, returned to the Sunday School. Thru contributions therein sound equipment has been arranged for so that overflow services such as this morning may be held; music for marching will be heard in all parts of the building; recreational facilities will be increased so that children from 10 to 13 inclusive, excluded from adult dances may more frequently enjoy early evening parties.

The Relief Society have recently completed a visit thru-out the ward, in the interest of their magazine subscriptions, inviting members to attend ward meetings and participate in the ward activities. They report that they were very well received in the homes.

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Our social activities have been well handled by the MIA and Primary. 14 major ward recreational events were held for adults and children. 22 officers and teachers parties have been held. 14 organization parties which includes after mutual, quorum, relief society, etc. have been held. 27 class parties, such as ward, picnic, theater and others were engaged in.

Our M-Men participated in Basketball.

A Ward Father's and Son's outing sponsored by Aaronic Priesthood was held at the Stake Camp grounds. It was well enjoyed.

As a picnic grounds for 1 day our stake camp was again popular. The place set aside for campers was little used by our members as it was unattractive and altogether too close to the girl's cottage. More of our girls attended camp this year than the year before.

Many other worthy items must be passed for want of time.

MISCELLANEOUS

The following subscriptions to church magazines are on record: Relief Society 56; Instructor 18; Children's Friend 14; Utah Geneological Magazine 3; Improvement Era 73 (our quota is 70). Renewals must now be made for the ensuing year. Quorum Bulletins (High Priests 21, Seventy 29; Elders 18.

During the year there have been 24 births; 7 deaths. Of the 9 marriages 2 were performed in the temple, 3 were married by stake or ward authorities and 4 were by civil authority; 2 married non-members. 33 have been baptized, 26 were advanced in the Priesthood, 104 have been received from other wards and 114 have removed. 180 recommends to the temples have been issued.

WARD MAINTENANCE

We believe that the manner in which our workers were received and the willing response to our inexpensive ward maintenance plan is evidence that it is correct and appreciated.

No longer is it necessary to commercial our recreation. Rich and poor alike may all come; the doors are wide open, just *all are*

just as welcome and free to come as when you entered this building tonight. Season tickets are issued to all over ~~five-years~~-six years for a matter of convenience and for your identification as ward members; and for the further purpose of receiving a ward maintenance contribution from those not of our number.

We are more than pleased to report that we are free from debt and that current bills are being met as they accrue.

We believe that the time has come for us who live in this section of the city to more fully exert ourselves in civic affairs; to elect those who reside in our locality; who understand our problems and will also work for our interests.

For years large sums of money have been collected in this vicinity with little of it returning for the improvement of our streets, broken sidewalks, curb and gutterings, obnoxious weeds eradication, or the elimination of certain mud and water holes at our street crossings and in some cases gradings that retain the mud and water on our sidewalks.

People here must want better things and demand them if they retain their invested property rights. Financial institutions hesitate and in many instances refuse to invest any money north of 23rd street.

Yearly we lose much of our best trained leadership, in part, for lack of proper housing facilities, wash boarded streets, and in being sidetracked by certain financial institutions and realtors, lending strength to the attitude of certain of the residents of our city that this is an unfit place of residence for respectable and high class people.

The building of homes in our section of the city is almost nil; not that people do not wish to live here but because of the difficulty encountered in financing old and new construction.

CONCLUSION

We are convinced that no finer people live anywhere than those who live in the 20th ward; that most of them are indeed rich in spirit; that sin and degradation has little in common here.

We are grateful to God for the humility of this people and pray that the spirit of unity, cooperation and love may ever continue.

Respectfully submitted

Your Brethren of the Twentieth Ward Bishopric.

*Amos
Brian*

TENTH ANNUAL WARD CONFERENCE----October 18th, 1936

~~1935 Minutes~~

Following our usual custom, we have compiled this report for the purpose of getting a true picture of our ward, so that the information herein contained may guide us toward improvement.

There has been a greater turnover in the personnel of our officers and teachers, ward teachers, and relief society teachers this past year than at any time in the history of our ward. In fact too many changes, owing to marriage, removals, sickness, etc. have been necessary for efficient work, and will be reflected through out this report.

Complete reorganizations have taken place in the High Priests group, YMMIA and YWMIA and Sunday School superintendency and twice in the presidency of the Elders Quorum. Unfilled vacancies remain in the presidents of Seventy which has greatly hampered their activity, also in the Sunday School Superintendency, Genealogical Committee, Aaronic Priesthood supervisors, and in the teaching force of practically every organization, ward teachers and committees of all Melchizedek priesthood quorums.

These vacancies are being filled just as rapidly as capable and willing workers can be found.

SACRAMENT MEETINGS

The attendance at sacrament meetings is 17% compared with 20% a year ago, or four points lower than the stake average. (Stake 21%--Ward 17%)

PRIESTHOOD

The Melchizedek Priesthood has not measured up to the high standards of previous years; due in part to the disorganized condition referred to. Attendance at priesthood meeting is 33% as compared with 39% a year ago. (Stake 31%--Ward 33%).

The Aaronic Priesthood have increased their attendance from 24% to 28%, just one point under the Stake average. (Stake 29%--Ward 28%). Our boys, 63 in number of Aaronic Priesthood age 12 to 19, are doing very well as to attendance and activities but are handicapped in their showing by the 67 adults still enrolled in the offices of the Aaronic Priesthood.

Since combining the Priesthood with the Sunday School, more than a year ago, our attendance has declined in the Melchizedek Priesthood from 46% to 33%; whereas the Aaronic Priesthood eventhough increasing 4% this year ~~xxx~~ have declined 3%.

All Quorums are following the prescribed courses of study and form of organizations as suggested by the General Authorities.

OLD FOLKS

The old folks of our ward were entertained, with others of the county at Lorin Farr Park, this summer. Through the splendid cooperation of the Relief Society and members of the Miscellaneous Committees an unusually pleasant time was had.

TITHING AND FAST OFFERING

A considerable improvement has been made in the payment of tithing both as to amount and the number paying. The increase in amount paid is 22%. There are 55 more tithepayers this year than for the same period a year ago; and 49 fewer non-tithepayers which ^{brings} the total ~~for~~ non-tithepayers ~~at~~ the lowest point in years at this season of the year.

All titheable High Priests were on the tithepayers roll ~~for~~ last year. We hope that not only High Priests but all titheable members of the Priesthood are on the tithing rolls for 1936. We likewise urge all parents of the ward to encourage their children in tithing, and see that their names along with you parents are on the rolls for this year.

There has been an increase in the payment of fast offerings, but it is considerable short of the \$1.00 per capita minimum as asked for by the Church Authorities. This amount itself would be all together too little, if people actually lived the law of the fast and refrained from two meals and contributed its equivalent as their offering. There are many families in the ward who do not pay even \$1.00 per family for the year. Others contribute ten to twenty five cents monthly which is far below what they would spend for two meals. By fasting and contributing the sum which would have been spent for food none are any worse off financially than had they spent the money for food. Surely the physical system will not be impaired by one days rest from food each month.

The Deacons are assigned to leave envelopes each month in the home of all members for their convenience in making their offering at the office of the Bishopric on Fast Day. Some Deacons are good salesmen and sell themselves and the system to the Saints accounting each month for all envelopes entrusted to them. Others fail in part because they lack persuasion, persistency, dependability or are careless; and in part because some families lack consideration for the boys by misplacing the envelopes, general indifference or a cant be bothered attitude.

The fact that a Deacon fails to return for the envelope, and some of them fail, does not relieve the members from the responsibility of paying. In cases where members do not attend the Fast Day Services and the Deacon fails to call, they should themselves deliver their offering to a member of the Bishopric; one of whom will be found living not far from your home.

We stress these things because of the importance Fast Offering plays in the Church Security Plan as now outlined.

SECURITY PLAN

In keeping with this program nearly all families in the ward have been contacted through a ward survey.

A high quality of food and clothing gathered mostly through the efforts of the relief society organization has been placed in the Four Stake Bishop's Storehouse on Grant Avenue. This spacious storehouse is rent free, and will be found most advantageous to all wards in that a much larger and better supply will be available when needed.

We lack at this time a Ward Work Director in order to complete our organization.

WARD TEACHING

Our average visits for the year is 86% compared to 93% a year ago. No change has been made in the number of districts, which number 67, although it has been most difficult to keep teachers in the districts. Many of the brethren attempt to excuse themselves from this important call--the home missionary work of the Church--thereby increasing the burden for the Church service committees and Ward Bishopric.

We appreciate the attitude of one busy teacher who when discussing with the Bishopric the possibility of being released because he couldn't find time to teach, cut short his request by saying, "I'll squeeze out time for my teaching, it won't be hard for me to find one to two hours once a month, busy as I think I am, but I can see that it will be difficult for the Bishopric to squeeze in two hours for me and everyone else who falls down on their particular job." Since then he has one of our best teachers.

We wish all of the Priesthood had the same consideration. Only last month 17 pairs of teachers were too busy to squeeze in two hours to do their teaching, the equivalent of three full eight hour days,--yet they supposed some one could easily assume this additional load for them.

A study of this report should convince the most skeptical teacher of the necessity of helping to bring about more and better teaching.

Brethren who wish to gain control over themselves can profitably adopt the words of salesman Brewer in regard to Ward teaching or any other thing for that matter when he said, "I'll do the thing that ought to be done when it ought to be done, whether I like it or not."

MISSIONARIES

With the return this year of Byron Belnap from the Swiss and German mission our ward was left with ~~3~~ foreign missionaries. So far this year we have been unable to get the parents and the boys together--for when the boy has been willing the parents have declined and when the parents have been anxious the boy has declined to serve.

It may be that some one who has not been interviewed by the Bishopric would like to serve in the Missionary field. Information from the prospective missionary, his or her parents or friends that will help in getting into the Missionary field all who are able and willing to go, will be appreciated.

The nine brethren and sisters who have served so faithfully and well as Stake Missionaries have ~~just~~ recently been released by the Stake Presidency, in keeping with their desire to reorganize local Missionary work within the Stake along somewhat different lines.

CHOIR

The work of our choir and its officers has been well done and their efforts have been greatly appreciated and enjoyed, even though to them, at times, it has been most discouraging. Members who are called to the Choir service should hold it as important and as sacred as though they were individually asked to speak or sing.

If those of the ward who can sing, and some who think they cannot but can, would respond as willing and faithfully as the officers and many of the choir, it would be larger and better.

Mission Council

In the interest of improved music in the ward, three choristers and one organist are enrolled at the McCune School of music being held weekly for six months at the Weber College.

AUXILIARIES AND COMMITTEES

Additional statistics for the nine months of this year follows:

There are 75 enrolled in the Relief Society with an average attendance of 34% an increase of 3% over last year.

The enrollment of the Sunday School is 387 with 59% attending compared with 60% a year ago.

51 are enrolled in the YMMIA with 71% attending as compared with 73% last year.

