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Ogden Stake Theme for 1953

Doctrine and Covenants: Sec. 82, Verse 10.

"I, THE LORD, AM BOUND WHEN
YE DO WHAT I SAY; BUT WHEN YE
DO NOT WHAT I SAY, YE HAVE NO
PROMISE."

EMPIRE PRESS, OGDEN

Ogden, Utah
February 1, 1950

President Arias G. Belnap
1121 21st Street
Ogden, Utah

Dear President Belnap:

May I just take this opportunity to express my appreciation to you for your excellent remarks in our last Stake Conference.....

I had always thought of you as a strong and fine man but the remarks that you referred to in regards to the letter received about a year ago had made me wonder at that time..

But thank God you have restored my full faith in you, your efforts and your ideals....

I do want to congratulate you for the fine delivery of your remarks concerning the LIQUOR mess we have in this state and for your boldness in bringing to light many things that a great many of our "fine Mormons" are prone to ignore only too often.

There is no comparison as to the two talks you have given on this subject.... If your remarks of a year ago had been like those of last Sunday I would never taken it upon my self to criticize you in the least... You have really come back with flying colors and with facts and figures that you were able to back up with reliable source information.....

I had often wondered what your reaction to my former letter was and may I say that you are the "BIG" man that I had always thought you to be in that your ability to take the criticism and really bring to the people of the stake something worthwhile.

Again may I just say thanks for showing me that my personal faith in Arias G. Belnap has not gone wasted.... Keep up in your fight for truth and righteousness and I will yet be even more convinced of your personal greatness....

Sincerely your brethren

Ogden-Weber Goal Is \$102,833

OGDEN—The 1952 Ogden-Weber County Community Chest goal is 22.5 per cent more than the amount raised last year, Ernest Balch, president, announced Tuesday.

The goal for the campaign, to be conducted between Oct. 6 and Oct. 20, has been set at \$102,833. Mr. Balch said that the increase in the goal over last year

Utah J. C. Head Enters 'Barrow In Nationals

OGDEN—E. LaMar Buckner, state president of the Utah Junior Chamber of Commerce, has entered a wheelbarrow race in the national Jaycee convention parade scheduled for Minneapolis in June of next year.

Whether he rides or pushes depends upon the voters in the November election.

If Utah has the largest per cent of registered voters at the polls, President Buckner rides. If not, he pushes. The state president with the lowest per cent furnishes the manpower. If Utah fails to be high, President Buckner is the manpower and the Jaycee president of the state with the highest per cent gets the free ride.

"The Jaycees from throughout the state feel that with a concentrated drive by their organization, Utah, leading state in registration during the last election, can again achieve that distinction," President Buckner said.

Meanwhile plans were formulated to use every possible day between now and election day to see that every eligible voter is registered and to the polls on election day.

At the recent primary the Ogden Jaycees were telephoned over 20,000 times. County registered voters are being urged to register.

The result was the largest primary vote in the history of the county.



LIBERTY WARD GROUNDBREAKING—Bishop Lysle Chard of the Liberty Ward turns the first shovel of dirt for their new chapel addition. Waiting their turns are James Martin, center, member of the Ogden Stake High Council, and Arias Belnap, a member of the stake presidency. Groundbreaking was Monday evening.

Liberty Ward Addition Construction Started

LIBERTY, Ogden Valley—The first shovelful of dirt was turned Monday beginning the addition to the Liberty Ward chapel, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Bishop Lysle Chard, followed by Arias Belnap of the Ogden Stake presidency, and James Martin, a member of the stake high council, jabbed their shovels in the soil and the project was under way.

By nightfall, forms for footing has been completed with about every member in the ward lending a helping hand.

Typical of the memberships' enthusiasm was David E. Chard, 71, who helped build the original ward in 1905. He worked long and hard Monday, digging and loading cement.

"Feel just like I did almost 50 years ago when we built the old chapel over yonder," he said, nodding to the old building.

He worked alongside of men much younger than himself. He

was just one of many oldsters who "showed us younger ones what to do," Pres. Belnap said.

The addition will house the new chapel, six classrooms, the bishop's room and a faunt. Completion is hoped for within a year, depending on weather, the bishop said.

The chapel, when completed, will seat 165 people—just 10 less than the entire ward membership. The building will be of brick veneer and is being built under the supervision of William de Bois and Warren Allred.

Landscaping and a parking lot on the south side of the structure is included in the renovation.

When the chapel is completed, the old building will be used as a recreation hall, Bishop Chard said. Most of the ward's share of the project has already been subscribed, he said.

Present bishopric includes Bishop Chard and Thomas H. Shupe, first counselor, and William E. Hill, second counselor. They have served eight years. Ward Clerk John S. Whitley has served in that capacity for 25 years.

Well Boosts Water Supply For Terrace

WASHINGTON TERRACE—A new water supply has assured Washington Terrace residents of ample water.

A well just completed is pumping 969 gallons a minute, far above expectations, Terrace officials said.

The supply will be connected

Charter Set For Roy Unit

ROY, Weber County—The new Roy Junior Chamber of Commerce will get its charter Sept. 27.

A special Charter meeting will get held at

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Church Officials

Ogden Standard Examiner Support Closing

11/2/53

High LDS officials yesterday threw their support behind Sunday closing and criticized church members who either operate businesses on Sunday or patronize those who do.

Elder Milton R. Hunter of the First Council of Seventy voiced support of a Sunday closing ordinance as did Lawrence H. Evans, who spoke in behalf of Ogden Stake presidency.

The occasion was Ogden Stake conference.

Elder Hunter urged members not to make purchases on Sunday and not to patronize stores during the week which stay open on Sunday.

Referring to LDS merchants who operate on Sunday, he asked, "Do you love money more than God?"

He said he felt ashamed that so many operate stores, play golf and attend movies on the Sabbath.

'Set Example'

Stake President Laurence S. Burton advised all members of the stake to vote for candidates "who will stand up for the right and the things we stand for."

Another member of Ogden Stake presidency deplored the fact that employers "compel employes against their wishes to work on the Sabbath. Arias G. Belnap said he felt that if the people of Ogden want to set an example on Sunday closing it would then be easier to get state legislation.

Ogden Stake Theme for 1954

Doctrine and Covenants: Sec. 130, Verses 20 and 21

"THERE IS A LAW, IRREVOCABLY DECREED
IN HEAVEN BEFORE THE FOUNDATIONS OF THIS
WORLD, UPON WHICH ALL BLESSINGS ARE
PREDICATED— AND WHEN WE OBTAIN ANY
BLESSING FROM GOD, IT IS BY OBEDIENCE
TO THAT LAW UPON WHICH IT IS PREDICATED."

EMPIRE PRESS, OGDEN.

PRESENTED TO MEMBERS OF THE JUNIOR
SUNDAY SCHOOLS, AT WARD CONFERENCE,
BY THE OGDEN STAKE PRESIDENCY.



I KNOW WHAT TITHING IS
I,LL TELL YOU EVERY TIME
TEN CENTS FROM EVERY DOLLAR,
AND A PENNY FROM EVERY DIME.

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

THE COUNCIL OF THE TWELVE

47 E. SOUTH TEMPLE STREET

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

October 20, 1955

President A. G. Belnap
1111 21st St.
Ogden, Utah.

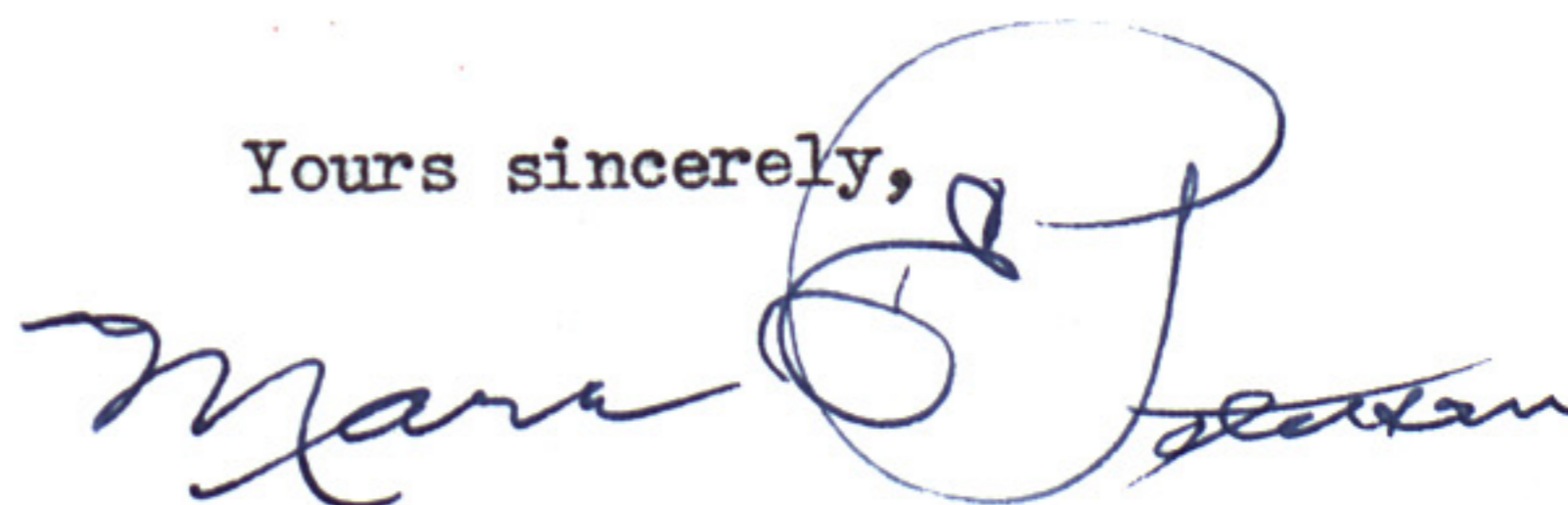
Dear President Belnap:

