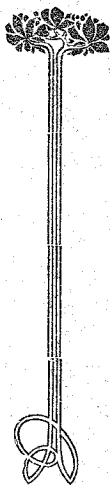


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Preconference Services

Preceding the sessions of the General Conference, services were held in the several churches in the city of Zion. The First Presidency appointed ministers to speak in the churches named as indicated. The weather was fine, and the Easter sermons brought out large attendance:

MONDAY, APRIL 6, 1925

ORGANIZATION

The seventieth General Conference of the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints convened in the Stone Church at Independence, Missouri, on Monday, April 6, 1925, at ten o'clock a. m.

President Frederick M. Smith called the assembly to order.

Hymn No. 158 was sung. Prayer was offered by President E. A. Smith.

O God, our heavenly Father, we look unto thee, not only as the author and creator of our beings, but also as the great founder and builder of the church. We come, Lord, before thee conscious that in the scenes of the past, many times thou hast looked upon gatherings of thy people, great and small, hast seen their vicissitudes, their struggles, their trials, their triumphs; and though we come unto thee with perplexing problems before us and with some degree of misunderstanding and difference of opinion in our minds, yet, Lord, we feel to desire that we may have some of that serenity and confidence that is thine, with all eternity in the view. Knowing thy great power that is in the church that was founded upon the rock against which the gates of hell shall not prevail, and that even with a degree of thy

divine confidence, untroubled in our souls, we may go forward, confident in the victory and triumph of thy church, we come, Lord, we trust not too greatly divided in heart. We are divided in mind, but we feel, Lord, that there is within the great body of thy people a general desire that thy will should be done. We may differ in our opinions as to what thy will is; but we seek after it, Lord, and we pray that in all things we may be led eventually to say, Not our will, Lord, but thine be done.

So, Lord, we look to see not our way, but thine. We pray that thou wilt lead us individually and as a church, and direct this conference, that out of its deliberation shall eventually come a time of union that shall be astonishing to us as we look back, and a degree of happiness and peace; that an era of peace may come to thy people. And may we go hence with a degree of happiness that we do not now feel possible, and that by power and the demonstration of thy Spirit that was promised to thy children in these last days. Hasten thy work, we pray, in this way, and may we be thine instruments.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

The President asked the assembly to indicate its choice of presiding officers. It was moved by Elders J. A. Gillen and A. C. Martin that the First Presidency of the church preside over the conference, with power to complete the organization and arrange for the time, place, and character of meetings.

It was moved as an amendment, by Elders Daniel Macgregor and J. E. Yates, that Presiding Patriarch Frederick A. Smith be associated with the First Presidency in presiding.

Patriarch Smith stated he was willing to serve the body but considered such provision to be unnecessary.

After discussion the amendment was lost. The original motion prevailed.

COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

The President stated that on account of delay in forwarding reports it was impossible to present a

complete published report of quorums, committees, etc. He presented the printed report of the committee on credentials, which was distributed:

To the Presidency and General Conference: The committee on credentials submits the following report concerning delegates to the conference of April, 1925. As the membership reported in the credentials, here stated, often disagrees with the records of the Statistical Department, membership according to said records is here given in parentheses, as of February 28, 1925. However, the membership as stated in the credentials is first given in each instance, and General Conference is requested to determine which figures shall be used as the basis of delegate votes.

The number of votes to be credited to the following districts will be affected by action of the conference in determining the figures to be used as a basis of delegate votes: Alberta, Chatham, Detroit, Eastern Michigan, Eastern Oklahoma, Florida, Fremont, Idaho, Kirtland, Minnesota, Mobile, North Dakota, Northern California, Northwestern Kansas, Owen Sound, Southeastern Illinois, Southern Indiana, Southern Michigan and Northern Indiana, Southern Nebraska, Southern Wisconsin, Spring River, Toronto, Western Maine, Youngstown-Sharon.

Eastern Michigan, Eastern Oklahoma, Spring River, Wales, West Virginia, and New York District credentials and signatures are typewritten only.

AUSTRALIA

Northern New South Wales District, 530 members, 5 votes: P. M. Hanson, M. A. McConley, J. W. Rushton, J. W. Davis, Mrs. Inez Davis.

Norwood Branch, 120 members, 1 vote: C. F. Ellis.

Perth Branch. No credentials.

Queensland District, 260 members, 2 votes: William Patterson, J. Blackmore.

Southern New South Wales District, about 750 members, 7 votes: G. G. Lewis, Mrs. P. M. Hanson, Mrs. M. A. McConley, Gomer Wells, William Patterson, J. Blackmore, G. Mesley.

Victoria District, 282 members, 2 votes: M. A. McConley, Mrs. M. A. McConley, J. W. Rushton, P. M. Hanson.
2 excess.

BRITISH ISLES

Midland District, 294 members, 2 votes: Howard Voas
Meredith, Blanche Edwards.

Northern District, 721 members, 7 votes: J. E. Bishop,
R. Baldwin, Mrs. R. Baldwin, J. W. Rushton, P. M.
Hanson, J. F. Curtis.

Southern District, 224 members, 2 votes: P. M. Hanson,
J. F. Curtis, J. A. Gillen. *1 excess.*

Wales District, 180 members, 1 vote: J. F. Curtis, P. M.
Hanson. *1 excess.*

GERMAN MISSION

Braunschweig Branch, 80 members, 1 vote: J. F. Curtis.

Einbeck Branch, 15 members, 1 vote: E. C. Ohlert.

Hannover Branch, 125 members, 1 vote: J. F. Curtis,
E. C. Ohlert. *1 excess.*

Gr. Räschen Branch, 106 members, 1 vote: E. C. Ohlert.

Gr. Wartenberg Branch, 62 members, 1 vote: J. F. Curtis.

HAWAII

Hilo Branch, 68 members, 1 vote: M. A. McConley.

Honolulu Chinese Branch, 25 members, 1 vote: M. A.
McConley.

Honolulu Japanese Branch, 27 members, 1 vote: M. A.
McConley.

Honolulu Main Branch, 226 members, 2 votes: M. A. Mc-
Conley.

HOLLAND

No credentials.

NEW ZEALAND

Auckland Branch, 30 members, 1 vote: M. A. McConley.

Dunedin Branch. No credentials.

PALESTINE

Jerusalem Branch. No credentials.

SOCIETY ISLANDS

No credentials.

SWITZERLAND

Basel Branch, 31 members, 1 vote: J. F. Curtis.

UNITED STATES AND CANADA

Alabama District, 631 (637) members, 6 votes: T. C.

- Kelley, N. L. Booker, J. R. Harper, J. W. Rushton, T. W. Williams.
- Alberta District, 621 (527) members, votes: E. E. Long, C. J. Smith, William Osler, J. R. Beckley, W. H. Roy.
- Arkansas District, 460 (467) members, 4 votes: R. A. Ziegenhorn, Laura Emde, Leonard Pinchback, Mrs. J. T. Riley.
- Central Illinois District, (622) members, 6 votes: No credentials.
- Central Michigan District, 1,776 (1,772) members, 17 votes: S. T. Pendleton, Albert Seymour, Earl Falconer, George W. Burt, G. C. Tomlinson, M. A. Summerfield, William Methner, Willis Shrock, J. A. Roark, Matthew Umphrey, E. S. White, George Bailey, John D. Wade, George A. Pringle, George White, Emery Fultz, Otto Summerville.
- Central Nebraska District, 428 (474) members, 4 votes: Mrs. J. H. Butler, Mrs. M. E. Rutledge, Mrs. W. Allen, A. D. Ohering.
- Central Oklahoma District, 1,500 (1,595) members, 15 votes: James A. Thomas, M. E. Haskins, Mrs. Rodilla Dillon, George A. Kelley, Earl D. Bailey, Hubert Case, A. H. Christensen, Ed. Dillon, H. K. Rowland, Mrs. H. K. Rowland, Belle James, Mrs. Earl D. Bailey, Jack Koshiway, S. W. Simmons, W. Ammermon.
- Central Texas District, 489 (476) members, 4 votes: Carl G. Johnson, A. F. Shotwell, Mrs. W. E. Everett, D. A. Fuller, Mrs. L. R. Wells. *1 excess.*
- Chatham District, 1,427 (1,290) members, votes: Byron H. Doty, John C. Dent, Robert T. Brown, John Shields, J. Leslie Brown, S. Ezra Mifflin, James H. Tyrrell, Edith Moore, Wilbert Wood, Stanley Phillips, Florence Parker, Willard Kettlewell, C. Wesley Badder, Robert Parker.
- Clinton District, 948 (944) members, 9 votes: J. W. Higgins, J. A. Marsteller, F. A. Hawley, W. E. Haden, Lee Quick, John Orndoff, H. Ross Higdon, Mable Martin, Mrs. F. A. Sawley.
- Des Moines District, 1,353 (1,368) members, 13 votes: Henry Castings, G. F. Hull, David Dowker, E. O. Clark, J. R. Lentell, C. E. McDonald, Estella Lentell, George Orr, William Robinson, E. C. Kibby, Norman V. Anderson, Charles M. Richeson, Stephen Robinson.
- Detroit, Michigan, District, 2,111 (2,252) members, votes: M. W. Liston, Ida Robertson, A. H. Durose, Muriel Durose, B. F. Anspaugh, F. D. Gardner, William

- Tuttle, Emma Hardy, Myrtle Holden, Dewey McNamara, Beatrice McNamara, W. E. Alldread, Julia Hammond, W. L. Bennett, Maud Bennett, G. R. Kuykendall, J. R. Grice, W. C. Gault, Jesse D. Shelley, V. D. Schaar, J. Scott Falconer, Robert Kenyon.
- Eastern Colorado District, (1,634) members, 16 votes: Louisa Fishburn, Nellie Williams, F. B. Almond, Bruce E. Brown, J. D. Curtis, Mrs. Bruce E. Brown, Reno H. Auld, Mrs. F. B. Almond, E. J. Williams, Ward A. Hougas, John L. Brown, J. B. Wildermuth, Inez Shrunk, Sallie Conway, Thomas Barton.
- Eastern Iowa District, (659) members, 6 votes: W. W. Richards, Leonard Houghton, Charles Shippy, Mollie Davis, Lloyd Webber, Nellie Newland.
- Eastern Maine District, 524 (544) members, 5 votes: Gracia Walker, H. A. Chelline, C. H. Rich, H. V. Minton, M. C. Fisher, O. L. Thompson. *1 excess.*
- Eastern Michigan District, 1,718 (1,922) members, votes: Charles Maxwell, Mrs. Charles Maxwell, Edw. Diem, Mrs. Edw. Diem, C. C. Whitford, Mrs. C. C. Whitford, J. R. Grice, Grace McGuiness, G. T. Richards, Mrs. G. T. Richards, William Davis, Mrs. William Davis, Myron Carr, Mrs. Myron Carr, William M. Grice, Mrs. William M. Grice, May Engle, Arthur Leverton.
- Eastern Montana District, 256 (250) members, 2 votes: George W. Thorburn, S. M. Andes, A. R. Ritter. *1 excess.*
- Eastern Oklahoma District, 1,300 (1,000) members, votes: H. E. Winegar, J. S. White, A. Judkins, H. R. Harder, E. A. Erwin, C. G. Smallwood, Ida Smallwood, P. W. Hubble, Earl D. Bailey, Mrs. J. F. Wallace, Mrs. J. S. White, Mrs. P. W. Hubble.
- Florida District, 662 (719) members, votes: Cal T. West, E. N. McCall, J. Charles May, C. J. Dixon, John W. Rushton, Mrs. T. C. Kelley, Samuel McPherson.
- Fremont District, 504 (461) members, votes: A. M. Chase, Mrs. A. M. Chase, B. S. Lambkin, H. N. Pierce, T. A. Hougas.
- Gallands Grove District, 937 (936) members, 9 votes: E. L. Edwards, Mrs. E. L. Edwards, C. R. Lane, Mrs. C. R. Lane, Mrs. Robert Fish, Sister Hahn, F. T. Mussell, W. A. Smith, J. F. Garver.
- Idaho District, 553 (610) members, votes: R. C. Chambers, R. L. Fulk, G. P. Levitt, D. T. Williams, Emma Benson.
- Kentucky and Tennessee District, 557 (546) members, 5

- votes: J. Charles May, J. E. Vanderwood, J. R. McClain, Mrs. J. R. McClain, O. S. Caldwell.
- Kewanee District, 800 (812) members, 8 votes: E. R. Davis, Charles Holmes, E. A. Curtis, B. E. Sartwell, Edw. Jones, George Sackfield, J. G. Cole, L. W. Stiegel.
- Kirtland District, 1,056 (1,123) members, votes: T. G. Neville, A. E. Stone, William Patterson, Floyd Kelsey, J. C. McConaughy, F. J. Ebeling, Ernest Webbe, A. R. Manchester, G. T. Griffiths, Charles Fry.
- Little Sioux District, (1,876) members, 18 votes: J. W. Lane, George Meggers, T. O. Strand, Fred A. Fry, Charles F. Putnam, Charles J. Smith, Mark Hutchison, Stanley Brenner, F. C. Oviatt, J. J. Kilpack, Charles G. Clark, C. S. Kennedy, R. L. Sheetz, Vida E. Smith, Ruby Adams, Hattie E. Oviatt, Pearl Van Eaton, Esther Kennedy.
- London District, 918 (913) members, 9 votes: James A. Gillen, H. A. Koehler, Ella Borbridge, James Skelding, Hiram Dickhout, Albert Cordery, Buehlah Cordery, William Hardy, Clara Hardy.
- Minnesota District, 584 (696) members, votes: C. H. Johnson, Sarah Johnson, C. A. Kress, Alice Kress, Leslie DeLapp, Wesley Elvin.
- Mobile District, 755 (843) members, votes: J. Charles May, N. L. Booker, T. C. Kelley, Alma Booker, Charles Mader, A. G. Miller, John Leytham.
- Nauvoo District, 725 (734) members, 7 votes: Amos Berve, G. Scott Daniel, Albert L. Sanford, George P. Lambert, Elmer Sherman, William H. Gunn, Edw. R. Williams.
- New York District, 414 (474) members, 4 votes: A. E. Stone, James Pycoc, P. L. Weegar, Joseph Osborne.
- New York and Philadelphia District, 1,245 (1,262) members, 12 votes: John Zimmermann, sr., Charles E. Irwin, Arthur E. Stoff, Minnie D. Gates, A. E. Stone, Richard J. Hawkins, W. R. Wirebaugh, Alex McIntosh, Anna D. Zimmermann, John M. Cumming, Samuel Worrell, Thomas Carr.
- North Dakota District, 504 (491) members, votes: Bertha Graham, Mrs. William Sparling, Mrs. Frank Anderson, Martin J. Spaulding, Nels C. Anderson.
- Northeastern Illinois District, 1,113 (1,119) members, 11 votes: J. L. Cooper, F. M. Cooper, O. A. McDowell, Mrs. F. M. Cooper, W. A. McDowell, C. D. Carter, J. E. Wildermuth, L. O. Wildermuth, J. F. Garver, Mrs. C. D. Carter, Oscar Johnson.

Northeastern Kansas District, 612 (622) members, 6 votes: Samuel Twombly, Abram P. Crooker, Benjamin F. Jackson, Roy L. Tilden, Martin L. Schmid.

Northeastern Missouri District, 320 (397) members, 3 votes: J. W. A. Bailey, E. F. Robertson, S. J. Joyce.

Northern California District, 1,798 (1,847) members, votes: D. T. Williams, Roy S. Budd, George H. Wixom, E. B. Hull, Virgil Etzenhouser, C. W. Hawkins, Blanche Edwards, John D. White, William H. Dawson, J. T. Smith, jr., A. J. Dawson, John B. Carmichael, Bessie B. Holling, Frances White, Herbert Walker, Etta Cooper Walker, Sister M. L. McRoberts.

Delegates are instructed to vote for the document on church government adopted by the Advisory Council of April, 1924.

Northern Michigan District, 1,008 (1,037) members, 10 votes: Allen Schreur, Sarah Schreur, Hector McKinnon, A. E. Starks, Mrs. A. E. Starks, E. N. Burt, Max Kramer, Dirk Schreur, Wesley Alldread, Ada Alldread.

Northern Nebraska District, (1,259) members, 12 votes: No credentials.

Northern Saskatchewan District, 524 (534) members, 5 votes: E. E. Long, Birch Whiting, J. J. Cornish, E. L. Bowerman.

Northern Wisconsin District, 648 (640) members, 6 votes: J. F. Garver, E. J. Lenox, A. L. Whiteaker, W. A. McDowell, S. E. Livingston, L. O. Wildermuth.

Northwestern Kansas District, 590 (611) members, votes: E. G. Patrick, Bert Boyd, W. E. Ratcliffe, J. R. Greybill, P. R. Burton, Mrs. P. R. Burton.

Northwestern Ohio District, 479 (488) members, 4 votes: O. J. Hawn, E. L. Ulrich, J. M. Hardin, H. H. Harms, W. G. Kimball. *1 excess.*

Nova Scotia District, 24 members, 1 vote: Orval L. Thompson.

Owen Sound District, 1,552 (1,334) members, votes: John Shields, D. B. Perkins, Grant St. John, Percy Farrow, Joseph H. Yager, Fred B. Stade, James Gerrie, N. E. Leeder, James A. Morrison, King Cooper, Mrs. J. L. Mortimore, Mrs. Joseph H. Yager, Mrs. Fred B. Stade, Brother Schwackhammer, Mrs. Percy Farrow.

Pittsburgh District, 536 (542) members, 5 votes: Mrs. L. F. P. Curry, L. F. P. Curry, Joseph A. Jaques, Robert Winship, Jesse Winters.

Portland District, 704 (769) members, 7 votes: R. S. Budd, D. T. Williams, A. C. Martin, S. P. Cox, M. H. Cook, C. E. Jones, N. T. Chapman.

- Pottawattamie District, 1,505 (1,532) members, 15 votes:
J. A. Hansen, Charles F. Putnam, W. T. Spanswick,
George Beatty, Nels P. Johnson, G. J. Harding, C. A.
Skinner, Mrs. W. T. Spanswick, Nellie Hall, W. T. Fay,
D. E. Butler, May Rudd, O. A. Currie, M. A. Smith,
H. H. Hand.
- Saint Louis District, 1,327 (1,362) members, 13 votes:
H. A. Higgins, Mrs. G. S. Trowbridge, George F. Bar-
raclough, Russel Archibald, sr., Edith Higgins, Mrs. M.
Crabtree, W. C. Carl, Elsie Barraclough, E. C. Sellers,
Charles J. Remington, Mrs. E. C. Bell, Prosper Carl,
Allie H. Daly.
- Seattle and British Columbia District, 1,053 (1,054) mem-
bers, 10 votes: Eli Bronson, A. C. Martin, S. P. Cox,
Joseph Marshall, C. E. Jones, Ida Jones, M. H. Cook,
D. T. Williams, Roy S. Budd, Oscar Case.
- Southeastern Illinois District, 1,250 (1,331) members,
votes: Henry Sparling, Mrs. Henry Sparling, R. H.
Henson, Mrs. R. H. Henson, Charles Wesner, L. C.
Lowery, Mrs. L. C. Lowery, J. M. Fuqua, Mrs. J. M.
Fuqua, Marion Lowery, Mrs. Marion Lowery, W. W.
Brown.
- Southern California District, 1,400 (1,427) members, 14
votes: N. T. Chapman, T. W. Williams, James E. Yates,
F. B. Van Fleet, J. W. Rushton, H. F. Backer, H. W.
Savage, S. H. Garner, A. W. Teel, Jerry Fisher, Melissa
Backer, William Anderson, Arthur Crum, Effie Van
Fleet.
- Southern Indiana District, 725 (586) members, votes:
O. J. Hawn, Ida Hawn, Katherine Schmitt, Charles H.
Fish, Howard Shetron.
- Southern Michigan and Northern Indiana District, 1,527
(1,759) members, votes: Paul N. Belleisle, Emmeline
Belleisle, E. C. Evans, Adina Evans, F. F. Wipper,
M. A. Ward, W. F. Ryder, Etta B. Ryder, E. K. Evans,
Melvin Johnson, Mrs. Melvin Johnson, Louise Evans,
Ed Glidden, Mrs. Ed Glidden, E. B. Blett.
- Southern Missouri District, 690 (684) members, 6 votes:
A. M. Baker, Wilson Hudson, J. C. Chrestensen, J. B.
Ansley, Lulu Rowley, Henry Sparling.
- Southern Nebraska District, 504 (667) members, votes:
F. H. Higgins, E. F. Robertson, Blanche Andrews, H. A.
Higgins, G. R. Wells.
- Southern New England District, 1,160 (1,181) members,
11 votes: T. J. Elliott, M. C. Fisher, E. L. Traver, D. F.
Joy, B. W. Leland, O. L. Thompson, E. H. Fisher,

Gertrude Wood, Leah Traver, Clara Wood, Sanford Fisher.

When the document adopted by the Advisory Council of April, 1924, and the "Open Letter" or any variation of these documents come up for vote in the conference, delegates are instructed "to vote for the Administration Document and with the First Presidency and against the "Open Letter."

Southern Ohio District, 1,603 (1,614) members, 16 votes: Emma Donaldson, Jacob Halb, Francis May, Floyd Rockwell, Gomer T. Griffiths, James E. Bishop, J. D. Shower, S. B. Kriebel, J. E. Matthews, A. H. Neiman, Charles Fry, D. J. Hannah, Mrs. H. E. French, W. E. George, H. E. French, H. E. Moler.

Southern Saskatchewan District, (379) members, 3 votes: No credentials.

Southern Wisconsin District, 543 (600) members, votes: L. Houghton, W. A. McDowell, J. O. Dutton, E. J. Lenox, Mrs. J. O. Dutton.

Southwestern Kansas District, 410 (407) members, 4 votes: Thomas S. Williams, C. E. Harpe, J. F. Garver, E. J. Gleazer.

Southwestern Texas District, 560 (507) members, 5 votes: W. H. Mannering, D. S. Palmer, G. M. Hiles, Sophia Ferguson, Harry M. Robinson.

Spokane District, 740 (753) members, 7 votes: Eli Bronson, Oliver Turnbull, Oscar Case, Mrs. C. E. Jones, Roy S. Budd, C. E. Jones, Mrs. Oscar Case.

Spring River District, 1,709 (1,811) members, votes: Carl H. Hobart, Alvin Smith, Frank L. Freeman, Oran A. Duncan, Earnest Earl Parks, Charles L. Boyer, Josie May Boyer, Hazel Rook, Clarence Rook, Nelvita Cowen, Guy G. Cadwell, John Blackmore, Nellie Blackmore, Amos T. Higdon, Elmer E. Gilbert, Edna J. Gilbert, E. J. Gleazer.

Delegates are instructed to vote for the document on Church Government adopted by the Advisory Council of April, 1924.

Toronto District, 1,473 (2,219) members, votes: David Pycok, A. F. McLean, Alice McLean, John Shields, C. Ed. Miller, J. T. Whitehead, Ernest Rowett, S. G. Clark, James Pycok, Margaret MacGrégor, C. A. McLean, E. G. Law, Angus Kennedy, James A. Wilson.

Utah District, 551 (554) members, 5 votes: Guy P. Levitt, Roscoe E. Davey, D. T. Williams, Roy S. Budd, Frederick M. Smith.

Western Colorado District, 333 members, 3 votes: J.

- Arthur Davis, Lillian Pottorff, Mrs. J. F. Garver, Mrs. Ellis Short, sr. *1 excess.*
- Western Maine District, 533 (600) members, votes: C. H. Rich, Harvey Minton, Mrs. Harvey Minton, M. C. Fisher, Louis Eaton, H. H. Billings, H. A. Chelline. *excess.*
- Western Michigan District, 911 (925) members, 9 votes: B. H. Doty, John Schreur, A. C. Silvers, A. R. Ellis, W. D. Ellis, Mrs. Lyle Weaver, W. G. Hubbard, John Bennett, E. B. Blett.
- Western Montana District, 486 (495) members, 4 votes: G. W. Thorburn, Mrs. G. W. Thorburn, E. E. Eliason, C. S. Chase.
- Western Oklahoma District, 639 (674) members, 6 votes: S. W. Simmons, R. Bullard, C. J. Hunt, W. D. Tordoff, Hubert Case, Mrs. Hubert Case.
- West Virginia District, 345 (347) members, 3 votes: Thomas Newton, James McConnaughy, Everett D. Finken.
- Wheeling District, 615 (618) members, 6 votes: L. D. Ullom, Samuel A. Martin, Thomas L. Clark, John F. Martin, James E. Bishop.
- Winnipeg District, 115 (152) members, 1 vote: G. W. Robley.
- Youngstown-Sharon District, 425 (375) members, votes: G. T. Griffiths, Charles Fry, Cecille Neville, David H. Jones. *1 excess.*

BRANCHES NOT IN DISTRICTS

- Bisbee Branch (Arizona), (63) members, 1 vote: No credentials.
- Douglas Branch (Arizona), 35 (40) members, 1 vote: Daniel T. Williams (instructed to vote for the document on church government issued by April council).
- Eros Branch (Louisiana), 83 (147) members, 1 vote: Mrs. J. T. Riley.
- North Platte Branch (Nebraska), (66) members, 1 vote: No credentials.
- Olive Branch (Nebraska), (80) members, 1 vote: No credentials.
- Phoenix Branch (Arizona), 114 (110) members, 1 vote: Jesse R. Johnson.
- Pleasant View Branch (Nebraska), (30) members, 1 vote: No credentials.
- Spearfish Branch (South Dakota), (45) members, 1 vote: No credentials.

Tryon Branch (Nebraska), (30) members, 1 vote: No credentials.

ZION AND HER STAKES

City of Zion, 4,443 (4,461) members, 44 votes: B. J. Scott, I. N. White, Ammon White, C. Ed. Miller, R. J. Lambert, M. H. Siegfried, Joseph Luff, R. V. Hopkins, J. A. Becker, J. A. Gillen, J. F. Keir, R. S. Salyards, B. R. McGuire, Hubert Case, J. F. Curtis, E. L. Kelley, F. A. Smith, F. A. Russell, R. S. Budd, Richard Bullard, J. Charles May, P. M. Hanson, J. M. Baker, A. H. Parsons, E. A. Smith, H. O. Smith, E. C. Harrington, C. B. Hartshorn, J. A. Dowker, I. A. Smith, A. B. Phillips, H. C. Burgess, S. A. Burgess, J. W. Metcalf, George Jenkins, R. T. Cooper, C. J. Hunt, Alice Edwards, W. J. Brewer, E. E. Willard, H. A. Moriarty, J. J. Teeter, Lyman Fike, Mrs. Alma Tankard.

Far West Stake, 2,650 (2,652) members, 26 votes: O. Salisbury, G. B. Koger, Raymond Raines, Archie Constance, Moses Hinderks, Roscoe P. Ross, Rasmus Lorenson, Alma Nelson, Coleman Snider, W. G. Hamann, Frank Powell, J. A. Place, G. W. Mauzey, T. A. Ivie, John F. Sheehy, Frank Hinderks, J. A. Koehler, John Hovenga, Zenos Lewis, H. L. Barto, John L. Bear, Milo Burnett, Alec Jensen, Coventry Archibald, Charles Wood, Thomas Fiddick.

Holden Stake, 1,656 members, 16 votes: D. J. Krahl, A. B. Phillips, Lola A. Johnson, F. A. McWethy, W. S. Macrae, C. V. Hopkins, R. F. Moorman, R. E. Burgess, C. F. Scarcliff, I. M. Ross, George W. Beebe, G. W. Rodger, R. B. Cook, D. R. Carmichael, Mrs. I. M. Ross, J. W. A. Bailey.

Kansas City Stake, 3,147 (3,144) members, 31 votes: Mrs. F. B. Blair, Mrs. D. H. Blair, Mrs. F. M. Smith, Mrs. F. J. Gerber, Mrs. J. A. Tanner, Robert Winning, Frederick M. Smith, Joseph Curtis, W. R. Odell, Harvey Sandy, Margaret Cleveland, Elizabeth Evans, Fred J. Cleveland, Mrs. E. W. Lloyd, Mrs. Herbert Gould, Mrs. Roy E. Newkirk, Bernice Griffith, Mrs. J. R. Lloyd, W. O. Hands, Hazel Shireman, Ida Combs, Jessie Tucker, Sarah Hawkins, H. L. Oldfather, Mrs. John Tucker, R. J. Crayne, William I. Flegg, Ammon White, J. A. Tanner, F. B. Blair, Mrs. C. D. Jellings.

Lamoni Stake, 2,336 (2,326) members, 23 votes: C. E. Wight, J. F. Garver, A. Carmichael, F. M. McDowell, W. E. Prall, H. H. Gold, Fred Condit, Mrs. Lydia Wight,

C. F. Church, Mrs. I. A. Monroe, J. E. Anderson, G. W. Blair, E. F. Downey, Mrs. Myrtle Watts, Mrs. Nellie Hogan, David Taylor, J. E. Leeper, J. A. Gunsolley, E. Dewey White, Wm. T. Shakespeare, R. A. Ballantyne, William Wilson, L. G. Holloway.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. TANNER,

F. A. RUSSELL,

A. B. PHILLIPS,

Credentials Committee.

It was moved by Elders D. T. Williams and W. A. Smith that the report be adopted.

PETITIONS

A number of petitions were called for. The chair stated that according to general parliamentary practice petitions are presented only by some member of the assembly, usually by one friendly to the petition. He instructed the secretary to read the following petitions from the Northern California District and the Lamoni Stake:

To the Officers and Delegates of the General Conference; Greeting: The undersigned ministers and members of the Northern California District hereby enter protest against the manner in which the delegates to the General Conference from this district were selected and instructed, and hereby ask redress at your hands.

It must be understood that we are not objecting in particular to the personnel of the delegation but especially to the manner in which they were selected and instructed. We affirm that:

1. The Northern California delegation positively does not properly represent the entire membership of the district.

2. The manner in which the delegates were selected is not in keeping with the general usages and practices of the church.

3. The delegates were chosen at the midsummer conference of 1924 immediately after the spring conference for 1925 had been abolished, and all this without any notice whatever having been given to the branches or membership that said actions were even contemplated.

4. The abolishing of the spring conference without due notice and the selection of General Conference delegates

some eight months prior to the General Conference and the instruction of these delegates to vote for the Document on Church Government was unusual, irregular, and unjust to the membership of the entire district.

5. In the selection of these delegates, no effort was made to have representatives from the various parts of the district. A resolution was put through empowering the president of the conference to name a committee of three who would be empowered to select a list of delegates, which list would be presented to the conference for approval. In this list certain branches were favored and other branches entirely ignored, although there was competent and available material in each branch to select from.

6. In selecting and instructing the delegation to vote for the Document on Church Government without due notice having been given to the district, and without free and full discussion of the merits of the proposition prior to instructing the delegates, the purpose of real representation was frustrated. As a result, the delegation as thus constituted and circumscribed is not in a position to give a free and intelligent and just examination of the question on which they have been instructed, or to vote according to the evidence which may be adduced at the conference.

7. The delegates to the General Conference have a responsibility to the entire membership of the church and should not be circumscribed or handicapped in their work by the partisan action of a minority even of the district from which they come.

We very much regret that we are forced by these circumstances, in the interest of justice, to ask that, in view of these facts, your honorable body do not recognize the Northern California delegation.

Evan E. Inslee.

H. W. Savage.

W. P. Bush, D. D. S.

Carrie L. Bush.

Mrs. E. Inslee.

Belle Savage.

E. A. Phelps.

H. D. Petersen.

Inez Petersen.

Delia Montgomery.

Bettie Belle Smith.

A. Severy.

F. A. Severy.

Ivy E. Severy.

Cecil R. Smith.

H. D. Simpson.

E. Taylor.

Mrs. Etta Tasto.

Mrs. Sarah A. Tate.

Eva A. Jones.

Esther M. Butterfield.

Richard Ferris.

A. R. Butterfield.

R. W. Reed.

Mrs. H. R. Tupper.

Boyd A. Richardson.

E. J. Clark.

Rosa L. Clark.

Mrs. E. Kohls.	Esaias Epling.
Elder George Daley.	Florence Epling.
R. A. Price.	Florence N. McDonald.
M. D. Price.	Mrs. I. M. Daley.
Fred A. Taylor.	Mrs. M. A. Harlow.
Amy S. Beebe.	Mrs. N. Napier.
C. E. Ball.	E. R. Williams.
Roy C. Barmore.	Mina M. Williams.
Mrs. Roy C. Barmore.	F. E. Troutier.
Earl R. Curry.	Mrs. F. E. Troutier.
C. W. Easle.	J. A. Saxe.
Charles L. Dempsey.	Irma S. Otis.
Mrs. Earl R. Curry.	Susie Smith.
John H. Honeychurch.	Louis Rydberg.
T. J. Lawn.	Lydia Gann.
Mrs. T. J. Lawn.	F. W. Briggs.
Mrs. Della Barker.	E. H. Tordoff.
Mrs. M. Honeychurch.	Mary Tordoff.
Mrs. Roy Day.	Joseph B. Tordoff.

To the General Conference: We the undersigned members of the Lamoni Stake of the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints respectfully protest against the seating of the following named members as delegates from the Lamoni Stake:

F. M. McDowell.	Nellie Hogan.
C. E. Wight.	H. H. Gold.
W. E. Prall.	Lydia Wight.
J. F. Garver.	J. E. Anderson.
A. Carmichael.	E. F. Downey.
L. G. Holloway.	David Koehler.
J. A. Gunsolley.	J. O. Leeper.
Mrs. I. A. Monroe.	E. Dewey White.
Fred Condit.	W. T. Shakespeare.
C. F. Church.	R. A. Ballantyne.
G. W. Blair.	William Wilson.