The YWMA have 74 enrolled with 55% attendance compared with 65% for the same period last year.

There are 121 enrolled in the Primary with 64% in attendance this year and 67% last year.

The Genealogical Committee with 13 enrolled have been more than handicapped the last few months due to employment preventing their leader from being present. In spite of discouragement they have a commendable record in endowments, sealings of husband and wife and of children to parents, junior temple excursions for baptisms for the dead, and adult excursions to both Salt Lake and Logan temples.

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST AND SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Since our last conference the ornamental fences have been placed at the front entry to the building; brass hand rails to the main entrance installed; the stairs repaired to the class rooms and hand rails are now ready to be put in place leading down these stairs.

The front entry, upper class rooms, lower halls and class rooms in the east wing were cleaned.

Sound equipment has been added to the ward properties. Dancing parties for children 11 to 13 years inclusive were held nearly every two weeks from Christmas until Spring. These are made possible with the sound equipment. Such parties will be continued all this winter.

The Relief Society carried off a \$5.00 prize at their convention at the 6th ward for having the largest number of articles at the display.

The social activities of the ward have been well cared for by the MIA and Primary; 18 major ward recreational events were held for adults and children; 17 officers and teachers parties have been held; 14 organization parties which include after Mutual, Quorum, Relief Society, primary have been held; 17 class parties such as ward, picnic, or theater were engaged in.

Our M-Man participated in Basketball.

A very pleasant time was had at the stake camp grounds by the 15 girls and the 2 matrons who went there this summer.

Carroll Rd outing to Logan

MISCELLANEOUS

The following subscriptions to church magazines are on record: Relief Society Magazine 63; Instructor 9; children's Friend 3; Improvement Era 77 (our quota is 70). Renewals must now be made for the ensuing year.

Since January first there have been 29 births and 8 deaths. Of the 10 marriages to date 2 were performed in the temple, 3 were married by Stake or Ward authorities and 5 were by civil authority; 2 married non-members. 22 have been baptized, 38 were advanced in the priesthood; 86 have been received from other wards and 118 have removed; 176 recommends have been issued to the temple.

WARD MAINTENANCE

Again our ward maintenance plan is being well received which is evidence that it is the correct system and is appreciated by the people.

A small assessment is made to each family based to the best of our knowledge and belief of their ability to pay. This assessment covers all ward maintenance items, recreation and where paid up assessments of \$7.00 or more are made the choice of any church magazine is had. Including all these our average assessment for the coming year is only \$5.31. A wide response is necessary in order to maintain such a low level.

Recreation under this plan is no longer commercialized in our ward--but all may come as freely as they go to church. Season tickets are issued to all ward residents over 6 years of age for a matter of convenience and for your identification as ward members, and for the further purpose of receiving a ward maintenance contribution from those not of our number.

We are pleased to report that we are out of debt.

CONCLUSION

We are glad for the recent street improvements which have been made; believing that this will help us in getting better homes in the ward and of helping us hold many fine tenants who wish to live here.

We are grateful to those who have contributed flowers and decorations through the year.

No finer people live--than those of the twentieth ward--most of whom are rich in spirit. We have little or no crime here.

May unity, love, and cooperation continue to abide in our midst--that our desire to serve the Lord more fully may increase.

Sincerely your brethren

Twentieth Ward Bishopric.

*Thank all for help at conf
Wife. A. Cannon*

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Report is made of material which is on going which to build it.

ELEVENTH ANNUAL WARD CONFERENCE---October 17th, 1937

This report is compiled for the purpose of reflecting as near as possible the condition of our Ward. Much information has been received from the organizations which cannot be written here. It will be used by the Bishopric in a further study of the organizations.

Removals, marriages, sickness and death have played havoc among the personnel of our officers, teachers, ward teachers, Quorum committees and special committees. The High Priests class committee and Relief Society presidency are the only ones not requiring changes.

Unfilled vacancies remain in the Sunday School Superintendency and presidency of the YMMIA. An uncertain condition prevails in two other organizations. Part and many times all of our Bishopric meetings is devoted to reorganizations.

SACRAMENT MEETINGS

The attendance at Sacrament meeting is 16% compared with 17% a year ago.

PRIESTHOOD

On a basis of actual enrollment and attendance as shown by the rolls from week to week the percentage of attendance at Melchizedek priesthood meeting is as follows: High Priests 49%, Seventies 37%, Elders 23% for an average of 36% an increase of 3% over the same period last year.

The Aaronic Priesthood did not keep pace with the year previous having only 21% average attendance compared with 28% a year ago. The attendance of those of Aaronic priesthood age (12 to 20) was 40% so you can see what 59 inactive adult men do to these averages.

All quorums are following the prescribed courses and form of organizations as suggested by the general authorities.

OLD FOLKS

The old folks who assembled at Lorin Farr Park this summer were not as numerous as heretofore. Father time, it seems, worked overtime in thinning our ranks of lovely and prominent souls. The day itself was most ideal. No better entertainment has been given to our fine elderly people.

We commend the Quorum Miscellaneous activity committees, together with the sisters (most of whom were affiliated with the Relief Society) for their assistance.

TITHING AND FAST OFFERING

Our tithing record in most respects is not as good as a year ago. The amount paid is 6% less whereas the per capita payment is 20 cents greater than a year ago. The decrease in amount paid is no doubt accounted for by the fact that last year's receipts included October fast day held the last Sunday in September, whereas this year's September receipts are not included in the October fast day which was not held until October 10th.

The hardest items to account for are the 50 fewer tithe-payers and the 67 more non tithepayers this year than one year ago.

For the second consecutive year all titheable High Priests were on the tithepayers roll last year. We commend this to other quorums, organizations and families. There are some families all of whose members are tithepayers. ✓

Although there has been an increase in the fast offerings received from twenty cents per capita last year to forty one cents this year we are thirty four cents behind the minimum set by the church at this period of the year.

It is evident that the law of the fast is neglected as we are contributing at the rate of two and one third cents per meal per person. The fast offering law is given so as not to increase the living expense--for through fasting we save the money we otherwise would spend for food. And it is this saving that we are expected to contribute.

The fast offering collections would no doubt be increased if parents of Deacons assigned were more alert in seeing that their sons discharged this duty of collection regularly and well. There may be no direct temporal pay to the Deacon, but there is a definite pay off in that it is a business assignment developing salesmanship and dependability. Assignments (though graciously given) if neglected, slothfully or carelessly filled may serve as a permanent injury to the boy.

True Latter-day Saints will see that their offerings reach the Ward Bishopric, not giving as an excuse for non-payment-- "the Deacon did not call."

Fasting is not complete without the offering and both are most important in assuring the success of the Church Security plan.

SECURITY PLAN

Since our last conference Clarence A. Manning and Ada Egginton have been sustained as Ward Work Directors. Both of whom are to be commended for their labors.

The relief society recently completed a survey to all homes in the ward, and were well received. The Melchizedek priesthood personal welfare committees are still working to complete their family contribution lists. Returns are very meager so we can only report its result in a small part as follows and turned in to the Bishop's storehouse: 113 bottles of fruit and vegetables

14 miscellaneous articles, two ranges, 72 storehouse bottles are being filled by ward members.

Some of our boys worked two days picking beans. Ten bushel of beans (nearly 300 cans) and one bushel of apples were canned under the direction of the Relief Society sisters and Ada Egginton.

Our Ward projects this year have been; repairs to the heating system in the east wing class rooms; painting and repairing the exterior of the building; cleaning the interior of the building; both the cleaning and painting are nearing completion; and the installing of a stoker.

Twenty three families comprising 92 persons have been given assistance. Many others have been guided to temporary employment. We have been fortunate in having Brother Woods as warehouse foreman at the California Packing Corp. Not a few of our boys and men have found employment there. So many at times that the employees of the warehouse have been referred to as "Herb's Deacons".

So far we have only scratched the surface of this new work. We are beginning to have our eyes opened to the possibilities of well doing through these projects--and projects can only be started and maintained through the observance of the fast and the proper contribution.

WARD TEACHING

Picking up in our ward teaching the last two months has helped in raising our average for the year to 89% an increase of 3% over the first nine months for last year.

The attitude of some of our priesthood toward this vitalizing movement is not good. They excuse themselves or refuse for no cause at all. This, together with removals has added burdens to quorum presidencies, committeemen and Bishopric such as we have never had before in ward teaching. There are others who have responded nobly and we are most grateful to them.

MISSIONARIES

FOR MORE THAN a year and one half we have been without a missionary in foreign fields. We have tried to remedy this condition and hate to admit that as a ward we lack the true missionary spirit. The Bishopric would appreciate any tip or suggestion as to any who can or will go. Whether or not they have the means with which to go does not matter.

CHOIR

Rehearsing and more rehearsing, and the constant struggle to keep alive its membership must be discouraging to the leaders and faithful ones who come time after time--even all the time. We commend their efforts in the enriching of our sacramental services.

The Christmas and Easter Cantatas were well received. Each being sung in one other ward.

Again we are taking advantage of the weekly music classes given at the Weber College by the McCune School of Music. Four Choristers and one organist are attending.

AUXILIARIES AND COMMITTEES

Other statistics for the nine months follow:

75 are enrolled in the Relief Society with 29% attending compared with 34% last year.

There are 415 enrolled in Sunday School with 57% average attendance compared with 59% a year ago.

59 have enrolled in the YMMIA and 65% attend compared with 71% at the same time last year.

The YWMIA have 70 enrolled and 55% is the attendance for each year.

There are 130 enrolled in Primary with an average attendance of 60% compared with 64% last year.

Members of the Senior and Junior ^{Genealogical} Committees are to be commended for carrying on in face of much discouragement. Excursions to Salt Lake and Logan have been participated in. The Ward officers and teachers spent one evening at Salt Lake Temple. Two Quorums have conducted temple excursions. It has been an inspiration to see families previously denied temple priveleges endowed and sealed to each other.

More workers with the true spirit of Genealogical work are needed in our committees.

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST AND SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

COTTAGE meetings of the High Priests at the homes of their sick brethren and the temple work of the elders quorum are worthy of mention.

20 of our girls enjoyed themselves at the stake summer camp. The caretakers reported that of all girls attending the camp during their two years of supervision, ours were in obedience, enjoyment, agreeableness, easily the outstanding group.

Two ward outings were held during the summer.

Mother's day was again reverently observed. The Sunday School and ward combined in distributing souvenirs to the Mothers.

The trailbuilders boys visited the city jail and pine view dam and also participated in the pageant for Pres. Thos. E. McKay.

The Aaronic Priesthood boys attended the State Intercollegiate track meet at Salt Lake City--thence journeying through Farley's canyon to Park City and the Echo Dam returning via Weber Canyon.

The employers busied themselves by playing softball in the city independent league. At the close of the season they played a best two out of three game series with the Taylorsville ward winners of the Salt Lake Area tournament, winning both games by scores of 14 to 4 and 4 to 2.