I have your letter of October 13th inviting me to address your stake officers on November 16 at 7:30 p.m.

I would like very much to help you in this regard and will try to do so. However, I will not be able to tell you definitely until after I have received my assignments for the two Saturdays close to that date. It is fortunate that this comes on a Wednesday evening and that is why I feel quite certain that I can be with you. However, I cannot be absolutely certain until my assignments for the latter part of November are given to me. You understand that if I am sent some distance away so that I will be out of town on that date that of course it would be impossible to be with you. If you would be willing to wait a couple of weeks before you get your definite reply I could possibly help you out. On the other hand if you prefer not to wait that long and be delayed in setting up your final plans, then possibly you should make other arrangements, although all of the brethren down here are in exactly the same situation in which I myself am since we are all subject to the regular week end assignments that the brethren give us.

Let me know what your desires are and if it is possible for me to come I shall be happy to do so.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Mark E. Petersen". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, stylized initial "M" and "P".

Mark E. Petersen

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BRIEF HISTORY OF THE WELFARE PROGRAM'S BEGINNING

In 1933 came the impact of a depression. Fortunes were wiped out; men of wealth were impoverished; terror took control; businesses and factories closed; mines shut down; the sources of employment dried up; markets fell until the products of the soil brought meager returns. There was real suffering. Hunger threatened and was experienced.

For years our Church leaders had warned against the bondage of debt, against waste and extravagance, for people to live within their means and to have surplus food and clothing on hand against a day of want.

In 1933, seeing the seriousness of the conditions the First Presidency sent letters to the Stake Presidents for reports from bishops, requesting data on the resources in stored supplies and of tithing and fast offerings on hand, etc. Requests were made to canvas their ward members to determine their self-sustaining power as well as to know those in need of aid. These letters and reports also requested ward and stake leaders to find work for the able bodied who were unemployed where possible, and to stimulate among them who had a spirit of giving for aid to the destitute.

The following is copied from a letter to Stake Presidents of that date:

"The Lord will not hold us guiltless if we shall permit any of our people to go hungry, or to be cold, unclad, or unhoused during the approaching winter. Particularly will He consider us gravely blameful if those who have heretofore paid their tithes and offerings to the Church when they had employment, shall now be permitted to suffer when the general adversity has robbed them of their means of livelihood. Whatever else happens, these faithful persons shall not be permitted to come to want or distress now. We exhort the members of the Church to prepare to take upon their shoulders this great burden which now threatens us. The cries of those in distress must be hushed by our bounty. The words of the Lord require this from us. A feeling of common humanity bids it from us. Never has the Church membership had a better opportunity than now to reap a harvest from obedience to the law, given by the Saviour, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive'. If we shall fully observe that law, the Lord will pour out His richest blessings upon us; we shall be better and happier than ever before in our history; and peace and prosperity will come to us."

Payment of tithes was especially stressed by the leadership of the Church because of the blessings which would come from our Father in Heaven in keeping this great and eternal law.

It later appeared that localities were not adequately meeting the developing conditions, and coordinating Church action was necessary. Wards and stakes, through the years of prosperity, had relaxed from the keyed up condition of the pioneering era. Many active members were reticent to make their economic conditions known to the bishops, and in many cases local church authorities lacked aggressiveness in ferreting out cases of distress. It was disturbing to see active L.D.S. members on public relief rolls. Had their conditions been known to Church leaders assistance from Church resources would have readily been used to relieve their distress.

Such conditions stimulated momentum to move forward. At the April Conference in 1935 Stake Presidents and Bishops were asked to bring their 1933 survey up to date before the October Conference of that year. This was done and a meeting with Stake

and Ward officers was held in the Tabernacle October 7, 1935 at which the report was considered and instructions were given to prevent suffering during the ensuing winter. These original instructions were supplemented by written instructions and suggestions sent out during the same month.

At the April Conference of 1936 the First Presidency issued a message formally launching the Church wide and centrally directed Welfare Plan and laying down its guiding principles. The 2nd day of the 2 p.m. meeting October 5th inspired council was given in the Priesthood meeting and President McKay spoke of the critical period of today. He gave some sound council to avert the lasting effects of the depression. He advised the return to the farm, the securing of livestock, the painting of barns and houses, and to develop neatness and thrift, and to get back to a life of independence.

At this time The First Presidency urged upon the Saints, among other things, the importance of and the necessity for the revival in observing the law of tithing and of fast offerings. This as a means of providing revenue in the manner established by the Lord for the needs of the poor and for the spiritual and temporal blessings to all who conform. Bishops who had few or no needy were yet to fulfill the law and send surplus funds to others less fortunate.

It was declared to be fundamental that opportunities for work must be provided so that all who received help should have the opportunity of rendering service in return, with the sick and infirm excepted. If work in industry could not be furnished, work projects were to be established so that relief or assistance might be, so far as possible, taken out of the realm of charity.

"No pains must be spared to wipe out all feeling of diffidence, embarrassment, or shame on the part of those receiving relief; the ward must be one great family of equals. The spiritual welfare of those on relief must receive especial care and be earnestly and prayerfully fostered. A system which gives relief for work or service will go far to reaching these ends. And a simple assuring faith in the ability of the Church to meet its obligation to its members as well as a reminder that responsibility for success ultimately lies in the faith and loyalty of the members concluded the message. Here are the words: 'Whether we shall now take care of our own Church members in need and how fully, depends wholly and solely upon the faith and works of the individual Church members. If each Church member meets his full duty and grasps his full opportunity for blessings, full necessary relief will be extended to all needy Church members; insofar as individual members fail in their duty and opportunity, by that much will the relief fall short'."

At the 2 p.m. April 5, 1936 Conference President McKay in his address referred to the critical period of the last few years, that farming, stock raising, and businesses had suffered. 3200 farms of Church members had been abandoned because of the farm prices of farm products. Then he advised the Church farm people to get back to the farm, secure livestock and equipment, and to develop independence. He recommended faithfulness to duty and to maintain our ideals under all conditions and to have courage in facing all difficulties.

President Clark in that same Conference spoke of comfort in distress through spiritual enrichment and for us to lift up the discouraged with encouragement and love. He stated "We are not doing our full duty to live for ourselves. We must go beyond this and love our neighbors as ourselves".

Sylvester Q. Cannon, Presiding Bishop of the Church, counseled the youth to learn a trade or profession, to specialize in agriculture, business, or other professions. He counseled church leaders to obtain employment placement for the youth for development and whatever they do or wherever they go to make a Zion of their homes and their surroundings.

The response was so generous and so prompt that at the opening of the October Conference in 1936 President Grant was able to announce that 98 stakes out of the 117 had completed their surveys and filled their reports. These reports showed that 83% of the reporting stakes were able to provide for all the needy members during the coming winter. Deficiencies in other stakes were readily supplied from surpluses of more favorable stakes.

The following objectives to meet the emergencies was encouraged: 1st, to make immediate surveys of available unused land and to provide land for gardens for needy families; 2nd, to provide gardens for supplying food products for canning products and storage; 3rd, to take a census of needy families in every ward.

Thus, from farm projects crops the storehouses which were set up were supplied and the canning of perishable items was begun. Root cellars were prepared and the supplies moved into use for the needy members. Thus begun the modern Bishops' Storehouse and canneries. The Bishops' Council now had specific tasks. The employment committees, the work committees and the Relief Societies all received assigned tasks.