Our protest is made for the reason that the selection of the persons named at the conference of the Lamoni Stake which convened on February 6, 1925, was illegal in that the right of members to make nominations was denied, in plain violation of General Conference enactment of October, 1923, as follows:

“Resolved, that this conference affirms the right of the membership to nominate in filling all elective offices in church, stake, district, and branch organizations in the va-

rious conferences and business meetings, general and local, and be it further

“Resolved, that this action shall in no way be interpreted as denying the right of presiding officers to present to the appropriate conferences or business meetings concurrent nominations for the filling of such elective offices.

“October 9, 1923.”

In support of the foregoing claim, we make the following statement of facts:

The undersigned were present at the conference of said Lamoni Stake on February 7, 1925.

At said conference, notwithstanding the chairman thereof stated that members had the right to nominate persons as delegates to General Conference, before anyone had opportunity to make nominations a motion was made that the nominations made by the presidency of the stake be approved. Protests were immediately made that such a motion was out of order, but the chairman overruled the objection and placed the motion before the body, which carried.

In this manner your petitioners allege their rights as guaranteed under the action of General Conference have been denied, the action was irregular and unlawful, and the selection of delegates at the stake conference of the Lamoni Stake is therefore illegal.

F. M. Weld.

Laura Long.

Mrs. W. A. France.

W. A. France.

Mrs. John A. Anderson.

John A. Anderson.

Mrs. Pearl Barth.

P. Muceus.

S. K. Sorensen.

Margaret Turnbull.

J. Midgorden.

Eli Hayer.

Mary Roth.

Jessie Goodenough.

W. W. Pitkin.

Mrs. W. W. Pitkin.

J. E. Claiborn.

E. P. Hawley.

W. C. Roth.

J. J. Moffet.

E. E. Long.

J. D. Stead.

Wm. Lorance.

R. F. Ratterree.

It was moved by Elders J. F. Garver and D. T. Williams that the petition from Lamoni be considered.

Moved by Elders U. W. Greene and J. A. Gunsolley that the petitions be referred to the credentials committee for consideration and report.

The chair ruled that the motion to refer was not

in order until the motion to consider had been acted upon.

A substitute was moved, that both petitions be considered.

The substitute prevailed.

The motion to refer to committee on credentials was renewed.

After discussion the previous question was ordered. The motion to refer was lost.

A motion prevailed dividing the subject matter of the petitions and providing for consideration of the Lamoni petition.

It was moved by Elders J. F. Garver and D. T. Williams that the Lamoni delegation be seated.

After considerable discussion, the previous question was ordered and the motion was adopted.

Elders D. T. Williams and J. F. Garver moved that the Northern California delegation be seated.

Elder C. F. Putnam was recognized by the chair but yielded the floor for a motion of session adjournment which prevailed.

ADMINISTRATION TO SICK

The President appointed as committee on administration to the sick; Elders U. W. Greene, E. D. Bailey, and J. W. Metcalf.

At 12:10 p. m. the chairman adjourned the session until 2 p. m.; benediction by Bishop Ellis Short.

The conference reconvened at 2 p. m., President F. M. Smith in the chair.

Hymn No. 6 was sung; Patriarch G. T. Griffiths offered prayer.

The chair stated that action on the minutes of the morning session would be deferred until the session following.

ORGANIZATION

The First Presidency reported the following appointments to complete the organization:

Secretaries: R. S. Salyards, G. P. Fairbanks.

Stenographers: H. W. Harder; assistants, Iva Gould, Mrs. A. N. Dobson, Mrs. Lena Young Jones.

Choristers: P. N. Craig; Assistants, H. A. Koehler, Matthew Liston, F. A. Russell.

Organist: Robert Miller; Assistants, Pauline Etzenhouser, Mrs. J. A. Koehler.

Press Committee: C. E. Wight, W. W. Smith, M. C. Fisher.

Ushers: Local deacons.

PETITIONS

Elder C. F. Putnam was recognized, and discussion on the motion to seat the Northern California delegation was resumed.

During the discussion Elder Daniel Macgregor asked if the Presidency, being personally concerned, could not vacate the chair and permit another chairman to preside. President F. M. Smith made a statement, in effect that if the assembly so desired he would not preside.

The discussion proceeded. The previous question was ordered.

A point of order or question was raised, based upon references to sections 22-24 of the Book of Rules, in effect that certain delegations should not be permitted to vote because their status was not defined.

The chair ruled against the point of order, but suggested that the delegates from Northern California refrain from voting until their status was determined. Appeal was taken from the decision of the chair, and the chair was sustained.

TELLERS

Elders J. A. Koehler, A. L. Sanford, C. M. Clifford, and Brother E. C. Harrington were announced as tellers to count the votes of various sections of the assembly.

The motion to seat the delegation from Northern California prevailed by vote of 376 to 194.

Elder H. W. Savage made a statement under a question of personal privilege.

At 5:45 p. m. the chair adjourned the session to reconvene at 10 a. m. of the day following. Benediction by Elder J. R. McClain.

At 8 p. m. preaching by Elder Frank B. Almond, assisted by Elder Alma Booker.

TUESDAY, APRIL 7.

Business session at 10 a. m., President F. M. Smith in the chair.

Hymn No. 53 Conference Song Pamphlet, No. 110 in Zion's Praises, was sung. President F. M. McDowell offered prayer.

The minutes of the sessions of the preceding day were read and approved.

COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

The chair stated that adoption of the report of the committee on credentials was before the body.

It was moved by Bishops McGuire and Keir, that credentials of those delegations instructed to vote for the report of the April council be referred back to the credentials committee, to inquire into and later to certify to this conference whether or not those delegates have been instructed in accordance with General Conference resolutions applicable thereto.

Moved by Elders J. F. Garver and Ellis Short, sr., as a substitute, that the delegations in question be seated.

The previous question was moved by Elders O. Salisbury and Henry Castings, and was ordered.

The substitute was adopted by vote of 356 to 197.

The chair read from Book of Rules page 22, section 26.

It was moved by Bishops McGuire and Keir, that

the delegations which have been instructed to vote in a certain way upon a question that shall in all likelihood come before this body for consideration, shall be privileged to disregard such instructions, unless it is certified to this body by the credentials committee that they have been instructed according to the letter of General Conference resolutions providing for the instruction of delegates.

Elders L. S. Wight and O. Salisbury moved that this motion be laid on the table.

The motion to table was adopted by vote of 355 to 213.

The chair stated that according to established procedure, where excess delegates were selected, those concerned should indicate to the credentials committee what names should be dropped.

Elders Phillips and Russell of the credentials committee made statements concerning differences in number of membership as reported by credentials compared with the records of the Department of Statistics.

The previous question was ordered, and the report of the committee was adopted.

An additional report from the credentials committee was read:

To the Presidency and General Conference: Ministers in Charge M. A. McConley and C. F. Ellis report that the membership of the Victoria District, Australia, is 332 instead of 282, and request that one more delegate be seated, making 3 instead of 2 delegates for that district. Perth Branch, 76 members, 1 vote; M. A. McConley. Holland, Rotterdam Branch, 35 members, 1 vote; Paul M. Hanson.

Society Islands, membership not stated, delegates elected: J. Charles May, A. H. Christensen, Emma Christensen, Hubert Case, Alice Case, F. B. Almond, Clyde F. Ellis, Dana Ellis, H. A. Merchant, Tevaite Petis, Elvina Richmond, Pataha Raiariinui.

Northeastern Nebraska, 1,259 members, 12 votes; George W. Steele, James Huff, P. S. Whalley, Mrs. P. S. Whalley, H. A. Merchant, James Kelley, B. M. Anderson, Mrs. B. M.

Anderson, B. F. Creel, Ben Case, Brother Clark, Carl T. Self.

South Saskatchewan, 397 members, 3 votes; A. N. O'Neil, O. L. D'Arcy, Mrs. O. L. D'Arcy, Mrs. Earl Malden; one excess.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. TANNER.

A. B. PHILLIPS.

F. A. RUSSELL.

Elders J. A. Tanner and P. M. Hanson moved to adopt the report.

Elder C. F. Ellis stated that the Society Islands delegation was appointed upon the basis of a membership of 1,200. The motion to adopt prevailed.

BASIS OF REPRESENTATION

Moved by Elders B. R. McGuire and M. A. McConley that the basis of representation shall be the membership of the respective districts at the time of holding their conferences.

The motion was adopted.

The chair stated that this action would be understood to mean that representation would be based upon membership as reported by the districts on their credentials.

PUBLISHED REPORTS

The published annual reports, distributed to the conference, were included in the minutes, as cited by the chair, in the order in which they follow:

DEPARTMENT OF SUNDAY SCHOOL

To the First Presidency: We herewith submit the report of the Department of Sunday School for the year and a half ending March 1, 1925:

GENERAL STAFF

The personnel of the general staff of the Department of Sunday Schools has remained the same throughout the year, to wit: A. Max Carmichael, Lamoni, Iowa, general superintendent; Blanche Edwards, Lamoni, Iowa, first assistant su-

perintendent; F. M. McDowell, Lamoni, Iowa, second assistant superintendent; E. D. Moore, 1015 West Van Horn Road, Independence, Missouri, secretary; Mark H. Siegfried, Independence, Missouri, treasurer; Anna DeJong Smith, 2903 Sullivan Avenue, Saint Louis, Missouri, organized class superintendent.

The endeavors of the general superintendent have largely centered in the executory task, residing in his office as superintendent of Sunday schools and as one in whom the Consulting Board has reposed its trust of training and supervising the editors to write its lesson material. Since last General Conference, he has spent about 35 per cent of his time especially preparing for this task, about 35 per cent in the training and supervising of the editors, about 25 per cent in carrying on his correspondence with district and local Sunday school officials, and the rest of his time in writing a manual for the departments, supervising the printing of quarterlies, holding consultations with the Consulting Board and with the executives of the other departments, and writing editorials for the HERALD. This general analysis of his time is made upon the basis of an accurate analysis (time sheet) kept and tabulated over sample periods of his time, a record of which has been sent to the First Presidency.

The first assistant superintendent, Miss Blanche Edwards, carried on a large part of the correspondence with districts during the absence of the general superintendent from the office. During the presence of the general superintendent in the office, she has served only in an advisory capacity.

The general secretary has acted as the representative of the department in our relations with the Herald Publishing House and in superintending the exhibits at General Conference. He has signed all warrants against the treasurer upon receipt of voucher for the same. He has acted in an advisory capacity upon all the major and vital issues affecting the department.

The organized class superintendent has had printed a large number of little pamphlets describing and discussing the organized class movement. She has sent these out to a goodly number of branches and handed them out personally wherever she felt that the interests of the movement would be augmented thereby. In her own personal trip west, she made several special talks in western branches. She has received a number of letters of inquiry and has answered the same personally.

During the year we have had the assistance in the office of two stenographers who together have occupied about two

thirds of the time of a full-time worker. The office has been at Graceland College, Lamoni, Iowa.

The treasurer has acted as an adviser in all major and vital issues of the department. We herewith submit his report:

GENERAL SUNDAY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

Statement of Income and Expense for the Year Ended
June 30, 1924*Income:*

Receipts from the sale of Gospel Quarterlies.....\$13,745.03

Less:

Cost of publication:

Printing materials, labor,
etc., as charged by
the Herald Publishing House\$8,139.91
Editorial expense 620.00
Postage for mailing 245.15

9,005.06

Profit from Publication of Quarterlies\$4,739.97

Expense:

Salaries of department officials and
office assistants\$ 90.20
Traveling expense 17.62
Office supplies and expense 34.50
General expense 35.83
German Mission 115.45

293.60

\$4,446.37

Add:

Other income: Interest received on balance
with Herald Publishing House 654.63

Excess of income over expense\$5,101.00

Balance Sheet June 30, 1924

Cash:

Atherton State Bank\$ 1,500.00
Jackson County Bank 7.03
In hands of committee 55.73 \$1,562.76
Graceland Scholarship Fund..... \$ 234.74

<i>Accounts Receivable:</i>		
Herald Publishing House		\$18,640.20
<i>Furniture and Fixtures:</i>		
Editing Committee	\$	25.00
Secretary Office		121.75
Superintendent's office and equipment		404.84
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		\$20,989.29
<i>Present Worth</i>	\$15,888.29	
<i>Add:</i> Increase of income over expense for year	\$ 5,101.00	\$20,989.29
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INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, October 23, 1924.

I have examined the books and records of the Sunday School Department for the year ended June 30, 1924, and, in my opinion, the above Balance Sheet and Statement of Income and Expense next attached represent the financial position of the department on June 30, 1924.

G. W. EASTWOOD, *Auditor.*

SUPERVISING EDITORS OF LESSON MATERIAL

In the report of the general superintendent to the Consulting Board, which was incorporated in the report of the Consulting Board to the First Presidency, he reported on the 70 per cent of his time spent in preparing himself and the training and supervising of the editors. The reader is referred to that report.

"HERALD"

In his editorial work for the *Saints' Herald*, he has endeavored to acquaint the people with the educational problems before the church, particularly with reference to those involving the religious training of the young and the establishment of Zion.

PRESENT LESSONS

In the beginner, primary, junior, and intermediate departments, we are repeating lessons as edited some ten or twelve years ago. In the senior department we are repeating for the first time the three-year cycle of lessons edited by Sister Anna Salyards during the years 1921-1924. It is anticipated by the executive department that these series of lessons will

probably be used until the Consulting Board is able to offer material in place of them.

LESSONS IN THE GERMAN LANGUAGE

The Sunday school by its budget has provided for the translation of the 1923 series of senior lessons written by Sister Salyards into the German language. The task of translation and securing publication of same has been put in charge of Brother Elmer Ohlert, now in Europe. Our last report from him indicated that the translation was going on and had not yet been completed.

This series of lessons, the senior quarterly of 1923, to be reprinted in 1926, seems to be especially good as a course of study for prospective proselytes, and we advise its use by those Sunday schools which are in a position to do missionary work.

MANUAL

We have been endeavoring for some time to get out the manual which the General Sunday School Association some years ago authorized. We have spent only our spare time at it. We have considered the writing of this manual as a part of the work of the Consulting Board and have considered ourselves under its supervision in the writing of it.

NORMAL TRAINING COURSE

The supervision of the normal training course is officially under Graceland College. We have attempted to work with the college in extending the enrollment among our district and local officers. We have also united with the college in an endeavor to revise some of these courses. As the college will undoubtedly report, revision is going on in Courses 1, 2, 3, and 5. We ourselves have been working on the revision of Courses 3 and 5. Mrs. Lydia Wight is working on the revision of Course 1 and F. M. McDowell on Course 2.

SUPERVISION OF DISTRICTS

We are still using the score rating as issued officially in our bulletin, "Instructions for districts," in 1922, and as per our amendment which is sent out from our office direct. The score rating has been in use now about 3 years, and we report the score won by each district during each of the 3 years below. Many of the districts have not reported regularly and hence do not have a score as large as they would have had they reported. Many of the districts would undoubtedly have had larger scores had they sent in full reports. Where a district is given only 5 points for the year, it has sent in only the annual report.

In executing this score rating, we have endeavored to have the district year end at the time of the annual district conference at which the officers were elected for the coming year. This explains the reason why only a few of the districts have been given scores for 1925. It has been hard for us to keep track of these annual district conferences, as the districts change the time so often. Particularly have the districts changed the time of their district conferences this year because of the change of time of the General Conference.

We have explained to district officers that we are not concerned so much with their getting large scores. We are more concerned with our being able to help them. The score rating, however, serves as a medium and a motive for correspondence between us, and gives the general officers quite an insight into what work is being done in the districts. It also gives the general officers a clue as to what help they might give the district officers.

Undoubtedly the score rating does not get the publicity it should. It is to be found in the back pages of a little pamphlet entitled, "Instructions for districts," which the Herald Publishing House sells for 10 cents. As intimated above, it has been amended to cover more activities, and the sheet covering this amendment is sent out directly from our office. One district superintendent sent in some suggestions for a change in this score rating. For this we are very grateful. We wish others would take the same interest. Undoubtedly it is imperfect and could be changed to advantage if enough people would think about it. In general the score rating gives credit to the districts for study done by the district officers, study represented either by obtaining certificates from the normal training course at Graceland College or by pursuing courses equivalent thereto, in any school, or by reading religious educational books, a list of which we send out to our district officers, and credit for the visiting of local schools, the holding of institutes, corresponding with local officers, and for subscription to church papers upon the part of district officers.

We have endeavored to send out to our district officers full description of the score rating, a list of books which we advise for reading, suggested topics for discussion in institutes, and bibliographies for the same.

Along with our report of scores won by each district, we are also submitting data from each district giving the number of schools and the total enrollment of the district. Some few districts have not given us this report. For these we have had to go back to the report of 1922 to get the data.

Other districts have only estimated the total enrollment. Hence the total figures are inaccurate.

For some time in the British Isles, we have endeavored to administer the work through a mission superintendent, Brother John Judd. We have given him a free hand and consequently do not have any report of enrollment or scores for districts in the British Isles. The same is true of the Australian Mission. Our representative there is Sister Inez Smith Davis.

DISTRICT	No. of Schools	Enroll- ment	S C O R E S		
			1923	1924	1925
ALABAMA					
Alabama	3	200	38	160.3	55
Mobile	5	285		228	
ARKANSAS					
Arkansas	6	175	68	73.5	128.3
CALIFORNIA					
Northern	13	583	123.7	187.9	
Southern	12	492	96	97	
CANADA					
Alberta	6	240	98.3	5	
Chatham	15	1,100	188.7	214.3	
London	10	421	5	5	
Owen Sound	19	675	68	15.5	
Toronto	15	809	25	26.7	
Northern Saskatchewan ..	11	217	139.1	99.3	
Southern Saskatchewan	*6	*143	30	5	
Winnipeg	*2	*51	50		
COLORADO					
Eastern	15	535	117	203.6	389.3
Western	7	141	10	5	
FLORIDA					
Florida	*6	*232			
IDAHO					
Idaho	5	156	92	275	
ILLINOIS					
Central	9	545	63		10
Kewanee	12	550	5	57.1	
Northeastern	11	467	256	237.07	
Nauvoo	8	300	28	22.5	
Southeastern	12	300	236	200	
INDIANA					
Southern	6	224		5	
IOWA					
Des Moines	19	700	195	231	88.7
Eastern Iowa	7	210	15	5	
Fremont	6	191	173.3	256.7	
Gallands Grove	*10	*409	20	63.5	
Lamoni	17	1,449	214	377.5	851.1
Little Sioux	12	1,002	28	28	
Pottawattamie	11	816	112.5	96.9	
KANSAS					
Northeast	9	343		5	
Northwest	7		15	5	
Spring River	15	*980	5	5	
Southwest	6	250	38	69.25	

DISTRICT	No. of Schools	Enroll- ment	S C O R E S		
			1923	1924	1925
KENTUCKY AND TENNESSEE					
Kentucky	5	135	25	5	
MAINE					
Eastern	4	235	20	5	
Western	8	250	10	5	
MASSACHUSETTS					
Southern New England	*11	*823	90		
MICHIGAN					
Central	*26	*966	28		
Detroit	11	1,070	5	160	55
Eastern	19	1,052	5	5.3	
Northern	*16	*500		5	
Southern	14	875	5	5	
Western	13	450	15	5	
MINNESOTA					
Minnesota	*6	*197		5	
MISSOURI					
Clinton	*15	*654	66.3	110.7	
Far West	27	1,751	18	27	
Independence	8	2,807			5
Kansas City Stake	13	1,422		5	
Holden	18	1,100	85	16.7	
Northeast	4	150	25	25	
Southern	5	167			5
Saint Louis	13	762	5		5
MONTANA					
Eastern	3	114	10	22.3	
Western	6	174	99	45	
NEBRASKA					
Central	8	225		5	10
Northeast	7	425		5	
Southern	6	161		5	
NEW YORK					
New York	9	400		5	
New York and Philadelphia.	9	646	15		5
DAKOTAS					
North Dakota	7	115	52.5	5	
OHIO					
Kirtland	*7	*645	5		
Northwestern	7	*312		5	
Southern	16	722	147.5	192	
Youngstown-Sharon	*8	*283	10		
OKLAHOMA					
Central	9	799	25	470	382
Eastern	*7	*190	79.4		
Western	7	292	228	5	
OREGON					
Portland	*8	*258			
PENNSYLVANIA					
Pittsburgh	6	339			5
TEXAS					
Central	7	*282			
Southwestern	2	*100	165	25	
UTAH					
Utah	4	*256		41.5	

DISTRICT	No. of Schools	Enroll- ment	S C O R E S		
			1923	1924	1925
WASHINGTON					
Seattle	11	479	272.8	5	
Spokane	18	325	120	5	
WEST VIRGINIA					
Wheeling	7	352	959.9	967.4	
West Virginia	8	198	82.5	74	
WISCONSIN					
Northern	8	359	93	22.5	
Southern	11	225	45	5	
UNORGANIZED					
Bisbee	1	41			
Alliance	1	14			
		776	39,088		

*—Taken from the 1922 report.

RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE OTHER DEPARTMENTS

We have had frequent consultation with heads of the Departments of Recreation and Expression and of Women with regard to the manual covering organization and administration of these departments which we are getting out, with regard to evolving a common or similar policy in the administration of the work of the departments in districts and locals. But most of all, by virtue of their membership on the Consulting Board, we have had consultation with them to determine the type of training to give the editors and to determine the courses of study upon which the editors shall write. We have their heartiest cooperation in the plans of the board to provide the lesson material for all three departments. This permits the editors to think of the entire religious development of the child without regard as to whether the methods they are proposing or subject matter they are using are those that have been used by Sunday school, Religio, Boy Scout, or Oriole.

Respectfully submitted,

A. MAX CARMICHAEL.

LAMONI, IOWA, March 6, 1925.

DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND EXPRESSION

To the First Presidency and General Conference; Greetings: In December, 1923, Apostle T. W. Williams found it necessary to be released from the superintendency of this department. Very shortly thereafter the undersigned was asked to act as superintendent subject to the action of General Conference. Feeling our limitations and yet anxious

to help in whatever way possible, we have gone forward to the best of our ability. We have found the task to be on the whole a very pleasant one. We believe the department has made a healthy growth and are pleased to make the following statement relative to our work for the year:

OBJECTIVE

The aim of the church is undoubtedly the bringing of mankind to the fullness of the measure of the stature of Christ. The aim of the Department of Recreation and Expression may be stated as that of furnishing such supervision of the social, recreational, and expressional activities of church members that these shall be made to fit in with the program of the church as a whole.

ACTIVITIES

As indicated above, and as its name would suggest, the work of this department is chiefly recreational and social. Under this head would appear a wide range of activities, of which the following would certainly be included: sports and athletic contests, socials, hikes, picnics, banquets, literary programs, debates, pageants, plays, and entertainments. In addition to the above, this department has continued to publish quarterlies and to encourage study. There is every reason why our people should be encouraged to study at every opportunity. Plans are now completed and work under way for providing a large variety of courses of study, so that any department can take up class work as it desires. Statistics presented in this report show that the combined program of class study and recreational work is not only practical but is being carried on successfully.

ORGANIZATION

As far as organization is concerned, we have endeavored to make the department function as a definite part of the church rather than as an auxiliary. Having no constitution, the thought has been to encumber the department with as little machinery as possible, leaving each local to work out its own organization to suit its peculiar needs.

Working under this plan, my predecessor in this office provided for no district officers other than a field worker. Under such an arrangement it was necessary for each local to report directly to the general office. This plan we soon found to be unsuccessful. The most persistent effort on the part of the general secretary resulted in securing reports from only about twenty-five per cent of the locals. These

reports were so irregular and in such varied detail as to be of little or no value to the general office. Furthermore, there seemed to be no one that could be held directly responsible for this situation in each district.

To correct this, we have revived the former practice of having at least one responsible district officer, a district superintendent, who can be held responsible for the work of the department in his district and who can stand between the general department and the local officers, collecting reports from them and summarizing same for the general office. To guarantee the closest personal touch possible, each district superintendent is expected to write a monthly letter to the general superintendent who in turn is expected to assist in every way possible by furnishing materials, programs, etc., for district and local officers.

This plan has met with almost unanimous approval. To date we have been able to secure the election of about fifty-five such district superintendents, many of whom are doing most excellent work.

Throughout the year the general superintendent has had the able assistance of Miss Doris Nelson who has acted as general secretary of the department. Miss Nelson is a student enrolled at Graceland and has been able to give but half time to this work. This has, however, enabled her to meet her expenses while attending school and has also provided the department with an efficient secretary. We make use of this opportunity to express our appreciation for this assistance.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

As a department of the general church, it is expected that our work will be financed as all other departments of the church, i. e., annual budgets approved by the Appropriations Committee and General Conference. Owing to the general financial conditions, we have endeavored, however, as far as was consistent with the purposes of our department, to make it self-supporting. This has occasioned certain difficult problems.

For a number of years the sole income of the general department has been the profit derived from the sale of quarterlies. This has been small for several reasons: (1) the number of quarterlies published has been comparatively small; (2) the price asked for each quarterly, originally low, has been continued in spite of the increased cost of printing; (3) an attempt has been made to introduce a variety of subjects in the quarterlies, giving classes a chance

to choose. This increased the cost without a corresponding increase in the number of quarterlies sold. While the general officers and the editors felt that these new subjects were of vital importance to church workers, they have not always been appreciated by those who were expected to use them. We trust that there will be a growing appreciation of the need of studying vital modern problems as they relate to the church work. We know this will come in time, but during the transition there may be a loss in the profit derived from such quarterlies.

After consulting the Presiding Bishopric, it was decided to (1) raise the price of the quarterlies, (2) ask each local to contribute a small amount each month for the support of the general department.

The administrative problems involved in the collecting of this fund were left with the Presiding Bishopric, who, under date of June 30, sent the following statement to bishops, Bishops' agents, and solicitors:

"Beginning July 1, 1924, an effort will be made to raise funds to meet the general expenditures of the Department of Recreation and Expression, and the following plan has been adopted:

"We believe that each local of the Department of Recreation and Expression will be glad to do its bit by carrying a proportionate share of the expenses of the general department throughout the church. We are therefore suggesting the following plan and urge district and local officers of this department to cooperate fully.

"It is advised that at the first meeting of the local each month a freewill offering be given. This freewill offering is to be not less than \$1, and more if the local feels that it is able financially to make a contribution.

"These funds are to be turned over by the officers of each local to the local solicitors of the Bishop's agent. They will then be forwarded by the Bishop's agent of your district to the Bishop, who is treasurer of the Department of Recreation and Expression.

"This plan, distributing the twelve payments over a year's time, works no hardship on anyone, yet gives everyone a chance to help. It assures the general Department of Recreation and Expression of sufficient means to carry out its program and to become increasingly efficient. Each local may devise its own methods for raising these funds, but should see to it that the amount is mailed promptly each month. Funds to meet

the local and district needs may also be raised by collections and offerings at other meetings of the locals, or by such other methods as the local may think best. Where the budget system is used this amount can easily be included in the budget."

Following this were definite suggestions for collecting and reporting these funds. As to the success of this plan, we are unable to say. Undoubtedly the Bishop's report will contain some reference to this fund.

STATISTICS

While doubting somewhat the value of many statistics in a report of this kind, we are including a table showing by districts something of the number of individuals reached and the nature of the work carried on by the locals of the department. Of the fifty-nine districts having duly elected district superintendents, forty-two are included in this report. In most cases the figures are quite accurate. In some instances as indicated they are approximate. Reports of locals to district superintendents have often been incomplete. All in all, the table should be taken as an indication of the present situation rather than as an absolutely accurate report.

Perhaps the most interesting and valuable part of the table is that which shows the classification of the locals. Of 243 locals reporting, 156, or 64 per cent, are listed as class "A" (meaning that these locals carry on programs including literary, social, recreational, and expressional activities in addition to regular study classes); 65, or 27 per cent, are listed as class "B" (meaning that these locals carry on regular literary programs in addition to regular study classes); and only 22, or 9 per cent, are listed as class "C" (meaning those which limit their activities to study classes).

These figures indicate a growing appreciation of the real purpose of the department. They also present convincing evidence that social and recreational activities need not interfere with organized study. It is especially interesting to note in this connection that the district in the church which has by far the most complete program of social and recreational activities has nine well-organized locals. All nine of these locals maintain regular class study hours and report a variety of courses of study including the Book of Mormon. In this district there are nineteen classes studying the Book of Mormon,

Statistical report by districts, showing number, enrollment, average attendance, and classification of the locals of the department:

Name of District	Number of Locals	Total En- rollment	Total Average Attendance	Classification of Locals		
				A	B	C
Central Ill.	2	58	50	1		1
Central Okla.	3	115	80	2		1
Central Mich.	6	266	169	3	3	
Clinton, Mo.	8	275	185		7	1
Des Moines, Ia.	7	554	386	7		
Detroit, Mich.	9	364	300	9		
Eastern Colo.	7	192	168	7		
Eastern Iowa	5	22 (inc)	19 (inc)	1	3	1
Eastern Mich.	6	210	145	6		
Eastern Mont.	2	72		2		
Eastern Okla.	1	60	50	1		
Far West Stake	14	702	579	6	8	
Fremont, Ia.	3	80 (inc)	60 (inc)	3		
Gallands Grove	7	186	146	3		4
Holden, Mo.	10	750	415	8	2	
Independence (City of Zion)	8	400 (inc)	350 (inc)		8	
Kirtland, Ohio	5	180*	144	3	1	1
Kansas City Stake	12	702	573	12		
Lamoni Stake	10	749	598	3	3	4
Little Sioux	8	557	355	7		1
Minnesota	2	116	105	2		
Mobile, Ala.	2	46	24	1	1	
Northeastern Ill.	8	279	179	8		
Northeastern Kans.	3	100	59	3		
Northern Calif.	10	531	385	5	4	1
Northwestern Ohio	4	130	90	4		
Owen Sound	7	139	95	7		
Pittsburgh	3	99	52	2		1
Pottawattamie	6	185*	167	4	1	1
Portland	3	103	85	1	2	
Seattle and B. C.	7	202	135	1	5	1
Southern N. S. Wales	4	100*	86	4		
S. New England	9	402	298	4	4	1
Southern Sask.	1	25	18			1
S. Indiana	3	88	40	2		1
S. Michigan and N. Indiana	7	335	292	7		

Name of District	Number of Locals	Total En- rollment	Total Average Attendance	Classification of Locals		
				A	B	C
Southern Ohio	9	470	325	7	2	
S. Wisconsin	5	120	77	4		1
S. W. Kansas	5	165	140*	2	3	
Spokane	2	117	80	2		
Spring River	6	340	208	2	4	
W. Michigan	4	120	96		4	
Totals	243	10,837	8,173	156	65	22

(Explanation of abbreviations:

* Approximate figures.

Inc. incomplete report from all locals.

Class "A" includes all locals of the department which carry on in addition to regular study classes, more or less regular systematic programs, including literary, social, recreational, and expressional activities.

Class "B" includes all locals carrying on regular literary programs in addition to study classes.

Class "C" includes all locals which limit their activities to class work.)

In addition to the above, the following districts have duly elected district superintendents, but for some reason have failed to get their report in in time to be included in the general report of the department:

Kewanee, Illinois; Central Michigan; Southern California; Idaho; Nauvoo; Central Nebraska; New York and Philadelphia; North Dakota; Eastern Oklahoma; Midland District, England; Portland, Oregon; Central Texas; Southwest Texas; Utah; Wheeling, West Virginia; Alberta, Canada; Northeastern Nebraska; Youngstown-Sharon; Southern District, England; Victoria, Australia; Northern New South Wales, Australia.

YOUNG MEN'S BUREAU

The officers of this department have felt for some time that the work of what was formerly called the "Boy Department" should not be limited to boys of Boy Scout age but might well be extended to include both younger and older boys. Furthermore, since our entire organization is now known as a "department" we have suggested that from

now on that part of our organization dealing with the boys especially should be known as the "Young Men's Bureau."

To carry on the work of this Young Men's Bureau we have appointed (subject to conference approval) Eugene Closson, who for a number of years has been a successful scoutmaster and is known for his unusual success in handling boys. This arrangement has been especially desirable in view of the fact that Brother Closson is one of the editors employed by the Consulting Board, the particular task assigned to him by this board being that of preparing courses of study and a program of activity for boys and young men.

The following report of Brother Closson to the superintendent of the department will indicate something of the work he has done and the plans he has made for his bureau:

"To the Superintendent of the Department of Recreation and Expression: Since my appointment one year ago, I have tried to advance the work of this bureau as much as time and conditions would permit. During the Young People's Convention in 1924 we conducted a class in scoutmastership in which the organization, maintenance, and activities of scouting for the boys of our church were stressed. We also had charge of the recreation of the convention, taking up and demonstrating those types of group games and contests that could be used in small locals or districts where athletic equipment is limited.

"Throughout the year we have received numerous letters asking for information and advice regarding the organization of scout troops or other boys' clubs. These letters have been cheerfully answered, and the branches have been encouraged to organize their boys in order to carry out more efficiently a program of usefulness and fellowship.

"For the past six months we have been doing research work in the field of boy psychology and training for leadership. This has given a much broader view of the problem and has laid the foundation for some constructive work which is anticipated. There seems to be a pressing need in the church for an organization for boys under the scout age, i. e., boys from eight to twelve years old. Some experiments with an organization of this kind are being conducted with very satisfactory results, and we hope to be in a position to present a general outline of this program within a short time.

"A great deal of time has been spent in outlining and collecting material that may be put in the form of a manual or handbook to be used especially by boy leaders at our reunions. With slight changes it could also be used as the

guide in local activities, supplementing the work of boy leaders in branches and districts. It will contain typical daily programs for the entire reunion, also will point out in detail ways and means of conducting the activities of the camp-fire hour, the study hour, the hours for worship, for recreation and relaxation, and for demonstrations. It will suggest definite religious and educational activities, also permanent projects that may be worked out by the boys over a ten-day period. In this we have tried to balance the activities for them to develop the spiritual, the mental, and the physical phases of the boy's life.