The Primary and Mutuals gave an excellent demonstration of conducting ward recreation.

24 major ward recreational events were held for adults and children--with ten additional parties for the 11 to 13 year old group. 19 officers and teachers parties have been held; 23 organization and class parties which include after mutual, quorum, relief society, primary, picnic and swimming were engaged in.

MISCELLANEOUS

The following subscriptions to church magazines are of record: Relief Society Magazine 60; The Instructor 22; Sunday School and Quorum bulletins 124; Children's Friend 5; Improvement Era 80 (surpassing our quota of 75); Renewals must now be made for the ensueing year.

Since January 1st there have been 11 deaths and 19 births. Of the 8 marriages, 2 were in the temple 4 by stake or ward authority and 2 by civil authority--none were to non-members. 22 have been baptized (which includes 5 non-members of the church); 15 have been advanced in the Priesthood; 124 have been received into the ward and 91 have removed; 174 recommends have been issued to the temples; 5 new homes have been built in the ward.

WARD MAINTENANCE

The Priesthood recently approved the ward maintenance plan as similarly used in the past, known as a full budget plan. The exception to last year's plan being that season tickets will no longer be distributed to families who fail to contribute.

CONCLUSION

We appreciate and feel to thank those who have contributed flowers and decorations throughout the year.

We are grateful to the fine membership of our ward.

May the spirit of the Lord continue to permiate your souls.

Sincerely your brethren

Twentieth Ward Bishopric

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TWELFTH ANNUAL WARD CONFERENCE---October 30, 1938

Once more we are pleased to meet in Ward Conference and review Ward conditions, briefly. Much useful information gathered from our organizations cannot be written into this report but will be of help to the Bishopric and organizations generally.

As usual, since last Conference, many vacancies have occurred, but we are glad to report that we have very nearly a complete personnel in all organizations.

SACRAMENT MEETING

The attendance at Sacrament Meeting is 21%, compared with 16% a year ago. Most gratifying has been the large attendance of our young people.

PRIESTHOOD MEETING

Attendance at Priesthood Meeting shows: Melchizedek Priesthood 47% compared with 46% last year. The Aaronic Priesthood, including the adult members, is 32% compared with 26% a year ago. The attendance of boys from 12 to 20 years is 43%, a 3% increase over last year.

All Quorums are following the prescribed courses of study.

TITHING AND FAST OFFERING

There is a slight decrease in our tithing record from a year ago. We are hopeful, however, that Quorums will cooperate sufficiently to see that our yearly standing does not show a decrease.

For the 3rd consecutive year, all titheable High Priests were on the tithing records last year.

Fast offerings received so far this year are \$.427 per capita, a 2¢ per capita increase over last year--but is 32¢ per capita short of the minimum we should have at the end of the 3rd quarter.

Quorum presidencies should ascertain the amounts contributed by their membership and strive to encourage all their members to at least reach the minimum, which is \$1.00 per capita, before the end of the year.

CHURCH WELFARE PLAN

The Welfare plan has been increasing daily in activity. It has been burdensome for a few workers. Not all charged with responsibilities have caught the vision of the plan.

The following figures, though very incomplete, give some idea of its increasing activity and of its possibilities.

Our Woman's Work Director, Sister Ada Egginton, reports the results of her labors as follows:

185 trips to 30 families.
Used 203 gallons of gasoline on trips to store house, families, etc.
Secured outside work for 19 women and girls, 6 of which are permanent.
Secured outside work for 9 men and boys, 1 of which is permanent.
Made 1,521 telephone calls.
18 trips to store house for clothing, etc.
Gave out 1,208 pieces of clothing.
Gave out 75 pair of shoes
" 6 quilt linings
5 bed spreads
1 lawn mower
1 table lamp
3 electric irons
3 cupboards
4 tables
2 dressers
11 chairs
2 refrigerators
4 beds and springs
5 mattresses
5 stoves
1 davenport
60 sacks of potatoes (\$3.00 for gas & oil to get potatoes)
24 cans of milk for babies.
2 lbs. dried apples
75 lbs. beans from Ward Project
5 loads of wood
2 baby buggies
6 hats
36 pieces of crockery ware
8 bottles of fruit
5 bottles of jam

91 persons have been sent to the Bishop's Storehouse working 347 days totaling 2116 hours.

Had we paid for labor, the 514 hours put in by 20 brethren and boys, seeds, plants and water for our one acre garden project, we would have run well behind. Land for the project come to us late so that the best results could not be expected. It also grew weeds aplenty. Our cash outlay was \$10.00.

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There has been distributed to the Storehouse and Ward members:

for
200 lbs. beans
107 bu. tomatoes
1600 lbs. potatoes
50 doz. ears corn
10 bu. cucumbers (reasonably valued at \$90.00)

Numerous small gatherings by members of the Ward are not included.

We are indebted especially to Willard Woodruff and W. W. Richardson for the direction given this project.

Three commendable housing projects have been undertaken by the Elders and Seventies.

Add to this the 162 interviews given by the Bishop, some 40 family interviews before the Bishopric, numerous phone calls, calls and visits to the homes by the Bishopric, Work Directors, Employment committees, Quorum Presidencies, Relief Society--and the Quorum and Auxilaries surveys, numerous committee meetings, and you begin to get some idea of the time required to keep up with the plan.

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SEMINARY FUND

We were allotted \$387.04 of which we have raised and paid \$300.00.

WARD TEACHING

Under a reorganized Ward Teaching plan we have increased our visits from 8% of last year to 99.7% this year. We regret that some still decline to serve as teachers but are most grateful to the many who respond so well from month to month.

MISSIONARIES

A year ago we had no missionaries in foreign fields. Today we have two--Wiley H. Miller in Tahiti and Norris Neville in the East Central States.

CHOIR

A report would not be complete without expressing our appreciation to the members and leaders of our Choir. The Christmas and Easter Cantatas were unusually good. Their music from week to week adds materially to the strength of our services.

We also wish to express our appreciation to our Organists for their splendid cooperation and inspiring music.

AUXILIARIES AND COMMITTEES

There are 78 enrolled in the Relief Society with 34% attending compared with 29% last year.

The Sunday School has 343 enrolled with an average attendance of 64% compared with 59% a year ago.

80 are enrolled in the Y.M.M.I.A. and 70% attended compared with 65% last year.

The Y.W.M.I.A. have 69 enrolled and 56% attended compared with 55% last year.

In the Primary 118 are enrolled with 65% attending as compared with 60% a year ago.

We are glad to again have the services of a Ward Geneological Committee.

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST AND SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

On April 25th, 131 attended the endowment and testimonial service in the Salt Lake Temple. Others attended the endowment service and pageant at Logan.

The Aaronic Priesthood participated in the field events and witnessed

Auxiliaries are increasing in quality.

the Book of Mormon pageant on Aaronic Priesthood day at Logan. A week later they went to Salt Lake attending the Big Seven Conference Inter-collegiate track and field meet.

The M-Men participated in basket ball and soft ball making creditable showings in each.

The Explorers were active in Van Ball and Soft Ball. They held their annual banquet, gave a splendid minstrel both in and outside the Ward. All attained 1st class or better scout ratings.

32 girls enjoyed the 4 days camping at the Stake grounds.

Christmas baskets were again distributed by Quorums and classes of our auxiliary organizations, to needy families.

Mother's day was fittingly commemorated in an evening service with the Sunday School and Ward cooperating.

The Old Folks, although rained out at Lorin Farr Park, were fittingly banqueted at the Ward and entertained at the Ogden High School.

A summary of the year's work submitted to the Bishopric, by all organizations for the purpose of this report, is filled with interesting data on hikes, commercial house tours, teas, receptions, organizations funds gathered and paid, hospital funds, food and clothing gathered, census taken, ward canvasses for membership, quilting bees, etc.

Ward recreation was ably conducted by the Primary, Mutuals and Sunday Schools. 27 major Ward recreational events were held for adults and children with 10 additional parties for the 11 to 13 year old group. 20 officers and teachers parties have been held; 73 organization and class parties which include after Mutual, quorum, relief society, primary, picnic, swimming and skating parties.

MISCELLANEOUS

The following subscriptions to church magazines are of record:

Relief Society	106	85 (a new record)
The Instructor	28	30
Children's Friend	9	11
The Improvement Era	74	86 (surpassing our quota of 68)
Genealogist	7	

Renewals must now be made for the ensuing year.

WARD MAINTENANCE

We are continuing to operate on the Budget Plan. A small assessment is made to each family, based, to the best of our knowledge and belief, on their ability to pay. This assessment covers all ward maintenance items, and the choice of any one church magazine.

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Recreation is open to all ward members; they may come as freely as to any church service. Season tickets, as a means of identification, are issued to all members over 6 years of age. Anyone not yet receiving a ticket should communicate with Brother J. Bennett Moore.

Our tickets this year are good at all other wards in our Stake to events at which their own tickets are recognized.

Since January 1st there have been 8 deaths and 23 births. Of the 5 marriages, one was in the temple, two by stake or ward authorities and two by civil authority. One was to a non-member. 20 have been baptized (7 of whom were adults or non-members). 22 have been advanced in the Priesthood; 123 have been received into the ward and 63 have removed. 168 recommends have been issued to the Temples.

CONCLUSION

We appreciate and give thanks to all our officers and teachers and to the ward membership for their cooperation.

and to the Pres & family

We thank those who have contributed flowers and decorations throughout the year.

May we all serve the Lord that His blessing may be ours.

Sincerely your Brethren,

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THIRTEENTH ANNUAL WARD CONFERENCE---October 29, 1939

Preceding conference each organization is furnished a questionnaire, the answering of which forms much of the basis for this report. Of necessity useful information to the Bishopric and organizations contained in the questionnaire must be omitted from this report.

The usual changes of organization personnel, while many in number, have not disturbed the organizations as much as heretofore.

SACRAMENT MEETING

The attendance at Sacrament Meeting is 20%, compared with 21% a year ago. The large attendance of our young people continues to be most gratifying.

PRIESTHOOD MEETING

Attendance at Priesthood Meeting shows Melchizedek Priesthood 38% compared with 47% last year. The Aaronic Priesthood (boys from 12 to 20) is 51% compared with 43% a year ago. The average attendance of the Adult Aaronic Priesthood (those over 20 years) is 6%. Percent by Quorum: High Priests 50%, Seventies 37%, Elders 27%, Priests 55%, Teachers 45%, Deacons 52%, Adult Aaronic Priesthood 6%.

Aaronic Priesthood Committee is organized and doing splendid service.

All quorums are following the prescribed courses of study.

TITHING AND FAST OFFERINGS

The payment of tithes has increased 19.73% over last year.

For the fourth consecutive year, all titheable High Priests paid tithing during 1938.

Fast offerings collected so far this year are \$.40 per capita compared with \$.427 for last year.

Again may we suggest that quorum presidencies ascertain the amounts contributed by their members, and encourage them to observe this law of the fast, contributing monthly the equivalent of two meals into the Bishop's storehouse. Only in this way can we hope to reach the \$1.00 per capita minimum asked of us.