Instructions came from Church leaders "All should be cared for, no one should suffer, no one should be hungry, no one unclothed, no one without shelter, no one without coal".

However, from the reports compiled by the Stake presidencies as of September 1935, 88,247 church members had received relief in one degree or another, 80,034 from public sources, and 8213 from church funds. Of this number 13,455 were on relief due to unemployment while 16,500 either did not need relief or had farms which might, if farmed, have kept them off relief.

Here is material for the formulation of several objectives:

- 1st. The evidence of want.
- 2nd. The resort to public agencies instead of the Church.
- 3rd. The lack of jobs.
- 4th. The taking of help by those who could have helped themselves.

Do these same objectives or problems still exist in 1956?

In closing, may I quote from a letter sent to all Stake Presidencies August 28, 1933 by the First Presidency, and ask you to compare the contents of that letter with the official or special message of the Welfare Program as announced in the October Conference 1936.

"The Church organizations set up by the Prophet Joseph in the very early days of the Church, if properly coordinated by the bishops and presidents of stakes, are qualified by purpose, jurisdiction, ability of membership, and experience, to carry on adequately, during the coming winter, the work of caring for Church members. Indigent non-Church persons will obviously look to other sources. But no one must be permitted to starve or freeze in our midst.

"In rendering assistance to those in need, the Church officers should have one prime consideration in mind, namely: that relief, except to the sick, infirm, or disabled, should not be extended as charity. Our faithful Church members are independent, self-respecting, and self-reliant; they do not desire charity. Our able-bodied members must not, except as a last resort, be put under the embarrassment of accepting something for nothing. In recognition of this wholly praiseworthy and admirable attitude of mind, Church officials administering relief must devise ways and means by which all able-bodied Church members who are in need, may make compensation for aid given them by rendering some sort of service."

President Grant announced in an important special message to the October Conference, 1936:

"Our primary purpose was to set up, insofar as it might be possible, a system under which the curse of idleness would be done away with, the evils of the dole abolished, and independence, industry, thrift and self-respect be once more established amongst our people. The aim of the Church is to help people to help themselves. Work is to be re-enthroned as the ruling principle in the lives of our Church membership."

Thus the Welfare Program was begun. Note one of its greatest blessings. Are your Stake members fully receiving the benefits as referred to in the following:

In the Agriculture meeting held Saturday at 7:30 p.m. April 7, 1956 a report was given of a certain welfare project that had been purchased that was in a run down condition, and after several years of work and thousands of hours had been donated on the farm, someone said 'See the marvelous change made in the project', but the Stake Presidents and Bishops of that area said 'See what a marvelous change that project has made in the people'.

Twenty years later shows that we have made some progress but still have a great way to go to complete fully the aims and the objectives of the Welfare Program as outlined by President Grant October 1936.

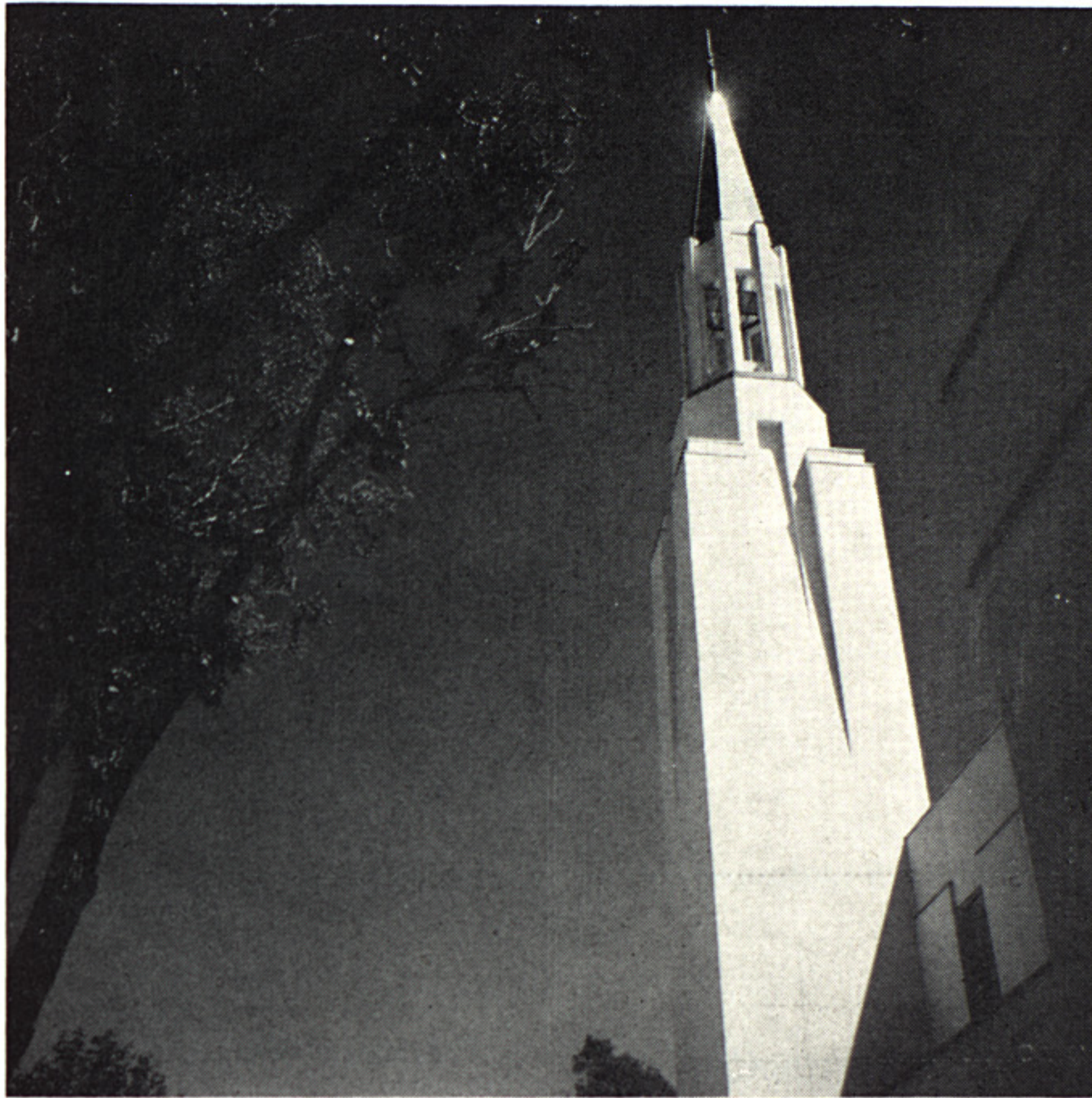
In 1933 fast offerings paid into the Church were 21¢ per capita; in 1954 fast offerings had risen to \$1.87 per capita, but our expenditure of fast offering was \$2.47 per capita that year so we are still exceeding our fast offering income.

In 1954 through the Welfare program 54,936 people were assisted but out of this number only 5010 people had worked in the program for that which they had received. In our Ogden area we helped 2806 different individuals during the year, and only 277 of them worked in the program during that period.

In 1933 there was no welfare projects owned and operated throughout the Church. In 1956 there are hundreds of Welfare projects owned and being operated successfully throughout the wards and stakes of the Church. Still, many of the stakes and wards do not have the facilities to produce their budget from their own stake or ward owned projects. Thousands of faithful Latter Day Saints are still on the public relief rolls of the state. Few families are expending effort today to store food and clothing and, where possible, fuel for a years supply even though we have passed through a depression within the last 22 years and continued counsel has been given us to become an independent people.

What are our plans for the next 20 years? If the counsel of the Lord is to be heeded we must make some vast changes in every stake, every ward, and in every individual, and if we do not make those changes we will not be able to meet the problems which lie ahead, nor will we receive the full blessings of our Father which He has promised upon obedience.

Dedicatory Service



Ogden Tabernacle

PRESIDENT DAVID O. McKAY
CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS
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Conducting

Sunday, February 12, 1956

2:00 P. M.

DEDICATION SERVICE

Ogden Tabernacle

Sunday, February 12, 1956

2:00 P. M.

Prelude.....11 Stake Choir

Welcome.....President Wm. J. Critchlow, Jr.