"The general outlook for the work of this department is encouraging; however, we feel the need of earnest, energetic leaders who will devote some of their time and talent to the boys of their community. Here is a great field open to every consecrated man of this church to render service to God and humanity. May the time soon come when we will be willing to unite all our energies and efforts in telling the gospel to the nations and living the gospel with the boys and girls in our own community.

"Respectfully submitted,

"EUGENE E. CLOSSON."

PUBLICITY

Early in the year we collaborated with the general superintendents of the other departments in the preparation of a somewhat detailed statement of the interrelationships of the three departments with each other and with local and district officers. This statement was published in the *Saints' Herald*, January 23, 1924, and has been of constant service to departmental workers, removing many of the misunderstandings which had arisen.

Later we prepared a sixteen-page pamphlet entitled, "Instructions and suggestions for workers in the Department of Recreation and Expression." Several hundred copies of this were printed and have been mailed free of charge to all upon request. Each district superintendent has been provided with a sufficient supply to meet the needs of all the locals under his charge.

Under the direction of the general officers, Roy L. Roberts prepared a series of articles on the subject, "Recreation in the home." These have been printed in the *Autumn Leaves*. It is hoped to add to this study a few articles prepared by Sister Lydia Wight which furnish practical suggestions for parents in meeting the problem of recreation. It is contemplated finally to combine these two series and have them

printed in pamphlet form. This, we believe, will meet a very vital need.

We have been glad to avail ourselves of the space granted us by the *Autumn Leaves* and have tried to keep before the readers of that magazine some of the problems and ambitions of the department.

Finally, we have made constant use of our mimeograph, which has permitted us to furnish direct to district and local officers a large supply of materials, including suggested programs, social activities, courses of study, etc.

QUARTERLIES

When we took over the work of the department, there were being published two quarterlies, i. e., senior and junior. The first twenty-six lessons in the senior quarterly for 1924 dealt with the development of the stewardship idea in our church. We found, however, an insistent demand for opportunity to study the Book of Mormon. Although we had anticipated this and had hoped to work with the other departments in the preparation of lessons in the Book of Mormon, we found it necessary to reprint former quarterlies to meet this demand. At present about six thousand copies of the Book of Mormon quarterly prepared by Louise Palfrey Sheldon are being reprinted. Every local as far as we know has been given every opportunity to carry on class work either in the Book of Mormon or in a variety of other subjects.

During the past three or four years, senior quarterlies have been prepared in a number of subjects. The following are a few of those now available:

- Social Ideals of the Church.
- Religion in Business.
- Religious Education in the Family.
- Problems for Zion Builders.

It has been our plan to print sufficient of these so that at any future date any class could take up one of these courses. That this plan has been worth while is shown by the fact that here and there throughout the church will be found classes in Sunday school and Religio which are being served by these quarterlies. It is regrettable that more of our people do not see the vital necessity of studying some of the problems of the present day and the relation of our church program to these problems.

The junior quarterly, so-called, has not been entirely satisfactory. The reason for this is obvious. It cannot possibly be suitable for the entire range of ages that it is supposed to reach; it is too old for some and too young for others.

We had expected before this to be able to meet this problem through cooperation with the consulting board of the Sunday school in the preparation of a great variety of courses for all ages. Since this work, however, must proceed slowly, it may be wise to prepare a primary quarterly for use in this department.

Another problem arises at once, however, and that is the financing of such a quarterly. The department does not have sufficient funds to print an additional quarterly unless it can be made to be self-supporting. The opinion of the conference will be appreciated here.

COURSE IN RECREATIONAL LEADERSHIP

Anyone who has observed the work of this department will admit at once the crying need for leaders. To secure such leaders is the task not of one year but of several years. As a partial, though at best only a limited step in this direction, we have prepared a correspondence course in recreational leadership. This course consists of twenty lessons based upon two textbooks, Powell's Recreational Leadership Church and Community, and Richardson's The Church at Play. Answers to the questions in each lesson are prepared by the student and mailed to the Extension Department of Graceland College for correction and grading. When all of the twenty lessons have been completed in this manner, each student is asked to write a critical review of an approved book dealing with some phase of the general problem of recreation and expression. This, together with the furnishing of sufficient evidence of moral character and a minimum of experience in leadership completes the course. Each person meeting all of the above requirements is issued an attractive certificate bearing the college seal and the signatures of the president of the college and the general superintendent of the department. The entire course, books and lessons included, is furnished the student for only \$4.

Although it is but a year since this course was first announced, there are at present sixty students enrolled and five others who have already completed the course. It is interesting to note in passing that two of these five are district presidents. No single course in the Extension Department of the college has attracted as much attention or has as large an enrollment. The lessons that have been sent in have been far above the average of correspondence lessons in neatness and scholarship, indicating many hours of intensive study. The entire experiment has proved a surprising success, and present indications are that many others

will avail themselves of the opportunity to qualify in this work.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONVENTION

Feeling that the various expressional activities, of young people especially, should be under the supervision of this department, the general officers took complete charge of the Second International Young People's Convention which was held at Lamoni, June 5-15, 1924. The success of this effort need not be discussed here since its influence has been felt throughout the entire church. Certainly it exceeded the fondest dreams of those in charge. The total enrollment was 875, representing twenty-five States and three foreign countries. The ten-day program was filled with a variety of religious, educational, social, and recreational activities. In addition to daily prayer and preaching services, eleven courses of study were offered. So insistent was the demand and so large was the enrollment that six of these courses had to be repeated each day.

Nothing in the history of the church has seemed to grip the young people as these conventions. Almost daily, letters of appreciation are received. Encouraged by this loyal support, we have called another convention for June 4-14, 1925.

The spirit of the convention has been carried throughout the church, and in several places district and state-wide conventions have been held with surprising success. These efforts we have endeavored to encourage and assist in every way possible. It is the unanimous testimony of church officials and departmental workers who have been sent to these conventions that the interest, attention, and spirituality of the Saints have been most encouraging. Never before have our people, especially the young people, seemed so anxious and ready for instruction.

CONFERENCES, CONVENTIONS, REUNIONS, ETC.

The general superintendent has during the year visited points in Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Michigan, Illinois, Massachusetts, Maine, and Pennsylvania. These trips were usually made in the interests of the general church or at least on behalf of more than one department. Opportunity usually permitted, however, some special work for this department. Upon such occasions we have always endeavored to stimulate interest in our work and to develop a more intelligent appreciation of the place of this department in relation to the church as a whole. Frequently we have been called upon to take charge of the recreational and social programs at conferences and reunions. At such times we have endeavored

to the very best of our ability to demonstrate the nature and value of the various activities of this department.

As a member of the General Reunion Committee we have had a splendid opportunity to encourage the work of the department at the fifty or more reunions held throughout the United States and Canada. A wholesome proportion of the Reunion Handbook was devoted to this department. In this book also we outlined a large number of suitable programs and miscellaneous activities for children and young people during their reunions.

In a number of districts, district superintendents have, under our supervision, been active in arranging for the reunions, conferences, conventions, etc., well-balanced programs of social, recreational, and expressional activities.

We have made several visits especially in the interests of the young people. Among the places visited in this capacity are the following: Flint and Lansing, Michigan; Onset, Massachusetts; Shenandoah, Boone and Ames, Iowa; Lawrence, Kansas, and Columbus, Ohio. Invitations have been accepted for similar work in Saint Joseph, Independence, and Saint Louis.

RELATIONS WITH OTHER DEPARTMENTS

Throughout the year the three departments, i. e., the Sunday School Department, the Department of Women, and the Department of Recreation and Expression, have had their offices in the main College Building at Lamoni, Iowa. Here the general superintendents have been in daily contact with each other and have freely discussed problems of mutual interest. This arrangement has been a very happy one indeed since so many of the problems are similar in their nature and so often concern the work of all.

We have been especially glad to be able to cooperate with the other departments in the preparation of additional courses of study. The nature of this work will undoubtedly be described in the report of the general superintendent of the Sunday school in connection with the work of the Consulting Board. Each department has been glad to grant to this Consulting Board a free hand to work out over a period of years a program of studies suitable for all ages to be used by each of the departments as the necessity arises.

CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

In conclusion I wish to recommend the following as a possible guide to the work of the department in the future:

1. That we continue the policy which recognizes as the

principal function of this department the proper supervision of social, recreational, and expressional activities.

2. That this supervision be so maintained that the program of this department will blend with the program of the church as a whole.

3. That the policy of the closest cooperation between the general departments be continued so that there shall be gradually worked out a nicely coordinated program of religious education for all ages, all groups, and all needs, a program which will see to it that all the activities of life are directed towards one great goal, the establishment of the kingdom of God.

4. That the department continue in every way possible to encourage the work of the Consulting Board so that there will be available a great variety of courses of study for the purpose, mentioned in No. 3, it being understood that this Consulting Board will secure the best talent available and put it to work in the preparation of courses of study in the standard books of the church as well as in a variety of other subjects.

5. That in the meantime this department continue to publish quarterlies and encourage study and that every local be given an opportunity to maintain regular class work in any of an increasing variety of subjects.

6. That Book of Mormon quarterlies be printed by the department in such numbers as is adequate to meet the demand and until such time as the Consulting Board is able to prepare a number of courses in this important subject suitable for various ages and needs.

7. That the department continue to stress the importance of training of qualified leaders, recognizing that the type of leadership maintained in the supervision of activities of this department has more to do with the success of our efforts than any other one factor.

8. That we use the departments already organized to the maximum of their possibilities rather than the organization of any new departments or the establishing of complicated machinery.

9. That the various young people's activities of the church should as far as possible find their expression through existing departmental machinery.

10. That we continue our policy of gradually educating the Saints to feel that our effort is church work in the truest sense and not some side issue or a more or less unnecessary adjunct to the church.

We have endeavored to the best of our ability to work in

the direction of the above outline. We wish that far more could have been accomplished. Without any thought of boasting we do believe that during the year rapid strides have been made in this direction. Much more remains to be done. We trust that shortly the entire church with all its departments and activities shall launch forward on a constructive program which shall result in a demonstration to the world of the wonderful power of the gospel of Christ to save man here and now as well as in the world to come. To this end the Department of Recreation and Expression is dedicated, and to this end it expects to continue to strive.

Most respectfully submitted,

F. M. MCDOWELL, *Acting Superintendent.*

GRACELAND COLLEGE

To the First Presidency: The following reports of the president and treasurer of Graceland College were at a formal meeting of the board of trustees, held at Lamoni, Iowa, February 28, 1925, adopted, and by motion made the report of said board of trustees of Graceland College to the First Presidency and General Conference.

J. F. GARVER, *Secretary.*

REPORT OF PRESIDENT

To the Board of Trustees, Graceland College; Brethren: I am submitting herewith the annual report of Graceland College.

A Good Year

From almost every standpoint the present college year is proving to be one of the most satisfactory in the history of the college. We are administering to the needs of a considerably larger and more representative body of young men and women than ever before in the history of the institution. With a highly devoted, conscientious, and well-prepared faculty, with the loyal support and cooperation of the community of Lamoni, the seat of the college, and with a continuously increasing appreciation of and support for our educational program on the part of the church at large, we have every reason for enjoying a most profitable year and an ever-enlarging program of endeavor.

Official Standing

We continue to enjoy official recognition and accrediting by the standardizing associations of the country. In fact, with-

out this official accrediting, the church would not be justified in maintaining a higher institution of learning. As a junior college, we are accredited by the Intercollegiate Standing Commission, the North Central Association of Colleges, and the American Association of Junior Colleges.

With the approval of the leading quorums of the church, the Presidency, the Twelve, and the Presiding Bishopric, the college has definitely entered upon a program of expansion into a standard four-year college. This development cannot, of course, come in less than two years, and it may take longer, depending on the demand on the part of the student body, their parents, and friends, as well as the expansion of our physical plant, including buildings, library, and laboratory equipment, and the development of a faculty devoted to the interests of the church and the college. Pending the growth into a four-year institution, the college applied for and received from the Intercollegiate Standing Commission official recognition and accrediting as a three-year college, thus enabling our young men and women to spend at least the first three years of their college course at Graceland and take the fourth year elsewhere without loss of time or credits. Of course this three-year standing was applied for only during the period of transition from a junior college into a full four-year standard college and will be of very great help to our three-year graduates who desire to complete their fourth year elsewhere.

International Recognition

According to the new immigration law recently enacted by Congress, provision is made for the admission of certain young men and women from foreign countries to the United States for the purpose of entering higher institutions of learning in this country. Because of our official accrediting by standardizing associations in the United States, we applied for and were granted by the Secretary of Labor, under whose jurisdiction the administration of the non quota section of the immigration law is placed, official recognition as an institution of higher learning in the United States to which foreign students might be admitted. Already a number of foreign students have entered the college under the provision of this law, and it is believed it will continue to meet a very substantial need for years to come.

State Certificates

We continue to enjoy official recognition by the State of Iowa by the granting of State Teachers' Certificates to our graduates who have pursued the Teachers' Training Course.

This recognition is of continuously increasing value. For the present year we have sixty-eight candidates for this certificate, and our graduates have little difficulty in securing very desirable teaching positions in this and other States at entering salaries ranging from nine hundred to fifteen hundred dollars per year.

Religious Life

Frederick Harrison says: "I believe that before all things needful beyond all else is true religion. This only can give wisdom, happiness, and goodness to men and a nobler life to mankind. Nothing but this can sustain, guide, and satisfy all lives, control characters, and unite all men."

Such was the conviction that motivated the founding of Graceland, and such is the conviction that keeps her doors open to-day. At Graceland an attempt is made to saturate life with the Spirit of Christ. Students are encouraged to think of their study, work, and play in terms of God's purposes for all humanity. Talent is considered a trust. Life is placed above profit, service above personal gain.

Devotional exercises are held in connection with the regular chapel service. Here the problems of student life are discussed in terms of religious purposes, and divine guidance invoked for all.

Judged from the point of view of per cent of students attending and participating, the midweek prayer service is probably without parallel among educational institutions. The average attendance for the year has been about one hundred and seventy-five. At these services scores of young people have uttered their first public prayers and borne their first testimonies. Here they think through their lives in terms of God. Here they come to understand the real hearts and intents of their associates. Here they catch a vision of the program of the church. Hundreds there are who can bear witness to this.

The local church, through the Sunday school and the Religion, provides a great number and variety of courses. Among these are courses in Church History, Book of Mormon, Doctrine and Covenants, Social Principles of Jesus, Modern Religious Problems, Social Ethics, and many others. These classes are in charge of trained teachers who outline their work with a thoroughness that would compare favorably with that of regular college courses. Some of the classes have an enrollment of nearly a hundred.

With such opportunities for religious growth, there is little wonder that at the close of the college year a student was

heard to remark: "I came to Graceland to get a state certificate. I have that now, but it is the least important thing that I have received. I have a new purpose in life. I have caught the vision of the church. I leave with a desire to spend my life in the service of God and humanity."

The Personnel Bureau

Introduction: Colleges and universities have caught the spirit of "efficiency" which has been actuating business for the past quarter of a century. Within the last decade we have witnessed an unparalleled increase in college enrollment. Hand in hand with this increase has come the more effective organization of college administration. Departmentalizing the divisions of endeavor, increasing the size of lecture classes, sectioning the quiz classes on the basis of ability, measuring the students' general capacity and special aptitudes, establishment of health bureaus, provisions for recreation, and a careful scheduling of time indicates some of the attempts to bring efficiency into the school.

In the past five years business firms have undertaken to add another vital unit in the program of efficiency. This unit, the Personnel Bureau, brings into the mechanical organization of administration the personal touch. No organization made up of large numbers of human beings working together, can succeed unless each individual in that group is working freely, efficiently, and happily. There must be added to the systematic organization of administration a complete and human understanding of each of the individuals who constitute its personnel. Carlton Parkers' work among the laborers of California in 1917 and 1918 was pioneering. The personnel work in the United States army gave a great impetus to the movement. The skillful work of the Scott Company—the results of which are now available in the publication by Scott and Clothier, *Personnel Management*—introduced the system into many large enterprises. The colleges have not been slow to see the vast advantages of this latter unit. Rightly to direct the college youth in his selection of a life profession and to eliminate misfits at the source is to improve the whole caliber of American leadership. So colleges are adding just now this other unit to their organization.

Graceland College is a pioneer in the field. Having been a small college, the personal element has always been in evidence. Also being a church college, the spirit of the institution, which has fostered her, has been applied in her administration. Just now, experiencing a thriving growth, those responsible for her administration have seen the need of more

complete systematizing of organization so that the spirit of the personal touch may not be lost. The past year has seen the initial steps toward the establishment of a complete and far-reaching Personnel Bureau.

Aim:

The aim of the Personnel Bureau is:

1. To help each student to know his powers and possibilities.
2. To understand his environmental background.
3. To help him establish a definite objective in life.
4. To eliminate the difficulties which hinder him in realizing that objective.
5. To put him in touch with those agencies which will develop his native potentiality and which will offer a field for their most effective expression.

Three phases of the bureau:

The work of the Personnel Bureau falls into three divisions:

1. Surveying the field from which students will be drawn to Graceland, and providing ways and means of getting those whom Graceland should serve within her walls.
2. Personally counseling, encouraging, and directing the students who are enrolled.
3. Helping them secure employment in those positions for which Graceland can prepare them, and advising them in the selection of the college in which they can best continue their preparation for professions for which Graceland is at present unequipped.

The Second Phase: The first and third divisions are partially functioning and will in a few years be completely organized. The second phase was launched with considerable initiative during the current year. This is the phase which has to do with the direction of the student group now in school.

1. At the beginning of the school year, each freshman was given a group test which is being widely used in colleges and universities. This test, given both under limited and unlimited time conditions, gives a comparative measure of the native endowment of the student so far as aptitude for college work is concerned. An analysis of the test indicates some trends of special aptitudes. A test for musical ability is given to those who are aspirants for the musical field. Other specific tests will be added as soon as their reliability is proven.

2. Within the first month of the school, each freshman came into the office for a thirty-minute conference. This conference had particular reference to the student's background in family, school, and community, and to his interests and ambitions in life. It also began the establishment of personal contacts between the bureau and the individual student.
3. Conferences similar to the above were had at varying intervals at either the initiative of the director or of the student, when difficulties and interests of wide variety were considered. Frequent short contacts were had in the student's room where he was plodding over some difficult problem or where he was temporarily confined because of illness. Other times about the halls or on the campus opportunities for personal acquaintance were had.
4. The record of the student's class work was available to the bureau. Any student falling below his possibilities was consulted, the difficulty located, and suggestions for improvement given. Usually the scheduling of study time proved helpful. Sometimes methods of study were needed, and sometimes the curtailment of other activities proved the remedy. The teachers of students who were low were consulted and asked to give special attention to those students. A large pictograph of the freshmen and sophomore classes was prepared which shows each student's comparative standing to other students and on which his own progress or loss was graphed quarter by quarter.
5. The financial and industrial standing of the student is available to the bureau. In cases where a student is financially handicapped or is working too much on the side, helpful adjustments can be made.
6. There also come to the bureau the reports, both in the form of student confession and from reports of deans and supervisors, the social and moral delinquencies of students. One of the most gratifying results of the year's work has been the initiative on the part of the individual student to report his own misconduct. At least ninety per cent of such reports come from this source. Discipline is administered for the most part from the Personnel Bureau. It is the policy of the bureau to place the responsibility of discipline on the student. There has not been a single case of arbitrary discipline during the year. We believe this attitude is

paralleled in the personal confidence gained from each student.

7. In general an acquaintance with all the activities and interests of the individual student is had, which together with the accurate records of class work, and native capacity enables the student group to move along freely, effectively, and happily. It would bring into this report the personal nature of the work if some specific illustrations were given. But in view of the public nature of the report, we feel that it would be a betrayal of personal confidences to do so.

Conclusion: The Personnel Bureau is continuing in the lives of the students of Graceland, as she grows into a larger and larger institution, the same personal touch of earlier days and is adding to it the system and organization for the most efficient service that can be rendered. It is to be hoped that as Graceland continues to expand to meet the needs of the youth of the church the Personnel Bureau will be one of the main instruments to search out the prospective students, to counsel and direct them while in school, and to point them forward to their specific service in the church and the world.

Department of Teacher Training

The department of teachers' training is growing rapidly. The following data are some indication of its activities. Many of those who have gone out to follow their vocation or take up other interests have failed to inform the department of their procedure so these figures are not complete with respect to all graduates. From available reports the following facts may be gleaned:

Figures from 1922-23 Placement

No. enrolled (1922-23).....	30
No. placed (recorded).....	20
No. teaching in high school.....	7
No. teaching in elementary schools.....	13
Salary range for all reported.....	\$93-\$166.66
Average salary.....	\$116.50

Teachers contracted in Iowa, Missouri, Illinois, Colorado, Oregon.

Two of the thirty pupils enrolled at Graceland the following year.

Figures from 1923-24 Placement

No. enrolled (1923-24).....	42
No. placed (recorded).....	28
No. teaching in high school.....	14

No. teaching in grades.....	14
Salary range for all reported.....	\$85-\$166.66
Average salary	\$133.41

Teachers contracted in Illinois, Iowa, Michigan, Missouri, South Dakota.

Eight students enrolled in the following schools: Ames, Harvard, Kansas University, Illinois University, Iowa University.

Four of forty-two pupils enrolled at Graceland the following year.

Figures for 1924-25 Enrollment

No. enrolled	68
No. enrolled in high school methods.....	43
No. enrolled in elementary methods.....	25

Observation and practice teaching is accomplished in Graceland academy, the local high and elementary schools, Brenizer rural school, and opportunity classes in the college. The academy furnishes practically all the classes for those taking high school methods. Students from the teachers' department have this year handled the entire physical education program in the Lamoni public schools, with the exception of football and basketball coaching in the high school.

The recognition given to our graduates by the Iowa State Department of Education and the public schools of this and other States is very gratifying and indicates that this department of the college work is of a high order.

The Gymnasium

The completion of the gymnasium to a point where it is available for the use of the physical education department has given a greater impetus to this phase of student life than all other factors combined in the past four years. Student interest in the work has increased tremendously. Classes have a place where their needs can be taken care of and where the requirements of the State Department of Education and the new Physical Education Law can be met. An opportunity for intercollegiate participation in basket ball is provided. More than one hundred students are now engaged in a basket-ball tournament consisting of thirty-six games. The building is in constant use from 6 a. m. until 8 p. m., and a number of requests for the building must be refused. The business men of the town occupy the gymnasium one night each week.

Before the gymnasium was occupied, a number of students petitioned for excuse from physical education, but since the

completion of the building they have asked to be admitted into a class.

Practically every student in the school is participating during the year in some intra-mural sport.

It is hoped that each year will mark an increase in the efficiency in meeting the needs of the students in health, exercise, and sportsmanlike conduct with a view to making their student life more pleasant and profitable. The department of physical education in Graceland is trying to function as an aid to the students and persons concerned, in the performance of their life's work and is not attempting to make athletics this life's ambition.

The hundreds of students enrolled in Graceland at present and the thousands to enroll in the years to come are and will continue to be the beneficiaries of the very fine spirit of our eastern friends who started the fund to construct the gymnasium and convention hall. Their very substantial contributions will be a perpetual memorial to their generosity and interest in the young people of the church who will shortly be her leaders and chief builders and who will be immensely better equipped for their task because of the fine addition to our group of buildings.

Student Home Life

The home life of the students centers around the four residence halls of the college. Nonresident students are required to live in the dormitories unless excused by special permission. This is designed to give a closer supervision, to insure a wholesome environment, and to promote academic and social life. The upper floor of the new building erected in 1920 has been continued as a residence hall for girls, and forty-five are accommodated. The old church publishing plant has been converted into a men's dormitory and this year accommodates about fifty with a community life of their own—being separated from the campus proper. Marietta Hall cares for about thirty men and Patroness for about forty-five girls.

Each of the halls is in charge of a dean or supervisor who works in conjunction with the college administration. Under these a reasonable regulation of rules is maintained to insure the best interests of the individual and the harmony of the general life. Inspection of dormitories by the college nurse is designed to maintain hygienic conditions and to safeguard health.

House organizations are effected for the purpose of promoting the house life and managing its collective affairs.

This affords student voice and student responsibility. Choruses, plays, programs, etc., have been provided by the several dormitories during the year. College visitors are invited to inspect the dormitory life.

Supervision is extended to the nondormitory students, and only homes of good repute are allowed to house them. This year the down-town girls have organized in order to follow the dormitory method of discussing problems and fostering sociability.

The administration considers this one of its most successful years in promoting a wholesome, congenial home life among the student body.

Forensic Activities

One of the required worth-while activities of Graceland students is that gained by participation in the literary and forensic activities of the school. While in most schools only a chosen few get this valuable educational training, Graceland in this regard believes in the greatest good to the greatest number, and every student is a member of some literary society. The Federated Athenian Council of literary societies is composed of the Alpha Pi Sigma, Kappa Delta, Niketes, and Victorian Societies. Individual society meetings are held every Saturday evening with the exception of general Athenian programs held monthly when all the societies combine. This allows every student to have a part in the literary activities so as to gain his required credit by the end of the semester.

Much of the forensic work is conducted upon a competitive basis between the four societies. By a system of pennant and banner rewards, friendly rivalry is stimulated between the societies. The inter-mural forensic contests conducted upon this basis are the college oratorical contests, the college and academy declamatory contests, men's and women's college debates, academy debates, the college and academy extemporaneous speaking contests, the short-story contest, and the recently instituted music contest. On the whole the student participation in these intersociety contests has been of a high order during the past year.

There is, however, much room for progress and development ahead of the department; a still higher standard of literary achievement in regular programs and contests is the goal and problem immediately ahead of us. This will necessitate a more perfect coordination of all other departments influencing and touching the student's life as well as more time given by English and public-speaking instructors in a closer supervision of contest and individual work.

Conservatory of Music

The Graceland Conservatory of Music offers regular courses in four different lines of instruction; band and orchestral instruments, piano, voice, and public school music. In the first three branches, a teacher's training certificate and a graduate certificate are offered upon the completion of satisfactory practical courses, together with required theoretical and academic work. The department of public school music offers a three-year course, which trains teachers for public school instruction. Graduates from this course receive a state certificate and are also prepared for a degree upon the completion of one year of advanced study. The opportunities for both class and private instruction are very broad. At present the department maintains four regular instructors and two assistants.

It has been the object of the institution to interest as many students as possible in the outside musical activities at Graceland. Our largest open organization is the Graceland Oratorio Society, which is now serving about one hundred and thirty people. The A Cappella Choir is a smaller chorus which elects from the oratorio society each year, members of advanced vocal attainment. The chorus has filled many concert engagements both in and out of town. The community and college maintain an efficient band and orchestral instructor, who has arranged ample organizations in both of these lines. At present we find that almost fifty per cent of the students enrolled in Graceland are engaged in musical activities. It shall continue to be our constant aim to make this department interest as many students as possible.

Radio Department

During the past year programs have been broadcast from the college station three times each week except for the summer period from June 4 to November 12.

The regular eleven o'clock service has been broadcast by remote control from the Brick Church on the second, third, and fourth Sundays of each month and the seven forty-five service on the first Sunday of each month. Monday evening of each week the Graceland College studios of music have provided musical programs, making use of talent from the students and faculty of those departments. The Thursday evening programs have been arranged for the purpose of giving our radio audience something of an idea of the extracurricular interest of our students. The winning numbers of forensic contests, parts selected from college plays, special numbers by literary society orchestras, and choruses, short

papers by students and faculty members are typical subjects which suggest the nature of these programs.

We have been much gratified with the results of our broadcasting as indicated by the reports we have received from our listeners. As many as eleven reports from points more than one thousand miles distant have come in for a single program. Many comments on the nature of our programs indicate that our attempts to make broadcasting an institution of permanent value to society rather than a passing fad to be discarded when the novelty has worn off are not in vain.

The colleges of the country have perhaps been a little slow in making use of this new development. Recently, however, they are adapting it to their program. Several stations are at present including, in their regular schedules, courses of instruction in a large variety of subjects, and Graceland is the foremost among the small colleges of the country. We are anticipating that next year our more powerful station will enable this department to render a more valuable service to the church and the college than it has in the past.

Extension Department

The table below shows the enrollment in this department. Ordinarily students are advised when they register for a course that it ought to be completed if possible within a year. However, we have had no iron-clad rule in this respect, and students are encouraged to go on and finish their courses no matter if it takes more than a year. So we are carrying on our records some students who enrolled two or in rare instances three years ago. Many students register and take a few lessons but fail to continue to the end of the course, only about one in five during the last two years having entirely completed the courses for which they enrolled.

Total enrollment	212
Total completed	41

Courses	Enrolled	Completed
Algebra I.	9	7
Algebra II.	8	
Ancient History (new course).....	1	
Bookkeeping	12	
Composition and Rhetoric.....	14	3
Book of Mormon.....	30*	2
Grammar	14	2
History of Education.....	5	3

Principles of Education.....	3	2
Psychology	11	8
Public Speaking	23	2
Medieval and Modern History.....	8	3
Recreational Leadership	65	5
Sociology	9	4

*Plus two classes taking the course.

All projected registrations and special examinations of students coming for resident work are handled by the Extension Department. Thirty-four special examinations have been given during the past year representing 19 units in the academy and 11 semester hours of college work earned in this way. At present we have on file 8 applications for special examinations to be taken in the near future.

In the religious normal training courses, there are a great many classes enrolled which do not go on and entirely finish the courses; in fact, many enroll for a single section and do not finish that. This is clearly shown by the figures below:

Sunday School Normal Training

	Classes Enrolled 1923-1924	Individ- uals Enrolled	Certificates Issued 1924
Section I	25	8	28
Section II	8	5	19
Section III	7	5	4
Section IV	6	4	14
Section V	1	4	7
Totals	47	9	72

This represents the number of classes and individual enrollments we are now carrying on our records. There are nine different individual enrollments, some of them being isolated members who do not have the opportunity of enrolling in a class, and some of them have enrolled for all five sections. After a class or an individual has been enrolled for two years and does not send in any examination papers or themes to indicate that they are continuing the work, they are dropped from our active file.

In the 47 classes listed above, there are 329 different students, which with the nine individual enrollments makes a grand total of 338 different students who are profiting by this work at the present time.

It should be stated in this connection that the normal training courses need revision. At present we have individuals working on the first three sections, and within a few months we hope to be able to announce a complete revision of all five sections, and a plan somewhat different for handling this work. The present fee of twenty-five cents per section which is charged for enrollment is not adequate to cover the cost, so it has been deemed advisable to revise the sections, offer courses a little more extensive, and charge a fee sufficiently high to approximately cover the cost to the college of maintaining this department.

Industrial Department

Over one hundred and fifty young people have been giving assistance during the present school year in the self-help department, some earning their board and room and others only a part. These students "Earn while they learn," and if the opportunity for work were not provided they could not attend Graceland and probably no other school.

These young people are employed by the college as stenographers, office assistants, librarians, laboratory assistants, bookstore clerks, nurses, physical training assistants, teaching assistants, gardeners, canning plant assistants, janitors, hall girls, rug mill weavers, dyers, motion picture operators, night watchmen, cooks and commissary supervisors, kitchen and dining-room help, barbers, tailors, firemen, plumbers, steam system repair men, general repairmen, construction laborers laundrymen, farm and dairy help, and many other unassigned jobs.

A number of the students are employed in the homes of business houses of Lamoni as housekeepers, furnace tenders, janitors, clerks, deliverymen, and general laborers.

The assignment of one hundred and fifty young people to so many different jobs, every piece of work carrying more or less responsibility, and in many cases the trusting of buildings and valuable equipment to their care, is one of the greatest problems of student help. The administration and careful supervision of this work is almost an unlimited task. This year steps were taken to subdivide the work and make the individual student or project leader responsible for every phase of his work; this has proven very satisfactory. Almost without exception those who have come asking for work have carried out the duties intrusted to them.

Fifty-two per cent of the nonresident students are working in the Industrial Department. Every other boy or girl

that comes trooping out of class is working to help pay for his or her education. The problem of arranging classes and working hours is accomplished only through the closest cooperation between the Academic and Industrial Departments. The everyday duties in an institution like ours begin early in the morning and carry on late into the night. Class, study, and work hours have to be arranged systematically.

Our advice to young people who are seeking employment in the Industrial Department is to work and save every penny possible before they come to Graceland. Many young people who have been out of school for several years come to realize that they need more preparation in order to be of greater service to the church and their communities. Immediately they turn to Graceland, and many times, having saved no money, want to enroll for full class work and secure employment that will pay all of their expenses. The experience of those who have been conducting the Industrial Department at Graceland and of schools that have similar projects shows that young people can do the maximum amount of class work if they are not employed more than three hours a day. There are exceptional students, however, who are able to earn all of their expenses.

The demand for assignments in the self-help department is growing every year. Opportunities for employment are limited, and it is necessary for the college to develop industries to meet the increasing demand. The work in the rug mill has increased four hundred per cent this year, and it is hoped that it will be possible to increase the activities on the college farm during the coming year.

G. N. BRIGGS, *President*.

LAMONI, IOWA, February 28, 1925.

Report of Treasurer

To the Board of Directors, Graceland College; Brethren:
Herewith is presented the annual statistical report of the treasurer for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1924, containing itemized statements of inventories, assets and liabilities, profits and losses, together with a tabulation comparing expenditures with the budget for 1924-25; also the new budget for 1925-26.