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CHURCH WELFARE

The welfare plan is slowly but surely being understood. When all charged with welfare responsibilities assume their full share of the load, it may be more evenly distributed among our workers as well as getting much more accomplished.

The following figures, though incomplete, surpass last year's activities, and gives some idea of the increasing responsibilities.

Miscellaneous jobs were furnished for 31 men, 15 boys, 39 women and girls of our Ward, and 6 girls and 4 young men from outside the Ward. From these, 7 received more or less permanent employment.

Three garden and one hospitalization projects were initiated by the quorums; seven projects were initiated by the Ward. Projects away from the Church property were: painting of one house, remodeling one small cottage to include the following items: painting exterior, installing water ^{service} sewerage inside the house, digging and laying the sewer, installing a toilet and kitchen sink, wiring for two lights, straightening sagging and bulging walls, inside woodwork, repairs to windows, building coal shed, shingling the roof, putting in new joist and floor in one room, etc. Another house is now being shingled. The assistance given for purchase of homesites, home building, credit purchases guaranteed, assistance by quorums, friends, and neighbors in the building or improving of other homes are of importance, but may not be reported in detail.

In these projects 127 people participated.

To help you further understand the requirements and possibilities of the plan, suppose we follow one of several workers as compiled for one year:--

730 trips to 34 families
Used 215 gallons of gasoline (at own expense)
on trips to storehouse, visits to families, job hunting,
etc.
Received 923 visits at home
Made 1825 telephone calls.
Secured outside work for 36 women and girls, one of which
was permanent, and 23 men and 15 boys; also secured work
for 6 girls and 4 young men, non-residents of the Ward.
Made 20 trips to the storehouse
Selected and delivered toys for 30 families
Made 120 visits to the sick
Cared for the sick 58 hours
Gave out:
 97 pairs of shoes
 21 pairs overshoes
 10 pairs rubbers
 9 layettes and bedding
 1 cupboard
 2 lamps

2 clocks
1 heater
2 chairs

Besides the above articles received from the Ward for distribution, the following was gotten and left with the storehouse

392 pounds of table beets
141 doz. ears of corn
— 15 pounds butter
3 boxes clothing
48 pounds dried fruit
37 quarts fruit
1 case tomatoes (#2½ can)
1 case peas
— 24 doz. eggs
2 large pieces of furniture

54 people worked 160 days totaling 852 hours at the Bishop's storehouse. No report is available from the Regional Office for work performed by several boys and some men in picking fruit, gathering vegetables, etc.

Add to all this the interviews with the Bishop and with the Bishopric, numerous phone calls, calls and visits to the homes by the Bishopric, Work Directors, Employment Committees, Quorum Presidencies, Relief Society, surveys, numerous committee meetings, a combined total of which will run well up in four figures, and you get a fair picture of the increasing activities of the plan.

WARD TEACHING

The direction of this activity is Bro. Henry Noorda's major Bishopric assignment. With the cooperation of Nelpher Swensen, Chairman, and other supervisors, a complete visit has been made so far this year. We regret that there are some who just can't find time to do ward teaching. We also regret that some teachers are not more careful in looking up new arrivals in the Ward, for reports reach us now and then that blank family has lived here for months without a visit.

MISSIONARIES

Wiley H. Miller in Tahiti and Norris Neville in the East Central States mission are the only ones on foreign missions.

Interviews with prospective missionaries or their families have so far this year been unproductive. Perhaps some of you can give us a tip as to someone who has expressed willingness to serve in the field.

CHOIR

Sacrament meetings are enriched when the Choir participates. We are grateful that rehearsals have been renewed since the summer vacation. The Christmas Cantata was unusually good. The Choir, conductor, and organist need support and encouragement from the other ward organizations, husbands and wives of Choir members, and the Ward as a whole -- for after all the Choir belongs to and represents us all. The quality and spirit of our sacrament meeting is largely determined by the quality of the Choir we maintain.

AUXILIARIES AND COMMITTEES

(Each organization shows an increased enrollment over last year.)

There are 89 enrolled in the Relief Society with 35% attending compared with 34% last year.

The Sunday School have 377 enrolled with 69% attending, an increase of 5% over last year.

76 are enrolled in the Y.M.M.I. A., 73% attended, a 3% increase. The Y. W. M. I. A. have 98 enrolled with 77% in attendance compared with 56% a year ago.

127 are enrolled in Primary with 69% attending, an increase of 4%.

Each of our auxiliaries are deserving of a special paragraph of honorable mention. Each shows an increased enrollment and an increased attendance. Comparative reports and the spoken word rank each among the very leaders of the Stake and in many activities excelling.

The Geneological Committee (both Junior and Senior) organized a year ago are on the job as indicated by the following:

There are 17 enrolled in the Senior Committee with 79% attending class meeting.

16 are enrolled in the Junior Committee.

2 Junior baptismal excursions resulted in 1280 baptisms.

Nearly all Juniors have had their Patriarchal Blessing.

Over 1100 endowments, 700 united in sealings as husband and wife and 500 sealings of children to parents has been performed.

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST AND SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

On Aaronic Priesthood in May 55 members, supervisors and members of the Bishopric enjoyed the outing to Salt Lake City, where they visited the State Prison, Liberty Park, the Air Port and had a big swim at the Wasatch Springs. This group also held another outing at the Ogden Stake Park. Copy

The M-Men participated in basket ball and soft ball. In Soft ball they qualified for and played in the Church finals in Salt Lake City.

The Explorers were active in Van Ball and soft ball. They held their annual banquet; produced a splendid musical called "The Hit Parade" which was played in several wards.

Forty five scouts recently spent 2 days at Camp Kiesel

34 girls had four enjoyable days at the Stake Camp.

Christmas baskets (29 in number) were again distributed to needy families by the classes of our auxiliary organizations and priesthood quorums.

Mother's and Old Folks day were fittingly observed.

A recent issue of the Instructor named our Sunday School as one of six in the Church with all teachers having access, and using the instructor. You may be interested to know that of these six wards, four were in the Ogden Stake

Our Elders quorum are cited in the October Era for creditable work on the alcohol and tobacco campaign.

The Teachers quorum gave valuable service in the butter and egg project to be done

Our Road Show represented the Stake in the four stake road show at the Ogden High School.

The questionnaires returned for the purpose of compiling this report are brim full of interesting data on hikes, commercial house tours, receptions, organization funds gathered and paid, hospital funds, food and clothing gathered, census taken, ward canvasses for membership, sewing projects, etc.

School

The Primary, Mutuals and Sunday/ably supervised our ward recreation. Other organizations assisted in various parties as requested. 22 major ward recreational events were held for adults and children, with 8 additional parties for the 11 to 13 year old group. 21 officers and teachers parties have been held. 89 organization and class parties were held, which include Quorum, Relief Society, Primary, Sunday School, after Mutual, picnic, swimming and skating.

MAGAZINES

The following subscriptions to church magazines are of record:

Relief Society	106	(a new record)
The Instructor	28	
Children's Friend	9	
The Improvement Era	74	
Genealogical	7	

WARD FINANCES

WARD FINANCES

Ward Finance is J. Bennett Moore's major Bishopric assignment. At no time has our financial condition been better. We must, however, be careful and limit our expenditures. We have no debts and are meeting our current obligations monthly.

The \$87.02 balance due on the ^{\$387.04} High School Seminary ^{assessment} has been paid.

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All auxiliary organization funds due for the season of 1938-1939 have been paid. Some for this season have already been paid.

We are following the budget plan as requested throughout the Church. This is easy for us, as we have since our organization followed this plan. To be in complete harmony we had only to eliminate the giving of a church magazine with a stipulated amount donated.

Recreation is open to all ward members; they may come as freely as to any church service. Season tickets, as a means of identification, are issued to all members over 11 years of age. Anyone not yet receiving a ticket should communicate with Brother Moore.

Our tickets this year will be honored at all other wards in our Stake to events at which their own tickets are recognized. They will be honored at the stake events listed on the reverse side of the ticket.

MISCELLANEOUS

Since January 1st there have been 37 births and 2 deaths (an all time low record). Of the 10 marriages 5 were in the temple, one by stake or ward authorities, and four were by civil authority. 5 adults and 25 children have been baptized. 26 have been advanced in the Priesthood. 37 children have been blessed. 64 have been received into the ward and 47 have removed. 201 recommends have been issued to the Temples.

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3rd tier

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9 children

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136 Priesthood
408 members
305 women

CONCLUSION

We express our thanks and appreciation to our splendid officers and teachers and to the members of the ward for their cooperation. W

We are grateful for the harmony that exists within the ward

We are appreciative of our Stake Presidency for their helpfulness. We also are thankful to a great many of the stake family you have given assistance.

May we continue to serve the Lord in unity and love--that ~~our~~ blessings promised to the faithful may be ours.

Sincerely your brethren

Twentieth Ward Bishopric

Flowers - S. Setore
Appreciate councilors & wives -
Present assignment have been light on me.
Neville Standish
Moore Tim
Beatty Helen

Sustain *Marlin V Hill - Priesthood Organist*
Geo. N. London, Secy. of the Bd. of
Richard Caruth, adviser

FOURTEENTH ANNUAL WARD CONFERENCE--October 20, 1940

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Only that information most vital can be written into this report. Much other information has been gathered and will be useful to the Bishopric and heads of organizations.

The usual changes in personnel due to employment, sickness, removals, etc., have taken place, but these have not impaired the smooth workings of any organization.

SACRAMENT MEETING

Our attendance at Sacrament Meeting is 19%, or 1% less than a year ago. Our decrease has been some other Ward's gain as once each month and sometimes twice our Junior Chorus of from 40 to 60 members has been singing away from the Ward.

PRIESTHOOD MEETING

The Melchizedek Priesthood per cent of attendance is 38%, the same as last year. The Aaronic Priesthood (boys from 12 to 20) is 48%, compared with 51% last year. The average attendance of the Adult Aaronic Priesthood (those over 20 years) is 12%, compared with 6% a year ago. Per cent by quorums: High Priests - 51%, Seventies - 38%, Elders - 27%, Priests - 51%, Teachers - 56%, Deacons - 38%, Adult Aaronic - 12%. *Copy*

Increase over last year are: High Priests - 1%, Seventies - 1%, Teachers - 11%, Adult Aaronic Priesthood - 6%. *Edna same with year*

Decrease are: Priests - 4%, Deacons from 52% to 38%, or 14%. It is difficult to understand why this should be.

The Priests and two Deacons Quorums received Standard Quorum awards last year. This year 5 members of the Adult Aaronic Priesthood have been ordained Elders. *Copy*

All quorums are following the prescribed courses of study. Recently 17 were ordained High Priests, 18 Seventies, and 5 Elders, thereby enabling quorums and quorum committees to be more nearly completely organized than for sometime past.