Song.....Choir and Congregation

"Praise to the Man Who Communed with Jehovah"

Prayer.....President Albert L. Bott

Mt. Ogden Stake

Song.....11 Stake Choir

"Now Let Heaven and Earth Adore Thee" — Bach

Introduction of Guests

and Remarks President Wm. J. Critchlow, Jr,

South Ogden Stake

Remarks.....President Scott B. Price
Tabernacle Building Committee Chairman

Song.....11 Stake Choir
"Come, Come Ye Saints" Arranged by J. Spencer Cornwall

Remarks.....Special Guests

Song.....Lois Jackson
"Bless This House"

Sermon and Prayer of Dedication.....President David O. McKay

Song.....Choir and Congregation
"How Gentle God's Commands" — Naegeli

Closing Prayer.....President Laurence S. Burton
Ogden Stake

Postlude.....11 Stake Choir

Music Directed by Lester Hinchcliff

Accompanied by Wayne N. Devereaux

PRAISE TO THE MAN

Praise to the man who communed with Jehovah!
Jesus anointed that Prophet and Seer.
Blessed to open the last dispensation,
Kings shall extol him, and nations revere.

Praise to his memory, he died as a martyr;
Honored and blest be his ever great name!
Long shall his blood, which was shed by assassins,
Plead unto heaven while the earth lauds his fame.

Great is his glory and endless his priesthood.
Ever and ever the keys he will hold.
Faithful and true, he will enter his kingdom.
Crowned in the midst of the prophets of old.

Sacrifice brings forth the blessings of heaven;
Earth must atone for the blood of that man.
Wake up the world for the conflict of justice.
Millions shall know "brother Joseph" again.

CHORUS —

Hail to the Prophet, ascended to heaven!
Traitors and tyrants now fight him in vain.
Mingling with Gods, he can plan for his brethern;
Death cannot conquer the hero again.



HOW GENTLE GOD'S COMMANDS

How gentle God's commands!
How kind his precepts are!
Come, cast your burdens on the Lord
And trust His constant care.

Beneath his watchful eye,
His saints securely dwell;
That hand which bears all nature up
Shall guard his children well.

Why should this anxious load
Press down your weary mind?
Haste to your heavenly Father's throne,
And sweet refreshment find.

His goodness stands approved,
Unchanged from day to day;
I'll drop my burden at his feet
And bear a song away.

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21 August

Dear Pres. Belnap,

I was very happy to receive your letter and hear some of the news from home. I guess we missionaries look forward to letters from home almost as much as we do a day of tracting.

I'm really enjoying the missionary work here in England. The first year of my mission is rapidly drawing to a close and I'm looking forward to the next year of preaching the gospel. I'm labouring in a town that has a great little branch. We have about forty-five to fifty people out to Sacrament meeting each Sunday and there is really a bond of unity and love among the saints.

Three weeks ago my companion and I had the privilege of baptizing a family of five people into the church. They're a fine family and will make good members of the church. We hope to have a few more families ready for baptism in the near future. The Lord is surely blessing our labors.

Last May, I and the other Elders of the mission had the opportunity of going to London for the cornerstone laying ceremony of the London Temple. Elder Richard L. Evans presided and although it rained a bit during the service, it was a very impressive ceremony. I hope that the temple will be ready for dedication before I'm released to go home. It's really going to be a beautiful structure — one that the English saints are very proud of.

Since being here in England, my testimony has surely strengthened. When a person is called upon to tell other people of the things which he knows to be true, it makes him realize how fortunate he really is. The things which I perhaps took a bit too much for granted at home, have become a priceless possession to me now. It's a wonderful blessing to be able to ~~say that~~ know that the church to which you belong is the true Church of Christ, and be able to share

that knowledge with others.

I was happy to hear of your promotion in the tax Commission. I guess Governor Clyde knows a good man when he sees him. However, I'm sorry that you ~~and~~ your family are moving to Salt Lake. The Ogden Stake is losing a good family, and I know that Dad is really going to miss you in the Stake Presidency. He has mentioned to me several times the assistance and advice which ^{you} have given him in carrying out the responsibilities of the Stake Presidency.

Pres. Belnap, I want to thank you for the five dollars which you sent me. I really appreciated it and it was kind of you to send it to me. It's a grand feeling to know that your friends at home are thinking of you and sustaining you in the work which you have been called to do. Thanks again.

Give my best wishes to Sister Belnap and say hello to all the people at home.

Sincerely your brother,

Tom Burton

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9/9/57 - will let me know

August 17, 1957

Elder Adam S. Bennion
47 East South Temple
Salt Lake City, Utah

Dear brother Bennion:

Once each year we hold a special meeting in the new Ogden Tabernacle for all Stake Melchizedek and Aaronic Priesthood members; all Stake Board Members; all Ward Officers and Teachers; Ward Teachers and Relief Society visiting Teachers---in fact for everyone holding a position or assignment of any kind in the Ogden Stake. There companions we also invite.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss briefly Stake youth and other problems. Primarily, however, we choose to hear from a guest speaker what we as leaders in our particular assignments can do to better educate and train our people so that none--especially the youth, will ~~not~~ be lost. It is our hope that the guest speaker can stimulate our leaders into increased activity along these lines or others which the speaker may best see as essential to this type audience.

We should like very much to have you and we do invite you to be our guest speaker on Wednesday Sept 25, 1957 at 7:30 pm in the New Ogden Tabernacle.

We have had some choice services in the past and with you as the speaker we know this service can be the best yet. We sincerely hope to hear from you favorably.

Sincerely your brethern

Ogden Stake Presidency

By

Arias G. Belnap, Counselor to President,
supervising and coordinating Youth
activities.

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ARIAS G. BELNAP
Service Recognized

Belnap Gets Honor Award

Presentation of the Honorary Master M Men award was an interesting feature of the recent quarterly conference of the LDS Ogden Stake.

Honored at the Ogden Stake conference for his long services to youth was Arias G. Belnap of the stake presidency.

The award was presented by Marvin J. Ashton of the YMMIA general board who explained that President Belnap has been chosen for the award by the youth council of the stake.

President Belnap's long services to the church began in his boyhood days when he served as president of his deacons quorum, president of the teachers quorum, secretary of the priests quorum, an officer in the ward YMMIA and organized the first basketball team in Weber County.

He was bishop of the Twentieth Ward for 17 years and has served 13½ years as a member of the stake presidency. He has served on two missions for the church, one in Germany and in the other in the Southern States.

He was Weber County treasurer for 20 years and is presently a member of the Utah State Tax commission.

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OGDEN, UTAH, SATURDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 23, 1957

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Social To Honor Belnaps, Former Church Leaders

Arias G. Belnap, former second counselor in the LDS Ogden Stake presidency, and Mrs. Belnap will be honored at a social to be held on Monday in the Fourth-Thirty-first Ward Chapel, 2115 Jefferson.

A program will be held in the chapel at 7:30 p.m. when gifts will be presented to the couple. Following the program, refreshments will be served in the recreational hall.

Mr. Belnap served 14 years as a member of the Ogden Stake presidency. He was also bishop of the Twentieth Ward for several years.

Mr. and Mrs. Belnap have moved to Salt Lake City, where Mr. Belnap is serving as a member of the State Tax Commission. He served for several years as Weber County treasurer.

BLASTS RULE

Feller Asks Player Vote In Baseball

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)— Bob Feller wants baseball laws changed so the players will have something to say about selecting the commissioner of baseball.

The former Cleveland fireballer also wants the major league owners to ease off on talk of shifting major league franchises.

And he's for revising the reserve clause under which a player is bound to the club that originally signs him.

Feller, in his first year of retirement after 18 years with the Indians, used plain language Friday at a news conference.

Why should the players choose the commissioner?

"The club owners will take care of themselves as they always have," he said. "The players, many of whom are afraid to speak up, need someone to front for them." The least that should be done, he said, is to give the players an equal say with the owners in choosing the commissioner.

The 38-year-old pitcher, who made nearly a million dollars playing for Cleveland, also took a swipe at the farm club system. He said local ownership of minor league clubs was best for the game.

Second Round Results in Nye Tourney

Second round results in the men's Fred M. Nye Tournament at the Ogden Golf and Country Club were announced today.

Joe Spurlock and Judy Parke def. Ray Minton and Don Hutchinson, 1 up; Layne Newey and Herb Hinley def. Harold Ambler and Perry Holley, 1 up; Arnie Ferrin and Fred Froerer def. Fred Jackson and Don Parke, 2-1; Claude Perry and Bus Bothwell def. Russ Hoffman and Earl Wilbur, 2-1.

Meanwhile, E. A. Peterson defeated Wayne Whichester, 1 up, to win the June leg of the Master's Cup, while Ray Shupe won a 2-up match from George Alexander to capture the June leg of



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Episcopalians To Observe Anniversary

Celebrating the 350th Anniversary of the Episcopal Church in America, the congregation of the Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd will hold a special service tomorrow at 11 a.m. It was on the third Sunday after the discovery—which in 1607 was—that the colonists used an old canvas sail beneath trees for shelter, set up a tree trunks for pews, a plank for a pulpit, and gathered together in a service of communion from the Book of Common Prayer from the Church of England.