Tabulation of Expenditures Compared With
Budget 1924-25

ITEMS	Budget	Used	Bal. Req. Estimate	Over	Under
Allowances, faculty . . .	\$30,000.00	\$16,153.32	\$13,380.00		\$ 466.68
Extension department . . .	1,000.00	837.35	140.00		22.65
Heat, plant, fuel, labor . . .	6,000.00	3,366.96	2,264.00		369.04
Library upkeep, care . . .	1,200.00	417.45	700.00		82.15
Library accessions . . .	250.00	292.42		42.92	
Advertising, catalogue, etc.	500.00	98.72	350.00		51.28
Office help	1,000.00	646.96	353.04		
Light	1,500.00	841.11	600.00		58.89
Water	450.00	786.04	100.00	436.04	
General expense	750.00	902.86	97.14	250.00	
Repairs, upkeep, and improvement	3,000.00	2,384.04	615.96		
Notes payable	6,423.75	650.00			5,773.75
Students in training . . .	3,000.00	2,168.58	300.00		531.42
Laboratory equipment . . .	1,000.00	1,000.00			
Income					
Tuition			\$32,500.00	\$32,158.91	
Less scholarships			3,500.00	5,856.00	
			29,000.00	26,302.91	
Offerings			2,500.00	2,991.41	
			\$31,500.00	\$29,294.32	\$2,205.68

Notes on Budget 1925-26

In submitting the following budget, it is felt that every item has been placed as low as it can possibly be, consistent with work that will commend itself to the judgment of those who understand the demands justly made upon our one accredited institution of higher learning. To reduce the amount herein set out as necessary would be to lower the standard of quality and efficiency of the institution. The spirit of sacrifice and the willingness to try to do with less than what are considered "needs and just wants" is commendable and praiseworthy, but whenever the doing so makes the service rendered that kind that it cannot be commended as being of the highest type consistent with legitimate standards, then it becomes poor economy.

As a whole, the budget shows a slightly smaller deficit than the former one. While some items of expenditure have been increased, the estimated income is also proportionately larger. Among the items of larger expenditure increased over the former budget are the following:

Heating plant \$200, which, with the gymnasium completed, is a very conservative increase.

Library accessions is \$50 more. With the closest watch-

care it has seemed impossible to hold the purchases within the budget this year, as it may be seen that the amount has been overdrawn \$42.92.

Advertising is raised from \$500 to \$800, due to the fact that a bill from the publishing house for advertisements in the church papers for \$300 has remained unpaid because our former budget did not make provision for it.

The item of water is increased \$250, being made necessary by the great increase in quantity used by construction work on the new building, leaving us in arrears. Besides, completing the concrete work, plastering, and other work requiring water will consume a larger amount than normal running expenses for this item.

Due to the ever-increasing amount of stationery, postage, blank forms, books of record and accounting, and various other appliances and equipment to meet the demands of the offices of administration, it is found necessary to increase this item \$250.

While noting these increases in estimated expenditure, attention is also called to increase in estimated income. It is believed there will be some increase in enrollment, so that the tuition is placed at \$35,000 as compared to \$32,500 in former budget. The item of offerings is also given as \$3,000 as compared to \$2,500 in last budget. Endeavoring to keep scholarships to the same amount, \$3,500, leaves the deficit practically as before. It seemed impossible to keep scholarships within the budget limits this year, notwithstanding a committee consisting of the chairman, secretary, and another member of the Board of Trustees, associated with the business manager and treasurer, was provided to pass on scholarship applications, interviewing every applicant.

Budget 1925-26

Allowances, Faculty	\$30,000.00
Extension department	1,000.00
Heat, plant, fuel, labor.....	6,200.00
Library upkeep and repair.....	1,200.00
Library accessions	300.00
Advertising in church papers, catalogues, etc.....	800.00
Office help	1,200.00
Light	1,500.00
Water	700.00
General expense, postage, office supplies, etc.....	1,000.00
Repairs, upkeep, and improvements.....	3,500.00
Notes payable	6,500.00
Students in training.....	3,000.00

Laboratory equipment	1,000.00
Guss residence ½ payment.....	650.00
Farm improvement	500.00
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	\$59,050.00
	34,500.00
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	\$24,500.00

Estimated Receipts

Tuition	\$35,000.00
Less scholarships	3,500.00
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	\$31,500.00
Add offering	3,000.00
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Total	\$34,500.00
Deficit	\$24,500.00

J. A. GUNSOLLEY, *Treasurer.*

LAMONI, IOWA, February 28, 1925.

DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS

To the First Presidency and General Conference; Greeting:
Owing to the fact that no General Conference was held during the year 1923, this report will cover a period of two years, 1923 and 1924.

1923:

Gain by	
Baptism	3,349
Restored	204
Total.....	3,553

Loss by

Death	901
Expulsion	51
Correction	37
"Unknown"	2,114
Total.....	3,103

Net gain 450

Net enrollment December 31, 1923..... 95,815

1924:

Gain by	
Baptism	3,944
Restored	158
Total.....	4,102

Loss by		
Death	766	
Expulsion	108	
Correction	3	
"Unknown"	948	
Total.....		1,825
Net gain		2,277
Net enrollment December 31, 1924.....		98,092

Included in the net enrollment of 98,092 are 1,462 names charged to the British Mission. That mission reported 126 baptisms for 1923 and 75 baptisms for 1924.

The total number of baptisms reported for the five years 1920-1924 was 20,271—an average of 4,054 annually. From this it will be seen that the baptisms for 1923 fell about 700 below the average, while for 1924 the number reported was only about 100 below the average of that period.

An item that may interest some is that during 1924, 1,737 males and 2,207 females were baptized, 50 per cent of this number being 17 years of age and under, 33 1-3 per cent being 12 years of age and under.

The above figures include all fields except Australia and Society Islands, with which missions we have been unable to secure a check of records since assuming charge of department in 1919. We believe a conservative estimate of our membership in those two countries would raise our net enrollment to 100,000 or more. Of these names, 81,744 are enrolled in branch and nonresident groups in United States and Canada; 1,001 are located too far from any branch or district organization to be enrolled therewith and are assigned to the care of the Presiding Patriarch's office; 2,022 are located in countries other than United States, Canada, or Hawaii. If we assume an enrollment of 100,000 and give Australia and Society Islands 3,000, we will still have 12,000 names unaccounted for in any group enrollment. How many of this 12,000 are living and concerned with the church, we have no way of knowing. We have constantly urged branch officers to advise us if any member of the church lives in the vicinity of the branch, whose name is not enrolled on the branch record. Very few such names are reported. On the other hand, in spite of the fact that for the last five years we have been urging branch clerks to clear up their records, and as a result 9,899 names have been carried to the "Unknown," yet we are being continuously advised by branch clerks that "our record contains a lot of names of persons

that we know nothing about." Such facts should be kept in our minds when we are thinking of our net enrollment.

We wish to express our appreciation of the cooperation extended by the various secretaries which has enabled us to keep the work to date at all times. Hoping that the data gathered and recorded may become of more and more value to the church as a whole, we are

Very sincerely,

DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS,

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, March 12, 1925. F. A. RUSSELL.

CHURCH SECRETARY

To the First Presidency and the General Conference: The detail and general work of this department has been given attention along lines reported heretofore. Minutes have been recorded and published; general correspondence, giving information to church people and to the general public, including statistical matter for publication, has received necessary care. In connection with this department of the service, the secretary has been engaged in special literary work and in general ministerial duties.

In harmony with conference action, General Conference Resolutions to date have been compiled and published. The original edition included resolutions adopted from 1852 to 1915. The remaining resolutions, 1916 to 1923, have been published as a supplement to the original work and may be obtained at the Herald Publishing House. They are in pamphlet form, in size suitable for insertion in the original publication.

1. Appointments of 1923. The General Conference of 1923 confirmed a list of 159 appointments, including 4 superannuated. Added to this, the First Presidency, the Twelve, the Bishopric, Presiding Patriarch, other general officers, and stake appointees, with 11 appointed during the year, the total is 218. Of these 6 were transferred, 2 released.

2. Business Deferred and Referred. By the session of 1922: on Representation, Minutes page 3279; on Calling and Ordaining, page 3284; on Religious Education, 3288; to provide for representation of Seventy on Joint Council, 3288. From the session of 1923: Rules of Representation, Minutes page 3446, 3493; Revision of General Conference Resolutions, pages 3467, 3480; on Elective Offices, page 3491.

3. Routine Business, etc. Reports of general officers, quorums, boards, committees, departments, organizations, etc.,

including: The First Presidency, Quorum of Twelve, Presidents and Quorums of Seventy, Presiding Bishopric, Order of Bishops, Order of Evangelists, General High Council, Quorum of High Priests, Mass Quorum of Elders, Architect, Auditor, Chorister, Historian, Librarian, Physician, Secretary, Statistician, Board of Publication, Bureau of Graphic Arts, Children's Home Trustees; Committees: on Appropriations; on Archæology; on Auditorium; on Book of Rules and Court Procedure; on Church of Christ; on General Conference Resolutions; on organization of High Council; on Rules of Representation; Departments: of Education; of Publicity; of Recreation and Expression; of Remedial and Corrective Agencies; of Sunday School; of Woman's Work; Graceland College Trustees; L. D. S. Sales Association; Order of Enoch; Sanitarium Trustees.

4. Time Limit on New Business. Time of Adjournment. Sustaining of Officers, Boards, Committees, Departments, etc.

5. Personnel of Boards, Committees, Officers, etc.: Board of Publication, B. R. McGuire, A. E. McKim, M. H. Siegfried, Thomas Crick, R. S. Salyards. Committees: on Appropriations, Frederick M. Smith, Elbert A. Smith, J. F. Curtis, R. S. Budd, and Order of Bishops; on Auditorium, F. M. Smith, F. M. McDowell, J. A. Gillen, P. M. Hanson, B. R. McGuire, J. A. Becker, H. C. Smith; on Book of Rules and Court Procedure, F. M. Smith, H. O. Smith, J. A. Tanner, E. L. Kelley, A. B. Phillips, T. A. Hougas; subcommittee, F. M. Smith, S. A. Burgess, J. A. Becker, I. A. Smith, R. T. Cooper; on church of Christ, F. M. Smith, B. R. McGuire, I. A. Smith, E. L. Kelley, W. W. Smith, M. H. Siegfried; on General Conference Resolutions, F. M. McDowell, F. H. Edwards, E. E. Long, S. A. Burgess, R. S. Salyards; on Organization of High Council, those named in D. C. 120:9; on Rules of Representation, F. M. Smith, J. A. Gillen, I. A. Smith, R. S. Salyards; Children's Home Trustees, A. Carmichael, A. J. Yarrington, C. B. Hartshorn, Minnie B. Nicholson, Ida Pearson Etzenhouser, Martha A. Young, Ida C. Monroe; Graceland College Trustees, F. M. McDowell, A. M. Carmichael, G. N. Briggs, C. E. Wight, J. F. Garver, Albert Carmichael, W. E. Hayer; Consulting Board, S. A. Burgess, F. M. McDowell, Eunice Winn Smith, A. M. Carmichael, Blanche Edwards, Christiana Salyards; Sanitarium Trustees, ex officio, the First Presidency, the Presiding Bishop, and the Church Physician.

Respectfully submitted,

R. S. SALYARDS, *Church Secretary*.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, March 12, 1925.

ORDER OF EVANGELISTS

To the First Presidency and General Conference; Greeting:
We present the following report on behalf of the Order of Evangelists:

The majority of the men have been quite active, some of them considering their age and physical condition exceptionally so. At our last report we numbered 27. During the last conference, Brother Gomer T. Griffiths was ordained on October 23, making our number now 28.

We regret that some of our number have sent no report, which necessarily makes the amount of work and labor reported not entirely complete. Ill health has stood in the way of some. One or two have labored in other work most of the year, which necessarily reduces their report and their labors along evangelical lines. Those reporting give us the following statistics:

Sermons, 1,941; times in charge, 603; times assisted, 364; other meetings attended, 1,641; total number of meetings attended, 4,119; baptisms, 83; confirmations, 87; ordinations, 16; children blessed, 79; sick administered, 1,173; marriages performed, 15; patriarchal blessings, 1,225; pastoral visits, 686; sacrament administered, 94 times.

Eighteen of the order under general appointment. There have been some few special blessings given, but the number we do not have. Brother F. G. Pitt was in charge of the Kirtland Temple and received over 12,000 visitors during the year. He sold many books and distributed many tracts, making a great number of talks to these people which have not been reported in figures.

One of our number, Brother John Martin, has attended a number of young people's meetings, doing evangelical work at those places, which has taken him from his appointed field a good share of the time. We have labored at the reunions to the best of our ability and have sought to encourage the Saints to faithfully observe the law of God and to diligent service wherever we have gone. We have striven to comfort and encourage them, doing everything we could to build up the kingdom of God. Many of our number have reported that they have been blessed in their work to a wonderful extent during the year.

Ever praying for the success of the cause of Christ,

Very respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK A. SMITH, *President.*

H. O. SMITH, *Secretary.*

CHURCH OF CHRIST

To the Presidency and General Conference: I beg leave to report on behalf of the committee on relations with the Church of Christ that the brethren of the Church of Christ and of the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints have continued the same fraternal relations as heretofore. There has been no joint session of the committee with the Church of Christ committee, but both committees stand ready to confer on and discuss any matter of mutual interest to the two organizations. We trust that harmony may continue and that the amity established may become permanent, as it should among brethren of one common Lord. Respectfully submitted on behalf of the committee,

WALTER W. SMITH, *Secretary.*

LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, March 1, 1925.

CHURCH HISTORIAN

First Presidency and General Conference; Greetings: Prior to the General Conference of October, 1923, the principal work done was preparation of copy for the October, 1923, *Journal of History*. A couple of months had been spent very profitably in Montana attending the western reunion, visiting other points including Spearfish, North Dakota, and Sioux City, Iowa. Owing to the shortness of time, material already prepared was utilized for that issue of the *Journal*. Since then we have endeavored to take care of the *Journal of History* and have turned in copy three months in advance for the past year.

The *Journal* needs support in two ways. First, from contributors of our own membership; and second from subscribers of the church. So far, solicitation for special articles has produced small results. The *Journal* is a quarterly, therefore many of our people believe it is high in price. But this is not the case when the quality of paper and the work of the publishing house is considered. There are 512 pages issued every year with full index, title page, and table of contents. I believe in the past the suggestion has been made of forming a historical society in the church with this publication included in the membership fee. That might help to answer both problems.

The work of this department was rather new, so a great deal of time has been necessary in gaining a better knowledge of the history of the past of the church. Also, a number of circular letters have been prepared and sent out, including a

special letter in an effort to determine the names of those taking part in the late World War. The returns have been somewhat limited so far.

In January, 1924, we took the liberty of writing to the leading officers of the church and to the secretaries of the quorums for data, but almost entirely without avail. There is a small amount of biographical material on hand but scarcely anything sufficiently detailed or reasonably complete.

In the historian's report for 1910, submitted by Heman C. Smith and Frederick M. Smith, the following appears:

"We again suggest that each department of the church work could aid us materially if they would report all matters of special interest and importance to us, that we might have data at hand without gleaning from various sources, which we have not time to do."

Pursuant to this suggestion a resolution was adopted as follows:

"Resolved that this conference request each of the several quorums and all other departments to prepare a record of their work for the church historian for each year's report."

The same difficulty still exists. Some of our men whose activities are of general church interest and significance are very loath to make reports of their activities and even object to such requests.

Considerable time has been taken on the whole in preparing articles in reply to statements appearing in various publications. Some histories used in the public schools still need attention. In a few cases, articles have been prepared by special request of publishers. In this work we cooperated with the Publicity Department, as such matters were referred to that department and so came to us with request from Elder A. E. McKim.

A number of the requests have been personal in nature and have received a personal reply. All matters so received or forwarded have been answered promptly. This includes request for information from nonmembers making a study of some particular theme of the early history of the church. To such we have extended every facility at our disposal.

We appreciate keenly that our research work has scarcely had a beginning. Whoever is in charge of this work should come closely in contact with the collection of old manuscripts in different libraries. In the second place, there is no doubt a good reason why the first historian was directed to travel among the churches. This traveling is very nearly a necessity if one is to secure an adequate history of this work in

the various localities. It would seem that a few months of the year should be spent in getting in touch and writing.

When the general library was moved, several loads of *Heralds* and other church publications were left at 1034 West Lexington. When the historian's office was moved, they were also moved but dumped in a very inconvenient form. Had we been advised of the time of moving, it might have been possible to minimize this confusion which has undone the greater part of the work previously done in sorting these various piles of magazines. These old files it would seem should probably be handled under the library department, but the budget for that department is not sufficient to do this work immediately. There is naturally an overlap in some respects in the historian's work and in the library, particularly with old church publications, and old unbound *Heralds* come close to the division line.

Again, we have visited a few libraries and particularly noted some important original documents in the Jefferson Memorial Library at Saint Louis, Missouri. We are advised of other instances where historical files are being kept, that our church is not yet adequately represented. This is a work that might possibly be handled through the church library or equally well through the Historical Department, preferably the latter. But it also concerns the Publicity Department very closely. We urge the point that there should be some adequate provision so that we can see to a reasonable extent that our church periodicals are kept on file where they should be, and other historical matter filed where and when it can be done at a minimum of expense or without impairing the efficiency of our own departments.

We have noted in previous reports and a few individuals have called to our attention a plan to prepare a short history of the church. We are informed that some work has been done on this, but have not yet managed to locate the notes of the work so far accomplished. Furthermore, it seemed wiser to get better in touch with the work of the department before undertaking these special tasks.

Again, there has been no publication of the General Church History of the years since 1890, yet the past thirty-five years become a very important part of the history of the Reorganization. A collection of material in a topical way presents its value for the student of history, having conveniently in one place the information most frequently desired.

There is also the problem of biographies. There are a few brief sketches, but little as yet that is anywhere near an adequate treatment.

There is also the problem of a history of philosophy of the church or a philosophical history of the church.

Again, a social or socialized history, the development of social ideals offers a rich field, though other departments have attempted and are attempting a sectional discussion of the social history of the church.

Again, it is noteworthy that all attacks upon the church and its organization are very nearly identical in substance. Periodically the same old material is rehatched. Yet many of our men are not familiar with the points of attack or defense. Some have approached us with the idea of assisting the missionaries in this respect, in the preparation of notes at least, giving references indicating reply, etc. But we do not feel to take up such work as this without further authorization.

The work of the department can be made very much more effective for the service of the church, it is hoped and believed, assisting especially our missionaries in the field, giving them material as needed, and even arranging the library work so as to make it possible to loan duplicate copies of important texts to the men out on the firing line. An expansion, however, of the work would of course mean an increase of the expense of this department. As it is, we receive and answer a great many letters privately, but probably more could be done in this respect.

We receive a great many historical journals on exchange, but as yet belong to very few historical societies. Some years ago we enrolled with the Iowa Historical Society but believe despite the fact that we already receive the *Missouri Historical Review* that membership should be taken in the Missouri Historical Society and other historical societies of the vicinity.

In principle it should prove advantageous for this department to keep in touch with the various historical societies and with other allied associations, as it is much more effective to prevent misrepresentation than it is to secure correction after misrepresentation. Also an important missionary work could be done in this way. Mrs. Burgess could help us greatly in this respect in attending such meetings and helping us to keep in touch with them personally.

Speaking generally, we have found a courteous attitude on behalf of editors whom we have approached.

The work done has been: first, taking care of the *Journal of History*; second, answering all correspondence received from other church offices and from individuals both within and without the church; third, writing articles for publica-

tion, at the request in some instances of the publishers; in other instances at the request of some of our own men.

We made a visit to Montana in the summer of 1923, visiting Spearfish, South Dakota, and Sioux City; also Shenandoah, Iowa. During 1924 we visited several places in the Fremont, Iowa, district. Also the Texas reunion and Saint Louis, Missouri. But this is hardly a beginning.

Respectfully submitted,

S. A. BURGESS.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, February 18, 1925.

CHURCH LIBRARIAN

First Presidency and General Conference; Dear Brethren: In June, 1924, Brother C. I. Carpenter was appointed assistant librarian and the undersigned, librarian. We are asking Brother Carpenter to make a particular report of his activities, as he has had immediate charge of the care and distribution of the books. We have made very limited purchases, since we are first getting acquainted with the exact material on hand. The Sunday school appropriated \$25 for juvenile works, and we are adding to this. Certainly a reasonable amount should be expended each year to make the library more effective for all purposes.

We have found valuable books in many different parts of the building. We have taken those belonging to the Historical Department and also to the library in any department and have had them carefully indexed and classified and placed upon shelving in the vault. This includes a few very old books, but principally it includes books which concern the church and its history. This includes all Books of Mormon and Books of Doctrine and Covenants except office copies in frequent use, the first seventeen volumes of the *Millennial Star*, the *Times and Seasons*, *Evening and Morning Star*, and old publications of the various factions of the church, and also includes the more rare books on American archaeology.

We have from the historian's department loaned out a few tracts of which we have duplicate copies. We are looking forward to the time when with reasonable limitations these collections of old books may be made more useful to the church and especially the missionary force, by proper arrangements by which they may be loaned for debate and study in special fields in such a way as not to impair complete files in this office.

The juvenile library is very deficient at present, but we are endeavoring to repair this deficiency as above indicated. We have received a number of magazines upon donation,

especially a large number from the office of President Frederick M. Smith. Also Doctor John R. Green as well as the librarians are donating current magazines. A few have been purchased out of money received for fines. This magazine department should be extended. We should like to see it put upon a basis where we could secure a representative file of the leading journals and make them generally accessible while new. To do this we should doubtless have to arrange for display elsewhere than simply the library rooms. This problem should be worked out, having regard for the following:

First, the problem of our young people and the importance of getting them acquainted with the best current magazines.

Second, for the support and use of the Institute so that copies may be freely borrowed by Institute students or placed at their reasonable disposal.

Third, for the benefit of officers of the church and other persons who would be interested.

When at Clark University the librarian, Doctor Louis E. Wilson, the first of each week placed all of the new volumes received during the week on the table with a slip of paper in each book. The faculty and students would at their convenience look over the new books and on the slip of paper add their name to the names already appearing on any book they wished to examine. The books were loaned out in the order of signatures.

I have long wondered if something of the kind could not be done with advantage in connection with our purchase of books. Probably this would require that the work be handled through some one agency. Perhaps our purchases are not so extensive but the end would be achieved by such an exhibit once a month at some convenient point. Our problem would be a little complex, and we would have to consider the general offices in the Battery Block, the Institute, as well as the library. As it is, many splendid books are bought for different departments which could be read with profit by other workers in the church and without inconvenience to the department for which the books were first secured.

In other words, we would like to see the money expended by the church for books made as widely useful as possible, and we think that rare books which are sometimes needed by our missionaries should be purchased by the church and loaned to the missionaries to be returned again for use by others.

A corollary would be the filing in one place of information of all books owned by the church, no matter in what department, or whether in Zion or in Lamoni.

Another corollary would be that the church maintain files of the early publications and that they be loaned to missionaries in particular, as needed instead of the missionaries having to make the purchases for themselves.

We found that the library was not fully indexed, and to be sure of having it correct Brother C. I. Carpenter employed early in December his son as an assistant in this special work.

We have had very little correspondence the past year concerning the library work in the various branches, districts and stakes. This of course is properly part of the work. We would be very glad to give help wherever needed; nor have we received any reports of what is being done by the various local libraries.

When the library was removed to Bartholomew Hall, the unbound files of extra copies of *Herald*, *Ensign*, *Autumn Leaves*, *Journal of History*, and other publications were left in the small building on Bowen Street. These have been removed to Bartholomew Hall but not as yet sorted as they were. These extra copies should probably be considered under the supervision of the Library Department.

Respectfully submitted,

S. A. BURGESS.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, February 18, 1925.

To the First Presidency and General Conference 1925; Greeting: I respectfully submit the following report of the activities of the Church Library:

During the nine months, from June 1, 1924, to March 1, 1925, which includes the time I have been in charge of the local library, 500 people have borrowed 3,622 books, making an average of 402 books per month or a little more than 7 books for each person during the entire period.

Our files show that there are upwards of 150 books out all the time, which means that the library is giving constant service to that many people, but as shown above the total number of people reached by the library privilege has been 500 who have borrowed and used our books, besides the large number of those who have used our reading rooms more or less regularly, this service amounting to from one to a dozen each day, with the number increasing.

During the month of June, there were 293 books loaned, and in February 585, while the lowest number was reached in September at 263.

Of the 500 people who used the library during the period covered, 264 were new registrants.

We have accessioned 212 books not previously on our rec-

ords, including 121 for the Department of Women, 84 fiction, 3 natural science, 2 philosophy, and 2 religion. Of the 84 fiction, 42 were purchased and 42 donated. Those of natural science, philosophy, and religion were donated. Other books were donated, which are not as yet accessioned and hence are not included in the above figures.

We found already in the library but not recorded quite a number of books which with some later donations constitute a collection of 175 or more which are yet to be accessioned.

Our accession register shows a present number of 7,915. This however does not correctly represent the number of volumes in the library, on account of the many which have been lost and worn out, and those not yet recorded.

Many of the books in the fiction section are badly worn and should be replaced with fresh material. Some of the special lines should be built up and others strengthened in order for us to satisfactorily meet the demand made of us.

We have done the best we could to meet every demand, but as a large part of our borrowers are students from the public schools, we have sought to cater to their needs. To do this a number of new books should be added to our shelves.

We have no definite figures on this point, but from personal inquiries, we learn that quite a number of our borrowers are not members of the church, nor do they belong to Saints' families.

The Michigan Club of Independence, Missouri, donated the following volumes: A Student's Philosophy of Religion, by William Kelley Wright; The Philosophy of Inspiration, by George Lansing Raymond; Evolution, Genetics, and Eugenics, by Horation Hackett Newman; The Evolution of Man, by George Alfred Baitzell; Origin and Evolution of Religion, by E. Washburn Hopkins; A Dictionary of Religion and Ethics, by Matthews and Smith; Helps to Bible Study, by Phillips, Salyards, Peterson, and Smith. Other contributors of books and periodicals include: Mrs. Nellie Brocaw, W. T. Rushton, Wilbur B. Paul, J. W. Peterson, A. B. Phillips, S. A. Burgess, Doctor J. R. Green, H. O. Smith, C. I. Carpenter, Wallace Thompson, D. J. Krahl, Muriel Farrell, the office of the First Presidency, and the Herald Publishing House.

In our magazine room we are receiving on regular subscriptions: *The Saints' Herald*, *Zion's Ensign*, *Autumn Leaves*, *Journal of History*, *The Youth's Companion*, *Child Life*, *The American Boy*, *The National Geographic Magazine*, *The Homiletic Review*, *The Saturday Evening Post*, and the *Ladies' Home Journal*; also as received more or less regu-

larly from contributors: *The Radio News*, *Science and Invention*, *Experimenter*, *Current Opinion*, *Pathfinder*, *Literary Digest*, *American Bar Association Journal*, and *Hibbert Journal*.

Our rooms have been redecorated, and we have added a reading room for the use of adult readers who may wish to consult books which are not loaned out, or who may have a little spare time which they wish to devote to quiet reading. This gives us now besides the room just mentioned, a magazine room provided with table and chairs where any periodicals may be read, a reference room where school students and others who wish to do research work using books which are not to be taken from the library, may work undisturbed, and a fiction room in which is located the library office and all books of a fictional character and which are for loan purpose.

We are fairly well provided now for floor space, but need additional shelving accommodations for books, magazine racks for the periodicals, filing cabinet for card classification, and index files.

Clerical help is needed to finish the thorough classification and cataloging of the entire library, so that our service may be of more value to the community and the church.

Very respectfully,

C. I. CARPENTER, *Assistant Librarian*.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, March 2, 1925.

CONSULTING BOARD

To the First Presidency and General Conference, Greeting: In September, 1919, pursuant to power given it by the Sunday School Convention of April, 1919, the executive committee of the Sunday school adopted a resolution appointing a committee to secure the coordination and correlation of the various Sunday school quarterlies, since they overlapped in several respects. This committee soon determined that a complete revision or rewriting was needed.

A number of meetings were held up to and including June, 1921. Upon petition from the executive council of the Sunday school to the Religio, the Religio executive council, April 1, 1921, agreed that all work of religious educational nature for both departments should be prepared under the supervision of this board. F. M. McDowell, who was a member of this board from the first, was at that time vice president of the Religio.

The said committee also met with a committee of the college faculty, and they agreed that texts in teachers' training and in religious education be prepared under the supervision of this board and that the work should be handled in a united way on behalf of the church. This was reported to the General Conference of 1920. Full reports of the work of the board were also made from time to time to the First Presidency, setting forth the aim, purposes, and work undertaken.

After June, 1921, A. Max Carmichael, who as a member of the board had been placed in executive charge of outlining the editorial work, was appointed by the First Presidency as the superintendent of the Department of Sunday Schools. Brother Carmichael desired to do intensive work before making further plans and gave the college year, September, 1923, to August, 1924, to this purpose. No meeting was therefore held from June, 1921, until January 3, 1924.

The superintendent in reporting his department, in the conference of 1922, also included in his report in some detail the work of the Consulting Board, stating that the probable cost of the proposed editorial work would be some ten to twenty thousand dollars.

(General Conference Minutes, pp. 3124, 3125.) At the same conference the appropriation committee approved the use by the Sunday School Department of its own funds for the preparation of textbooks. And this report was approved by the General Conference (p. 3295).

At the January, 1924, meeting, the principal business was to consider the appointment of editors. The superintendent of the Sunday school, A. Max Carmichael, and President F. M. McDowell as representing the First Presidency and as general head of all departments, proposed that beginning with September, 1924, the prospective editors be enrolled in Graceland College, that they receive there intensive instruction in religious education and religious pedagogy. The board decided that the work be undertaken under immediate supervision of the Department of Sunday School and of President McDowell as head of all departments. It was planned that these editors be employed for some five years, two years to be spent in preparation and three years in the writing of texts. It was understood that final supervision of this work be with the Consulting Board, that frequent consultation be had with the board, and that members of the board should inform themselves upon particular problems as well as the possibilities of the work in general. We were

informed that this matter had been presented to the First Presidency and to the Appropriation Committee, including two of the Twelve and the Order of Bishops, and had been approved.

It is also fair to add that the responsibility for this general plan does not rest entirely with these two brethren, as the board had previously reached the conclusion: first, that the Sunday school lesson texts should be completely rewritten; second, that they should be rewritten in such a way as adequately to cover for each age the fundamental principles of the church; third, that the lessons should also be prepared with due regard to the very best we are able to bring to the task from child psychology, a study of the religious ideals of children, and of pedagogy, both general pedagogy and, in particular, that of religious education; fourth, that this work should cover not only the field previously undertaken by the Sunday school quarterlies but extended to include the Book of Mormon.

This naturally led to the recognition that the work should be done in a unified way for the church, hence should be broad enough to cover the religious texts used by the young people in the Department of Recreation and Expression and the texts used by the Department of Women. Logically the work would also include preparation of texts for special classes at the various reunions and institutes and might extend to include the work of the church as a whole in religious education. The primary purpose is to make the work as widely useful to the church as possible, and to train and develop our children and young people for service in the work of God and for citizenship in Zion.

The board also had reached the conclusion that it would be valuable to spend some time in preparation. The editors and board should work together in mutual preparation and in solving the various problems involved.

At the January, 1924, meeting, President McDowell and Superintendent Carmichael were authorized to make the selection of editors. They proposed some names which were accepted upon their recommendation.

The board also approved of immediate preparations being made for training of editors and that this work of preparation should be undertaken beginning September, 1924, with the employment of the editors and their enrollment in Grace-land College. It was agreed that the work should be such as would prove beneficial to the editors in any future work they may undertake for the church.

The second meeting was held in April, 1924. At this

meeting we were advised that the Department of Women had decided that all texts used by them in religious education should be prepared under the supervision of this board. With the approval of the executive council of the Sunday school, the courtesy was therefore extended to the superintendent of that department of membership on the board, so that she could see that the work done gave adequate consideration to the special needs of her department. Mrs. Dora P. Glines was therefore called upon to sit with the board. Upon her resignation as superintendent in June, 1924, Miss Blanche Edwards was called upon to fill the vacancy.

At this April meeting, a further report was made on editors and approved. The matter of personnel and curriculum and details of work was again left under the supervision of President F. M. McDowell and Superintendent A. Max Carmichael. The employment of the editors on part time and details of arranging of the pay in each case was also left to these two brethren as representatives of the board.

It was decided by the board that the immediate task of the editors should be the preparation of courses of study for various ages and groups to be used during reunions. It was the understanding that plans would be worked out by each editor, considered and revised, and then carried out in a practical way as a text at the reunions the following summer, 1925.

Superintendent Carmichael has prepared and sent numerous reports to members of the board. These reports have included outlines of the courses under his supervision in Bible study and religious pedagogy; reports of the work done by each of the editors each month; a statement of the weekly expense; and finally a report analyzing how his own time was being utilized, including the proportion of time given to the work of this board.

Of the members of the board, President F. M. McDowell, Superintendent Carmichael, and Miss Blanche Edwards have been in Lamoni, hence are in position to keep in touch with work done by the editors. S. A. Burgess made one visit to Lamoni for a few days in November, 1924, to get in touch with the work actually being done. Mrs. Christiana Salyards and S. A. Burgess also went to Lamoni on March 3 to attend special meetings of the board and editors. Mrs. Eunice W. Smith, who has been a member of the board from the first as representing the smaller children in the Sunday school, attended both the January and April meetings, but her removal

to California in June, 1924, removed her from immediate contact with the work. These six are the present members of the Consulting Board.

The following report by A. Max Carmichael was accepted by the board on March 3 and is made a part of this report. This report was then approved by the board as a whole as their report to General Conference.

"To the Consulting Board: As the members of the board are aware, the board assigned to me in June, 1921, the chief executory task of carrying into completion the work which it was assigned by the General Sunday School Association. From that time up until August, 1924, I spent as much time in school preparing for the task as my duties would permit. My chief endeavor was to prepare myself so that I in turn might be more efficient in preparing the editors who should be chosen for the task. In September, 1924, I, along with the editors, started upon our task of joint preparation and writing.

"The prospective editors who were placed under my supervision by the action of the board were as follows: Mrs. Verna Brackenbury, who was to write for children of the ages of 3 to 5 years inclusive; Miss Olive Elfson from 6 to 8 years inclusive; Miss Ethel Brooner from 9 to 11 years inclusive; Mr. Eugene Closson the boys from the ages 12 to 17 inclusive; Miss Blanche Edwards for the girls of the age from 12 to 17 inclusive, and Mr. Roy Roberts for young people and adults.