TITHING AND FAST OFFERINGS

The payment of tithes has increased 5.75% over last year, a total of 25.48% over 1938. *Copy*

For the 5th consecutive year all titheable High Priests paid tithing during 1939.

Fast offerings collected so far this year is 45¢ per capita, compared with .40 for the same period last year.

CHURCH WELFARE

All committees having to do with welfare work have been functioning throughout the year. Twenty-eight committee meetings have been held lasting from 30 minutes to 3 hours.

We have furnished three men at the Bishop's storehouse each Thursday during the summer and fall, and have furnished men, women, and children whenever called on by the Stake and Regional authorities.

Miscellaneous employment has been furnished 42 women and girls; 2 of which were permanent; and for 29 men and boys, 2 of which were permanent; and 2 for the summer.

We have participated in 12 major Ward projects, such as gardening, shingling and painting of houses, installing plumbing, septic tanks, and water lines to homes, as well as sending men to the Stake grounds to carry on projects there.

Those charged with the greater responsibility of the Welfare plan, exclusive of quorum presidencies and quorum committees, report:

39 trips to the storehouse
51 visits to the sick
1239 visits to homes
1574 visits received at their homes
6086 phone calls
178 gallons of gasoline were used while making calls

Produce received from and distributed in the Ward, exclusive of storehouse orders include:

1,520 pieces of clothing
118 pair shoes
16 pair rubbers
10 layettes
4 quilt tops
6 spreads
2 cans baby food
4 bottles cod liver oil
35 bottles fruit
5 lamp shades
2 heaters
2 umbrellas
1 side board
1 dresser
1 wardrobe
1 radio
1 baby buggy
2 electric irons
2 clocks
1 carpet
7 mattresses
4 beds
2 bed springs

We have received or produced the following which was delivered to the storehouse:

145 doz. eggs
93½# butter
120# apricots
203 doz. ears of corn
90# plums
5 gallons of honey

Fifty-three persons have worked 366 days totaling 4860 hours at the Bishop's Storehouse.

67 days = 536 hours were worked at the
~~No report is available from the regional storehouse where our men cut and wrapped several ton of meat or the cleaning of the Weber Seminary, or work at the sugar cane mill, or picking of fruit and vegetables, or the time spent at the Stake Camp.~~

Our Ward was given special recognition at the February Stake Priesthood Conference using our Ward Welfare workers as speakers and our project materials and plans as models for the Ogden Stake. Subsequently plans worked out here with the assistance of our Stake Committee were discussed in the Welfare Meeting of the General Conference of the Church in April.

I wish to personally express appreciation to our Ward Work Directors, the Relief Society Presidency, Presidencies of Quorums, and Quorum Committees, and to the Adult Aaronic Priesthood Committee and all who as lay workers have assisted in the Welfare plan.

WARD TEACHING

For the past two years Ward Teaching visits to the homes has been completely done. For this we are indebted to Councillor Henry Noorda, Chairman Nelpher Swenson, the District Supervisors, and many faithful teachers. It is true that teachers do not always enter every home, sometimes failing because of sickness, families being out of town, or away from home at the time of their calls, for which effort, however, full credit is given.

MISSIONARIES

Since our last Conference Wiley H. Miller and Norris Neville have returned from the Tahitian and East Central States Missions, respectfully.

Two young men have but recently accepted calls and departed to their fields of labor - Glen Wade to the Spanish American Mission, and Peter A. Kranenberg to the Northern States Mission.

Wiley Miller and Clarence Arave are serving as Stake Missionaries.

*Frank B. Robe
John Van der Hoff*

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CHOIR

We believe few, if any, would care to be without a Ward Choir, yet it is one of the most difficult organizations to maintain. The Choir is as much an organization of the Ward as the Relief Society, the Sunday School, the M.I.A., or Primary, and those invited to participate should do so with the same purpose and willingness. The Choir is especially in need of soprano voices. Any who can sing and would accept a call to sing will be welcome.

The Christmas and Easter Cantatas were very good.

On September 8th, the Choir was reorganized. Herman J. Westbrock (former conductor) was sustained as President with Denzil Williams as conductor; Arvilla Arrowsmith organist, Rosalia Jensen Secretary, and Maurice E. Cole Librarian. *Annex doing good*

AUXILIARIES AND COMMITTEES

There are 98 enrolled in the Relief Society with 36% attending, an increase of 1% over last year.

Four hundred sixty-four, or 87 more than in 1939, are enrolled in the Sunday School with 65% in attendance, compared with 69% a year ago.

Our Y. M. M. I. A. have 92 enrolled with 68% attending, compared with 73% last year. Ninety-seven are enrolled in the Y. W. M. I. A., with an average of 75%, compared with 77% a year ago.

There are 133 enrolled in the Primary, with 68% attending, compared with ~~69~~% last year.

We wish it were possible to devote a paragraph or more in praise of the fine things being accomplished in each auxiliary organization. With one exception, and this by only one member, all show a marked increase in enrollment. Each rank with the leading organizations of the Stake. The Ward Conference of each has been outstanding as evidenced by the written comment by the Assistant Sunday School Superintendent at the conclusion of the evening session, (quote) "In all my years of Sunday School experience I have never attended a more impressive service". We have been informed by visiting members attending each of the other conferences that they were the best they had attended in the Stake this year.

The Geneological Committee (both Junior and Senior) have been doing excellent work. Until the recent change in form of organization, 30 were enrolled with 85% attending.

102 baptisms were performed for the dead
7 were endowed and sealed as husband and wife
3 living children were sealed to their parents
512 sealed for the dead, husband and wife

478 Children to parents
804 endowments for the dead

Many service awards were given to ward members for record keeping, home teaching, temple awards for endowment work and sealing, and research. Copy

Twelve certificates were awarded our Junior boys and girls for completion of their books of Remembrance. Brother Bennett of Salt Lake City said these were the finest coming to their attention in the Church.

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST AND SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Aaronic Priesthood day was held as a Stake outing at the Stake Camp and was well received.

M Men were Stake runners up in basketball, thereby qualifying to play for the first time in the interdivision play-off. They were Stake winners in softball, but were unsuccessful in the Four-Stake play-off. Copy

Forty-seven scouts and scouters recently spent three days at Camp Kiesel. Explorers held their annual banquet and several were members of the Explorers Yacht Club.

Forty-one young women and chaperons spent four days at the camp.

Mothers' and Old Folks Day were very enjoyable.

Our Junior Chorus (52 of the 63 members attending) were one of seventeen in the Church invited to the Choral Clinic at the M.I.A. June Conference. All critics gave them a highly superior rating. Nearly all wrote special comments of praise on their score sheet. Emma Lucy Gates ^{over} called our conductor to her seat, saying she had never heard the Lords' Prayer sung better. We have limited their visit to outside Wards to one a month. Copy

Quoting from the Relief Society Questionnaire, "The Relief Society Presidency have just completed their yearly official visit to all families. We found the Ward in a better condition than a year ago. We were well received in all homes."

Again, the Primary, Mutuals, and Sunday Schools ably supervised our recreation. Other organizations assisted as requested. Twenty-five major Ward recreational events were held for adults and children and six additional parties for those 11 to 13 years inclusive. There have been 20 officers and teachers parties, and 76 organization and class parties, which include Quorum Relief Society, Sunday School, Primary, after Mutual, Geneological, picnic, swimming, and skating. 16

MAGAZINES

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The Instructor	28
Children's Friend	10
Improvement Era	77
Geneological	10

WARD FINANCES

Councillor J. Bennett Moore, Director of Ward Finances, is to be commended for we have no debts, and are meeting our current expenses monthly.

All Stake and Seminary assessments, and all auxiliary organization funds due for the season of 1939 and 1940 have been paid. Some for this year have also been paid.

Our Ward has always been on the budget plan. Season tickets are provided for all Ward members 15 years of age and older. This year children of Primary age will attend the Primary parties and Junior parties will be given for those 12, 13, and 14 years and will be held from 8 P.M. until near 10 P.M.

MISCELLANEOUS

Since January 1st, there have been 32 births and 5 deaths; 5 marriages, 2 temple and 3 by Ward authority; 1 adult and 15 children have been baptized, and 32 children have been blessed. 46 have been advanced in the Priesthood. 36 have been received into and 37 removed from the Ward. The Ward population is 1050. Recommends have been issued to the temple.

CONCLUSION

To our splendid officers, teachers, Ward teachers, and Ward members, we give our profound thanks and gratitude.

We are most grateful for the fine spirit prevailing within the Ward. We truly appreciate the Stake Presidency, High Council, and the entire Stake family.

May peace and the Lord's blessings always be with our Ward.

Sincerely your brethren,

Twentieth Ward Bishopric

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FIFTEENTH ANNUAL WARD CONFERENCE--October 19, 1941

We have reviewed the activities of the past year with unusual interest and are pleased to present this report.

As usual many changes have taken place in our organization personnel, but these have occurred without effecting organization operations as much as in some years past.

SACRAMENT MEETING

Ward Population is 1132 - and increase of 82 Copy

Our attendance at Sacrament Meeting is 19%, the same as a year ago.

PRIESTHOOD MEETING

The attendance of the Melchizedek Priesthood is 38%, the same as for last year. The Aaronic Priesthood (boys from 12 to 20) is 49% compared with 48% a year ago. The average attendance of the Adult Aaronic Priesthood (those 20 and over) is 14%, compared with 12% a year ago. Per cent by quorums: High Priests - 54%; Seventies - 43%; Elders - 19%; Priests - 57%; Teachers - 51%; Deacons - 41%.

Increases over last year: Seventies - 5%; Priests - 6%; Deacons - 2%; Adult Aaronic Priesthood - 2%.

Decreases are: High Priests - 3%; Elders - 8%; Teachers - 5%;

Of the six Aaronic Priesthood quorums, the Priests, Teachers, and three of the four Deacons quorums received standard quorum awards last year. The same quorums are all within reach of again receiving the award. *Copy*

These figures are based on the new form of Church Monthly Comparative Report which includes those of the Melchizedek Priesthood not at quorum meetings but who were assigned doing other church work at the same hours. It also includes those Priests out of the city because of work, school, or military service. The comparison of the High Priests, Seventies, and Priests, is therefore not an exact comparison with last year. The decrease in the Elders quorum attendance is largely attributed to the fact that seven of the 22 from our ward in military service are Elders who were among the most active and regular when at home.

Reports reaching us and letters from the boys in the military service indicate that they are maintaining the same standards as when at home. For this we are most thankful. We say again, we are proud of our boys in the service.

The attendance of the Aaronic Priesthood has been effected by the large number employed on the Sabbath. In this the boys may not be as much at fault as the parents who are permitting the small earnings on the Sabbath to fasten upon the boys a life-long bad habit, thus crowding out the nobler habits of Sabbath observance, character building, and spiritual uplift, obedience to God, and depriving youth of the blessing, "that thou mayest more fully keep thyself unspotted from the world, thou shalt go to the house of prayer and offer up thy sacraments upon my holy day".

