

The ~~Spring~~ ^{unconquered} of 1839 find the out coast saints still
hopeful and ready for work
Joseph being out of the prison and through
with that terrible experience was weakened in health
health as were all the saints

In the spring of 1834 the saints were pretty much weakened
in health ^{all} though ^{they were} expelled from homes they were still
the unconquered and ready to seek a new home hearing
of a chance to get land in Ill. Joseph starts out
with Alason Ripley and Amos Knight the three being
the community chosen to select and buy the new
town site. Commencement in Hancock Co. was selected
and they bought 135 acres from Huger White for
which they agreed to pay \$5,000 also a larger farm
lying west of the White purchase of Dr Isaac Bellard
for \$9,000

Before leaving Quincy they held a conference at
the Baptist ^{camp} grounds near Quincy
Brother Knight had been bishop (pro temp) since
his appointment in Adam-ondi-Adam with
conference when he was appointed bishop
in field

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<p>In the spring of ¹⁸³⁹ we find Joseph Smith just out of Missouri's prison and he with his people trying to locate themselves in Ill. (Winnona) taught and Thomas R. Ribley with Joseph Smith were the community to select and buy a town site. Commerce in Hancock Co. was selected as the most suitable place to locate, so on the 1st of May they purchased a farm of 135 acres from Hugh White for which they agreed to pay \$5,000 also a larger farm lying west of it the white purchase of Dr. Isaac Galland for \$9,000 and apothecaries.</p> <p>In spite of the trouble persecutions the membership in the church was increasing rapidly as the people, not only began to build up Commerce which they called Nauvoo but several towns were soon started. Nashville was bought for \$5,000 acres of land adjoining it in June 1839 the Church through</p>						
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Knight bought an extensive tract of
land, lying west of Montrose on which
a town was started. But the latter never grew
in population like Nauvoo.

The people experienced terrible hardships
in beginning these new cities for the trials
of the past year or more had sapped their
true constitutions for the unhealthy climate
of the new location. All of them were afflicted
with chills and fever and other complaints but the
Lord answered their prayers and healed them
some of them were instantly healed ^{by faith} when blessed
by the prophet.

In October ^{city '1839} the first general conference was
held in Nauvoo. W. K. Whitney was appointed bishop
of the middle Ward, Edward Partridge of the upper
Ward and Amos Knight of the lower Ward.

The people were now happy and being industrious
they grew in wealth and made Nauvoo a
beautiful and remarkable city.

It was located on the east bank of the Mississippi river on the incline of a hill that sloped gradually to the water's edge just here the fences were a mile wide and swept around the city in a half circle.

The city was remarkable because of its rapid growth in two or three years it had 9,000 inhabitants. Much has been said of the virtues of its people one writer said I sought in vain for any thing that bore the marks of immorality, I could see no loungers about the streets or any drinking about the taverns, I heard not an oath in the place and saw not a gloomy countenance, all were cheerful polite and industrious.

[On Feb. 1 1841 the first election for members of the city council took place and Winsor was elected one of the members.]