"As you are well aware by September, 1924, the work of the Consulting Board had expanded into larger numbers and covered larger ground. In other words, the three departments of Sunday School, Recreation and Expression, and Women had united in placing future preparation of textbooks under the hands of the Consulting Board. Consequently it was understood by us that representing the three departments, the editors were to take into consideration in their preparation of texts the entire life of the child of their respective ages. Consequently in our preparation we have not thought of the departments as such but rather have thought to prepare texts to be used in any and all of the departments as well as for reunions, week-day schools, and all other occasions. In short, the editors are preparing to put out literature to cover any and all of the needs of their respective ages.

To prepare the editors for their task, we have had them enroll in Graceland College. We have had them take those courses which would best prepare them for the task in general. We ourselves have conducted for them a course in Bible, and a course involving the principles of the religious educational methods and curriculum making. The greater

part of the editors have enrolled in these courses. For this study the editors receive their regular college credit.

"Besides these courses in Graceland College, each of the editors is putting in a few hours a week under pay. This is varied from eight to twelve hours per week for each editor with the exception of Sister Edwards. Sister Edwards has been so busy with her work as head of the Department of Women that up to date she has been unable to do anything for the Consulting Board.

"As was previously reported to the board and acquiesced in by it, the first and immediate task undertaken by the various editors is the preparation of literature for reunion work, literature which will give assistance to workers in reunions for the religious education of the children, young people, and adults who attend them. It was thought best to do this in order to make the first project of the editors a smaller one, one which would give them a chance to try themselves out to see whether they felt fitted for the task. Consequently during the hours under pay, extending from October 1 to March 1, they have spent their time in preparing literature for reunion work. Some have worked longer than others, of course, and perhaps are a little farther ahead, but each is expecting to have his work in hand sufficiently by the middle of June to be able to go out and try out the work himself or herself in various reunions throughout the country. They are chiefly concerning themselves with listing various activities which the children of their respective groups will enter into during these reunions, to wit; plays, games, activities of service, listening to stories, biographies, giving dramas, entertainments, singing, orchestral work, constructive work, reading biblical and extra-biblical preaching services and devotional services. Up to date the foregoing has taken the greater part of their time. Some of them have gone a little bit farther and listed moral problems, errors, and difficulties which are apt to arise during the life of the child on the reunion grounds and have endeavored to discuss how these problems might be met through the use of stories, dramas, biographies, conversation, examples from the teacher's life, and prayer.

"As suggested above, it will be our endeavor to try a lot of this material out next summer in some of the reunions. The succeeding year we shall hope to reedit it and have it prepared for use the coming year by all reunion workers.

"Brother F. M. McDowell has undertaken to write some for the young people, especially a text on social problems. I have prepared about half of a several-hundred-page manual on the 'Organization and administration of religious education' in

the various departments of the church. This has not yet been submitted to you, as I did not feel like doing so until I had the whole book written and organized to the best of my ability.

"Roy Roberts, however, has not worked on reunion material. He has centered his attention on writing up a course on the economic phase of our gospel. As you are aware, he has already prepared tentatively five lessons and submitted these to you. These five contain two cycles—the first lesson covering the entire problem and the next four lessons containing a review of the entire problem in greater detail. It is planned that the next eight shall consist of an entire review of still greater detail.

"Now a word as to the financial part of the project. Pursuant to the action of General Conference of 1922, we have considered the surplus of the proceeds from the Sunday School Department as set aside to provide for the printing of these texts. As you will notice from the financial report of the Sunday School Department which can be found in my report to General Conference as Sunday school superintendent, the Sunday school now has a surplus of about \$18,000. We met with the Appropriations Committee on January 2, 1923, to submit to them our plans. At that time we gave them our estimate that the total project would cost around \$25,000. We received their support for the continuance of the project pursuant to the action of General Conference of 1922. It is expected that the amount which we need more than we now have will be obtained from future proceeds.

"Last year each of the three departments, the Sunday School, Recreation and Expression, and Women, submitted to the Appropriations Committee budgets for approval, which budgets were sufficiently large to cover any expense which would be had from July 1, 1924, to July 1, 1925. It is understood that the Departments of Recreation and Expression and Women will contribute a proportionate share in the writing of these texts—a share proportionate to the contribution that the editors make to their primary activity.

"Tracing through the expense from October, 1924, to February 1, 1925, we have considerably underspent our appropriation. The cost for editors during this time has been \$378.45. We have spent in the neighborhood of \$300 for books so far this year. This probably includes the major portion necessary along this line.

"Respectfully submitted,

"S. A. BURGESS.

"CHRISTIANA SALYARDS.

"A. MAX CARMICHAEL.

"BLANCHE EDWARDS.

"F. M. MCDOWELL.

"LAMONI, IOWA, March 3, 1925."

CHURCH ARCHITECT

To the First Presidency and General Conference Assembled: My report for this conference year may be rather brief, for much of my time has been spent on the Auditorium under the direction of the committee. A great deal has been accomplished which might be reported more properly through the committee. However, everything is ready to go ahead.

Notwithstanding the fact that the architect's office was instituted to assist in all church building, a number of branches have not availed themselves of this opportunity.

We are gradually getting a good collection of church studies which will enable us to more rapidly answer the inquiries as they come in.

A special effort is being made to more properly house our Sunday schools. We can least afford to neglect this feature.

Very truly yours,

HENRY C. SMITH.

BOARD OF PUBLICATION

To the General Conference, Greetings: The Board of Publication submits the following report concerning the period since the General Conference of October, 1923.

The annual meeting of the board was held January 17, 1924. Officers were elected as follows: B. R. McGuire, president; M. H. Siegfried, vice president; A. E. McKim, secretary. Those named, with F. B. Blair and T. J. Watkins, constituted the board as approved by the General Conference of October, 1923. On February 21, 1924, T. J. Watkins resigned on account of other business obligations. Thomas Crick was appointed to fill the vacancy.

At a meeting held January 29, 1924, the board appointed a committee consisting of F. B. Blair, A. E. McKim, and E. J. Smith to make a thorough investigation of the policies and operations of the Herald Publishing House with a view to reporting recommendations that would insure a balancing of income and expense. This special committee, in order to obtain an intelligent basis from which to judge, sent a questionnaire to all General Conference appointees, branch and district presidents, bishops and bishop's agents, department heads and publicity agents, asking that they write the board frankly stating their opinion concerning the matter.

On the basis of over six hundred answers a report was drawn up and signed by the special committee of F. B. Blair,

E. J. Smith, and Arthur McKim, and a summary or analysis was made of the letters as follows:

"In analyzing the questionnaire, we give you a cross section of the opinion that seems to prevail throughout the church, and leave it to the board to judge. The comment on the *Herald* falls into several general classifications; that is, nearly every letter mentions one or more of the following causes for the present low subscription list:

"(a) That the *Herald* is a class paper. There seems to be a wide-spread feeling that the *Herald* is chiefly interested in education, departmental machinery and methods. The charge is frequently made that the *Herald* is over the heads of the great mass of the people and is devoted to matters in which only a few are interested. Hundreds say that the *Herald* seems to lack the spiritual quality that formerly characterized it, and that it is not representative of the plain gospel, or the ideals distinctly Latter Day Saint.

"(b) That general unrest and division in the church causes indifference to the *Herald*. A great number of the replies indicate that the difficulties of the last few years and the feeling between the leading quorums have had a depressing effect throughout the church and have resulted in a lack of confidence on the part of wide groups of the Saints. This has grown into indifference, and as a consequence the *Herald* has lost many subscribers, and the business department has lost many sales of books and tracts.

"(c) That the *Herald* is censored from a partisan viewpoint. Many show that they believe the *Herald* unfair in its selection of material and that it is open to those favoring the Presidency but closed to those of other opinions. Some of the letters are very bitter on this point, and a large group seem to have lost faith in the fairness of the paper.

"(d) That business conditions adversely affect the *Herald*. Business depression, especially as affecting the farmers, is given by many as the cause of the low subscription list. Coupled with this is the price of the *Herald*, which a very large percentage of the answers claim is too high.

"(e) Dissatisfaction with *Herald* business methods. Many long-standing complaints against the *Herald* management are shown, chiefly having reference to mistakes in orders. The practice of cutting subscribers off the list soon after the subscription expires is particularly offensive to many.

"(f) Favorable comment on the *Herald*. There are some who write in praise of the *Herald* and its editorial policy. Some think that it has a splendid vision and that education should continue to be stressed. Many who would, no doubt,

report favorably have not replied; and, of course, dozens of letters offer no criticism of any sort, favorable or otherwise."

We sent a copy of this report, together with a representative assortment of the letters themselves, to the First Presidency on May 9 and asked for their suggestions. We notified them that the consideration of this report would be made the special order of business before the board for Friday, May 23. On that date the board took the report up for consideration and, not having received any response from the President, adopted the following policy:

"Whereas the Board of Publication, acting for the church in the direction and management of the publishing interests, sent a questionnaire throughout the church asking for frank criticism of the church publications;

"And whereas the consensus of opinion as reflected in over six hundred answers unquestionably indicates a desire on the part of the members that certain definite policies be established in the conduct of the *Herald*,

"Therefore, be it resolved by the Board of Publication that the following policy should govern in the editing of the *Herald*:

"First: Insure an open church press.

Second: Accord space in *Herald* columns freely to all general officials on equal and impartial terms.

"Third: Allow free and frank discussion of any church problem, only attempting to confine arguments to the affirmative and not permitting destructive or altogether negative criticism.

"Fourth: Give the news of the church as fully as possible and without bias.

Fifth: Balance the editorial content of the *Herald* so that the educational, doctrinal, departmental, and spiritual factors may each be given proper emphasis. The *Herald* should be broad enough to appeal to the membership as a whole, and an earnest effort be made to edit it so that it may minister to the varying groups within the church.

"To facilitate the carrying out of the above program and policies, to reduce expenses, and to rally the support of all the Saints to the church publications, resolved that the *Herald*, *Ensign* and *Autumn Leaves* be placed under the direction of a managing editor, and that contributing staffs of six representative church men be chosen for the *Herald* and for the *Ensign*, and a staff of three for the *Autumn Leaves*."

On May 29 the board met with the First Presidency and thoroughly canvassed the matter, the Presidency objecting to the board's action. The board, however, did not feel that

it would be justified in abandoning the policies adopted by it, nor rescinding its resolutions of May 23, nor did it think it advisable to accept all the editors suggested by the President. It then proceeded to the election of the following named editorial staff: R. J. Lambert, managing editor of the *Herald*, *Ensign*, and *Autumn Leaves*; E. A. Smith, T. W. Williams, A. B. Phillips, S. A. Burgess, A. Max Carmichael, and A. E. McKim, contributing editors to the *Herald*; J. F. Garver, P. M. Hanson, J. A. Koehler, J. E. Yates, Charles Fry, and Joseph Luff, contributing editors to *Zion's Ensign*; O. W. Parker, business manager and treasurer of the Herald Publishing House, vice G. S. Trowbridge resigned.

Before the editorial appointments were made, Brother F. B. Blair withdrew from the session of the board and on June 20 formally presented a written resignation as a member. (Thereafter R. S. Salyards was appointed a member of the board to fill the vacancy thus created.)

The action of the board was denounced by President F. M. Smith, in the following statement published in the *Herald* of June 18, 1924:

"'Official.' *To the Church*: I regret to find it necessary to denounce the action of the Board of Publication as reported by the board in the *Herald* of two weeks ago. The Board of Publication has assumed unwarranted powers in the matter, and the church must now be informed that the Presidency has not only disapproved the action of the board but has made formal protest. It will be noted that not even the usual courtesies observed in change of editors were extended to us.

"For the first time since 1865 the editorial columns of the *Herald* do not represent the Presidency. It will be clear that the 'official' character of the *Herald* has thus been changed.

"The action of the board is not alone unwarranted but greatly to be deplored at this time. Frederick M. Smith, President of the Church."

The *Herald* of June 25, 1924, under the heading, "The facts in the case," contained the following statement by the board in answer to President Smith's published statement:

"'The facts in the case.' The Board of Publication's answer to the denouncement by President Smith.

"The denouncement issued against the Board of Publication by the President in last week's *Herald* demands answer, and we present the facts in the case for the consideration of the church.

"Three charges are made:

“First: That the Board of Publication ‘assumed unwarranted powers.’

“Second: That the ‘official’ character of the *Herald* has thus been changed.’

“Third: That ‘not even the usual courtesies observed in change of editors were extended to us.’

“Since 1860 the Board of Publication has moved forward in its work, conducting the business affairs of the *Herald*, choosing and releasing editors, and acting for the church in all publication matters without being denounced or accused of assuming unwarranted powers.

“The church in General Conference has plainly spoken on the question of whether or not the Presidency has inherent right to edit or dominate the *Herald*, and by a vote of 733 1-3 to 99 2-3 in 1891 declared that ‘the editorial or other management of the *Herald* is not comprehended in their official calling.’ The resolution as adopted by the conference of 1891, number 351 in the General Conference Resolutions, is as follows:

“‘No. 351. (1) Whereas, the growth of the church has been attended with an increase of responsibilities and cares, making necessary the liberation of our chief officers from all burdens not necessarily included in their office and calling; and

“‘(2) Whereas, we have witnessed with deep consideration the effect of over-anxiety and work upon the Presidency of the church, and

“‘(3) Whereas, the law provides that they should be so cared for by the church as to enable them to devote their time and energy exclusively to the duties of the office held by them, and

“‘(4) Whereas, we believe that the editorial or other management of the *Herald* is not comprehended in their official calling, but is an added burden, imposed without command of the Spirit, or being necessary under the law.

“‘Resolved, That the Quorum of Twelve and the Bishopric be authorized to take such steps and provide such means as in their judgment shall be proper to relieve the members of the Presidency from their present financial burdens and encumbrances (if any shall be found) and provide for the support of themselves and families according to the law, thus leaving them free and untrammelled to attend exclusively to the duties of the office of the Presidency.

“‘Resolved, That the Board of Publication be requested to act in accord with the foregoing and release said brethren

from all obligations connected with the editing of the *Herald*."

"Commenting on this action of the conference, the late President Joseph Smith, in an editorial in the *Herald* of May 9, 1891, said:

"When this resolution was voted upon, the Presidency voted, nay; though it was adopted by a very great majority. The Presidency voted against the resolution for the following reasons: 1st, It is their understanding that the control and management of the *Herald* affairs are vested in the Board of Publication, and that the board must be left at liberty to provide for the editorial staff upon their judgment. 2d, The Presidency objected to that portion of the resolution which made it to be a part of the duty of the Twelve to look after temporal affairs, directing and controlling the steps or measures necessary to be adopted to release the Presidency; deeming it to be within the duties of the Bishopric; assisted, if need required, by the High Council, which is now organized and in condition to perform the duties attaching to it by the organic law of the church.

"The Presidency have not the slightest desire to remain in the editorial control of the *Herald*, or indeed to be connected with the office in any capacity, beyond the usefulness that they may be to the general good of the work. When in the judgment of those whose duty it is to look after the affairs of the *Herald*, the services of the Presidency, both or either of them are not needed, there will be no hesitancy on our part to lay down the utensils of the profession and retire from the office. And should it at any time become apparent to them that they were no longer acceptable to the general church as editors of the church organ, to hold further would be an act of egotism which neither is willing to exhibit."

"Please note: 'It is their [the Presidency's] understanding that the control and management of the *Herald* affairs are vested in the Board of Publication, and that the board must be left at liberty to provide for the editorial staff upon their judgment.'

"The second charge is that 'the official character of the *Herald* has thus been changed'—because it does not represent the Presidency. It is not the understanding of the Board of Publication that the *Herald* is the official organ of the church because of any editorial connection the Presidency may have with it, but is the official organ of the church because the action of General Conference made it so, and because it represents the church as a whole and not any single

quorum or group. The *Herald* was launched in 1860 before there was a president in the Reorganization, and it exists to represent all the interests of the church.

"We have made answer at this length so that the case may be very clear. We have sought no powers not hitherto freely acknowledged as belonging to the board, nor have we adopted any policy unfair to a single group or quorum. We have acted as we believe the majority of the church rightly demands, and are content to leave the decision to the coming General Conference."

The above statement was unanimously adopted by the Board of Publication in a special called meeting Friday, June 20, and its publication was ordered in the *Herald*.

While the policy of an open *Herald* was officially denounced by the President of the Church, and the denouncement, echoed by various others, yet the board believes that the general church which demanded the policy has also approved its application, and that they will not again be willing to see the *Herald* restricted to speaking for one quorum alone.

Even those who have most roundly denounced the board for establishing an open *Herald* have taken full advantage of its columns to advance their claims, and we think it is evident to all fair-minded observers that no favoritism has been shown and that access has been afforded to the *Herald* on free, equal, and impartial terms to all.

The board feels that it should publicly commend Brother Richard J. Lambert for his able and impartial carrying out of the policy announced by the board last June. He was given complete jurisdiction from the first and has been unhampered by any man or group in directing the editorial affairs of the *Herald*.

Brother Lambert had a difficult and in many ways thankless task to perform, but he handled it in a manner that has brought credit to the *Herald* and great good to the church.

As to the circulation of the *Herald*, the figures will speak for themselves. For the six months ending March 1, 1924, the average monthly circulation was 5,622. For the six months ending March 1, 1925, the average monthly circulation was 5,749. That the circulation should even hold its own in the face of such determined opposition is remarkable. Attempts from some quarters were made to discredit it and openly worked to its disfavor. It has, however, performed the task of a free paper in a critical time.

Advertising. The following was adopted at a meeting of the board June 30, 1924: Inasmuch as the late General Conference referred the question of advertising in church papers

to the Board of Publication with power to act; Resolved, that beginning July 1, 1924, we open the columns of the *Herald*, *Ensign*, *Autumn Leaves*, and *Stepping Stones* to legitimate advertising. A. E. McKim was appointed advertising and circulation manager.

On April 10, 1920, the General Conference adopted the following recommendation of the First Presidency:

“‘Transfer of headquarters.’ This will involve transfer of the legal headquarters of the church to where now its real headquarters is; namely, Independence.”

In 1920 the Board of Publication made this statement in its report to the General Conference:

“The board also feels that it is its duty to call the attention of the conference representation to the fact that the best interests of the publishing concerns of the church would be conserved by placing the publishing houses as far as possible under one roof and one management. A big saving financially would be the result, not to say anything of an increased efficiency in management both financially and editorially. The board has sensed the necessity of this for several years but has not felt that the time was propitious for the change. . . .”

The following action of the Order of Bishops was adopted by the General Conference of 1920:

“Whereas, the Board of Publication in their report calls attention ‘to the fact that the best interests of the publishing concerns to the church would be conserved by placing the publishing houses as far as possible under one roof and one management’;

“Therefore, be it resolved: That the Order of Bishops look with favor upon the ultimate consummation of this object.

“They, however, suggest that the erection of a building for the housing of the publishing interests should become a part of the general building program of the church to be undertaken under the direction of the general church authorities when financial and economic conditions render it advisable.”

Since the Iowa corporation could not establish headquarters in Missouri and lawfully function here, the Board of Publication on April 27, 1920, adopted resolutions empowering the vice president and secretary of the Iowa corporation to:

“Bring about a legal dissolution of the Iowa corporation and to enter into a contract of sale and purchase of the entire business, assets and property of the Herald Publishing House, with Benjamin R. McGuire, . . . it being contem-

plated that said McGuire will immediately take steps to form a corporation under the laws of Missouri or a trust estate to take over such assets and property and the publishing business and interests of the church, said Benjamin R. McGuire to assume all legal debts and obligations of the corporation."

The foregoing resolution was made in view of the provision in the Iowa corporation, that in the event of a dissolution,

"All property of the same, . . . shall be turned over to the Presiding Bishop and Trustee of the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints for the use and benefit of its publishing interests as said church shall direct."

Thus it will be seen that the action of the board was in strict compliance with the law.

However, it was discovered upon investigation of the laws of Missouri that the business could not be incorporated as a charitable or non-profit corporation. Such a business corporation was not contemplated in the law of the State, and after an interview with Mr. Jesse Barrett, attorney general for the State of Missouri, who held as above, the board was of the opinion that the interests of the church could be better served and the original intention of the conference enactment be more nearly complied with by the business being organized as a business trust, and on May 25, 1921, articles of agreement or association were executed by the members of the board, officers were elected, and the affairs of the Herald Office have been conducted ever since then on that basis.

In formulating these articles, the original intent and the manner of doing the business of the office and the selection of trustees under the Iowa corporation were preserved as far as practicable. Provision was made for the recording of the articles in the office of the Recorder of Deeds at Independence, Missouri, as well as filing a copy of the same with the President of the church, and on May 27, 1921, the president of the board transmitted a copy of the articles to the President of the church with the following explanation:

"In considering the nature of the company, we found that it could not be organized as a corporation for profit, and since it appears highly desirable to maintain as far as possible the charitable nature of the institution, and acting on our best judgment, the board has adopted the trust form of organization under which the present members are acting as trustees."

The articles contain the ordinary and usual provisions.

On August 8, 1921, the First Presidency acknowledged the receipt of the articles of agreement in the following letter:

“LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, August 8, 1921.

“BISHOP B. R. MCGUIRE, INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI; *Dear Brother:* I have yours of May 27 conveying Articles of Agreement and Declaration of Trust covering the Herald Publishing House matter. I have looked these articles over with interest and feel sure that they will cover the exigencies of the case for the present. Two things, however, I wish to take up with you later for discussion, namely, the advisability of changing the name from the Herald Publishing House to some name that would be distinctive, and second, the advisability of organizing as a printing establishment without respect to the charitable aspect; in fact, it has always been a matter of doubt with me that we could honestly claim that the Herald Publishing House was in any way a charitable institution.

“Very sincerely yours,

“THE FIRST PRESIDENCY, by F. M. S.”

INSPIRED VERSION—TEACHER'S EDITION

The committee appointed to prepare a teacher's edition of the Inspired Version with subject index and marginal references, was also authorized to provide a series or volume of Helps to Bible Study. The work, Helps to Bible Study, was completed before the close of the past year and was published and placed on sale by the Herald Office. It is a volume of 740 double-column pages in eight-point type, illustrated by 240 half tones, with maps, etc.

It was considered inadvisable to issue the Helps as part of the new edition of the Inspired Version, as the book would be too bulky, but the topical index contained in the work should also be placed in the new edition of the Inspired Version. The manuscript of the new edition is almost completed. A marginal reference system was adopted that gave room for the maximum amount of references to be inserted. This part of the work is completed, and for better convenience should be accompanied by the topical index already mentioned. There exist three manuscripts of a part of the Old Testament and two manuscripts of a part of the New Testament of the Inspired Version.

However, much of the manuscript is very abbreviated, and largely consists of citations to the chapter and verse where

the inspired rendering is to be inserted, followed by the word, words, or phrase to be inserted. The privilege was granted by Sister Vida E. Smith of using the original Bible in which Joseph Smith marked the changes to be made, without which it would have been impossible to know where some of the changes were to be inserted. It has required much study and care to understand the symbols at times employed. Results show that words were at times inserted in the wrong places, hence the new work will contain several important corrections in this respect.

So far as possible the changes made by the inspired renderings will be placed in italics, thus instantly showing where the text differs from the Authorized Version. The markings for this purpose have been completed, and mostly verified. The manuscripts have all been read twice, and the third reading has been nearly completed. The third reading was necessary to correct certain matters that could not easily be dealt with in former readings.

The footnotes giving the renderings of other versions have been made, but must be copied onto the manuscript for the printer and must be verified. If the subcommittee appointed by the board decides not to include all of these footnotes (some of them exceeding the scope of the work authorized by the board), those not to be inserted may be readily deleted when verifying the work and inserting in the copy for the printer. The first part of the work can be turned over to the compositor within about a week after the subcommittee reports, it is believed. The reading of proofs and verifying of the remainder of the work can then be done simultaneously.

HERALD PUBLISHING HOUSE

Financial Condition

As part of our report, we are submitting condensed balance sheets of the Herald Publishing House, showing the financial condition of this institution as at June 20, 1924, and March 1, 1925.

Upon referring to the late balance sheet, it will be noticed that the current and working assets aggregate \$99,000, whereas the current liabilities total only about \$42,000—the ratio of current liabilities to current and working assets being about two and one half to one, which is considered a rather healthy financial condition.

It should be noted further upon referring to this balance sheet that ample allowances have been made for probable losses due to noncollection of notes or accounts receivable,

and an allowance for depreciation of permanent assets such as buildings, machinery, and equipment, etc., to cover the loss due to deterioration or wear and tear on these assets has also been made. Depreciation has been charged at the rate ordinarily used by similar institutions.

Operating Trend

Two condensed statements of income and profit and loss are submitted with this report, reflecting the results from operations during the past year and eight months.

Upon closely comparing these statements, it will be noticed that the operating condition has been improving. Considering the item of depreciation for the period from July 1, 1924, to March 1, 1925, to be \$6,223, the net loss from operations during this period would be approximately \$1,800, or at this average possibly \$2,700 for the year; whereas, the net loss from operations last year, or for the period from July 1, 1923, to June 30, 1924, was over \$15,000. This marked reduction in operating loss is accounted for by the fact that the selling expense and the general and administrative expenses have been reduced almost 100 per cent during the past eight months, with but a slight reduction in net sales.

The Board of Publication is giving serious consideration to the operations of this institution, and it is hoped that as a result of efforts which shall be made to increase the net sales within the next year or so, the institution will be operating at a profit.

It should be understood that the inventory of materials and supplies as shown in the balance sheet as of March 1, 1925, and again shown in the condensed statement of income and profit and loss for eight months ended March 1, 1925, is simply an estimate, and therefore the operating loss of approximately \$1,800 should also be considered as estimated. It is very probable that the loss may be less than this figure.

Herald Publishing House CONDENSED BALANCE SHEET March 1, 1925

Assets	
Current:	
Cash on hand and in bank	\$ 11,106.17
Notes receivable	\$26,259.70
Less: Allowance for bad notes	3,933.80
	22,325.90
Accounts receivable	28,186.51
Less: Allowance for doubtful accts.	1,178.03
	27,008.48
Public utility deposits	89.00
	89.00
Total	\$ 60,529.55

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Working:		
Materials and supplies—inventory ..		38,805.16
Permanent:		
Buildings	50,583.00	
Machinery	35,174.61	
Types, plates, and cuts	9,696.82	
Furniture and furnishings	15,975.37	
Automobiles and trucks	292.50	
Power, wiring, tools, etc.	2,031.23	
Total		113,753.53
Less: Allowance for depreciation ..		18,259.53
Total		95,494.00
Deferred Charges:		
Unexpired insurance		1,172.94
Bindery postage, etc.		120.32
Total Assets		<u>\$196,121.97</u>

Liabilities and Net Worth

Current:		
Notes payable	\$ 119.00	
Accounts payable	23,727.52	
Unexpired subscriptions	16,184.28	
Accrued taxes	1,550.31	
Refund checks	446.33	
Total		\$ 42,027.44
Special Funds:		
Birth offering fund	95.51	
Free subscription fund	85.88	
Sick benefit fund	7.40	
Total		188.79
Net Worth:		
Surplus	149,478.10	
Net income for period from July 1, 1924 to March 1, 1925	4,427.64	
Total		153,905.74
Total Liabilities and Net Worth		<u>\$196,121.97</u>

Herald Publishing House

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF INCOME AND PROFIT AND LOSS

For Nine Months Ended March 1, 1925

Sales:		
Church periodicals	\$20,472.94	
Commercial printing	17,789.54	
Merchandise manufactured	11,848.89	
Merchandise purchased	5,200.89	
Advertising	670.50	
Total Sales	\$55,982.76	
Plus: Sales adjustments .....	.84	
Net Sales		<u>\$55,983.60</u>

Cost of Sales:

Inventory, beginning of period	42,396.95
Plus: Purchases during that period	13,819.83

Total	56,216.78
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Less: Inventory, end of period— estimated	38,805.16
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Cost of materials and supplies....	17,411.62
Labor—Plant and editorial	20,293.98
Manufacturing expense—Schedule 1..	*5,106.69

Cost of goods sold	42,812.29
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Gross profit	13,171.31
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Selling and Shipping Expense:

Salaries	1,164.44
Advertising	7.35
Auto expense	83.59
Postage—merchandise	835.69
Postage—periodicals	937.93

Total	3,029.00
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10,142.31

General and Administrative Expense:

Executive salaries	1,400.00
Clerical salaries	2,391.89
General postage	791.87
Telephone and telegraph	98.40
Collection charges	7.55
Towels and drinking water	156.30
Subscription dues, fees, etc.	10.75

Total	4,856.76
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Net Profit	5,285.55
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Other Income:

Interest earned	27.67
Bad debts paid	43.61

Total	71.28
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Gross Income	5,356.83
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Other Expense:

Cash discounts allowed	894.69
Charity and donations	34.50
Total	929.19
Net Income	<u>\$ 4,427.64</u>

*This figure does not include depreciation of machinery and equipment.

Schedule 1

MANUFACTURING EXPENSE

Indirect labor	\$ 849.12
Light, heat, power, etc.	1,352.79
Insurance and taxes	1,762.21
Shop supplies	622.94
Rent	180.00
Repairs—maintenance	263.33
Cuts—periodicals	76.30
Total	<u>\$5,106.69</u>

GOSPEL STANDARD MANAGER'S REPORT

ROZELLE, 65 Nelson Street, September 15, 1924.

The Board of Publication, Independence, Missouri, U. S. A.;
Dear Brethren: Herewith please find final accounts of the Standard Publishing House for the year ended June 30, 1924. These accounts have been made to conform, as much as possible, to the American form and to the Herald Office style of report as submitted by the church auditor. The accounts are as follows:

(1) Trading Account, showing the amount of the sales and the gross profit resulting from manufacturing and trading.

(2) Profit and Loss Account, showing the expenses of conducting the business and the net profit which resulted.

(3) Balance Sheet, showing the assets and liabilities as at June 30, 1924, and the net worth at that date.

Trading Results: The result of the trading for the year was a net profit of £123 9s 6d, being 4.84 per cent on sales and 5.50 per cent on the capital in one operation. There was a loss of £62 17s 9½d on the production and distribution of the *Standard*. In the other departments, the rate of gross profit was slightly in advance of the previous year.

Percentage Comparison: The following comparison on a percentage basis will be of probable value to you in considering the accounts:

Account	Percentage to Sales	
	1923	1924
Materials used and stock sold	31.6	32.2
Wages	28.7	29.7
Linotype composition	7.9	5.
Depreciation—plant and machinery	4.1	4.1
Outside work	2.8	1.2
Light and power	1.4	.8
Advertising .....	.4	.6
Commission .....	.3	1.7
Bad debts .....	.6	2.2
Discounts allowed .....	.1	.1
Depreciation—furniture, buildings, etc. ....	.7	.7
Freight and cartage	2.1	1.8
Fire insurance	9.	.8
General expenses	2. %	2.4
Printing and stationery .....	.2	.3
Life insurance .....		.5
Rates and taxes .....	.2	.3
Postages and telegrams	1.2	1.2
Salaries	9.2	9. %
Telephone charges .....	.8	.7%
Traveling expenses .....	.5%	.7%
Wrapping materials .....	.1	.1
Linotype metal bought and sold	7.	.2
Discounts received .....	.5%	.6%
Percentage of gross profit to sales	25.5%	26.7%
Percentage of net profit to sales	6.3%	4.8%
Percentage of net profit to capital	7.6%	5½%

BALANCE SHEET

Current Assets

Cash: This figure is made up as follows:

Current Account Bank of N. S. W., Rozelle.....	£134 6s 2d
Government Saving Bank, Rozelle	75
Total	£209 6s 2d

Accounts Receivable: The bulk of these accounts are good, and it is considered that the reserve for doubtful debts is sufficiently large to cover any possible bad debts. Of these accounts £126 6s 3d is due from the Herald Publishing House in respect of books held by them.

Working Assets

Merchandise for Sale: This item includes all books, tracts, etc., at cost or market price whichever was the lower at date.

Material Stocks: These were valued on the same basis as above.

Work in Progress: Valuation was on actual work done and materials used as shown by the time and particulars card relating thereto.

Fixed Assets

Buildings: These are shown at cost, less depreciation at 2½ per cent. The market value would be much in excess of this figure.

Plant and Machinery: The figure shown is the result of revaluation several years ago, together with the cost prices of additions since. The cost price of the plant would be £1,534 9s 7d less £493 2s 3d, the amount of the capital reserve, or £1,141 7s 4d depreciation at the rate of 10 per cent per annum is placed to the credit of depreciation reserve.

Furniture: This is the book value less depreciation at 10 per cent.

Furnishings: These are shown at initial cost, and replacements are charged against revenue.

Linotype Metal: This is linotype metal owned by us to obviate the necessity of paying metal rent to trade linotypers for metal held longer than the current month.

Typewriters: These are valued at cost, less depreciation at 10 per cent.

Lanterns: These are two stereopticons used for advertising purposes at times. Missionaries use the lanterns at other times.

Deferred Charges to Operation

These are in respect of unexpired insurance premiums, rates and taxes, etc.

Liabilities

Accounts Payable: These are as detailed in the balance sheet herewith. The amount owing to the Herald Publishing House is £611 6s 11d.

Capital Reserve: This is a reserve raised when the plant and machinery were revalued for insurance purposes.

Reserve for Extensions: This fund was raised through the apportionment of a percentage of profits three or four years ago for extensions to the buildings and plant. An equal sum was invested, but this had to be realized at the beginning of 1923 to meet financial demands. It is therefore now invested in the business.

Net Worth: This sum is made up of accumulated profits since the inception of the business.