TITHING AND FAST OFFERINGS

The payment of tithing has increased 35% over the same period a year ago.

For the sixth consecutive year all tithable High Priests paid tithing during 1940.

Most commendable is the increased number of young people paying their tithing. Also gratifying is the paying by many who have in times past been assisted under the Welfare Plan. We regret that others similarly assisted sleep on again, dreaming that the wrath of God and man will not touch them in the period of unemployment--not too far distant.

247 have paid fast offerings so far this year, totaling 61 cents per capita, compared with 45 cents last year.

CHURCH WELFARE

All committees pertaining to Welfare work have been functioning throughout the year. 41 ward employment meetings have been held.

Our ward committee was privileged to present the panel discussion at the Priesthood meeting of our Stake Conference in May.

Our regional assignment for 1941 was 200 pounds butter and 5,000 pounds, (2½ tons) navy beans. This was complied with early in the year.

We have advised many of the school opportunities for the learning of trades and of civil service examinations coming up for employment in this region; and have filed recommendations for many. Some of this may have been helpful, as a goodly number have employment from these sources.

Temporary employment at odd jobs has been furnished for 99 people, mostly women and girls. Permanent employment was found 6 men and 4 women.

Projects undertaken and completed since last Conference are: 5 major repairing and remodeling of small homes, 2 minor repair jobs, 5 miscellaneous weed clearing, snow shoveling, wood cutting projects. Another quorum project of shingling is now in progress.

Those carrying the major portion of the Welfare responsibilities report:

An estimated 1500 miles traveled.

2543 ^{telephone} calls made.

90 visits to homes other than those hundreds of calls in search of workers.

117 visits to the sick.

24 trips to the storehouse for clothing.

505 visits have been received at our homes or offices.

Produce received from and distributed in the ward exclusive of storehouse orders include:

1243 pieces of clothing
86 pairs of shoes
6 pairs of rubbers
1 stove
3 carpets

3 beds
2 bed springs
3 mattresses
1 layette
1 baby bed

We have tried diligently to fill all requests for assistance from the region, and the storehouse. This has become increasingly difficult as unemployment has diminished. A little over 600 hours were worked, compared with 4860 hours a year ago.

115 hours were worked around the meeting house helping the custodian, which does not include the quorum work.

49 Christmas baskets were taken out by quorums and the auxiliary organization classes.

In the period of increased employment we cannot too strongly urge the people to pay up their debts and obligations and accumulate as much in reserve as possible for that rainy day which is sure to come.

WARD TEACHING.

In spite of the fact that Ward Teaching gets increasingly difficult because of the indifference of some who should do teaching, this task has been completely filled for the third consecutive year. To my counsellor, Henry Noorda, brother Nelpher Swenson, the District Supervisors, and the faithful teachers must go the credit. It is true that because of sickness, absence of the family from home or out of town at the time of calls, some families do not see the teachers every month. Where conscientious effort is made to visit, full credit is given. It is likewise true that some families live in our ward indefinitely before Ward Teachers locate them, or before the family present themselves at the ward so that their presences may be made known to the teachers.

MISSIONARIES

Glen Wade, serving in the Spanish American Mission, and Peter A. Kranenburg in the Northern States Mission are the only ones on foreign missions. We anticipate that others will soon join them.

Four are serving as stake missionaries, namely, Wiley Miller, Clarence Arave, Fred S. Rabe, and John Van Der Werff.

CHOIR AND CHORUS

We are appreciative of Brother Clarence Clarke, his wife Elma, and the near 60 members of the Junior "Liederkrantz" Chorus, who for a couple of years have been singing so well in and out of the ward. To more fully profit by their singing and attendance, they have recently been invited to furnish the music for our Sunday Evening Sacramental Services. This was made possible through the splendid cooperation of the officers and members of the Choir in accepting a leave of absence. In this, their singing, and help of the past, we are most grateful.

AUXILIARIES AND COMMITTEES

130, an increase of 32, are enrolled in the Relief Society with 44 per cent attending compared with 36% a year ago.

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In the Sunday School 535 are enrolled, compared with 464 a year ago, an increase of 71, with 82% in attendance, compared with 65% last year.

There are 84 enrolled in the Y.M.M.I.A. with 59% attending, compared with 68% in 1940.

The Y.W.M.I.A. have 101 enrolled, with 72% attending, compared with 75% last year.

The Primary have 104 enrolled with 69% attending, an increase of 1% over last year.

If time permitted, each auxiliary should have a paragraph written with regard to their achievements of merit. Their conferences have been most impressive. The visiting board members have pronounced them as equal or the best of similar conferences held. Each organization is among the best in our stake.

The Geneological Committee has been partially disorganized because of irregular shifts of employment. Nevertheless, they have conducted temple excursions, a temple tour, a baptismal excursion, and supported the newly formed Geneological Class in the Sunday School.

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

On Aaronic Priesthood Day, May 17th, several cars of boys and advisors went through Timpanogas Cave, visited the Salt Lake Airport, and swam at the Salt Lake Wasatch Warm Springs.

In basketball, our M-Men were Stake Winners for the first time in our ward history.

The Elders quorum tied for first place in the stake softball league, but were defeated in the play-off for first place.

Twenty-eight scouts and scouters recently spent three days at Camp Kiesel. Others stayed for a week during the summer.

45 young women and chaperons spent four days at the stake camp.

Mothers and old folks days were enjoyable to both the entertained and the entertainers.

then direction of Welfare Committee

The Priesthood quorums have been carrying on regular correspondence with our missionaries and our boys in the military camps and at sea.

The Aaronic Priesthood raised their own funds and did their own beautification work on the building and grounds, such as: painting the Junior Sunday School benches; touching up and varnishing the piano in the Recreational Hall; cleaning the stage drapes; calcimining the walls and ceiling of the stage; oiled all the floors in the building that could be oiled; painted the cemented lobby floor, the outside of the front doors, and the ornamental fence and light standards; cleaned under the stage and behind it; cleaned the wallpaper and curtains in the Bishop's office; and cleaned nooks and corners and the outside grounds.

Curtains have been placed in Rooms 9 and 10 through the joint work of the ward and the Relief Society. Copy

Our ward recreation was ably supervised by the Primary, Sunday School, and Mutuals, with other organizations assisting as requested. Twenty-one major ward recreational events were held for adults or children, and five additional events for children 12, 13, and 14 years. 32 officers and teachers parties have been held. 74 organization and class parties, which include quorum, Sunday School, Relief Society, Primary, after Mutual, genealogical, picnic, swimming, and skating.

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Children's Friend	27	
Genealogical	4	
Improvement Era	111 (an all-time high)	✓

WARD FINANCES

These are supervised by Counsellor J. Bennett Moore. We commend him and his workers, as we have no debts and are meeting currently our monthly expenses.

We wonder where assessments for stake, seminary, and fees ^{of} dues and supplies for auxiliary organizations are going to stop; yet we were able to meet each rising issue or addition to the budget for the season of 1940 and 1941. Some have already been paid for the starting season of 1941 and 1942.

MISCELLANEOUS

Since January 1st there have been: 25 births; 7 deaths; 27 have been baptised; 25 children have been blessed; 30 have been received into and 40 have removed from the ward; 28 have been advanced in the Priesthood; 10 were married in the temple, which includes 3 couples previously married by civil marriage; 8 were married out of the temple; and there has been 1 divorce.

CONCLUSION:

We express to our fine officers, teachers, and ward members our appreciation for their cooperation. We are grateful for the kindness of our custodian and the excellent care he gives to our grounds and building.

We are most grateful for the unity and love prevailing in the ward.

We are indebted to our Stake Presidency, High Council, and stake family for their sympathetic and understanding help.

Through faithfulness, may the peace and blessings of the Lord continually attend us.

Thanks
Counselors
wives
Children - help
Flowers

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Morning	433 -	- 32 (38.3)
Evening	331	
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SIXTEENTH ANNUAL WARD CONFERENCE--October 25, 1942

Once more we have prepared this report for the purpose of reviewing the past years activities and of showing as near as possible the condition of the ward.

We are having difficulty keeping our organizations with officers and teachers because so many men, women, boys, and girls are working in defense industries. Many changes have been made and others are necessary. The varying shifts worked, together with the absence of so many in military service, has resulted in decreased attendance in all but one organization.

SACRAMENT MEETING

Our attendance at Sacrament Meeting decreased from 19 to 17% and is not what it should be even though adversely affected by war time conditions.

PRIESTHOOD MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES

The attendance of the Melchizedek Priesthood is 30% compared with 38% a year ago. The Aaronic Priesthood, boys 12 to 20, is 38% compared with 49% last year. Per cent by quorums: High Priests - 44%; Seventies - 32%; Elders - 13%; Priests - 36%; Teachers - 41%; Deacons - 36%. For 1941 the Priests, Teachers, and three quorums of Deacons received Standard Quorum Awards. It seems now that only two or maybe three of these can qualify for similar awards for 1942.

Activity with the adult members of the Aaronic Priesthood has been at a standstill during the year. We have been assured that activity will be resumed within the next two weeks.

Priesthood classes have been organized on Tuesday night for those unable, because of employment to attend on Sunday.

There are 45 members serving in the military forces, of which three are Seventies; 18 are Elders; 5, Priests, 13 Teachers; 5 Deacons; and 1 member. Prior to entering the service, 34 of these were very active. This has effected the per cents of attendance of the Seventies, Elders, Priests, and Teachers Quorums. Six of the Teachers, except for the war, could now be Priests.

We are proud of these boys in the service. During the year the quorums and Bishopric through assignments from the personal welfare committee have endeavored to correspond with these boys. From the many fine replies, we are confident that they are maintaining standards equal to their behavior when at home.

Many of the boys are seeking out branches or wards of the Church and affiliating therewith whenever possible.

The Improvement Era has been sent to all except those recently departing. Efforts are now being put forth to renew the subscriptions and to provide funds for subscriptions to those yet to be called.

PRIESTHOOD MEETING

TITHING AND FAST OFFERINGS

While attendance has decreased considerably because of employment and absence from home, the saints have not forsaken the Lord with their tithes and offerings.

The payment of tithing has increased 48% over last year and fast offering is 78 cents per capita compared with 61 cents a year ago. For the first time we can attain the Church minimum of \$1.00 per capita. To do so, however, we must do better this last quarter than in the preceding one. *copy*

For the seventh consecutive year all tithable High Priests have paid tithing. Other quorums have come close, and can with a little extra effort, do as well this year. Many boys in the Army, Navy, and other branches of the service send their tithing home regularly. Others should be encouraged by parents and quorums to do likewise. "Pay your tithes and be blessed" is no idle chatter. *copy*

CHURCH WELFARE

Our quorum committees, organized as recommended with the quorum presidents as chairmen, together with the other committeemen and Relief Society President have continued functioning since last Conference. ^{44 weekly meetings have been held} For the Stake Conference Welfare Meeting on May 10, 1942, we conducted one of our regular meetings as a panel discussion for the Stake Welfare leaders. This was repeated before the Bishops, Relief Society Presidents, and Stake Presidency of the Mount Ogden Stake on May 13. *copy*

Regular correspondence has been carried on with our service men and foreign missionaries. *copy*

Christmas baskets were delivered to 44 families through the cooperation of Priesthood quorums, Sunday School, Primary, and Mutuals. This number will no doubt be greatly reduced this year because of improved financial conditions. *copy*

Many have been assisted with employment in permanent or temporary work. Credit is due our women's work director who, though physically afflicted all year, has carried on from her home, helping many.