The first recorded service of the holy communion in the English language in America was first performed in 1607 in London, a business-World re-ities for is carried



ARIAS G. BELNAP
Service Recognized

Belnap Gets Honor Award

Presentation of the Honorary Master M Men award was an interesting feature of the recent quarterly conference of the LDS Ogden Stake.

Honored at the Ogden Stake conference for his long services to youth was Arias G. Belnap of the stake presidency.

The award was presented by Marvin J. Ashton of the YMMIA general board who explained that President Belnap has been chosen for the award by the youth council of the stake.

President Belnap's long services to the church began in his boyhood days when he served as president of his deacons quorum, president of the teachers quorum, secretary of the priests quorum, an officer in the ward YMMIA and organized the first basketball team in Weber County.

He was bishop of the Twentieth Ward for 17 years and has served 13½ years as a member of the stake presidency. He has served on two missions for the church, one in Germany and in the other in the Southern States.

He was Weber County treasurer for 20 years and is presently a member of the Utah State Tax commission.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH

469 29th St., Ogden, Utah
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Ogden Standard-Examiner Sept 7-1957



Arias G. Belnap, second counselor in the Ogden LDS Stake presidency, will be honored with his wife at a testimonial service in the Twentieth LDS Ward chapel, 1042 21st Street, tomorrow at 7 p.m., according to Bishop Denzle H. Williams. President Belnap has served in the stake presidency for 14 years and for 17 years before that was bishop of the Twentieth Ward. He and his wife moved recently to Salt Lake City, where he had accepted a position on the Utah State Tax Commission. The public is invited. A reception will follow.

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April 1, 1959

President Laurence S. Burton
1136 Rue Ann Court
Ogden, Utah

Dear Laurence:

It occurs to me that the Ogden Stake Directory should now be available and I would appreciate very much again having one.

It was a real pleasure for Mabel and I to attend the 32nd birthday anniversary of the 20th Ward on March 20. This likewise was, as you will know, Mabel's anniversary. It was most gratifying to me to see the love and respect that they gave Mabel who sat in the background for those many years that I was permitted to serve the ward. My only regret is that the other Bishops who succeeded me and their counsellors were not accorded more honorable mention.

It was a real pleasure to be with the other members of the Priesthood and clerks and their wives and to see you looking so very much enthused and in health.

With kindest regards,

Arias G. Belnap

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Address given by President, David O. McKay, at dedication services - Detroit Stake - on Sunday, April 26, 1959.

"----We are living in perilous times; from the standpoint of true religion, probably more perilous than any other age of the world. We have nations, not just individuals, challenging the very existence of God. I am amazed to read the following report:

'The Official Soviet news agency, Tass, reports that a University of Atheism has been opened in Ashkhabad, capital of Soviet Turkmenistan, near the USSR-Iranian border. This university is offering a six-month's course in godlessness to further the spread of 'scientific atheistic knowledge.' Graduates will be expected to continue the anti-religious campaign which has been going on in the USSR since the 1917 revolution. And according to the "Manchester Guardian Weekly" (and you know the reputation of that paper.) the civic registrar in East Germany is issuing certificates to those cancelling their church affiliation. The possession of such certificates is compulsory for party officials, officers in the armed forces, students in teacher training colleges, and is now being demanded from teachers in schools and universities."

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THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY
SAINTS
GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

July 28, 1960

Gary Jones

President Laurence S. Burton
1136 Rue Ann Court
Ogden, Utah

Dear Laurence:

Your letter of the 17th instance saddened me to learn that Lawrence Evans had a slight stroke. I am happy to note that there was no paralysis. I can appreciate, however, what he is passing through and the weakening effect it will have on him, not only now, but very likely for some time to come.

Previously, I had noted that he had announced himself as a candidate for the Legislature and I was hopeful to work with him and discuss some of our problems. I doubt seriously, however, that it would be wise for him to attempt to serve, because the Legislature is much more strenuous than the outside observer believes.

I have been in close touch, as you know, with the Legislature for many years and attended many of their meetings early in the morning and late at night and noted the effect it has had on the individual. At the last session of the Legislature I had various problems to discuss with them and it was all I could do to muster strength enough to stand around, sit around, and listen to what was going on to be fully informed and to present our program before the members. Perhaps you could best convey this information to Lawrence.

Express my regrets and at the same time my greetings to the Presidency, Council, and others and especially to you and Marguerite.

Sincerely,

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THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS
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OGDEN, UTAH

Ogden July 14

Dear Aris

It was so good to receive your letter of the 14th and it was thoughtful of you to send me those statistics on Cigarettes. It really is an eye opener isn't it.

It looks from your letter that you get quite a lot of Ogden visitors, so you can see Aris, that we haven't forgotten you up here. I will always remember with pleasure our many happy years of association.

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bad effect, such as paralysis etc.
It did leave him terribly weak, and
he is also rather dizzy.

We are all getting older and
I guess can expect the ailments that
come with age.

Again Thanks for your thoughtfulness
and very best regards to yourself
and Mabel

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EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

March 12, 1962

Dear Betty:

I was not sure that I could finish all the names today so I mailed the concluding paragraph and information for the Lieder Kganz Chorus this morning.

Enclosed is the finish of the record as far as I shall go. If you have time to finish before the end of the week let me know and I'll have you take the original to Bishop Lampros in the First Security Bank, 24th and Washington. Keep the duplicate copy for me also the triplicate for the chorus.

Should you not be able to finish this week, it may be that you can let the Bishop have the original for the week end and return it later for finishing. For this I mean you can include my work sheets for this week end then borrow them back for re-typing.

I surely appreciate your helping me in the undertaking. Thanks very much.

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STATE TAX COMMISSION
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Received by

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Salt Lake City, Utah
October 24, 1962

Dear Laurence:

Burton

Long, long time--neither see or hear from each other. Think of the Ogden Stake and most of its wards often. Try and keep up on the doings of Ogden thru means of the Ogden Standard-Examiner..

One of the most instructive and nicest things I have seen since moving to Salt Lake City was the Wilford Stake annual Seminar. I am enclosing a copy of the program. It was designed to improve the teaching methods in the classroom and in the parental teaching and instructions, with proper example in the home. I attended the age group 25 years old and over. The man Asahel D. Woodruff and his subject approach was most unusual and instructive. He has no voice to talk to a couple hundred people but does well with a microphone and the use of a black board. I have heard similar remarks from some in the other departments. The picture "Open my eyes" is also very good.

Dr. Victor Cline the second evening was also good. So was the film and other subjects.

Should you be interested you might contact Pres. Lee H. Nelsen, 1401 East Claybourne Ave., Salt Lake City, Utah. He could direct you to the members of the committee in charge.

I have seen nothing here comparable to the annual leadership services which the Ogden Stake held in the tabernacle for all teachers, ward teachers, relief society teachers (visiting) and the presidencies of all quorums, etc. Here we had featured speakers such as Pres. Geo. Albert Smith, Mark Peterson, John Longdon, etc. The Seminar is excellent by comparison but only reaches two to three hundred people although it was open to all.

The Ogden Stake has been a leader in setting the pattern for Ward Conferences in Weber County--and if I were to boast a little I would say that while Bishop, my ward had something to do in having some of the best. Anyway, your stake does have the best ward conferences I've seen. Wish someone could introduce an exemplary conference in one of the Wilford Stake's wards. They have auxiliary Ward Conferences during the week at which the Stake Boards attend. On Sunday the Stake Presidency attend and conduct the Priesthood meeting. Sunday School conference that day is a usual class period. In the evening the Presidency again conduct the evening, sacrament, meeting. The Bishop gets to talk verbally and give a report which is anything but a report. Those I've heard from two Bishop's in the more than five conferences in our ward have just been talks on some subject if any at all. There is no special preparation noticeable, no effort to get attendance and no roll calls. After Sacrament there is little time to hear from local or stake speakers. It passes as any other sacrament meeting. Thanks that the Ogden Stake make these conferences special events and gala days for the wards.

Remember me to the brethren,

With kindest regards

April 19, 1963

Dear Clarence:

Enclosed is a copy of the Lieder Kranz Chorus story as I have been able to put it together. As you may well know, the records of a ward are taken or sent to the Presiding Bishop's Office as soon as each record is completed. Frequently the early history of a ward is wanted in the ward. Consequently I thought it a good idea to prepare a short history of the Twentieth Ward during the time of my administration. Naturally an interesting part of the ward was the Lieder Kranz chorus.

The record was started before I left Ogden six years ago. It was finished after I came here about three years ago in the main part. Over a year ago I worked on it to have it ready for the Anniversary of the ward March 20th of 1962. This I gave to the Bishop prior thereto.