Trusting that the accounts and explanations herewith are sufficiently clear, I remain,

Yours sincerely,
WALTER J. HAWORTH, *Manager.*

STANDARD PUBLISHING COMPANY BALANCE SHEET

	Assets								
	£ s d			£ s d			£ s d		
Current:									
Cash:									
At Bank of N. S. W.				134 6 2					
At Government Savings Bank				75			209 6 2		
Accounts Receivable:									
In sales ledger				1,009 3 4					
In Standard ledger				95 17 2					
In private ledger				2					
				1,107 6					
Less: Reserve for loss in collection				95 16 3					
Total							1,011 4 3		
Working Assets:									
Merchandise for sale at cost..				597 11 5					
Materials stocks at market prices or cost (whichever is lower)				121 6 10					
Work in process				324 17 8			1,043 15 11		
Fixed Assets:									
Buildings				294 3 8					
Less depreciation at 2½ per cent'				7 7 1					
Machinery and plant	1,534 9 7			286 16 7					
Less reserve for depreciation	382 10 11			1,151 18 8					
Furniture	61 7 3								
Less depreciation at 10 per cent	6 2 7			55 4 8					
Furnishings				7 1 3					
Linotype metal				39 13 6					
Typewriters	32 8								
Less depreciation at 10 per cent	3 4 9			29 3 3					
Lanterns				3 13			1,573 10 11		
Deferred Charges to Operation:									
Unexpired insurance premiums, etc.							22 8 7		
							<u>3,860 5 10</u>		

		Liabilities and Net Worth					
Current:		£	s	d	£	s	d
Accounts Payable					773		6
Trade		697	6	4			
Accrued charges			9	4			
Trust receipts			5	11	8		
Banking adjustments				14	11		
Periodical suspense account ..		33	12	6			
Sales ledger credits			14	1	5		
Standard ledger credits			12	9	8		
Capital Reserve:							
In respect of revaluation of							
plant					493	2	8
Reserve for extension					262	6	6
Net Worth:							
Balance as at June 30, 1923 ..		2,208	7	1			
Add: Net Profit for year as							
per Profit and Loss Ac-							
count herewith		123	9	6	2,331	16	7
					3,860	5	10

Intercompany accounts:

Accounts payable include £611 6s 11d due to Herald Publishing House.
Accounts receivable include £126 6s 3d due by Herald Publishing House.

In my opinion this balance sheet is properly drawn up, so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the affairs of the Standard Publishing House according to the best of my information and the explanations given me by the books of the business.

N. WILLIAMS, A. F. I. A.

September 20, 1924.

STANDARD PUBLISHING HOUSE, 65 NELSON STREET, ROZELLE
Trading and Profit and Loss Account for the Twelve Months
Ended June 30, 1924

To stock	667	17	5	110	3	2	557	14	3				
To purchases ..	886	19	1	552	19	4	173	6	2	160	13	7	
Less	1,554	16	6	663	2	6	731		5	160	13	7	
Returns ..	13	3	10	4	2	9	9	1	1				
	1,541	12	8	658	19	9	721	19	4	160	13	7	
To wages	759	12		759	12								
To depreciation.	104	2	8	104	2	8							
Plant 10 per cent													
To linotype com-													
posing	131	3	2	131	3	2							
To outside work	32	16	10	32	16	10							
To light and													
power	20	13	3	20	13	3							
To balance C-d..	682		9	625		3	114		7	4			
	3,272	1	4	2,332	10	8	836	6	8	160	13	7	
To balance.....										53	9	7	
To postages ...	27	9	0	6	18	10	11	1	11½	9	8	2½	
To balance	654	11	9	618	4	2	103	5	4½				
	682		9	625		3	114		7	4	62	17	9½

To advertising	16	17	2				
To bad debts	58	1	3				
To commission	45	7	2				
To discounts allowed	1	12	10				
To depreciation, buildings, typewriters, etc.	16	14	5				
To freight and cartage	47	10	5				
To fire insurance	19	5	2				
To general expenses	61		8				
To life insurance	11	11	9				
To printing and stationery	9		1				
To postages and telegrams	3	12	5				
To rates and taxes	7	9	3				
To salaries	229		5				
To telephone charges	17	4	4				
To traveling expenses	18	13	10				
To wrapping materials	2	5	8				
To net profit	123	9	6				

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By sales	2,573	6	2	2,224	17	10	241	4	4	107	4
Less.....											
Returns	20	3	1	13	14		2	9	1		
	2,553	3	1	2,211	3	10	238	15	3	107	4

To stock on hand 30.6.24 .	718	18	3	121	6	10	597	11	5			
To gross loss on production of Standard										53	9	7
	3,272	1	4	2,332	10	8	836	6	8	160	13	7

By balance	682		9	625	3		114	7	4			
By loss sustained										62	17	9½
	682		9	625	3		114	7	4	62	17	9½

By balance	654	11	9								
By linotype metal bought and sold	5	3	1								
By discounts received	15	14									
By exchange	13	12	1								

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Unanimously approved by the Board of Publication, March 30, 1925.

BENJAMIN R. MCGUIRE,

President Board of Publication.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, March 30, 1925.

QUORUM OF TWELVE

MYRON A. MCCONLEY

To the First Presidency; Brethren: Since the General Conference of 1923, I have endeavored to labor as assigned in the territory of Hawaii, Society Islands, New Zealand, and Australia in conjunction with Apostle Clyde F. Ellis.

As no ocean route to Australia and New Zealand passes through both the Society Islands and the Hawaiian Islands, it was arranged between Brother Ellis and myself that he should go out via Tahiti and I should go out via Honolulu, and we would meet in New Zealand.

By arrangement with Bishop B. R. McGuire, my wife and daughter Alice accompanied me as far as Hawaii. We sailed from San Francisco on the S. S. *Manoa* December 5, arriving in Honolulu December 12, 1923.

After laboring on the islands of Hawaii, Maui, and Oahu with good results, I sailed from Honolulu on the S. S. *Niagara* February 16, 1924, for Auckland, New Zealand, arriving there February 28. I made some necessary adjustments in the Auckland Branch, spent one week-end at Kerepehi where our work is just opening up, and then south to Wellington, where I met Brother Ellis on his arrival from Tahiti March 14.

We proceeded together to the South Island of New Zealand, visiting the group of Saints at Christchurch and Temuka and the little struggling branch at Dunedin. Our stay, though short, was appreciated by the Saints and afforded us the opportunity of acquaintance with the field.

On March 28 we reshipped from Wellington on the S. S. *Maheno*, arriving in Sydney April 1.

We had requested all conference appointees to meet with us at Sydney on April 10 for a series of preconference lectures. Most of them were in attendance, and the sessions were both interesting and profitable.

On April 18 to 21 we met with the Saints of Australasia in their mission conference, over which we presided, associated with Brother C. A. Butterworth.

Following the mission conference, we decided to divide our activities for a time, as the field needing attention was very large and our stay in it necessarily short because of a desire to be present at the next General Conference. Brother Ellis therefore proceeded to give personal attention to the needs of the states of Victoria and South Australia while I looked after those in New South Wales and Queensland.

Before entering upon the missionary phase of my work, at the request of Bishop G. Lewis I spent more than a month traveling with him through all the principal branches of New South Wales in the interests of finance. Brother Ellis, Bishop Lewis, and I had called for a week of consecration and sacrifice in June, and by all boosting the finances during that time we managed to close the fiscal year, June 30, 1924, with a balance in the treasury.

I presided over the conference of the Southern New South Wales District at Wallsend June 21 to 23 and over the Southern Queensland conference August 8 to 11. Was also associated with Brother Ellis in presiding over the conference of the Victoria District in Melbourne September 27 to 29.

The difficulty of joint administration of the field again presented itself when we found that the mission conference of the Society Island Mission and that of the Australasian Mission came at the same time in December. It was accordingly arranged between us that Brother Ellis go to Tahiti to care for the island conference and that I remain for the Australasian conference.

During the month of October, Brother Ellis and I visited the principal branches of New South Wales from Newcastle north. This visit was much appreciated by the Saints, as they had not had the pleasure of Brother Ellis's acquaintance before, and the knowledge of the territory thus gained will be useful to him in the days to come.

November 6 Brother Ellis sailed for Tahiti from Sydney.

I remained in Australia, and during December I presided over the mission reunion, the conference of the Northern New South Wales District, and the mission conference of the Australasian Mission, all held at our new reunion grounds at Tiona.

On January 9, 1925, I left Sydney on the S. S. *Maheno*, arriving in Auckland, New Zealand, January 13. On January 27 I left Auckland per S. S. *Tahiti* arriving in Honolulu February 6. I was happy to again meet my wife and daughter there. With them I sailed from Honolulu per S. S. *Lurline* February 21 for San Francisco.

The extensive traveling which the nature of the assignment given me has required has taken up a great deal of time and at times has been very strenuous. I have availed myself of every opportunity to conduct missionary services or to assist the other brethren in theirs and with Brother Ellis have done all I could to speed up the work of the mis-

sionary force as well as enlist the local men and members generally in its promulgation.

My association with Brother Ellis was enjoyed and was profitable to me. My association with the members and ministry of the Australian, New Zealand, and Hawaiian Missions has been generally agreeable.

I regret that I did not get to visit the Society Islands Mission, but, considering the needs of the work in both island missions at the time, it could not well have been arranged.

A great field lies before the church in these lands. I hope and pray that the day is not far distant when our internal problems may be so far adjusted that we may all go out shoulder to shoulder, with mutual confidence in each other and with that endowment of divine power which shall make the extension of our work in these and other fields possible.

My statistical report for the period October 1, 1923, to February 28, 1925, is as follows:

Sermons preached	139
In charge	85
Assisted	17
Other services attended.....	184
Total services attended.....	425
Baptized	6
Confirmed	6
Ordained	4
Assisted to ordain	2
Babies blessed	14
Administered to sick	58
Assisted in administration	6
Marriages solemnized	3
Pastoral visits	139
Conferences presided over	5

I pray that the Lord's Spirit may be with us in the coming councils and conference and that success may crown our efforts as a people to establish the redemption of Zion.

At Sea, S. S. *Lurline*, en route Honolulu to San Francisco, February 25, 1925.

J. A. GILLEN

The First Presidency; Greeting: I desire to submit the following as a report of labors in a general way since the October conference, 1923.

Agreeable to the suggestions of the First Presidency, I have visited Webb City, Joplin, and Saint Louis in the State

of Missouri. In Kansas, besides doing some work among the branches in greater Kansas City, I had the privilege of addressing the group of young people attending the Kansas University at Lawrence, Kansas.

The greater part of my labors has been in Owen Sound, London, and Chatham Districts in Ontario, Canada; in western New York; and in Michigan and Ohio. I held a short series of meetings in Omaha, Nebraska, and across the river in Council Bluffs, the latter being but a passing visit.

At the request of the Presidency I was present and participated in the deliberations of what is now referred to as the Advisory Council in April, 1924. Complying with the program outlined by the General Reunion Committee, I attended the following reunions: Woodbridge in the Toronto District; Erie Beach of Chatham; Port Huron in Eastern Michigan and Detroit Districts; and Kirtland, concluding my reunion work at Indian Lake of Southern Michigan and Northern Indiana District.

I desire to say that despite the unpleasantness existing within the church, I have enjoyed my work throughout the interconference period, the Saints responding in a way that was not only heartening to the speaker but encouraging as well to the general outlook.

My efforts have been put forth under what I believe to be the Spirit of the Master, to strengthen and hold up the youth of the membership and to unify the forces within the "body of Christ," so that a greater abundance of fruit might be borne, thus bearing witness to the word that Jesus is indeed the Christ and that his church does exist in fact, in these latter days. As to the final triumph of the church, I have no doubt, for if each and all can occupy as God has designed, with full purpose of heart, having no other thought than to work for the benefit of the church regardless of self-interests, a great work is to be accomplished in the near future.

I hope and pray that all may approach the coming conference with outstretched hands to our heavenly Father, pleading earnestly for his divine help and guidance, imploring his assistance that greater love and fellowship might prevail. He will come to our rescue—brotherly love will again become the great moving power within his church—Zion will appear—his people rejoice and finally God be glorified. For these conditions I continue to pray.

PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, February 21, 1925.

E. J. GLEAZER

First Presidency, Independence, Missouri; Dear Brethren: In harmony with your advice that we become acquainted with our field as quickly as possible so that we might move on to other fields, I have traveled extensively, covering more territory and meeting more people this year than any previous year of my ministry. During the conference year I have labored in the following States: Missouri, Iowa, Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska, Illinois, and Michigan. I have attempted to study the conditions obtaining in these States relative to our missionary program. Some facts have been obtained which will be of value to me when I meet with my brethren in council in regard to our future missionary policy.

I have received many calls for special services, but with the exception of five campaigns, I have been unable to respond because of the demand for my presence at district conferences and other special meetings. Besides, it would have been impossible for me to have covered my territory if I had responded to all calls for special services. In a number of instances, members of the Seventy have assisted me to fill these appointments.

The reunion committee assigned me to the following reunions: Lamoni Stake, Des Moines District, Little Sioux and Gallands Grove, and Far West Stake. This assignment made it possible for me to meet a large number of Latter Day Saints.

As a means of becoming acquainted with the conditions prevailing in the field, in regard to missionary opportunities, as well as a study of possible missionary timber for the field, we arranged with the district presidents for one-day and two-day meetings throughout their districts; thus we did not confine our activities to the large centers, but where it was at all possible we visited the smaller branches. In most instances we were accompanied by either the district president or the missionary laboring in that particular field. In all my work I have enjoyed the cooperation of my brethren and am very grateful for the service rendered by them.

In many respects this has been a profitable year to me. I have been abundantly blessed in presenting the gospel and encouraging the Saints. In my work with the ministry, I have been conscious of the divine Spirit assisting me in solving many of the problems presented for our consideration.

I trust God may assist us in solving the problems of the hour in a manner that will promote unity and confidence.

among the brethren, thus making it possible for us to move out and take advantage of the many opportunities to establish our cause in the lives of men.

DETROIT, MICHIGAN, February 26, 1925.

J. F. CURTIS AND PAUL M. HANSON

To the First Presidency, Independence, Missouri; Dear Brethren: Following the General Conference, in harmony with our assignment to the mission including the British Isles, Europe, and Palestine, we left New York on the S. S. *Samaria* December 1, landing in Liverpool the 9th.

About two months' labor was spent in the Northern, Midland, and Southern Districts. The Saints here are doing what they can to keep the work moving.

Leaving London February 2, we went to Rotterdam, Holland, then on to Schiedam, where we found a number of Saints who had been baptized by Elders Postma and Veenstra. Here we organized a branch, which has since moved its headquarters to Rotterdam, where a hall has been secured and regular services are being held.

On our way to Basel, Switzerland, we passed through Belgium and France. In Basel we met with a branch of the Saints presided over by Elder Elmer C. Ohlert, whom we ordained to the office of seventy in harmony with the order of General Conference. At Lucerne we also have a few Saints whom we sought to encourage.

On the way to Palestine we passed through Italy, crossing the Mediterranean from Trieste on the S. S. *Helouan* and landed at Alexandria, Egypt, February 25. After visiting Cairo, we went up the Nile as far as Thebes, where we spent a few days with profit, viewing the ancient temples of Luxor and Karnak.

Returning to Cairo, one leaves on the train about six o'clock in the morning, arriving at Jerusalem at nine o'clock the next morning.

Gratitude was stirred within our hearts at being permitted to enter the land of the Bible and to visit its once holy city and capital.

Our stay of about three months in Jerusalem was made most pleasant by Elder Harry Passman and wife at the Mission House. This building is a fine large two-story stone structure, the lower floor being used for religious services and school work and the upper for living purposes. Brother and Sister Passman deserve much credit for their labors in

connection with the rearing of the building and carrying on the work of the church.

Elder Daniel B. Sorden and wife succeeded Brother and Sister Passman in advancing the church and school work.

While in Palestine we preached in Jerusalem, Haifa, and Jaffa, and assisted in the school work in Jerusalem. Two were baptized in the Jordan River.

Making our way northward, we called at Roum, in Lebanon, where two were baptized, also visited Nazareth, Tiberias, Capernaum, Damascus, and Baalbek. We enjoyed a swim in the Dead Sea and in the Sea of Galilee.

At Beirut we took steamer for Italy, visiting en route Tarsus, where Paul was born, Smyrna, Constantinople, and Athens; later Naples and Rome. We were fortunate in having the company of Brother and Sister Passman on this trip.

Owing to our time being limited and the needs of the field, we thought it advisable to separate for a season, Brother Curtis accompanied by Elder Ohlert going into Germany and Brother Hanson into the Scandinavian countries.

About three months' labor was spent in Germany, calling at Halle on Saale, Berlin, Gross Raschen, Gross Wartenberg, Einbeck, Braunschweig, and Hannover. Twenty-seven were baptized and a branch of fifty-four members organized at Gross Wartenberg.

In Scandinavia such labor was done in preaching, encouraging, and advising officers and members, as occasion permitted, in Aalborg, Copenhagen, Stockholm, Ben, Christiania (Oslo), and Porsgrund. A young man of promise was baptized by Elder Nels P. Hansen in the North Sea.

Later we met in Germany and returned to England by way of Holland, holding a few services in Rotterdam, during which time four were baptized by Elder John Eggen.

When in Germany a severe cold was contracted by Brother Curtis which he was unable to shake off, and on reaching Llanelly, Wales, he took down with bronchial pneumonia, followed by asthma. For four weeks he was kindly cared for at the home of Elder Harry Price. Returning to London he continued to suffer from asthma. Following the advice of the physician that a change of climate was imperative, we left Liverpool November 29 and returned home. The change of climate has proved very beneficial.

The song book in German, with notes, prepared by Sister Albert N. Hoxie, will be of great assistance to the German Mission.

Elder Jacob Halb has completed a translation of the Doctrine and Covenants into the German language, and the

manuscript is now ready for publication. The importance of having this work issued without delay can hardly be over-emphasized, as it is so greatly needed among the German-speaking people.

If the mission is to be continued in Palestine, assistants should be provided for association with Elder Sorden and wife.

We believe it would be to the interest of the general church, and especially to the British Mission, if from the British ranks one could be selected and ordained a bishop.

More missionary help is needed in all of the fields. Germany appears to us to be at the present time the most promising field of all for missionary endeavor.

Close supervision of the different fields is necessary.

In order to accomplish effective work, suitable tracts published in the language of the country in which labor is performed should be provided.

We were pleased to see the degree of earnestness manifested by our missionary and local forces in these foreign fields, often under trying conditions.

We are far from being forgetful of the kindnesses and cordial reception extended to us by the Saints and officers in the different countries, whom we found very much devoted to the building up of the Master's cause.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, March 23,^o 1925.

J. F. GARVER

To the First Presidency; Greeting: Referring to the matter of report suggested in yours of the 17th, I am sorry to have to advise I am under orders from Doctor Harrington to conserve my physical forces in every way, to allow for a recovery of my health, so am making this very brief. You will have known of my confinement at Independence Sanitarium during January, beginning what it is hoped will prove convalescence from a rather prolonged disability from ulcer of the duodenum. I seem to be improving and trust to be in form again in due time, which, however, may require a number of months.

Since I cannot venture to details, I am glad to have been so closely in touch with you men by letter and conferences, so that a detailed report of movements and labors is not so imperative as would otherwise be the case.

I content myself then with saying, I have enjoyed a wonderful season in this field since the last conference, and especially were the last few months of my activity blessed of

God. I never have known such divine power. To him be all praise.

And that his grace may continue to overshadow his great church unto its rapid development and early triumph, is my daily prayer.

LAMONI, IOWA, February 28, 1925.

T. W. WILLIAMS

To the First Presidency, Independence, Missouri; Dear Brethren: Since last General Conference I have sought to fulfill my duties as an apostle and in keeping with the Spirit of Jesus Christ.

I have held meetings in San Antonio, Dallas, Hearne, and Houston, Texas; Mobile, Alabama; Council Bluffs, Crescent, Underwood, Woodbine, Missouri Valley, and Glenwood, Iowa; Eldorado Springs and Independence, Missouri; Washega, Oklahoma; Los Angeles, San Bernardino, Ontario, Santa Ana, Long Beach, Belvedere, and Sunland in California.

I attended the following reunions: Central Texas, Central Oklahoma, Southwestern Kansas; Clinton, Missouri; and Pottawattamie and Fremont Districts.

In the early part of the year I made a thorough canvass of the church work in the State of Texas, holding protracted efforts at San Antonio and Dallas and speaking several times at Hearne and Houston.

About this time I was called to Independence, Missouri, to attend the Advisory Council meeting and was detained there for a time. I then entered upon the reunion work which landed me in western Iowa the latter part of August.

I was then urged by the Presidency of the Pottawattamie District, the Presidency of the Council Bluffs Branch, and the missionary supervisor of the Pottawattamie and Fremont Districts to remain in Council Bluffs and hold an intensive missionary campaign. The Presidency was informed, and we carried on a very successful meeting for nearly six weeks. Although we had a 40 by 60 foot tent, this was at different times taxed beyond capacity. People attended from near-by towns. As a result, nearly forty were baptized.

At the close of these meetings, the district president of the Little Sioux District and the president of the Woodbine Branch requested me to come and hold meetings at Woodbine. I consented and remained there for four weeks. The interest was the best ever manifested in Woodbine. As a result, some nine were baptized, one of whom was the leading elder of the Christian Church.

I then came home for the holidays, since which time I have busied myself in answering the calls for services from the branches of Southern California and in an intensive study of the organic law of the church.

My faith is strong in the gospel of Jesus Christ. I am consecrated to its furtherance.

LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, 903 North Hyperion Avenue, March 7, 1925.

JOHN W. RUSHTON

To the Presidency; Greeting: Herewith I submit report of my work during the period from last General Conference.

I spent about three months acting as pastor of the Los Angeles Branch to meet a serious situation.

About February 13 I left home for the field embracing the Southeastern States. During my visit at this time I was in Texas, Alabama, Mississippi, and Florida.

Owing to the call of the Presidency to attend the council extraordinary, in April, I returned to Independence.

After the council adjourned, I returned to the Southern States again, remaining until into September.

During this month I responded to an invitation by the pastor and congregation of Saint Louis and preached a series of sermons.

Owing to a breakdown in health, the doctor advised that I return to California for recuperation. With the permission and generosity of the Presidency, I returned home during the month of December.

I have responded to calls in the Southern California District, as well as going to Independence because of the death of my mother.

I have reported my labors and surveys in detail to the office of the First Presidency.

I acknowledge God's goodness and his peace in my work as heretofore, and for all the success accruing I ascribe my thanks to him. I ever pray for the triumph of his cause.

LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, March 10, 1925.

ROY S. BUDD

To the First Presidency, Independence, Missouri; Dear Brethren: Immediately following the conference of 1923, I made a trip to Nebraska to adjust a matter having to do with Indian work, and later went to Oklahoma and Kansas to hold a meeting and finish some work of the previous year.

Since December, 1923, associated with Apostle D. T. Williams, I have labored in the Pacific Slope Mission and districts west of Colorado. With a few exceptions we have visited all the branches in these districts.

Because of the April council and the sickness of Mrs. Budd, I was absent from the field almost two months, during which time I attended an Indian convention at Tulsa, Oklahoma, in the interest of the church and made a trip to Nebraska, looking after the Indian work there.

I attended four reunions during the summer months. All these reunions were well attended by the Saints, and the Spirit of Christ prevailed throughout. Timely instructions were given in sermons and class work by those associated with me. The Saints received spiritual strength, and much good in general was accomplished.

Regardless of all that has happened in the general church, and all that has been said about that which has not happened, the Saints with few exceptions are going forward filled with faith and hope have increased in our ability as a church to that God will direct his church and protect his people.

I have been blessed of the master in my ministry, and my faith and hope have increased in our ability as a church to perform what God requires. May he give us patience and love sufficient to carry on, and knowledge and wisdom abundant for right judgment.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, March 12, 1925.

F. HENRY EDWARDS

The First Presidency, Dear Brethren: Since the General Conference of 1923 my work as an apostle has centered in Independence, where I have been in charge of the office of the Quorum of Twelve.

By arrangement with you and the brethren in charge of the missionary work of the Central States, I have also traveled rather extensively, attending conferences and holding a few series of meetings in the interest of our missionary work. My recommendations based on these trips have been reported to you in detail from time to time.

During this period I have made the acquaintance of many young people who are willing to accept General Conference appointment when the church needs them. I have kept up correspondence with about a hundred of these young people, and hope to be able to secure some of them for future missionary service.

I have also worked with the members of the General Re-

union Committee toward a better return on our annual investment in reunion work.

With the other members of the Twelve in the United States I attended the Joint Council of April, 1924, and participated in the work of the council.

In spite of our internal difficulties, I am hopeful for the future.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, March 17, 1925.

D. T. WILLIAMS

To the First Presidency: In accord with your appointment, I in company with Apostle Roy S. Budd at the beginning of the conference year proceeded to the Pacific Slope Mission to take up the work of my ministry in this field of ministerial labor.

As a whole I believe that the faith of the Saints in this territory to which we have been assigned is strong in the gospel of the Restoration. There have, however, been some disturbing elements which have caused a degree of wavering with some in their fidelity to the cause of Christ as it is represented through the instrumentality of the church. It is to be hoped that these matters which are affecting not only the Saints of the West but of all the world will soon be concluded in a satisfactory manner and that confidence will be restored and the faith of the Saints in the church renewed.

I have given my time mostly to the preaching of the word and encouraging the membership. In these activities we have through the grace of Christ been privileged to enjoy a worthy degree of the Holy Spirit, for which we are duly grateful.

The reunions and conferences of the mission have been a source of strength, and in a majority of instances were carried on in a very admirable manner, giving the spiritual forces an opportunity for intelligent demonstration.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI.

CLYDE F. ELLIS

The First Presidency, Independence, Missouri; Dear Brethren: When Elder McConley and I were appointed by you, at the October conference of 1923, to take joint charge of the Hawaiian, Society Islands, and Australasian Mission, we commenced at once to make preparation for our departure and to work out an itinerary for our labors. On account of such a large territory to be covered, we decided to separate

for the first few months, Elder McConley to go by way of Hawaii, I by way of Tahiti, we to meet in New Zealand, thence on to Australia together.

In accordance with the above arrangement, I left Independence on the evening of December 16, 1923, for the coast, and sailed from San Francisco on the 21st on board S. S. *Mauganui*. I was accompanied by Elder R. J. Farthing and wife, of Toronto, Canada, who had been appointed to the Society Islands Mission. After a pleasant voyage of ten days, we landed at Tahiti on the morning of December 31.

I commenced at once to enter upon my work, which, indeed, was made up of several different things, such as teaching Tahitian to Elder and Sister Farthing, assisting them in acquainting themselves with the work and conditions of the mission, translating, regulating, etc. I was unable to get out to the Tuamotuan Archipelago during this short stop in the islands, but did go with Elder Farthing to the island of Makatea.

I left Tahiti on March 4 for New Zealand and arrived at Wellington on the morning of the 14th, where I met Elder McConley, who had arrived only a day before from Auckland, New Zealand. We left Wellington that same evening by boat for Christchurch, South Island, via Lyttleton, arriving there the next morning. After a few days with the good Saints of that city, we left on the 19th for Temuka, where we have one family belonging to the church who received us, and in whose home we held one service. On the 19th we moved on to Dunedin, where we arrived that same evening. Our only branch on the South Island of New Zealand is in this city. We enjoyed our short visit with them and pray God's choicest blessings to be theirs. We returned to Wellington on the 27th, where we stayed that night with our good Brother and Sister Laberz, and sailed the next day for Sydney, Australia, arriving there on the morning of April 1. This was my introduction to the Australian people. There is an ease about them that makes you comfortable. They radiate an influence that inspires enthusiasm. Their zeal, honesty, and consecration make one feel like doing his best.

Previous to the mission conference, which was held at Easter time, we held a week's council meetings with the missionaries, during which time questions of interest and importance were discussed. At this conference I met many of the Saints, also all the missionaries save one. I found the Saints a lovable people, and the missionaries a splendid type of men, who are courageous, zealous, and thoroughly imbued with the spirit of the latter-day work. This confer-

ence will be remembered as a very pleasant experience in my Australian work. It was at this conference I acted as spokesman in the ordination of Elder A. L. Loving to the office of seventy, which was done in accordance with General Conference action, and also your instruction.

On account of the large territory to be covered in Australia and the scattered condition of the Saints, it was deemed advisable for Elder McConley and me to separate for the greater part of the time. Because of this we divided the mission, Elder McConley taking New South Wales, Queensland, and the North Island of New Zealand, while I took Victoria, South Australia, West Australia, and the South Island of New Zealand. In this way we were able to cover most of the field at much less expense.

Following the conference, Elder A. C. Barmore and I held two series of meetings in Sydney, one in Balmain Branch and the other in Leichhardt Branch. At the close of these meetings we went to Melbourne, Victoria, where I attended a Sunday school convention, which partook of the nature of our institute work at our conventions or conferences in the States. From here I visited Adelaide, South Australia, where our only branch in that state is located. Our work in this place is well cared for by Elder H. I. Velt, who is acting as branch president as well as missionary for the state of South Australia. While here I ordained Elder Velt to the office of seventy in harmony with General Conference action and instruction received from your office. From Adelaide I went back to Melbourne, and later visited the Hastings and Geelong Branches, where I also held meetings. Upon my return to Melbourne from these places, I went to Euroa, Victoria, which is a town of about 1,500 and where we have three members. I made an opening in this village in the homes of Brethren Harry Jacka and Albert Bush. Through the assistance of Brother Jacka and his car, I was able to make another opening seven miles in the country, where we have one member. These two openings are now being cared for by Elder E. H. Davies, who is missionary for Victoria. According to last reports, one has been baptized, and we expect others to follow. While I was at Euroa, Elder McConley came down from the northern districts, and after preaching one night we went together to Melbourne, where we attended the district conference the latter part of September. After this conference we returned to Sydney, New South Wales.

On account of the great distance of our branch at Perth, West Australia, from the eastern part of the mission, it was thought unwise to visit it, inasmuch as our stay would be very short. Evangelist J. T. Gresty did some work among

them during the year, however, and we understand they are doing well. There are two branches which I did not visit, viz: Phillip Island and Glen Forbes.

During the month of October, Elder McConley and I visited several of the branches in New South Wales which up to this time I had not visited. This gave me the privilege of meeting many of the Saints and getting acquainted with the conditions in that part of the mission. On our return to Sydney, we visited "Ziona," the reunion grounds of the mission, and there met with the reunion board, where matters pertaining to the grounds and approaching reunion were considered.

On the 6th of November I sailed from Sydney for Tahiti on the S. S. *Maunganui* via Wellington, New Zealand, where I stayed one night with Elder and Sister Laberz and arrived at Tahiti on the morning of November 17. After eight days in Tahiti I sailed on a two-masted schooner, in company with Elder R. J. Farthing and wife, for the island of Kaukura. We landed here on the morning of the 27th and commenced at once to conduct services and prepare our work for the mission conference, which convened at Apataki, Tuamotuan Archipelago, on December 22. This was two days later than the appointed time on account of the delay in the arrival of the branches.

We did not have an exceptionally large gathering at this conference, but it was, nevertheless, a conference that proved uplifting to those who attended. All who came did so on their very small boats that were loaded much beyond their capacity. We reorganized the elders', priests', teachers', and deacons' quorums, and left them in a good condition organically. The president of the elders' quorum is Elder Paia a Metuaaro.

We regret very much that we are unable to make a statistical report of the mission to the conference this year. We worked hard but were unable to get the report completed. The records of 15 branches have been corrected and reported to the office at Papeete. Three branches remain unreported. On account of the work connected with the copying of all these names and statistical items, we were unable to find time to do it before leaving. In the 15 branches reporting, we have something over 1,000 members, while there are in the other three about 200 members. This gives us a membership of over 1,200 in the entire mission, and our delegation is based upon this number. To those who do not understand the inconveniences surrounding and difficulties connected with our work in the islands, this delay of a complete statistical report cannot be appreciated. We hope to have a complete report for the next conference.

I visited in all, 10 branches out of the 18 in the mission, viz: Taronā, Kaukura, Apataki, Niau, Manihi, Arutua, Tiputa, Avatoru, Tikahua, and Makatea. I met representatives, however, from some of the other branches. To visit these branches meant a great deal of inconvenience and hardship, but we are glad it was done. I returned to Tahiti on the 14th of February and left there March 10 on S. S. *Maun-ganui*, arriving at San Francisco March 20.

Below is my report of ministerial labors performed during the seventeen months from October 1, 1923, to March 1, 1925:

Sermons	130
In charge	63
Assisted	48
Other services attended	115
Total services attended	356
Baptized	21
Confirmed	4
Assisted to confirm	6
Ordained	7
Assisted to ordain	5
Children blessed	9
Assisted in blessing	8
Administered to sick	61
Assisted to administer	1
Marriages	1
New openings	2
Administered sacrament	2

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 1, 1925.

DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN

To the First Presidency and General Conference: From the date of the last report, September 14, 1923, until June 30, 1924, the policies of the Department of Women were administered by Mrs. Dora Pankey Glines. On June 30, 1924, however, Mrs. Glines resigned, and this opportunity is taken of voicing the appreciation of the department for the work of our late superintendent. Her untiring energy, her breadth of outlook, and her unceasing endeavor to promote the welfare of this phase of church activity have done much to bring the department to its present high status. We are indebted to her for her worthy contribution to the growth of the movement, and our prayers and good wishes accompany her wherever her field of service may lie.

From July 1, 1924, until the present time, Miss Blanche

Edwards has been caring for the work of this department. The primary goal of the department is the betterment of humanity. We desire, therefore, to bring to all God's creatures the means for that more abundant life which Jesus taught and demonstrated. We believe that one of the most powerful agencies in the world by which this may be accomplished is the home. The raising of the standards of the homes, therefore, is the immediate aim of this department. In order to facilitate this aim, the following organization has been effected:

EXECUTIVE STAFF

The executive staff of the Department of Women is as follows: Miss Blanche Edwards, superintendent; Mrs. Ida Pearson Etzenhouser, first assistant superintendent; Miss Nellie Sampson, second assistant superintendent; Miss Blanche Sampson, secretary; Mrs. Alice M. Cowan, superintendent Department of Women, Independence; Mrs. Jennie Robinson Yingling, member of Sanitarium Committee; Mrs. Lillian Zimmermann Fligg, supervisor of young women, Independence; Mrs. Tessie Smith, general cradle roll superintendent; Mrs. Lydia Thomas Wight, specialist in mothercraft. Many of these ladies have given extremely valuable service extending over a number of years. Others are more new to their positions on the executive staff but bring with them tested knowledge and proven skill. With such a corps of able and devoted workers, the prospect of the opening year's work should be bright indeed.