Work at the storehouse has been mostly by the employed volunteering their services when help was needed. 18 men, 14 women, and 4 boys have responded. Several families have received temporary assistance from the storehouse.

Hospitalization was given in one case and arranged for in another which in the end was not needed. One home was reshingled with quorum assistance.

Arrangements were made and carried out for 12 funerals, two of which were for non-members.

With water available from Pine View Day and that of the bench canal, much of the Ward can have gardens. Quorums took an active part in encouraging home gardens this year, and we believe resulted in more trees and more, larger, and better gardens being planted. Grasshoppers did considerable damage to some gardens, while others were saved by scattering poisoned bran. *copy*

Our Stake budget assignment for 1942 was butter, eggs, honey, jam, cheese, and one acre of corn, or its equivalent in cash amounting to \$425.00. Because of labor conditions and most of the assignment being cash items, we voted to pay off in cash.

A drive to fulfill the assignment was combined with a beautification project whereby each wage earner was invited to contribute one days pay. Successful completion of our drive and payment of the budget assignment was celebrated at our Ward Birthday Party, March 21, 1942.

One member who in 1939 received a welfare loan for home building, recently completed payment of the debt.

One former member of the ward, temporarily assisted when desperately in need, has shown us the true spirit of Welfare Work as set forth in his letter of September 12; it reads in part:

Dear Bishop: I am enclosing herewith a cashier's check for \$60.50. I should like to have you distribute the money as follows:

a. Return of cash received from you	\$25.00
b. Payment of groceries received from the storehouse	10.50
c. To the Seventies Quorum	25.00
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	\$ 60.50

Now, Bishop, I understand full well that the first was payment for Ward work; that the second was received fully in accordance with Welfare plans and no repayment was expected; and that the last was voluntary help to a missionary, no repayment was expected. However, I told you at the time I wished only temporary help, and I have never changed my mind. While I probably earned the \$50.00 received for the Ward work, to make sure I was not overpaid and to make some slight contribution to Ward welfare, I wish to return the \$25.00 enclosed. I also want to put back into the storehouse that which we received. It is then available there to help someone else in need. I needed only temporary help, and I can now return it. I am interested in the Seventies Quorum having a fund to help the missionary work whenever there is real need. I wish now to replace the amount received so that they can use it again for a similar purpose. I talked the matter over with my son and he was and is wholly in accord with this attitude. The amount for groceries is as close as we could estimate costs at the time received.

Whether others repay the help received or not and whether the Welfare Plan does not call for repayment does not make any difference to me. I have built my conscience and my own self-respect on the standards implied, and I can only act accordingly. I look forward to the day when a much larger percentage will accept only temporary help in time of need thru misfortune. I can visualize the wonderful power the Welfare Program could exert if those who can would replace or repay the help received.

In closing, let me express again our sincere appreciation for the generous, sympathetic, tactful manner in which you gave the help in one of the darkest periods of my life. It was certainly a humiliation to find myself in such a helpless condition. We shall always be deeply grateful for a really friendly, brotherly hand in an hour of real need."

Blessed are they who heeded counsel four years ago when advised to put away for emergency one year's supply of food and clothing.

We again strongly advise all to pay off their debts. This done, to put away through the purchase of bonds and securities, sufficient for the storms ahead.

WARD TEACHING

Our three year record of complete visits by ward teachers was broken last December. Considering working conditions, lack of teachers, and Brother Noorda's (Counsellor in charge) illness, 98% seems remarkable. In order to maintain a good average, Brother Noorda has been compelled to do altogether too much visiting. This he can do no longer. copy

MISSIONARIES

With the return of Peter A. Kranenburg today from the Northern States Mission, five remain on foreign missions, namely: Glen Wade, Spanish American; Richard Carruth, Northwestern; West Belnap, Southern States; Lynn Pulsipher, Central States; and John Erkelins, California.

John Van der Werff and Orson Hart are serving in the Ogden Stake Mission.

MUSIC

We appreciate all who are serving in our music departments. Their interest in the music course being given by Brother Lorenzo Mitchell of the Church General Music Committee has pleased him.

Our chorus, their leader, and accompanists, have pleased us today as on every day. The male section has been badly riddled through calls to the service and as missionaries, yet they carry on in the true spirit of youth, crippled but not undaunted. They are an example to us all, an asset of great value to the Ward, as the Ward is also an asset to them.

AUXILIARIES AND COMMITTEES

The Relief Society centennial was celebrated March 17th. Membership increased 98% to 222. A lovely reception, a pageant, and tree planting was observed. Funds were collected for the Campanile to be erected on the Salt Lake Temple Grounds. Attendance, largely because of women working, decreased from 44 to 24%.

The Sunday School has 416 enrolled with an average attendance of 62% as compared with 82% last year.

76 are enrolled in the Y.M.M.I.A. with 50% attending compared with 59% a year ago.

The Y.W.M.I.A. has 101 enrolled with 77% attending compared with 72% last year.

There are 81 enrolled in Primary. Their attendance is 64% compared with 69% last year.

Thanks to the Genealogical committee for carrying on under adverse circumstances. One officers and teachers endowment excursion was held. One baptism excursion resulted in 531 baptisms for the dead.

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

Aaronic Priesthood Day was observed as a fathers' and sons' wiener roast held on the banks of the river north of the Elmonte Golf Course.

22 girls and chaperons enjoyed four days at the Stake Camp.

Scouts and Employers joined in a chicken dinner party at the Yacht Club on Pine View Dam. Scouts also held a summer outing at Camp Kiesel.

An M.I.A. summer program, while not too successful, justified the effort.

The Primary hospital fund was enriched \$50.00 through your penny per years of birth contributions. Much food stuffs were gathered through a Halloween Party.

The Sunday School dime fund amounting to \$56.35 was raised in a drive started one Sunday and terminated the next.

The Relief Society held one temple excursion, assisted the Red Cross in knitting and sewing, and twice furnished cookies to the U.S.O.

Old Folks Day was fittingly enjoyed.

Ward recreation was ably conducted by the Mutuals, Primary, and Sunday School with others assisting as requested. Twenty-three major Ward recreational events were held for adults or children, 28 officers and teachers parties, 44 organization and class parties, which include quorum, Sunday School, Relief Society, Primary, after Mutual, Genealogical, picnic, swimming, and skating have been held.

MAGAZINES

The following subscriptions to Church magazines are of record:

Relief Society	95
The Instructor	26
Children's Friend v	28
Genealogical	5
Improvement Era	122½ (an all time high)

WARD FINANCE

Under the able direction of Counsellor J. Bennett Moore our Ward finances are in excellent shape. We have no indebtedness and are meeting currently our monthly expenses.

A new budget year is just starting. If you are one who has not yet returned the pledge card, kindly do so at once.

MISCELLANEOUS

Our Ward population is 1163, an increase of 31. Since January 1 there have been 26 baptisms, _____ births, 9 deaths, and 36 children blessed.

BEAUTIFICATION

This project carried on through the year consisted of: (laying of pipelines supplying water from the Pine View Day for the lawn around the building and the parked area east of the building; grading and planting of the lawn from 21st to Rushton and east of the building; grading of the area north of the building; planting of trees and shrubs; improvements to the front entry including laying a new roof, repairing damaged side walls, placing a celotex tiled ceiling, painting the inside walls, painting the exterior woodwork; also finished is the drape hung over the south chapel window and the carpeting in the corridor and entry stairways.)

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The unfinished parts of the project for which funds are available are the planting of lawn and shrubbery at the rear of the building and repairing the stairway concrete to the east recreation hall entrance, and varnishing of front entry woodwork.

The Primary children turned out in a large group and picked up the small rocks off the new sod east of the meeting house. This is another example of the enthusiasm shown in our Ward Beautification.

CONCLUSION

We are most grateful to our fine officers and teachers, the willing workers who have given their labors in the beautification program, the committees of quorums, and you as ward members who have given of your substance and cooperation. We appreciate the efforts of our pleasing custodian and those who have been kind enough to assist.

Our Stake Presidency, High Council, and Stake Family have been most helpful. To them we give thanks.

We are happy for the love and unity prevailing in the Ward.

Though discouraging times are here,

Do thy duty as is best,
Leave unto God the rest.

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SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL WARD CONFERENCE--October 10, 1943

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This report has been prepared for the purpose of acquainting us all with the accomplishments of the past 9 months and pointing out conditions as they exist in our ward.

Because of sickness, removals, working conditions, and entry of many into the armed forces of our country, changes have been necessary in our officer and teacher personnel. Major changes include:

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Sustaining Lamar Mumford as Secretary to the Bishop with duties equivalent to that of a counsellor. J. Ellwood Carruth sustained assistant in High Priests group. Three new counsellors sustained in the Elders quorum: Charles Foley, Keith Saxton, and Farley Yeates. Brother Saxton now released. Katharine Smeding sustained as President of the Relief Society, the counsellors were retained. The Primary was reorganized with Ada Wheelwright as President and Bessie Mumford and Ruth Wright as Counsellors. Floyd Byington and Kendall Robbins have been sustained as counsellors in the Y.M.M.I.A, and Leda Dunn was sustained counselor in the Y.W.M.I.A. David Richards and Ralph Johansen have been sustained assistant superintendents of the Sunday School. Secretarial changes have been made in the High Priests, Seventies, Elders, Relief Society, Y.M. and Y.W.M.I.A., Primary, and Sunday School.

With men, women, boys, and girls working odd shifts, Sundays, and some 7 days a week, attendance has generally decreased and a decline in amount of work performed has been noted.

SACRAMENT MEETING

The attendance at Sacrament meeting is 17.16%, practically the same as for last year which was 17%.

PRIESTHOOD MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES

Of the 111 ward members serving in the armed forces of our country, 104 hold the priesthood as follows: (Seventies 4, Elders 45, Priests (17 to 20 years) 11, Adult members 20, Teachers 15, Deacons 9.) This is 76 more than we had in the service a year ago. By reason of the increased departures, and that 74 of those now in the service were active Priesthood members when at home, a fair comparison of attendance is not possible.

The average attendance of the Melchizedek Priesthood is 24% compared with 30% a year ago. The boys of the Aaronic Priesthood from 12 to 20 is 37% compared with 38% last year. (Percent by quorums: High Priests 36%; Seventies 24%; Elders 11%; Priests 25%; Teachers 37%; Deacons 44%.)