Another part of interest was the development and completion of the plaque of the last supper. This I almost alone know the story and as I had been asked for it several times I thought best to preserve it in that short history. The dedicatory prayer and services in detail was thus preserved in the ward vault.

I am grateful to you and Elna for the support and cooperation which you both gave to me while I serve in the capacity as Bishop of the Twentieth Ward of Ogden.

The best of wishes and kindest regards to you both.

Arias G. Belnap

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THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

THE COUNCIL OF THE TWELVE

47 E. SOUTH TEMPLE STREET

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

May 19, 1964

Mr. Arias G. Belnap, Commissioner
Utah State Tax Commission
200 State Office Building
Salt Lake City, Utah

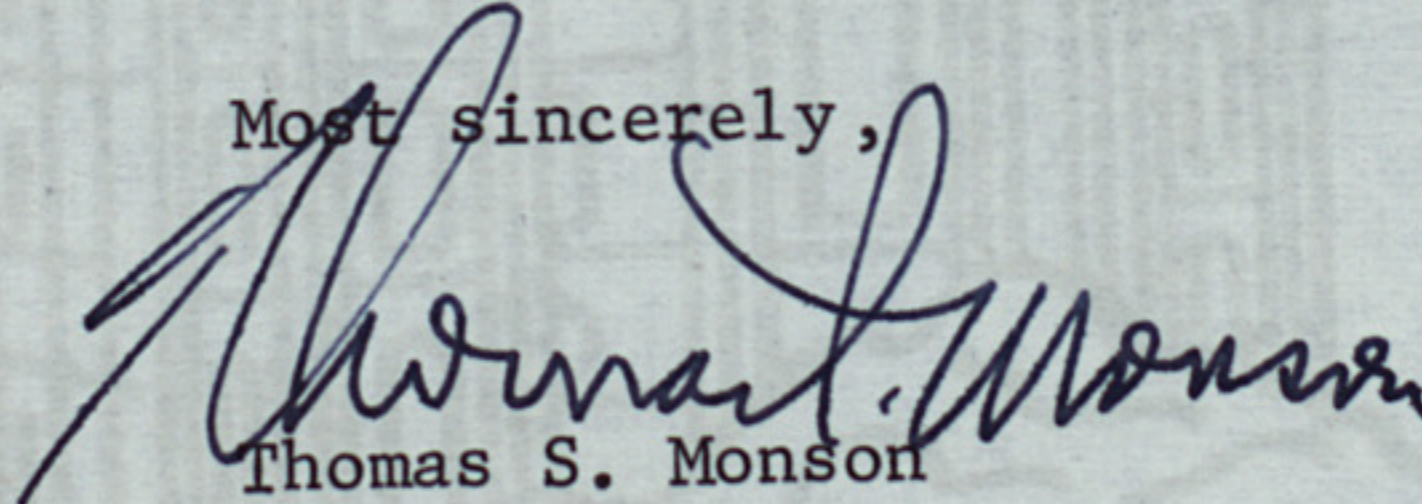
Dear Mr. Belnap:

Thank you so much for your letter of May 7, 1964, and the enclosure of copies of correspondence to President R. Crawford Davis of the Western States Mission.

Should there be any complaints from the Uinta area pertaining to the decision made with respect to our missionaries, I would appreciate it if you would keep me advised.

Your cooperation in this matter is sincerely appreciated.

Most sincerely,


Thomas S. Monson

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AUGUST 22, 1954
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THE LIEDER KRANZ CHORUS

UNDER THE DIRECTION
OF
C. CLARENCE CLARKE

Accompanist, Mae McFarland



Synopsis: The Leider Kranz Chorus was organized in December 1939. At that time the Chorus consisted of young members of the Twentieth Ward of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints who had reached the age of fourteen years or over. This organization was prompted by those who were interested in promoting musical, social, and spiritual upbuilding, and in making their own lives more wholesome and useful through participation in worthwhile activities. The regular activities of this group was temporarily discontinued on August 26, 1946. The members now, however, have decided to make this a yearly occasion, and will meet each year as they have done since August 1952.

This years officers:

- Richard Carruth, President
- Leon Felt, Manager
- Floetta Wessler Wirth, Librarian
- Lucille Martin Holladay, Secretary

Lucile Olsen Taylor. It was during her period of leadership that the chorus took the name "Lieder Kranz." Lucile moved to California and Bro. Clarke was sustained director of the Lieder Kranz Chorus. Under his direction, beginning in 1939, the chorus developed rapidly and were frequently invited to sing in other wards. They formed an organization with Eileen Manning as its first president.

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PROGRAM

- SECRET PRAYER CHORUS
- PRELUDE - Piano & Organ Duet - Elma Clarke, Mae McFarland
- INVOCATION
- OPENING SONG OH YE MOUNTAINS HIGH - CONGREGATION
- ANNOUNCEMENTS
- SACRAMENT SONG IN THE GARDEN CHORUS
- ADMINISTRATION OF THE SACRAMENT Leon Felt, John Erkelens, Lynn Pulsipher, Wendle Foulger.
- PASSING OF SACRAMENT Ward Deacon's CHORUS PRESIDENT
- INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

CHORUS:

- (a) THE BELLS OF SAINT MARY
- (b) MADAM JEANETTE

TALK - John Erkelens

- (a) THE LORD IS MY LIGHT
- (b) RAIN AND THE RIVER

READING - "PIONEER MEMORIAL" Marie N. Olsen

Chorus Background - Come, Come, Ye Saints

- (a) HAPPY SONG
- (b) BLESS THIS HOUSE

REMARKS: President ARIAS G. BELNAP

CHORUS: THEME SONG - THE LORDS PRAYER.

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| Rey L. Call | Arlene Hansen |
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| Richard Carruth | Norene Harris |
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| Wayne Coombs | Peter Kranenburg |
| Leonore London Cooney | Maurine West Keyes |
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| Darlene Ekins Corbridge | Betty Smeding Linsley |
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Early in the history of the 20th ward it could be seen that the youth and the adults of the ward mixed well together in church services, activities and social events. As the building came nearer to completion these activities increased and the youth were afforded more opportunities. Semi-monthly invitational dancing parties were organized for and run by the youth. They took part in vaudeville, programs, plays and music. In fact they became a vital factor in the life of the ward.

Music wise they became well known through out all northern Utah, *Southern Idaho.* This was not achieved overnight as it were, but over some period of time. This is shown but briefly through the ward records. The first organized effort was under the direction of William J. Brian when he directed an Aaronic Priesthood chorus when they sang "The Boys Song" in priesthood meeting November 15, 1931. It is again recorded that this chorus sang for Ward Conference November 13, 1932. Brother Brian continued to direct the boys until merged with the girls as a mixed chorus in 1938.

In 1935 a girls M. I. A. chorus was organized under the direction of Lucile Olsen Taylor which sang "My Prayer" at Ward Conference Oct. 27, 1935.

These two chorus were joined together as a mixed boys and girls chorus and sang "Kathleen's Wedding Day" and "King of Glory" at the Ward Conference October 30, 1938 under the direction of Lucile Olsen Taylor. *Henry
Lester*

It is well to mention here that the youth music program received tremendous help as well as the other auxiliary organizations of the ward with the holding of the McCune School of Music in Ogden beginning Oct 18, 1936 under the direction of Lorenzo Mitchell of the church music committee. To further help the ward and work he gave personal help to our choristers and organists in our chapel.

This school was again held beginning October 17, 1938 to which the ward sent choristers and organists from each auxiliary organization. Among these was C. Clarence Clarke, not too long a resident of the ward. The Bishopric knowing of Clarence's enthusiasm and singing ability had visited him prior thereto in his home with the intention of inviting him to become the Sunday School chorister. During the visit he made the remark that he had wanted badly to lead music but that he could not read a note and what songs he sang were from memory with the help of his wife, Elna, and excellent pianist.

As a result of this statement the Bishopric left without inviting him to become S. School chorister

Clarence was now (1938) working during the week much of the time out of town as a salesman. When the McCune school classes were announced he came and asked permission to attend and pay his own way. Permission was given on the same basis as for the others attending. On some of the evenings when the class was to be held he returned as much as 200 miles during the day so as not to miss any of the weekly classes. Being a natural leader he developed rapidly and was soon invited to serve as Sunday School chorister. In this, his work was outstanding. Song practice was a pleasure to members and visitors alike. Congregation singing was participated in with vigor by all.