DISTRICT ORGANIZATION

Throughout the United States and Canada there are eighty-eight districts, most of which are in charge of active superintendents. News coming from these areas is on the whole encouraging, as from time to time we learn of these workers seeing anew the vision of their opportunity, and going forward with a greater zeal to make that vision a reality.

IN OTHER LANDS

The following foreign districts have superintendents: Australia, British Isles, Hawaii, Norway, South Sea Islands, and the West Indies, while the Indians are cared for by Mrs. B. F. Creel in Nebraska, and Mrs. W. E. Shakespeare in Oklahoma.

PHASES OF THE WORK

The cradle roll department, the home department, the Oriole and Temple Builder work, are under the supervision of the Department of Women. But we constantly urge a very

close cooperation between all departments. We seek at all times to avoid duplication of effort but strive for the maximum amount of progress and development for all. In the work of the cradle roll department, we advise close cooperation with the Sunday school department, and with every other society actively interested in child welfare.

By means of the home department, every member who so desires, no matter how isolated, can keep up her study and sustain her interest in church work.

In the case of the Oriole and Temple Builder work, we advise close cooperation with the Department of Recreation and Expression.

Each district superintendent is responsible for these activities in her area, as she supervises the work of each local organization.

LOCAL ORGANIZATION

Each local organization has a superintendent and as many local workers as the needs demand. In most cases this includes a home department worker, a friendly visitor, leader of young women, and cradle roll worker. Here again we urge the closest possible cooperation between the workers of these departments and workers of others, as well as those of the priesthood.

STUDY COURSES

As a means of assisting in the uplifting of our standard, books and study courses are constantly being brought to the notice of our workers. We submit a list of the best:

1. Parents' and Teachers' Problems. A study outline course based on the text, Child Study and Child Training, by William B. Forbush. This text contains a discussion of many problems which present themselves in the rearing and training of children. Price, 15 cents.

2. Religious Education. A study outline course based on the text, The Mother-Teacher of Religion, by Anna F. Betts. Price, 15 cents.

3. General Psychology. A study outline course based on the text, The Mind and Its Education, by George Herbert Betts. Price, 15 cents.

4. Elementary Sociology. A study outline course based on the text, Sociology and Modern Social Problems, by Charles A. Ellwood. Price, 12 cents.

5. Mothercraft. Text, The Mothercraft Manual, by Mary L. Read.

(a) A junior course prepared for girls and young women. Price, 12 cents.

(b) A senior course prepared for more mature women.
Price, 15 cents.

6. Citizenship. Helps based on the text, *The New Civics*, by Roscoe L. Ashley. This pamphlet includes many valuable references to other books, magazines, and pamphlets. Price, 15 cents.

7. Elementary Biology. Study outline course based on the text, *Plant and Animal Children—How They Grow*, by Ellen Torelle. Price, 15 cents.

8. Training in Relief and Service. Nineteen lessons in leaflet form, intended to give a working knowledge of the history and development of relief and social service. Price, 25 cents.

9. Food and the Body. A simple course in elementary knowledge of nutrition in pamphlet form. Price, 35 cents.

10. We recommend that the women make a systematic study of the normal training course now conducted by the Religio-Sunday School Normal Training Department, Graceland College, Lamoni, Iowa.

11. We further recommend that all who can do so, especially those who have supervision of girls or young women, will take the course now being conducted by the Extension Department of Graceland College, that of "Recreational leadership." For further particulars write this department at Graceland College.

12. Home Building. Price, 40 cents.

OTHER VALUABLE SUGGESTIONS FOR READING AND STUDY

Problems of Child Welfare, by George B. Mangold	\$2.85
Children, Well and Happy, by May Bliss Dickinson.....	.65
Fundamentals of Child Study, by E. A. Kirkpatrick.....	1.90
Parenthood and Child Nurture, by Edna Dean Baker.....	1.60
The Boy Problem, by William B. Forbush.....	1.10
The Mental Hygiene of Childhood, by William A. White..	1.75
Ten Talks to Girls on Health, by Augusta Rucker	1.00
Foods and Household Management, by Kinne and Cooley	1.50
Father and His Boy, by T. W. Galloway.....	1.00
How to Teach Religion, by George Herbert Betts.....	1.35
Costume Design and Home Planning, by Estelle Izor Peel	1.00
Play in Education, by Joseph Lee.....	1.90
Womanhood in the Making, by Margaret W. Eggleston..	1.60
Misunderstood Children, by Elizabeth Harrison	1.35
Boy Behavior, by W. H. Burger.....	1.25
The Unadjusted Girl, by William Thomas.....	3.00
Elementary Home Economics, by Mary Lockwood	
Matthews	1.40

Feeding the Family, by Mary Swartz Rose.....	2.50
The Family and Its Members, by Anna G. Spencer.....	2.10
Leadership of Girls' Activities, by Mary E. Moxcey.....	.65
The Church at Play, by Norman E. Richardson.....	1.50
The New Interior, by Hazel Adler.....	4.50
Interior Decoration, by Frank Alva Parsons.....	4.10

"HERALD"

From time to time helpful and inspirational writings have appeared and will continue to appear in the columns of the *Herald*. Since this is a department of the church, articles of general interest will be contributed for the good of all.

"AUTUMN LEAVES"

Every month a portion of the *Autumn Leaves* is devoted to the work of the Young Women's Bureau. We endeavor to offer here suitable stories, games, activities, ethical talks, etc., such as will assist in the building and retaining of high ideals in the lives of our girls. We feel, however, that this space is altogether inadequate, since it gives less than two pages per week to represent the interests and activities of all our girls in all the world. Yet the size of the magazine, and consequently this section of it, cannot be increased until the number of subscribers is considerably increased. From a membership of practically 100,000 people, a subscription list of but 1,200 is forthcoming. This is a great hindrance to the utility of the magazine, to the beauty of its construction, and to its influence among our young people.

CONFERENCES AND REUNIONS

Our best work is done through personal contact with the people; and in pursuit of this means of extending the scope and efficiency of the department many conferences and reunions have been attended. Beginning in January, 1924, our activities along this line were as follows:

- January, conference of Lamoni Stake at Hiteman, Iowa;
- February, conference at Des Moines;
- April, special meetings at Ottumwa;
- May, special meetings at Council Bluffs;
- June, worked with Young People's Convention;
- July, met with Saints at Denver and Colorado Springs;
- July and August, attended reunions in Southern and Northern California; Seattle, Washington; Portland, Oregon; and Race Track, Montana;
- September, met with Department of Women in Lamoni;
- October, attended special meetings in Flint, Michigan; London, Ontario; Owen Sound District; Chatham District;

November, visited Chicago, attended special services in Kansas City, and took part in young people's convention at Rock Island, Illinois;

December and January were spent in the office, and in February, a homemaker's conference was attended at Ames, and special meetings at Independence.

In addition to these, much correspondence has been carried on from headquarters, and special meetings have been held by district and local superintendents.

STANDARD OF EXCELLENCE

In order to help the local organizations of the Department of Women to understand in a limited way what the general officers of the department consider a minimum of activity on the part of the locals, the following "Standard of Excellence" has been adopted. It is hoped that many locals throughout the church will measure up to this standard and far exceed it. We full appreciate the fact that some of the greatest and most beneficent and far-reaching activities cannot be recorded and may not come under any of the listed accomplishments as indicated in this "Standard of Excellence."

1. At least one organized group of women studying some good text.
2. At least one half of the women membership of the branch active in the work of the Department of Women.
3. An active home department worker.
4. An active cradle roll worker.
5. An active young women's leader.
6. An active friendly visitor.
7. Social gathering of local at least quarterly.
8. At least four educational evenings during the year.
9. A monthly report sent to the district superintendent. This report should indicate those items and activities as are indicated by the district superintendent.
10. A monthly contribution of not less than one dollar for the general funds of the Department of Women.

SANITARIUM AND HOMES

It is a great pleasure to acknowledge the interest shown by our women in the welfare of these institutions. Our women and girls all over the States have rendered service here, and we wish to thank them for their sympathetic and whole-hearted cooperation. It is a matter for congratulation that such an avenue of service is open for us, and we trust that many more of our members will allow themselves the joy of participation.

GENERAL OUTLOOK

On the whole, the outlook for the future is bright. As I have traveled around and met with the Saints, I have found an earnestness, an endeavor, and a devotion that should carry us far. We deeply regret our lack of expert leaders. We are encouraging our women to move out along lines of preparation, and we hope to present to the church and to the world in a few years' time a band of not only devoted, but able leaders, who shall with increasing power demonstrate our faith in our cause.

Generally speaking, our women are enthusiastic. They are striving to make more effective the work of the priesthood and are moving out along lines of usefulness and growth peculiar to themselves.

CONCLUSION

In conclusion, let me say, the past eight months have in the nature of things brought problems, but these problems have been reduced to the minimum, and their solutions materially eased by the close cooperation existing between the three departments. During this period frequent conferences have considerably lessened our burdens and strengthened us in our strivings towards progress. We are thankful for this amity and acknowledge its helpfulness.

Looking into the future, we desire to see more and more of the women's problems cared for during the Sunday school period. We also desire to see the further elimination of the idea that the Department of Women is expressly for the sake of building new churches or renovating old ones.

We would urge even closer cooperation between departments in locals and districts, and also between members of the priesthood and workers in this department.

Finally, this term of service has brought problems, but it has also brought some very real and exquisite joys. It was with the greatest of diffidence that this office was accepted, but as I have striven to meet the demands made of me, great blessings have been mine. I acknowledge the help of God at the desk, on the platform, and in consultation with my workers. I hereby render my sincere thanks, knowing that lacking this divine aid our work must fail. It has been a joy to serve.

Hoping that this department, along with all others, may function in such a manner as to be worthy of God's blessings,

Respectfully submitted,

BLANCHE EDWARDS,

General Superintendent Department of Women.

LAMONI, IOWA, March 1, 1925.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
SAINTS' CHILDREN'S HOME

For the year ending June 30, 1924

To the General Conference; Greeting: During this year the board has met four times in the required quarterly sessions and three times at the call of the President. Frequent committee meetings have been held.

The present members of the board are as follows:

Bishop A. Carmichael, president; A. J. Yarrington, treasurer; C. B. Hartshorn, Ida Etzenhouser, Minnie B. Nicholson, Martha A. Young, Ida C. Monroe.

Those whose term of office expires at this time are A. J. Yarrington, Minnie B. Nicholson, Ida C. Monroe.

There are also to elect at this time two members for the term which expired in 1924. The present incumbents, C. B. Hartshorn and Ida Etzenhouser, were continued by action of the board to hold over until this conference.

It has been customary in the conference for the men of this board to be nominated by the Order of Bishops and the women by the Department of Women. The term of office is for three years.

The following items are included in the report of the Home to the Board of Control of State Institutions for the year ending June 30, 1924:

Number of children in the institution at the beginning of the year	15
Number of children received for the first time during the year	8
Number of children returned from placement during the year who were placed previous to opening of year	2
Number of children returned from placement during the year who were placed during the year	2
Number of children placed in homes during the year	1
Number of children placed in State Institutions during the year	0
Number of children returned to friends during the year	5
Number of children who died in the institution during the year	0
Number of children cared for during the year	25

Number of children in the institution at
the end of the year19

Five children cared for during the year were under school age, and two were in the Home during vacation only. All the others have been regular in attendance at school during the time of residence at the Home, there having been little interruption from sickness during the year.

The primary purpose of the Home is to secure the advantages of private homes for children committed to its care. There are nine children now awaiting such opportunity. We desire to call attention to the statement showing only one child placed during the year covered by this report. The majority of applications received are for children under two years of age, and it is seldom that any so young have been given to the Home. Some applications, upon investigation, are found to come from undesirable homes. Caution is enjoined upon those who recommend the parties making application. Previous to this year some very good homes have been opened to receive of these wards of the church, and such are deserving of the highest commendation. Two brothers and their sister were placed with one family. In other homes two of the same family have been placed. There are now in the Home two little boys of one family, aged 6 and 7 years, and two of another, aged 10 and 11 years, who might be placed together, or singly, if proper homes could be found.

CLARA B. STEBBINS,
Secretary, Board of Trustees.

SOCIAL SERVICE BUREAU

The First Presidency, Independence, Missouri; Dear Brethren: We attach hereto a statistical report of the Social Service Bureau for the year 1924. The work of the bureau is of such a nature that it is quite impossible to adequately picture it by figures. This can no more be done than can the work of the ministry be evaluated by the number of baptisms. We realize that much of the work done by the bureau is of such a personal nature that it has no place in a published report.

The Social Service Bureau is primarily a social agency and not a relief organization. It recognizes that a call for aid is merely a symptom of a maladjustment which calls for intelligent diagnosis and treatment. The giving of aid is but a temporary measure to tide the family over until the

diagnosis and treatment are completed, when it is hoped that the family may again become a self-supporting unit of society. Prevention is the watchword in social service but must be followed by curative measures when it fails. In the order of their importance it is felt that the betterment of homes, the prevention of disease, the protection of society from vice and communicable disease, the curing of physical ills, the correction of wrong mental attitudes, the providing of employment, and last and of least importance the giving of temporary relief or the supplementing of the family earnings is the work of a social agency.

Probably not more than twenty per cent of the cases handled by the bureau last year had a financial aspect or were cases in which the problem was concerned with dollars. In dealing with this class of cases, we have pursued the course which grows out of the old saying, "Charity should begin at home," and also a later statement that "Self-help is the best help." When cases calling for financial aid are referred to us, it is our custom to first try to get in touch with relatives and secure aid from them if possible, either through gifts, advancements, or loans, and if help from this source is not available, then the case is presented to the Bishop. By following this course, family ties are strengthened; and many who have become dependent, with the moral and financial help of their relatives are soon enabled to stand on their own feet. This result is we think quite gratifying, but in addition to that the church is saved about \$5,000 which otherwise would have been spent for aid. In some instances where the State has adequate equipment, certain burdens have passed on to it, and the persons involved have received greater benefits than the church could have given them.

A few citations to cases may be of interest. Case A. A sister with four children was being entirely supported from church funds. The father, who had deserted the family, was located in another city through the services of another social agency. Through their services the father, who was earning a good salary, was persuaded to contribute to the support of his family, and a total saving to the church was effected of about \$700 annually. In this case as in other similar ones, should not the father rather than the church carry the burden?

Case B involves a subnormal person who was being supported by the church. The church having no adequate institution for caring for and training such cases had placed the girl to board with a private family, where she was a constant menace to the morals of young children of the

neighborhood. The State has one of the best institutions in the land for the care of such cases. The girl was placed in the state institution where she is with her equals and can enjoy the stimuli of success to some degree which she had been denied when trying to compete with her superiors. She will be much happier, the morals of young children will not be menaced, and the church is saved \$400 annually.

Case C. A sister because of ill health became dependent. In our investigations we learned that she had relatives in a distant State who were financially able to take care of her. They agreed to make a home for her indefinitely. In making this change, the church was saved \$480 annually, the sister was placed with relatives who are more interested in her welfare than those unrelated could be, and she is receiving better care than the church could have provided her.

Case D. A husband and wife were divorced, and the wife was given the custody of the children. No alimony was asked for; therefore support of the children was not provided for by the court. The wife was unable to properly provide for her children, so the church was called upon to supplement the earning of the mother. Meanwhile the husband had married again but had no dependents except his wife. He was seen and asked to contribute to the support of his children. He now pays \$10 a month regularly to our office for his children. The church is being relieved of an expense of \$120 a year, and a father's interest in his children's welfare has been awakened.

Case E. An elderly sister had been receiving aid from the church for years. When the case was referred to the bureau, it was found that she had a daughter in a distant State whose husband was earning a big salary. She was approached in reference to her mother's needs. She now contributes \$15 a month toward her mother's support, thereby doing a daughter's part, and the church is being relieved of paying \$180 annually.

Perhaps these five citations are sufficient. We could submit twelve other similar cases, making a total of seventeen cases with the estimated savings to the church of over \$5,000. We do not wish to stress the financial aspect of our work, as it is of minor importance when compared with health, morals, etc., but we feel that it is worth some consideration. If we can serve the dependent and at the same time effect a saving to the church, we are glad to do so. The ultimate benefit to the individual is always given first consideration.

Of the two hundred and thirty cases handled by the bureau last year, (this does not include the employment cases only,)

most of them were local, but the work of the bureau extended to many States and Canada. Many of the local cases have come to Independence from other parts and for years have been a problem in their other location. Some of these people have been advised to come to Independence, and others have come without advice. Most of the problems do not grow out of conditions here but go back to an earlier environment which was not conducive to preparing them to meet life's problems.

ANNUAL REPORT OF SOCIAL SERVICE BUREAU FROM JANUARY 1,
1924, TO JANUARY 1, 1925

Number of cases handled (other than employment).....230

Single girls	50
Single boys	30
Widows	31
Widowers	7
Divorced	11
Separated	19
Deserted by father.....	9
Deserted by mother	3
Unmarried mothers	2
Unmarried parents living together.....	2
Families	66

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In the sixty-six families, are three hundred and fifty-one minor children, which makes a total of five hundred and seventy-nine persons who were more or less affected by the problems presented.

Contact with clients and others:

Number of visits to clients.....	261
Number of office calls by clients.....	370
Number of visits to consultants regarding client.....	463
Number of visits by consultants to office.....	370
Other communications with clients and consultants.....	1,068

Total contacts with clients and consultants.....2,532

Problems Presented and Services Rendered

Employment:

Applications for employment only.....	225
Families suffering from under-employment.....	84
Employment secured	105

Physical disorders and treatment:

Nervous disorders	4
Tuberculosis	7
Epilepsy	2
Senility	4
Other physical disorders.....	58
Hospital and dispensary treatment provided.....	15
Surgical operations provided.....	7
Physical examination by private physicians.....	30
Families referred to public health nurse.....	4
Unmarried mothers placed in maternity hospital.....	1
Nurse provided	1
Dental work provided.....	3
Glasses provided	7
Tubercular patients sent to Leeds Hospital.....	1
Tubercular patients sent to Mount Vernon Hospital.....	2

Venereal disease:

Suspected venereal disease.....	2
Diagnosed venereal disease.....	16
Cases of venereal disease treated.....	10
Patients uncooperative in treatment provided.....	6

Insanity:

Suspected insanity	5
Diagnosed insanity	16
Placed in State Asylum.....	4
Patients treated privately.....	2

Subnormality:

Suspected subnormality	31
Subnormality diagnosed	28
Mental tests given	16
Sent to Marshall Home for Feeble-Minded.....	5

Morals:

Suspected juvenile moral delinquencies.....	16
Acknowledged juvenile moral delinquencies.....	6
Suspected adult moral delinquencies.....	17
Acknowledged adult moral delinquencies	9
Sex instruction and morals strengthened.....	48

Court Cases:

Children brought before the juvenile court.....	7
Adults brought before the courts.....	11
Committed to jail.....	1
Committed to the State Asylum.....	4
Committed to Home for the Feeble-Minded.....	5

Committed to Home for Delinquent Girls.....	1
Committed to McCune Home for Boys.....	2
Committed to Boonville Home for Delinquent Boys.....	1
Released from Municipal Farm.....	1
Released from the McCune Home for Boys.....	2
Released from jail.....	1
Released from insane ward of General Hospital.....	1
Supervised by S. S. B. by Juvenile Court order.....	9
Delinquencies Not Brought Before the Courts:	
Drug addict suspected.....	2
Stealing suspected	3
Stealing acknowledged	4
Begging	2
Incorrigibility	2
Truancy	1
Minors violating prohibition.....	14
Home Conditions:	
Children neglected by parents.....	30
Unsanitary homes	14
Abuse of children.....	4
Abuse of children corrected.....	4
Homes cleaned	3
Desertion and Nonsupport:	
Men deserting their families.....	9
Women deserting their families.....	3
Fathers forced to support their families.....	6
School:	
Unsatisfactory school records.....	10
Children out of school	11
Children returned to school.....	9
School records improved.....	4
School books provided by school board.....	2
Family Maladjustments:	
Families disrupted by internal troubles.....	28
Family adjustments made.....	7
Financial Problems:	
Families reported as being in need of financial aid.....	76
Financial problems with employers, etc.....	10
Bishop asked to give temporary aid.....	30
Loans made to needy families by bishop.....	9
Financial aid received from relatives.....	17
Loans repaid to bishop.....	3

Financial aid denied.....	12
Financial aid reduced.....	2
Financial adjustments made with employers, et al.....	10
Adults and Children Provided With Homes:	
Adults and children in need of homes.....	14
Children given permanent homes with relatives.....	10
Children adopted	1
Adults given permanent homes with relatives.....	3
Applications Made for Admittance to Children's Home:	
Investigations made of applicants.....	8
Recommended and received by the Children's Home.....	1
Application denied	7
Received into State Home as recommended by S. S. B.....	3
Widow's Pensions:	
Applications made for widow's pensions.....	4
Widow's pensions received.....	1
Transportation:	
Charity rates (half fares) granted by railroads.....	10
To point in Illinois.....	1
To points in Missouri.....	3
To point in Michigan.....	1
To point in California.....	1
To point in Wisconsin.....	1
To point in Canada.....	3
Lectures given by M. A. and Ida Etzenhouser on Social Problems:	
During General Conference.....	20
Before the Young People's Convention, Lamoni, Iowa....	16
Reunions in Michigan and Canada.....	48
In branches outside of Independence.....	76
Before Women's Clubs in Kansas City.....	2
Priesthood meeting in Kansas City.....	1
Independence Institute of Arts and Sciences.....	288
Before the Parent-Teachers meetings of Independence Schools	5
Over the radio.....	4
Total lectures given.....	460

SOCIAL SERVICE BUREAU,
M. A. ETZENHOUSER.
IDA ETZENHOUSER.

REPORT OF USED COMMODITY SHOP FROM JANUARY 1, 1924, TO
JANUARY 1, 1925

	Issued on Order	Sold for Cash
January	\$ —	\$59.66
February	4.50	5.35
March	4.70	41.94
April	2.15	50.13
May	6.65	21.55
June	—	26.40
July	2.20	21.30
August	23.05	14.62
September	7.20	39.65
October	21.30	81.16
November	13.50	33.85
December	13.50	17.96
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	\$98.80	\$413.57
Clothing sold for cash.....		\$413.57
Clothing issued on orders free.....		98.80
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Total sales		\$512.37

The Commodity Shop is open for business two days in the week.

SOCIAL SERVICE BUREAU,
MRS. ABBIE LOGEMAN, *Per I. E.*

ORDER OF ENOCH

To the First Presidency; Greeting: I submit herewith the financial report of the United Order of Enoch for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1924.

Sincerely yours,

B. R. MCGUIRE, *President.*

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, March 30, 1925.

UNITED ORDER OF ENOCH, INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI

Balance Sheet at June 30, 1924

Assets

Current:

Cash in bank	\$	\$ 246.69
Real estate contracts receivable		20,180.66

Notes receivable		2,033.23
Accounts receivable		65.00
Real estate for sale—		
Summit Annex Lots	317.42	
Gudgell Park Lots	36,426.22	
Gudgell Park House No. 1		
on Lot 104	5,153.40	
Commercial	400.00	42,297.04
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Total Current Assets		\$64,822.62

Fixed:

Real estate reserved—		
Summit Annex lots	1,692.87	
Miscellaneous property	5,925.52	
Order of Enoch		
House and land	\$4,959.87	
Less depreciation		
reserve	976.80	\$ 3,983.07
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Total Real Estate		\$11,601.46

Furniture and Fixtures:

Order of Enoch House	\$ 813.85	
Office furniture and fixtures	278.65	
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	\$ 1,092.50	
Deduct depreciation reserve	287.09	\$ 805.41
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Total Assets		\$77,229.49

Liabilities

Current:

Notes payable	\$32,292.00
Accounts payable	262.62
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Total Current Liabilities	\$32,554.62

Present Worth:

Per previous report	\$46,659.00
Add adjustments	35.84
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Correct amount at June 30, 1923	\$46,694.84
Add donations received	6.01
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	\$46,700.85

Deduct operating loss for year
per Exhibit B 2,025.98

Balance net worth at June 30, 1924.... \$44,674.87

\$77,229.49

Earnings:

Real Estate Sales	Sales	Cost	Profit
Gudgel Park—14 lots.....	\$6,775.00	\$3,948.18	\$2,826.82
Summit Annex—2 lots	400.00	211.62	188.38
Knobnoster property	350.00	400.00	
	<u>\$7,525.00</u>	<u>\$4,559.80</u>	<u>\$2,965.20</u>

Deduct profit taken in former years on
three contracts cancelled and re-
funded during year 852.50

Gross Profits on Real Estate Sales \$2,112.70

Interest collected on contracts and notes \$1,077.51

Rent and pasture—

804 Walnut	\$80.00	
House No. 1, Gudgell Park	35.00	
Pasture, etc., Gudgell Park	24.75	\$ 139.75

Total Gross Earnings \$3,329.96

Expense:

Interest paid \$1,907.98

Taxes paid 979.55

Abstracts and recording fees 654.88

Automobile expense and upkeep 710.70

Property repairs and upkeep—

Mowing Gudgell Park 60.00

804 Walnut 86.50

806 Walnut 31.40

House No. 1, insurance .. 32.98

West Kansas Vacant 11.90

Order of Enoch House 217.40

Margaret Transue House 183.00

Miscellaneous—

Hudson, moving his Gudgell

Park House 25.00

Logeman, moving his Gudgell

Park House 75.00

Advertising	106.92	
Bookkeeping and auditing	140.00	
Discount on contracts	43.39	
Commissions on sales	55.00	
Stamps and miscellaneous expense	34.34	
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Total Expenses		\$5,355.94
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Excess of Expense over Earnings		\$2,025.98

THE GRAPHIC ARTS BUREAU

To the First Presidency: The bureau was unfortunate in losing the services of the secretary, Albert Knowlton, who had been in active charge since its organization. He has been living in California since January, 1924. Charles Warren, assistant auditor to Brother Knowlton, looked after the department in the absence of Brother Knowlton until his employment took him elsewhere.

When C. Ed. Miller was appointed to Independence in November, 1924, he took charge of the bureau, and it is now beginning to function again.

The appropriation of 1924 for \$200 was used in equipping a dark room, purchasing material for slides, slide boxes, shipping boxes, and other necessary equipment.

President Frederick M. Smith has loaned the bureau his photographic outfit, and we are now equipped to turn out first-class slides.

The bureau has been fortunate in securing the services of Mrs. Emily DeTray Inouye, in making slides. She has had professional photographic experience and has become an expert slide maker. She has been ably assisted by Mrs. Fannie Pender. The bureau has also secured the services of Mrs. Minnie Warnock as a slide color artist. She is now turning out colored slides superior to those some of the slide manufacturers send out. These three sisters are giving their services without any remuneration whatever.

Stenographers have donated time in taking down and transcribing lectures for the sets; young men have assisted in making slide boxes; the Temple Builders and others have mounted the slides after they were made and tinted.

We lost many slides by breakage on account of careless packing. The slide boxes we now have are practically "fool proof." We are preparing four sets of slides in defense of the Book of Mormon. One of these sets will be permanently

located in the East, two sets will circulate from Independence, and the other set will be for the use of the western territory. This arrangement will make this much-called-for set accessible to every part of the country at a minimum expense for expressage.

Elder J. W. Peterson, who has been working on the new Inspired Version for over three years, is preparing a lecture demonstrating with slides the superiority of the Inspired Version over all other translations of the Bible.

The bureau presented the English Mission with a Book of Mormon set. We expect to furnish this mission with additional sets in the future.

Within the next three months we hope to have two thousand slides ready for circulation.

Valuable negatives which have been loaned the bureau are now in the vault in the library building in charge of Elder C. I. Carpenter, who will also look after the circulating of the slides after the sets are completed.

Request after request keeps coming in for slides which we cannot supply. We are now making a service charge of twenty-five cents per week per set. While this sum seems trivial when compared with charges made by slide houses, yet in time the bureau will be self-sustaining with this revenue coming in.

While our present activities are confined almost exclusively to the circulating of slides, we expect to broaden out in the future, so we can be of greater service to the church.

C. ED. MILLER.

COMMITTEE ON GENERAL CONFERENCE RESOLUTIONS

To General Conference; Greetings: The committee on General Conference Resolutions met and appointed a subcommittee to take up the work authorized by the General Conference of 1923. At the present time this subcommittee is ready to report, but we have not been able to get the entire committee together. It is hoped, however, that by the time of the convening of the General Conference it will be possible to furnish a supplementary report showing some actual accomplishment in line with the task assigned in 1923.

Respectfully, F. M. MCDOWELL.

For the Committee on General Conference Resolutions.

PRESIDING BISHOPRIC

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

To the General Conference; Greetings: In order that the Saints may be fully informed as to the financial condition of the church to-day:

In addition to the customary Balance Sheet and Income and Expense Statements on pages 130, 131 and 132-134, we have prepared as shown on pages 135, 136 a Comparative Balance Sheet, or Statement of Assets, Liabilities, and Net Worth, reflecting the financial condition on January 1, 1917, compared with the condition of the church at July 1, 1920, July 1, 1924, and March 1, 1925.

During the past eight years, the period covered by these financial statements, we have passed through a period of business prosperity followed by a period of business depression, largely growing out of the abnormal economic condition caused by the late World War.

On page 137 we show the results from general church operations for the four-year period just prior to the general business depression, and on page 138 we show the operating results for the following four-year period affected by this business depression.

GRAPHIC CHARTS

To assist in the interpretation of these statements, we have prepared a chart presenting graphically the trend of operating income and expenditures during this period, as found on page 139.

Upon carefully analyzing the statement on page 137, it will be discovered that the total general church income during this first four-year period exceeded the total expenditures approximately \$791,000; whereas, during the latter four-year period, covered by the statement shown on page 138, the total general church expenditures have exceeded the total income by about \$126,000. It should be noted, however, that there has been included in our income during this period, in order to make these figures comparable, in round numbers, \$145,000, which represents Christmas offering collections included among our special funds and not used for operating purposes, and without the use of which our actual operating deficit was \$271,000, as shown by the comparative statement shown on pages 132-134. The circular graphs on pages 140-147 show in what proportion the funds for the past four years have been received and spent.

INCREASE IN NET WORTH

Although the statement of income and expenditures for the latter four-year period reveals an excess of expenditures over income, which has correspondingly reduced our net worth, we have received in special funds during this time approximately \$525,000, including the earnings thereon; therefore, in spite of the fact that we have incurred an operating deficit during the last four years, our net worth has actually been increased over \$300,000. The major portion of these special funds were doubtless paid from money earned during the season of prosperity, although collected subsequent to July 1, 1920, and therefore should not be considered as a part of the normal income of the latter period. During the first four years, however, the net worth has been increased over \$877,000, \$791,000, of which is accounted for by the excess of income over expenditures. The balance is accounted for through the collection of special funds and the acquisition of local church buildings and other real properties credited to net worth.

SUMMARY OF EIGHT-YEAR PERIOD

Summing up the period from January 1, 1917, to July 1, 1924, our total income or funds received for general church purposes has exceeded our total operating expenditures by approximately \$665,000, if we were to include the Christmas offering for the years 1921 and 1922 as operating income.

Our net worth has increased during the past eight years and two months, or from January 1, 1917, to March 1, 1925, approximately \$1,294,000. This increase is accounted for by the fact that our income or receipts have exceeded by about \$575,000 after deducting Christmas offering for the years ended June 30, 1921, and 1922, from general funds; the special fund collections during this period were \$538,000; and the net increases to net worth resulting from the acquisition of church edifices and other real estate, less direct charges to net worth, amounted to \$181,000.

The results of our general church operations during the past eight years indicate that prior to the general depression in business the general fund receipts were sufficient to meet all the operating expenditures and increase our net worth almost \$800,000. During the past four years, however, the expenditures have exceeded our income each year, notwithstanding the fact that repeated efforts to cope with the situation were made.

CALLED ATTENTION OF LEADING QUORUMS TO SITUATION

During the month of January, 1921, we first called attention to the marked decline in our operating income. In May

of this same year the matter was discussed at length in a meeting of the Order of Bishops. In September of that year, at a meeting of the Joint Council, the matter was again discussed. In spite of all our efforts to retrench, and notwithstanding the consideration given by the leading quorums of the church, the deficit continued to accumulate; and in November of 1921 we again called the attention of the leading quorums to the financial situation.

If the decline in receipts had proven only temporary, the situation could have been easily met by borrowing sufficient funds to cover the monthly deficits. Of course, it was impossible to definitely forecast just how long this condition might continue, and we were compelled to meet the emergency as it arose. As you well know, it was absolutely essential that such fixed expenses as family allowances, elders' expense, and administrative expenses must be met more or less promptly at the close of each month or it would entail suffering among our missionaries and families, and serious disruption of our work.

Rather than borrow from outside sources and pay high rates of interest and commissions, under these circumstances it seemed the wisest course to borrow special funds. The Joint Council in the spring of 1922 approved the procedure and also authorized its continuance as long as the shortage of general church receipts necessitated so doing, which action was referred to in my 1922 report to conference.

At this council meeting, actual retrenchment measures were adopted, the efforts of which, however, were not immediately felt. Therefore, in our report to conference in October, 1922, we emphasized the fact that it was necessary for us to adopt further retrenchment measures, and requested, in fact urged, that General Conference take action. General Conference adopted a resolution which provided that the expenditures for the year be curtailed within the receipts, and a committee of three was appointed and authorized to work out some plan to effect this result. No effective measures to curtail were suggested by the committee, but with the use of the 1923 Christmas offering, amounting to \$70,845.17, our operating deficit was reduced from \$55,000 on January 1, 1923, to approximately \$8,900 at the close of our fiscal year.