Last year the two deacons quorums received Standard Quorum Awards. It seems ~~probable~~ that the Priests and two Deacons Quorums will qualify this year, the teachers probably; as the most difficult requirement is attendance of 50% based on the boys available at home. Their present averages are: Priests 60%, Teachers 56%, 1st Deacons quorum 70%, 2nd Deacons quorum 75%.

Although the committee is disorganized, two adult members of the Aaronic Priesthood have been ordained elders.

An Aaronic Priesthood class has been held during the summer on Monday evening for those boys prevented by reason of employment from attending on Sunday. Members of the Bishopric, Secretaries, and Ward Clerk have alternated in conducting the class.

TITHING AND FAST OFFERINGS

Where your treasure is there will your heart be also, can easily apply to the many tithepayers. The increase in amount paid is 62% over last year. Most encouraging is the number of young people who come in regularly to make payment. Many service men when sending in their tithing write of fine experiences pertaining to tithe paying.

Fast offering payments equal \$1.02 per capita compared with 78 cents a year ago and \$1.02 for the full year of 1942.

For the eighth consecutive year all titheable High Priest have paid tithing. This year the Seventies with all members listed on the tithing roll have stepped alongside the High Priests.

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CHURCH WELFARE

Frequently we hear that there is no need for the Welfare Committee because everyone enjoys prosperity. We have kept our group together, meeting weekly.

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The Quorums and Bishopric acting through the Welfare Committee have been corresponding regularly with our boys and girls in the armed forces, writing 639 letters in all. The Improvement Era is sent to each soon after mailing addresses are available. We do this that ideals established here may be encouraged and maintained. Those with a good home background are coming through alright. The following letter in part is typical of many we receive:

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"September 8, 1943, Blank Desert, California. Dear Bishop and all: Just a few lines to let you know how I am coming and to find out how all my friends are at home. Well, right now I don't feel so good; I have been half sick all afternoon. Of course you know that we are in the Blank Desert on manouvers for two weeks and the temperature is about 140° so you can tell the reason I am sick. We are only allowed 1 pint of water a day and they put two salt tablets in it to make it taste worse. There were 143 men in my battery and now there are only 103, 40 of them have gone to the hospital on account of the heat, water, and rations. We are eating K rations and they aren't too good. Most of the drinks in the rations are coffee and I don't drink it so I have to survive on one pint of water. But don't worry about me for I will come out of it O.K. A good Mormon boy will go through this war without any difficulty."

One Quorum assisted in remodeling a home. They gave \$25.00 to a members' widow. Another quorum made extensive repairs to an elderly widows home. One member was assisted in keeping up his insurance policy and one widow's taxes were paid. 129 visits have been made to members of the Priesthood. 39 visits have been made to the sick, besides numerous visits by the Relief Society. Flowers were furnished for a number of funerals.

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Assignments made to the storehouse were on various days, for three or four women, three responded; for 25 women (26 reported for work); for 8 women and 7 worked; on three other occasions two or three women reported for emergency when others failed.) The total hours worked were 438. Calls were made for 10 or 15 men and 16 answered the call; for 8 men and 3 reported. Others went to the Stake Camp Grounds and assisted in digging up and cleaning out the clogged water pipe.

The individual record (green) cards are 85% complete.

The liquor and tobacco committees of the quorums have succeeded in getting three members to abstain from the use of tobacco.

The Relief Society committeewomen sponsored a home nursing class of near to 60 members. The Society made 14 quilts for the Bishop's Storehouse, two for individuals, made eleven quilts which with blankets, sheets, and pillow cases are stored in the meeting house for emergency. They are assisting the Red Cross with sewing and knitting; and take their turn in making cookies for the soldiers' canteen at the depot.

The Stake Budget assignment of \$454.00 was paid early in the year.

All families were encouraged to plant victory gardens. These were numerous and very successful. Our quorums sponsored a garden project for members who had neither land nor water available.

A canning committee was appointed to assist ward members in home canning of vegetables or fruits. (The committee personnel was Vernon L. Beck, chairman; Leendert Erkelens, Katherine Smeding, Martha London, and Ada Egginton.) The storehouse projects canned 2262 cans of peas, 1753 cans of beans, 3649 cans of corn, 1630 cans of tomatoes, with an estimated total of 2700 cans of miscellaneous vegetables put up at the 22nd Ward plant and home cooker projects for a total of 12,000 cans over and above the normal home canning.

Twenty-six men went to Eden to harvest a 20 acre pea crop, saving the produce for the farmer and getting peas in payment for their labor, from which the 2262 cans of peas were realized. An account of these activities was published in detail in the church section of the Deseret News for October 2nd.

A committee for wheat storage was appointed (personnel - Eugene Wiggins, chairman, Alma Toyn, Harold Johnson, Floyd Byington, and Peter D' Hulst). Through their efforts information on storage requirements was distributed to all homes. Some 250 used ice cans at 30 cents each, sufficient to store 75,000 pounds of wheat, were distributed. Orders were accepted for 60,000 pounds of which 43,000 pounds have been paid for and delivered.

WARD TEACHING

We regret to inform you that we have been unable to receive more than a 70% visit for this year. Ward teaching is no less important to the Church than any leg is to a three-legged stool. We hope for a change of attitude so that those called for this valuable service may do it, thus being chosen as well as called.

MISSIONARIES

Since our last conference Glen Wade has returned from the Spanish American Mission. Those serving in foreign missions are Richard Carruth, Northwestern; West Belnap, Southern States; Lynn Pulsipher, Central States; and John Erkeleins, California. John Van Der Werff, Orson Hart, and Ferman Westergard are serving in the Ogden Stake Mission.

MUSIC

We have been thrilled with the singing of our young folks "Liederkrantz" Chorus. Besides singing in Sacrament Meeting two to three times monthly, they participated in 15 services out of the Ward. (They sang at the 7-stake sunrise service, at Lorin Farr Park on July 4th. The male section is hardest to maintain, 14 have joined the armed forces, three are on missions, and others have been lost through removals.)

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Their visit to the North Twentieth Ward of Salt Lake City on June 20 was inspirational in song, addresses, and the visit after the meeting with the Bishop, Elmer Smith. He talked to the chorus and their young and older friends about Patriarch Hyrum Smith, the martyr. He displayed clothing worn at Hyrum's death, his watch, knives, and fire arms, tools, and tool chest; (This chest was loaned to Joseph in which he hid the gold plates); books, documents, various masonic records, etc. We appreciate the services of Brother Clarke as director, organists Mae McFarland and Maurine West, and the chorus officers. Their annual Christmas banquet is outstanding. Copy

We extend our appreciation to Denzle Williams and Arvilla Arrowsmith who have directed our music during the chorus vacations in July, August, and September; also to the Primary and Relief Society choruses for singing when the chorus has been visiting elsewhere.

AUXILIARIES AND COMMITTEES

There are 224 enrolled in the Relief Society with 15% attending compared with 24% a year ago. (Working mothers and members retained who joined during the Centennial Year of 1942 with little intention of attending meetings effect the percent to a large extent.)

The Sunday School have 439 enrolled with an average attendance of 60% compared with 62% last year.

70 are enrolled in the Y.M.M.I.A. with 40% in attendance and 50% a year ago. 77 make up the Y.W.M.I.A. enrollment with 61% this year and 77% last year. In the Church M.I.A. Sponsorship of "Aircraft Rescue Boats" project from May 11th to July 24th, 1943, we had a report of government bonds and stamps purchased by ward members in the amount of \$15,835.60.

The Primary have 122 enrolled with 56% attending compared with last years' 64%.

The genealogical committee reports one baptismal excursion to Salt Lake resulting in 350 baptisms. There have been 502 endowments, 10 sealings of husband and wife, and 25 children sealed to parents.

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

✓ Travel being restricted, Aaronic Priesthood Day was enjoyed with games in Liberty Park and luncheon served in the Ward dining room.

✓ 29 Elders performed administrations during the 7 day annual assignment to the Dee Hospital.

✓ Scouts vacationed at Camp Kiesel. Many explorers were regular visitors at Camp Browning on Pine View Lake.

✓ 29 girls and their leaders enjoyed three days at the Stake Camp.

Your pennies contributed to the Primary Hospital Fund realized \$103.11. The Sunday School dime fund of \$58.40 will be collected by the Sunday School teachers next Sunday. Help them keep this to a one day job.

✓ Old Folks Day was very enjoyable.

✓ The Primary are also furnishing cookies to the Red Cross Canteen.

✓ The High Priests group painted a house. The money received was placed in their group fund.

We thank the Mutuals, Primary, and Sunday School for conducting the regular schedule of Ward Recreation. We thank all organizations for their assistance in the very fine "Sweetheart's-Carnival" at the opening of this Mutual season, the Ward Birthday Party, farewell and welcome home parties.

✓ Twenty-one major Ward and Stake recreational events were held for adults and children. There have been 24 officers and teachers parties, and 38 organization and class parties.

MAGAZINES

The following subscriptions to Church Magazines are of record:

Relief Society	127 (a new record)
The Instructor	26
Children's Friend	33
Improvement Era	167½ (a new record)

WARD FINANCE

We have no indebtedness. All accounts are being paid when due. Our annual budget fund is being collected. We anticipate that all pledge cards will be returned within the next week or two.

MISCELLANEOUS

Our ward population is 1216, an increase of 53. Since January 1st there have been 39 births, 3 deaths, 36 baptisms, 48 blessings, 23 ordinations, 137 arrivals into and 115 removals from the ward.

BEAUTIFICATION and improvement

✓ Landscaping has continued with the planting of additional trees and shrubbery to the east, north, and northwest of the meeting house. Grass was not planted in the rear of the building as planned, as the County Agent has not completed weed eradication of morning glory and white top.

✓ Repairs were made at the East entrance by installing new steps, raising the landing, and placing weirs before the windows to prevent water getting into the basement rooms.

✓ The front entrance woodwork has been revarnished. The improvement fund collected together with our Stake Welfare Budget amounts to \$908.97. This is being reserved toward the purchase of an electric organ when these shall again be manufactured.

CONCLUSION

Our appreciation goes out to all you fine people as members, officers, teachers, committeemen, Ward Teachers, our custodian, and for the many willing hands who have helped in responsible assignments.

We appreciate the cooperation and help given by the Stake Presidency, High Council, and Stake Family.

The love and unity prevailing here is gratifying.

During the week one of our soldiers wrote: "As I receive the Standard Examiner, I know how much Utah is changing. I often wonder how this will all effect the Church. I imagine a lot of people will forget many things it has taught them. They have a good chance to with such prosperity around and so many new peoples bringing in different ideas and ways."

Having received this report, will you be one to forget the teachings of the past, neglect your duties both religious and secular, or be one to adopt the motto: "I'll do the thing that ought to be done when it ought to be done, whether I like it or not."

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