In the meantime the chorus had been progressing under the leadership of Lucile Olsen Taylor. It was during her period of leadership that the Chorus took the name "Lieder Kranz." *Meaning
"Singing
Circle"* Lucile moved to California and Bro. Clarke was sustained director of the Lieder Kranz Chorus. Under his direction, beginning in 1939, the chorus developed rapidly and were frequently invited to sing in other wards. They formed an organization with Eileen Manning as its first president. *1939*

They sang special numbers in the Ward Conference sessions of 1939. The Ward Choir was still functioning as the major musical organization. The chorus is first given special mention in the Ward Conference report of Oct. 20, 1940 as follows: "Our Junior Chorus (52 of 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 Bowen called our conductor to her seat saying she had never heard "The Lord's Prayer" sung better. We have limited their visits to outside wards to one a month." The clinic was held in the Assembly Hall. The combined seventeen chorus' after two days practice sang in the Tabernacle with Prof. ^{Densie} ~~Zanzig~~ of New York City the conductor.

It was becoming increasingly difficult to maintain the chorus and the choir and hold the chorus in the ward as their invitations out were numerous. So much so that the chorus could be absent from the ward always. The ward choir usually had vacation during July and August. Early in September of 1941 the Bishopric discussed with the chorus leaders the possibility of their becoming the Ward Choir so that the Ward could more fully profit by their attendance and singing in our sacrament meetings. Their first appearance as the ward choir was at Ward Conference October 19, 1941. In the morning sacrament service they sang: "The Lord's Prayer" by Gates (their theme song), "OH Wonderous Love", and "The Lord is My Light". In the evening they sang: "The Stranger of Galilee", "Come, Come Ye Saints" and "Reverence and Praise."

We discussed with the officers of the Ward Choir our desire to use the youth chorus as the ward choir which they agreed to. Consequently the Ward Choir was given a leave of absence Sept. 14, 1941 while we saw whether or not the "Lieder Kranz" chorus would stay on the job for any length of time. When they sang ^{and administered and passed the sacrament} and spoke in the other wards the chapels were crowded, afterwards they were served lunch or refreshments. In other words, quite a fuss was made in their behalf and they did like the appreciation shown which they feared would not be shown in their own ward.

The records show that on March 29, 1942 some members objected singing nearly every Sunday evening in our ward. The chorus officers met with the Bishopric that same evening. The following Sunday the Bishopric met with the chorus as a whole. The chorus approved of the Bishopric plan to their singing in the ward on the second and fourth Sunday. This would leave the chorus free to sing as a rule away from the ward on the third Sunday and sometimes on the first Sunday at the M. I. A. services in other wards. This was reaffirmed August 27, 1942.

With approval of the Bishopric the chorus ^{Letter} were permitted to organize as a group and to conduct much of their own affairs. They formally adopted by-laws and a constitution February 4, 1940, shown hereafter as of July 30 and approved by the chorus ^{Feb 11,} ~~August 4, 1940.~~ Copy of the By-laws and Constitution follows:

(Insert copy of the By-laws and Constitution)

→ This was revised Aug 4, 1940 and Feb 1, 1942
Officers were chosen each six months

CONSTITUTION OF LIEDER KRANZ
CHORUS*

We, the members of the L.D.S. Ogden 20th Ward "Lieder Kranz" Chorus, desiring to promote our musical, our social, and our spiritual upbuilding and to make our lives more wholesome and useful through participation in worthwhile activities, do hereby ordain and establish this constitution.

Article I NAME

The name of this chorus shall be "Lieder Kranz," German terms meaning "Singing Circle."

Article II OFFICERS

Section 1. The officers of this Lieder Kranz Chorus shall be Director, Organist, President, Manager, Secretary, Treasurer, and Librarian.

Section 2. Duties of the Officers.

1. Director: The director shall be in charge of all conducting for the Lieder Kranz organization.
2. Organist: The organist or organists shall accompany the chorus on the piano or organ at each practice or public appearance.
3. President: The president shall call the meetings to order and shall preside over the business of the day; he shall uphold the constitution and observe all committee functions.
4. Manager: The manager shall arrange for all public appearances of this organization and shall also act as reporter.
5. Secretary: The secretary shall take care of all records of attendance and minutes and shall be responsible for contacts with members.
6. Treasurer: The treasurer shall handle all money matters pertaining to the organization and shall be responsible for an oral and a written report once each month. This shall be on the first of each month for the preceding month.
7. Librarian: All properties, including the sign, music, stamp pad, etc. of the organization shall be handled by the librarian.

Section 3.

Article II. Election of Officers.

The officers shall be elected by secret ballot on the first Sunday of January and July. The nominee receiving the highest number of votes shall be elected.

Article III MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Members.

Members of this chorus shall be limited preferably to 20th Ward members.

Section 2. Applicants.

An applicant to be admitted to the chorus shall abide by the rules further discussed in the By-Laws. Members shall not bring visitors to rehearsals.

Article IV AMENDMENTS

Amendments to this constitution must be presented in writing to the president two weeks in advance of voting. Amendments must be approved and passed by a two-thirds majority of a quorum present.

* Written and adopted by the Constitutional Committee July 30, 1940. Don West, Chairman.

Read and approved by the Lieder Kranz Chorus August 4, 1940.

By-Laws

By-laws page 3.
Constitution page 4

REHEARSALS AND MEETINGS

This Lieder Kranz Chorus shall meet once each week in the chapel immediately after Sunday morning services and shall continue for one hour. Meetings and rehearsals shall be called to order by the president. The roll shall be called at each meeting or performance given by the chorus.

Business of the day shall occupy not more than ten minutes of the meeting unless previously arranged for with the consent of the officers. Extra rehearsals or meetings shall be called by the president or other authorized officers when deemed necessary.

This chorus shall limit its performances outside of the ward to once a month, and shall only be changed with consent of the Ward Bishopric.

Any member who has a legitimate excuse from practice shall be excused only if the secretary is provided with a written excuse at the time of the meeting. Verbal excuses shall not be considered; neither shall excuses presented after the meeting. The secretary shall judge whether excuse is legitimate.

Anyone failing to attend any three meetings and failing to hand in a written excuse shall be dropped from the chorus upon notification.

DUES

Dues for the Lieder Kranz Chorus shall be ten cents per month and shall be paid immediately after dismissing the first meeting of the month. Special arrangements may be made with the treasurer for payment of dues. Any member failing to pay two months dues when due and failing to make arrangements with the treasurer shall be dropped from the chorus. No money may be taken from the treasury without the consent of the president.

APPLICANTS

Any young person desiring to abide by this constitution and who has a whole-hearted desire to further the purpose of this organization may apply for membership.

He shall present his name to either the director or the president, who shall submit it to the other officers for approval. Applicants shall not attend rehearsals until they are considered prospective members. Four rehearsals are necessary before they are considered permanent members or can appear with the chorus in a public performance.

COSTUMES

Costumes for this chorus shall be white shirts, dark ties, and white blouses. The symbol shall be a black circle with a musical note and shall be worn on the left hand side. Costumes shall be worn at each performance of the chorus unless decided differently by a two-thirds vote of a quorum present.

PENALTIES

Any member failing to abide by these accepted written rules shall be automatically dropped from the chorus upon notification.

Any member who has been dropped shall be re-instated according to rules set down for applicants. He shall be required to comply with them as if he had never before been a member of the organization.

AMENDMENTS

Amendments to these by-laws shall be presented in writing to the president two weeks in advance of voting. Amendments must be approved and passed by a two-thirds vote of a quorum present.

By-laws page 3
Constitution page 4

With the organization effected February 4, 1940 Richard Carruth became the president of the chorus with C. Clarence Clarke, director; with Mae McFarland and Mrs. C. Clarence (Elna) Clarke the organists.

The emblem, ^{cut in black felt,} a musical note within a circle ^{double}, was adopted June 2, 1940. *Uniforms were: girls white blouses and dark skirts. Boys: white shirts, long black ties and dark trousers*

When the chorus was organized and by-laws and constitution adopted they began keeping a record of officers, times and places when they sang and special events. Subsequent election of officers are shown in this record as follows:

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|---------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| July 14, 1940 (page 9) | | January 12, 1941 |
| Luella London, | President | Luella London |
| Lois Belnap | Manager | Lois Belnap |
| Ida Howe | Secretary | Vera London |
| John B. Arrington, | Treasurer | Lynn Pulsipher |
| Mildred Belnap | Librarian | Lucille Martin |
| Clarence Clarke | Director | C. Clarence Clarge |
| Elna Clark, | Organist | Elna Clarke |
| June 29, 1941 | | January 11, 1942 |
| Lynn Pulsipher | President | Luella London |
| Richard Carruth | Manager | Frank Carruth |
| Venyle Stone | Secretary | June Dunn |
| Lenore London | Librarian | Lucille London |
| Marie Nielsen | Treasurer | Frank Call |
| C. Clarence Clarke | Chorister | C. Clarence Clarke |
| Elna Clark | Organist | Elna Clarke |
| June 28, 1943 | | January 10, 1943 |
| Betty Halford | President | Luella London |
| Warren Shurtleff | Manager | |
| Lenore London | Secretary | Donald Belnap |
| Joseph Allen | Treasurer | others were |
| Naomi Stromberg | Librarian | Maurine West |
| | | June Wagner |
| | | Marvin Hill |
| | | David Dinsdale. |

About 1942 brother Clarke moved to Salt Lake City, Utah but returned some months later. During his absence the chorus was ably conducted by Mrs. Lavar (Ellen) Anderson. She in turn moved from the ward and brother Clarke who by this time had moved to the 4th ward returned, with the consent of the 4th ward bishopric, to conduct the chorus.

The last Ward Conference conducted by Bishop Arias G. Belnap on Oct. 10, 1943 page 190B of ward records is found the following by Rulon B. Garner: "We

"We cannot close without mentioning in a collective way the young men and young ladies in our Junior Chorus and Brother Clarence Clarke who directs it. This organization has done an outstanding job piece of work. Bro. Clarke will never know the real worth of his services in holding this organization together, and in directing the energies of all the young folks who have come into his organization. We can only say we appreciate his efforts more than words can tell".

Especial mention should be given to the organists Mae McFarland, now serving in this capacity, with Elna Clarke and Mauring West assisting. The latter two sisters have been serving much of the time as assistants to sister Clarke.

Notes 1 and notes to be inserted on page 6

NOTE 1

My official association with the chorus closed with my release as Bishop December 26, 1943 in view of having been sustained as counselor in the Ogden Stake Presidency November 21, 1943. This was the date of the division of the Ogden Stake into two--the Ogden and Ben Lomond.

Subsequent thereto a farewell banquet was given by the Stake Family in honor of Wm. Arthur Budge and Francis A. Child the retiring counselors in the Ogden Stake, but now president and 1st counselor respectfully in the Ben Lomond Stake. Honored guests were President David O. McKay, the members of the Twelve who officiated in the division of the Stake John A. Widsoe and Spencer W. Kimball, together with Thos. E. McKay Assistant to the Twelve and former president of the Ogden Stake; Pres. McKay was astonished at the number in the chorus from one ward and the excellence of their renditions. He so commented.

NOTE 2

On the 25th anniversary of the 20th ward some 50 former members of the chorus returned and sang at the Sunday evening Birthday services. At this meeting it is recorded "Pres. Arias G. Belnap and his wife were honored and the chorus received recognition and honor for past services rendered to the ward." The chorus closed with singing "The Lord's Prayer" by B. Cecil Gates, the theme song and made a traditional part of every program.

On November 25, 1957 they returned to sing at the farewell party honoring me as I had been appointed a member of the Utah State Tax Commission and had moved to Salt Lake City.

Other than these special events with which I was associated no attempt has been made to outline their activities from the close of 1943 until they disbanded in 1946.

Bishop Arias G. ¹⁹⁴³Belnap in his report says: "We have been thrilled with the singing of our young folks "Lieder Kranz" chorus. Besides singing in Sacra-^{fifteen}ment meetings two to three times monthly they participated in ~~Masonic~~ services out of the ward. They sang at the 7th stake sunrise service at Lorin Farr Park July 4, 1943.

Their last visit to Salt Lake City North 20th Ward is recorded in the same conference report as follows:

"The visit to the North 20th Ward of Salt Lake City on June 20th was inspirational in song, addresses and the visit after the meeting with Bishop Eldred G. Smith (later to become the Church Patriarch). 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, which was loaned to Joseph in which he at times hid the gold plates; books, documents, various Masonic records, etc." (End of reports)

The chorus over the years has sung in nearly every ward in Weber County, and in some more than once. They have also sung in such other places as Henefer, Huntsville, Salt Lake Assembly Hall and Tabernacle, Liberty Park sunrise service Aug 4, 1940, the Ogden Tabernacle, youth program with Pres. J. Reuben Clark, Jr. attending Dec. 1, 1940; the Morgan Tabernacle, Brigham City 3rd ward, Willard, Malad 3rd ward twice, Evanston, Wyo; Draper, Utah; Salt Lake City North 20th twice; They have sung at Ward Conferences, Stake Conferences, Ward Birthday special service, programs, Christmas and Easter, at funerals and for many special ward and stake events or functions.

Because of the ward which began in December of 1941 it was thereafter most difficult to maintain the male section, nevertheless, the chorus continued until the ward was divided in April of 1946. Brother Clarke took up his activities in the 4th ward where he was residing and the chorus disbanded for a time.

Note 1
Guest speakers have all commented on the excellence of their singing. They have marvelled that such a chorus of regularly organized at 65 members could be recruited in a single ward. In fact for years there were several on a list waiting for the time when they could participate. It is only fair to state that perhaps five or six from outside the ward were permitted to sing with the chorus. This was because they kept company with someone of the members;

From the time the chorus was disbanded in 1946 they have been meeting once a year in reunion. This has been preceded with a Saturday evening social and practice with the song and the spoken word in Sacrament Meeting the following day. On this same Sunday they have sometimes sung in both the 20th and 31st wards -- ~~for they were~~ nearly all of which was originally the 20th ward.

Note 2
Their example led other wards to organize similar groups such as Ogden 21st; 6th, 4th, 13th, Wilson in Weber County and in Malad 3rd, Idaho, and perhaps others.

Written by Bishop Arias G. Belnap
May 7, 1960

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add - that this shows record during my administration

Betty:

To be added to the Lieder Kranz story:

In 1959 the known membership of the chorus during the nearly eight years duration was 147. No doubt there were several others prior to accurate record keeping since 1940. Nearly all members are active in church service. At this annual reunion it was ascertained that some were Bishops, or Bishop's counselors, some highcouncilman, heads of auxiliaries and others in responsible leadership.

Reviewing their activities as I best can determine from my knowledge of them I see the following:

| Boys | membership | Girls |
|----------|---|----------|
| 67 | membership | 80 |
| <u>5</u> | Single | <u>3</u> |
| 62 | Total known married | 77 |
| 53 | Temple marriages | 44 |
| 9 | Civil marriages | 30 |
| 0 | M. Status unknown | 3 |
| 1 | Married to non-members but to LDS boys, one of whom has joined church | 2 |

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Three of the civil marriages were out of the church--one of these seems disastrous.

29 have filled missions

5 are Master M-Men

6 are golden gleaners

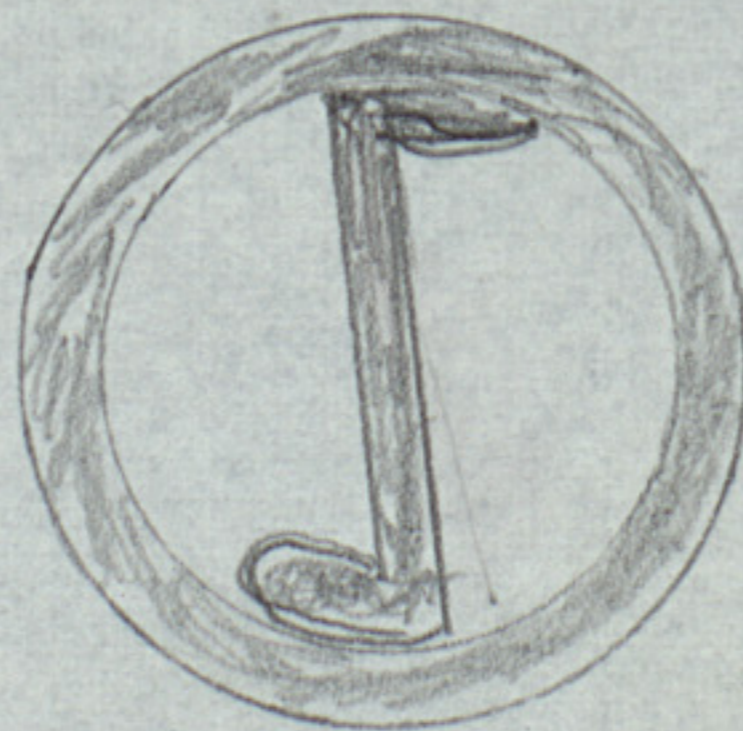
They are the parents to date of 410 children.

Written by former Bishop Arias G. Belnap
May 7, 1960. Revised March 10, 1962.

Betty:

This is the emblem. The one I drew in the article is not correct.

If you have not already copied that, please use this drawing.



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