REQUESTED MEETING OF JOINT COUNCIL

Notwithstanding that the operating situation has received the consideration of the leading quorums of the church, and the constant attention of the Bishopric, conditions did not

improve; and on January 2, January 5, and February 4, 1924, we wrote to the Presidency and Quorum of Twelve regarding this matter, and on the latter date requested that a meeting of the Joint Council of the Presidency, Quorum of Twelve, and Presiding Bishopric be held at the earliest possible date to consider this whole matter. A meeting of the Presidency, members of the Quorum of Twelve in the United States, and the Order of Bishops was called for April 15, 1924, as we supposed to consider only the financial condition of the church; however, the projection of the document on church government, which has since been the subject of controversy throughout the church, made abortive our efforts to secure the cooperation requisite to meet the financial requirements.

KEEP APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN ANTICIPATED REVENUE

As a matter of conservative financing, it is our opinion that in all future years the budget appropriations covering general church expenditures should be limited to the amount of our anticipated revenue, or the sum which we estimate will be received from tithes, offerings, consecrations, etc. If we should receive a greater sum than we have anticipated, there will be an operating margin with which to create a reserve. If, on the other hand, we should receive less than the amount we anticipated, and spend the sums appropriated, there will be an operating deficit in the amount by which our appropriations exceed the actual receipts.

Upon referring to the graphic chart on page 148, it will be readily seen that the trend of our income from tithes, offerings, and consecrations only, which constitutes the principal part of our general fund income, corresponds very favorably with the trend of business conditions as reported by Babson from the year 1904 to the year 1920-21. However, in the year 1922-23, when business conditions show an improvement, our income, instead of also increasing, was falling off. It would appear that this decline in our revenue cannot be attributed to business conditions. This chart indicates very clearly that with improved business conditions, church income should also show improvement or an increase. By reference to our chart on page 139 showing the trend of our operating income and expenditures, it will also be noticed that beginning about this same time, or the year 1920-21, there was quite a marked decline in our income, without a reduction in our expenditures.

On pages 149, 150 we show that during the past eight months, or for the period from July 1, 1924, to March 1, 1925,

our general income has exceeded our expenditures over \$53,000. Upon comparing this with the same period of a year ago, we find that our expenditures were then in excess of our income by approximately \$32,000, showing an improvement in operating conditions now over a year ago in the amount of \$85,000.

AUDITORIUM

As of March 1, 1925, the total collections to the Auditorium fund amounted to about \$441,000, with total pledges amounting to approximately \$882,000, leaving a total unpaid as of March 1, 1925, in the amount of \$441,000. The income earned on these funds amounts to \$44,000.

In connection with the building of the Auditorium, consideration should be given to the fact that a part of the income from general funds must be appropriated to cover the maintenance charge incident to a building of this size, unless sufficient of the Auditorium funds are set aside from which, or the income from which, is to be used to defray expenses of maintaining this building.

The 1923 General Conference adopted the following recommendation:

"We therefore recommend that this conference authorize the First Presidency, Quorum of Twelve, and Order of Bishops to each select two of their quorum to act in conjunction with the church architect, to select the site and have plans and specifications prepared, the cost to be kept well within the limits of the available funds subscribed for the purpose.

"We further recommend that the Presiding Bishopric be authorized to immediately proceed with the erection of said building in accordance with the plans and specifications as approved by said committee, with the view to having the building ready for use of next General Conference.

"We further recommend that any part of the Auditorium fund now or hereafter collected, not expended for the construction of said Auditorium, be held in reserve and invested in convertible, interest-bearing securities, the earnings from which shall be used for the operation, upkeep, improvement, or enlargement of said building."

To date these plans and specifications have not been approved by the committee and placed in the hands of the Presiding Bishopric. In considering the cost of this building, a difference of opinion has been expressed as to the meaning of the words of the recommendation "the cost to be kept

well within the limits of the available funds subscribed for the purpose." The Presiding Bishopric are of the opinion that the 1923 conference intended to, and did, authorize the erection of a building the cost of which was to be kept well within the total amount of the subscriptions paid at the time the work was begun, which, March 1, 1925, with earnings as above stated, is \$485,000. Others insist that the committee is authorized to provide plans and specifications for a building the cost of which will be from \$700,000 to \$882,000—the total amount subscribed for this purpose.

It should be noted that the Auditorium campaign, which was conducted at the crest of the wave of prosperity, has resulted in subscriptions aggregating \$882,000, but only about one half of this sum, or \$441,000, has been paid in. We respectfully request that this conference state more definitely the maximum sum which shall be expended for the construction of this building.

PAYMENTS OF INHERITANCES

Pursuant to a resolution of the Order of Bishops, dated May 20, 1921, the Christmas offering for the year 1921 was to be used for the providing of inheritances, and a fund of \$49,165.21 was created for this purpose. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 1924, we have paid certain sums to several of our general church officers and appointees who were in somewhat pressing need of funds to meet payments on their homes. The total payments made amounted to \$3,007. These sums were paid in addition to the family allowances, but in reporting the amount received as family allowances by the brethren, we did not include these amounts paid to them but have charged the additional amounts so paid against the inheritance fund pending the adoption of a definite policy with reference to the allotment of inheritances. We have received applications from several others of the ministry for help from this fund on their home-buying projects, but we have felt free to invade the fund only for the most urgent cases, preferring to await the adoption of a general policy relative to the distribution of this fund.

DEFINITE FINANCIAL POLICY NECESSARY

In order that the church in the future may reap the benefits of our operating experiences of recent years, and in the hope that our income will be sufficient to provide for expansion and future contingencies, we suggest the formulation of a definite financial policy consistent with the spiritual and temporal demands of the church, providing for the adoption

of methods to increase our revenue and requiring strict adherence to a budget plan of financing that will comprehend a proper and equitable distribution of the total annual revenue of the church in such a manner as to make adequate provision, not only for the present current and fixed expenditures, but permit the accumulation of surplus funds. To this matter we have given serious consideration and shall be pleased to outline our views.

Our future progress towards the realization of our religious and social ideals is determined largely by our ability to meet the present financial demands. In view of the goal to be attained, and our confidence in the willingness of the people to respond in a united, consecrated effort, we express abiding hope in the power of God to bring us to final victory.

B. R. MCGUIRE, *Presiding Bishop.*

Condensed
BALANCE SHEET
July 1, 1924

Assets		
CURRENT—GENERAL FUND:		
Certificates of deposit	\$	370.26
Notes receivable	97,685.09	
Less: Allowance for uncol- lectable notes	9,127.00	88,558.09
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Contracts receivable— real estate		51,606.37
Accounts receivable	146,081.45	
Less: Allowance for uncol- lectable accounts	6,557.98	139,523.47
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Cash retained by bishops and agents		8,120.47
Total Current Assets.....		\$ 288,178.66
 OTHER—GENERAL FUND:		
Real estate:		
Houses and lots subject to sale	\$	89,399.03
Farm lands subject to sale ...		32,263.84
Investments—General Fund		57,813.82
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Total Other Assets		\$ 179,481.69

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SPECIAL FUNDS:

Cash in bank	22,652.60
Liberty bonds and war savings stamps	45,803.30
Certificates of deposit	35,059.46
Special fund loans to general fund	243,724.98
Deferred expense	4,301.19
Investments	185,062.91

Total Special Fund Assets \$ 536,604.44

PERMANENT—GENERAL FUND:

Land and buildings:	
Church edifices	\$1,424,976.07
Church institutions	90,651.91
Reserved property	437,681.19
Subject to life estate	51,433.81
Automobiles	2,049.00
Machinery and equipment	25,130.21
Furniture and fixtures	32,059.12
Libraries	17,171.98

\$2,081,153.29

Less: Allowance for depreciation 33,156.00

Total Permanent Assets \$2,047,997.29

DEFERRED EXPENSE—GENERAL FUND:

Funds retained by foreign bishops
and agents \$ 4,616.10

Total Assets \$3,056,878.18

Liabilities and Net Worth

CURRENT—GENERAL FUND:

Bank overdraft	\$ 11,619.94
Notes payable	261,608.42
Accounts payable	42,616.01
Receipts from sale of church edifices— subject to refund	22,816.94

Total Current Liabilities \$ 338,661.31

OTHER LIABILITIES—GENERAL FUND:

General Fund payable to Special Fund..... \$ 243,724.98

NET WORTH:

Surplus—general fund.	\$1,937,887.45
Special fund reserve	536,604.44

Total Net Worth *\$2,474,491.89

Total Liabilities and Net Worth \$3,056,878.18

*This figure does not include the Net Worth of the Herald Publishing House, Graceland College, and Independence Sanitarium.

Comparative Statement of
INCOME AND EXPENDITURES
For Years Ended June 30, 1921-22-23-24

	1924	1923	1922	1921
Years ending June 30, GENERAL INCOME:				
Tithing.....	\$314,623.63	\$291,539.42	\$309,085.44	\$417,049.99
Offering and oblation.....	70,105.55	66,246.11	87,848.86	1,103,840.32
Christmas offering.....	55,271.22	70,845.17		
Consecration.....	4,054.82	12,462.16		
Bequests.....	10,236.00	10,178.61	11,819.74	6,760.39
Church funds held in suspense.....			17,429.41	
Miscellaneous income—bishops and agents.....			459.00	
Contributions for church departments.....	992.07	1,164.68	761.18	30,081.89
Contributions for foreign missions.....	2,993.44	1,987.82	284.52	100.00
Contributions for musical education.....		527.95	500.00	
Contribution for Children's Home— Society Islands.....		21.23		
Interest earned.....	3,265.81	2,855.75	11,846.90	10,391.49
Dividends earned.....	653.12	120.00	275.00	30.00
Commission earned.....	69.50	4.41	20.00	352.40
General Conference.....				
Totals.....	\$462,195.66	\$458,022.81	\$440,330.05	\$568,606.48
LESS: EXPENDITURES—GENERAL:				
Family allowances.....	\$230,235.44	\$207,934.97	\$247,277.29	\$289,756.74
Elders' expense.....	100,835.38	101,354.49	104,850.55	115,140.72
Aid extended.....	28,635.82	35,769.92	28,509.34	33,405.26
Miscellaneous expense—bishops and agents.....			585.02	71,755.32
Foreign miscellaneous expense.....	9,481.96	5,138.29	9,917.73	4,687.76
Payments on consecration contract.....	5,482.80	6,198.21	5,610.39	4,672.02
Administration expense:				
Church offices.....	41,018.61	36,003.16	48,824.22	63,534.33
Stakes.....	11,895.56	12,092.27	15,576.44	15,812.50
Bishops and agents.....	1,121.38	1,151.27	1,246.26	4,009.20
General expense—church offices.....	7,025.31	7,127.71	8,413.78	4,676.09
General church expense.....	5,434.00	3,215.81	4,403.13	1,187.97
Int., exchange, soc. serv. exp., etc.....	11,029.08	15,265.64	28,522.57	9,474.37
Totals.....	\$452,065.34	\$431,236.74	\$503,741.72	\$618,112.28

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Comparative Statement of Income and Expenditures—Continued.

Excess of expense over income.....	\$ 10,130.32	\$ 26,786.07	\$ 63,411.67	\$ 49,505.30
Excess of income over expense.....				
REAL ESTATE INCOME:				
Rents earned:				
Reserved.....	\$ 22,837.52	\$ 22,666.68	\$ 21,011.14	
Houses and lots.....	1,409.83	3,501.79	4,408.93	
Farm lands.....	998.80	584.30	4,321.92	
Church edifices.....	459.00	150.00	456.00	\$ 26,164.91
Sale of Real Estate:				
Reserved.....			50.00	\$ 3,030.53
Houses and lots.....			3,906.09	
Farm lands.....			1,406.15	
Church edifices.....	10,163.00	4,669.00	2,345.60	
Interest earned—real estate contracts.....	3,187.93	2,208.74	2,199.80	\$ 226,164.91
Farm machinery income.....		269.39		
Totals.....	\$ 39,056.08	\$ 34,049.90	\$ 35,414.43	\$ 30,401.93
LESS: EXPENDITURES—REAL ESTATE:				
Reserved property—repairs, taxes, etc.....	\$22,910.24	\$ 19,328.05	\$ 16,935.32	\$ 3,366.82
Houses and lots.....	2,928.71	5,488.87	11,160.14	3,793.36
Farm lands.....	1,446.01	902.81	477.50	19,401.16
Repairs and maintenance of farm implements and machinery.....	23.65		620.89	
Life estate expense.....	322.42	30.71	16.79	
Church edifice expense.....	1,256.85	174.31	329.74	1,565.33
Cost of real estate sold.....	9,371.11	4,421.53		
Miscellaneous real estate expense.....	424.20			
Totals.....	\$ 38,633.19	\$ 30,346.28	\$ 29,540.38	\$ 28,126.67
Excess of income over expense.....	\$ 372.89	\$ 3,703.62	\$ 5,874.05	\$ 2,275.31
CHURCH INSTITUTIONS—CONTRIBUTIONS:				
Graceland College.....	\$ 25.97	\$ 2,628.59	\$ 3,195.95	\$ 2,305.43
Children's Home—Lamoni.....	498.51	645.26	563.41	364.36
Children's Home—Society Islands.....				237.21
Holden Home.....	1,308.34	833.00	402.25	410.21
Saints' Home.....	324.91	555.13	156.31	139.00
Sanitarium.....	39.39	1,508.51	842.52	753.50
Kirtland Temple.....				200.00
Totals.....	\$ 2,247.12	\$ 6,170.49	\$ 5,160.44	\$ 4,409.76

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COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURES—CONTINUED.

LESS EXPENDITURES—CHURCH INSTITUTIONS:			
Graceland College.....	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 16,128.50	\$ 23,511.40 ^v
Graceland College—Religious education class.....	1,129.55	4,982.06	7,938.54
Graceland College—gymnasium.....	7,717.90		
Children's Home—Lamoni.....	4,800.00	4,200.00	4,700.00
Children's Home—Society Islands.....			764.92
Holden Home.....	9,175.96	8,700.18	9,761.12
Saints' Home.....	13,553.75	7,928.55	8,469.75
Saints' Home farm.....		650.00	
Sanitarium.....	590.45	3,001.24	5,047.65
Totals.....	*\$ 52,967.61	\$ 45,590.53	\$ 60,193.38
Excess of expenditures over income.....	\$ 50,780.49	\$ 39,420.04	\$ 55,092.94
Operating deficit for year.....	**\$ 40,217.28	\$ 8,980.35	\$ 112,570.56
Depreciation charged to profit and loss.....	\$ 33,156.00		
Totals.....	\$ 73,373.78	\$ 8,980.35	\$ 112,570.56
			\$ 109,354.02

(1) Includes bequests—estimated \$12,000.

(2) Detail not available.

(3) Classified as reserved property expense for 1921-1922.

(4) Administration expense—real estate department included with administration expense church offices—1920-1921, \$1,799.23; 1921-1922, \$4,026.38.

(5) Includes expense of religious education class.

* This figure represents advances by Presiding Bishop to the various institutions and does not include donations sent direct to the institutions.

** The operating deficit was somewhat reduced as a result of the special consecration drive.

No accrued income or expense has been considered in the preparation of this statement.

STATEMENT OF COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET
Showing Increases and Decreases in Assets and Liabilities

		Assets		Increases & Decreases		Increases & Decreases		Increases & Decreases	
		7-1-20		7-1-20		7-1-20 over 1-1-17		3-1-25 over 1-1-17	
		July 1, 1924	July 1, 1920	July 1, 1920	July 1, 1917	Jan. 1, 1917	Jan. 1, 1917	Jan. 1, 1917	Jan. 1, 1917
CURRENT ASSETS—GENERAL FUND:									
Cash	liberty bonds and certificates of deposit	\$ 6,557.89	\$ 11,240.63	\$ 105,407.26	\$ 94,157.58	\$ 91,232.79	\$ 2,924.79	\$ 3,633.10	
Notes	receivable	98,868.27	88,558.09	10,286.26	98,854.35	67,300.18	31,554.17	67,314.10	
Contracts	received								
Real	estate	47,223.71	51,606.37	6,308.00	45,298.37	36,557.32	8,741.05	38,482.66	
Accounts	receivable	144,500.83	139,523.47	63,178.83	76,344.64	33,771.96	42,572.68	101,928.15	
Cash	retained by bishops and agents	10,083.90	8,120.47	36,095.37	44,205.78	12,136.14	32,069.64	21,935.74	
Total		\$ 307,234.60	\$ 276,538.72	\$ 22,302.00	\$ 358,860.72	\$ 240,998.39	\$ 117,862.33	\$ 189,372.27	
OTHER ASSETS—GENERAL FUND:									
Real	estate—subject to sale	\$ 217,620.43	\$ 121,662.87	\$ 25,638.61	\$ 96,024.26	\$ 60,214.44	\$ 35,809.82	\$ 181,810.61	
Investments		55,728.82	57,818.82	30,105.02	27,713.80	12,724.75	14,989.05	40,739.77	
Total		\$ 273,349.25	\$ 179,481.69	\$ 55,743.63	\$ 123,738.06	\$ 72,939.19	\$ 50,798.87	\$ 222,550.38	
SPECIAL FUND ASSETS		\$ 543,349.16	\$ 536,604.44	\$ 525,506.39	\$ 11,098.05	\$ 6,219.47	\$ 4,878.58	\$ 538,470.58	
PERMANENT ASSETS—GENERAL FUND:									
Land	and buildings	\$1,986,235.24	\$1,979,142.98	231,539.04	*1,747,603.94	518,554.85	*1,229,049.09	757,186.15	
Machinery	and equipment	85,816.10	68,854.31	26,729.43	95,583.74	33,669.88	*61,913.86	23,902.24	
Total		\$2,072,051.34	\$2,047,997.29	\$ 204,809.61	\$1,843,187.68	\$ 552,224.73	\$1,290,962.95	\$ 781,088.39	
Deferred assets—general fund									
Total		\$ 6,742.29	\$ 4,616.10	\$ 3,333.90	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 4,900.00	\$ 3,100.00	\$ 3,642.29	
Total Assets		\$3,202,726.64	\$3,045,258.24	\$ 699,306.73	\$2,344,884.51	\$ 877,281.78	\$1,467,602.73	\$1,755,123.91	

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Statement of Comparative Balance Sheet—Continued.

		Liabilities and Net Worth			
CURRENT LIABILITIES—GENERAL FUND:					
Notes payable	\$ 171,608.42	\$ 87,556.12	\$ 84,052.30	\$ 93,810.68	\$ 177,862.98
Accounts payable	65,432.95	20,548.84	44,884.11	21,747.33	23,136.78
Total	\$ 242,286.72	\$ 237,041.37	\$ 128,936.41	\$ 72,063.35	\$ 200,999.76
OTHER LIABILITIES—GENERAL FUND:					
General funds payable to special funds	\$ 243,724.98	\$ 232,626.93	\$ 11,098.05	\$ 6,219.47	\$ 4,878.58
Total	\$ 94,605.82	\$ 90,000.00	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 20,400.00	\$ 14,600.00
PERMANENT LIABILITIES—GENERAL FUND:					
Mortgages payable—real estate	\$ 1,937,887.45	\$ 2,158,752.00	\$ 916,506.19	\$ 1,242,245.81	\$ 755,686.40
Special fund reserve	536,604.44	525,506.39	11,098.05	6,219.47	4,878.58
Total	\$ 2,541,281.37	\$ 304,108.34	\$ 2,169,850.05	\$ 922,725.66	\$ 1,294,156.98
NET WORTH:					
Surplus—general fund	\$ 3,045,258.24	\$ 3,045,258.24	\$ 3,045,258.24	\$ 3,045,258.24	\$ 3,045,258.24
Special fund reserve	\$ 3,202,726.64	\$ 3,202,726.64	\$ 3,202,726.64	\$ 3,202,726.64	\$ 3,202,726.64
Total	\$ 6,247,984.88	\$ 6,247,984.88	\$ 6,247,984.88	\$ 6,247,984.88	\$ 6,247,984.88

* Estimated.

† This figure does not include the Net Worth of Associate Organizations.

Decreases are shown in italics.

Comparative Statement of
INCOME AND EXPENDITURES
Including Christmas Offering as Operating Income for Years
Ended December 31, 1916-17-18, and June 30, 1920

	Year Ended June 30, 1920		Year Ended Dec. 31, 1917		Year Ended Dec. 31, 1916		Total for 4 years
	June 30, 1920	Dec. 31, 1918	Dec. 31, 1917	Dec. 31, 1916	Dec. 31, 1916	Dec. 31, 1916	
INCOME:							
Tithes, offerings, consecrations, etc.....	\$597,162.68	\$504,761.64	\$432,798.86	\$278,707.47	\$278,707.47	\$1,808,430.65	
Christmas offering	*100,525.59	*71,564.29	*38,104.20	*8,598.48	*8,598.48	218,792.56	
Real estate	16,942.74	45,800.37	39,928.22	21,097.48	21,097.48	123,768.81	
Institutional	6,279.23	21,668.12	37,184.52	10,996.77	10,996.77	76,128.64	
Other miscellaneous income	**74,311.58	5,175.89	2,438.10	2,786.11	2,786.11	84,706.68	
Total	\$795,221.82	\$648,970.31	\$550,448.90	\$317,186.31	\$317,186.31	\$2,311,827.34	

EXPENDITURES:

Family allowances	\$213,254.82	\$168,679.11	\$140,391.33	\$126,564.18	\$126,564.18	\$648,889.44
Elders' expense	127,434.40	85,668.87	68,512.26	62,914.09	62,914.09	344,529.62
Aid	29,117.11	26,025.81	19,569.70	19,495.45	19,495.45	94,208.07
Real estate	21,820.84	2,974.68	1,880.36	5,231.05	5,231.05	31,906.93
Institutional	54,579.68	39,473.64	41,390.75	17,726.96	17,726.96	153,171.03
Administration	46,081.91	16,890.87	12,027.07	9,545.59	9,545.59	84,545.44
General and miscellaneous	***108,052.15	24,267.76	15,788.90	15,263.02	15,263.02	163,371.83
Total	\$600,340.91	\$368,980.74	\$299,560.37	\$256,740.34	\$256,740.34	\$1,520,622.36

Excess of income over expenditures.. \$194,880.91 \$284,989.57 \$250,888.53 \$ 60,445.97 \$ 791,204.98

* Not used for operating purposes during these years.
 ** Includes miscellaneous bishops' and agents' income in the amount of \$68,227.76.
 *** Includes miscellaneous bishops' and agents' expense in the amount of \$93,586.51.
 NOTE: The period from January 1, 1919, to June 30, 1919, has been eliminated.

Comparative Statement of
INCOME AND EXPENDITURES
Including Christmas Offering as Operating Income.
For Years Ended June 30, 1921-22-23-24

Years ended June 30, INCOME:	1924	1923	1922	1921	Total for 4 years
Tithes, offerings, consecrations, etc.	\$399,020.00	\$380,426.80	\$426,183.45**	\$557,782.59	\$1,763,862.84
Christmas offering	55,271.22	70,845.17	*59,335.98	*85,529.20	270,981.57
Real estate	39,056.08	34,049.90	35,414.43	30,401.98	138,922.39
Institutional	2,247.12	6,170.49	5,160.44	4,409.76	17,987.81
Other miscellaneous income	7,904.44	6,751.34	14,146.60	10,873.89	39,676.27
Totals	\$503,498.86	\$498,243.20	\$540,240.90	\$688,947.42	\$2,230,930.38
EXPENDITURES:					
Family allowances	\$230,285.44	\$207,934.97	\$247,277.29	\$289,756.74	\$ 975,204.44
Elders' expense	100,835.38	101,354.49	104,850.55	115,140.72	422,181.14
Aid	28,055.22	35,759.32	28,509.34	33,405.26	126,180.34
Real estate	38,683.19	30,346.28	29,540.88	28,126.67	126,696.52
Institutional	52,967.61	45,590.53	60,193.88	66,533.29	225,284.81
Administration	54,035.55	49,346.70	65,646.92	83,356.03	252,385.20
General and miscellaneous	38,453.15	36,840.66	57,457.62	††96,453.53	229,204.96
Totals	\$543,716.14	\$507,179.55	\$598,475.48	\$712,772.24	\$2,357,137.41
Excess of expenditures over income	\$ 40,217.28	\$ 8,930.35	†\$ 58,234.58	†\$ 23,824.82	\$ 126,207.03

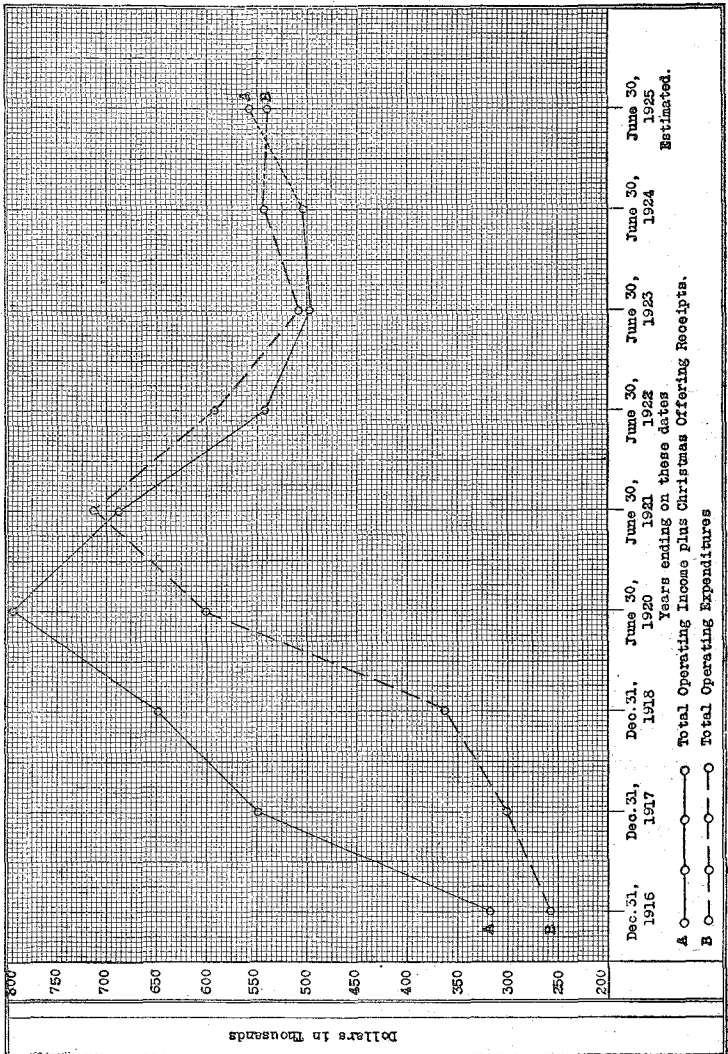
*Not used for operating purposes during these years.

**Includes miscellaneous bishops' and agents' income in the amount of \$30,081.89.

†This deficit should be increased by the amount of the Christmas offering income for the year, since these funds were not used for operating purposes.

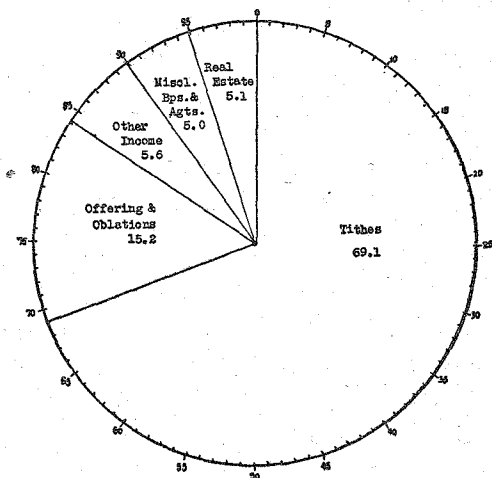
††Includes miscellaneous bishops' and agents' expense in the amount of \$71,755.32.

The excess of income over expenditures, considering the Christmas offering for the years ended June 30, 1921 and 1922, as special funds, amounts to \$271,605.71.



HOW THE 1920-21 DOLLAR WAS RECEIVED

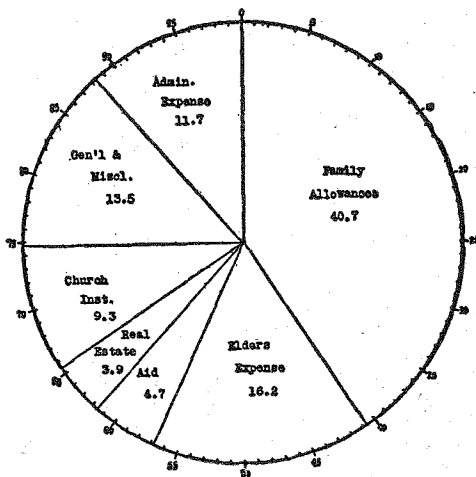
Total Income *\$603,418.22



Tithes, \$417,049.99; offering and oblation, \$91,840.32; consecration, \$6,760.39; bequests, \$12,000; miscellaneous bishops and agents, \$30,081.89; real estate, \$30,401.98; institutional, \$4,409.76; other income, \$10,873.89.

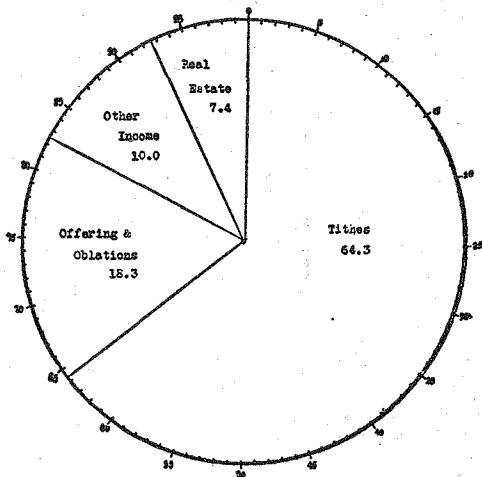
*The Christmas offering for this year was considered as special funds and not included in the total general fund income.

HOW 1920-21 DOLLAR WAS SPENT
 Total Expenditures for Year, \$712,772.24



Family allowances, \$289,756.74; elders' expense, \$115,140.72; aid, \$33,405.26; real estate, \$28,126.67; church institutions, \$66,533.29; general and miscellaneous, \$96,453.53; administration, \$88,356.03.

HOW THE 1921-22 DOLLAR WAS RECEIVED
Total Income *\$480,904.92

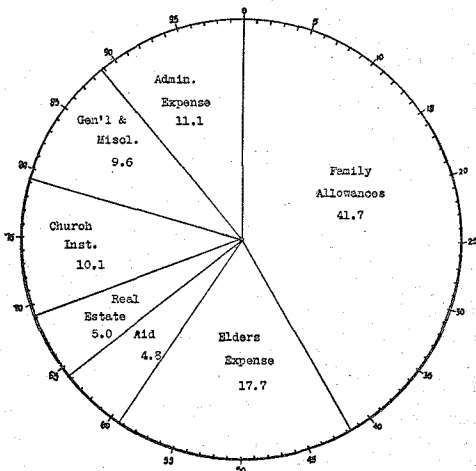


Tithes, \$309,085.44; offerings and oblation, \$87,848.86; consecration, \$11,819.74; bequests, \$17,429.41; miscellaneous bishops and agents, \$761.18; real estate, \$35,414.43; institutional \$5,160.44; other income, \$13,385.42.

*The Christmas offering for this year was considered as special funds and not included in the total general fund income.

HOW 1921-22 DOLLAR WAS SPENT

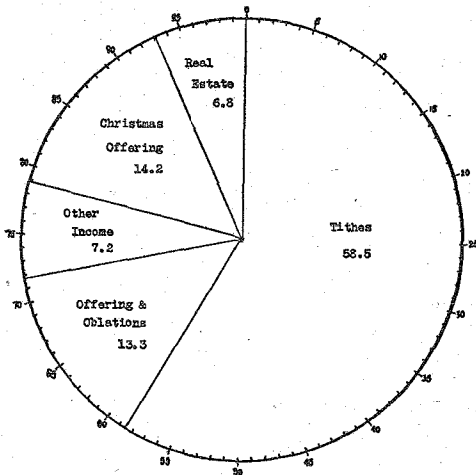
Total Expenditures for Year \$593,475.48



Family allowances, \$247,277.29; elders' expense, \$104,850.55; aid, \$28,509.34; real estate, \$29,540.38; church institutions, \$60,193.38; general and miscellaneous, \$57,457.62; administration, \$65,646.92.

HOW THE 1922-23 DOLLAR WAS RECEIVED

Total Income *\$498,243.20

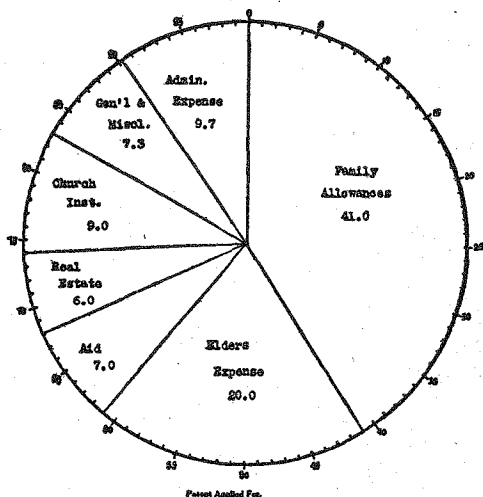


Tithes, \$291,539.42; offering and oblation, \$66,246.11; Christmas offering, \$70,845.17; consecration, \$12,462.16; bequests, \$10,178.61; real estate, \$34,049.90; institutional, \$6,170.49; other income, \$6,751.34.

*In preparing the previous chart for this year, as shown in the 1923 conference report, the item of institutional income, \$6,170.49, was deducted from institutional expense and not included in the total receipts.

HOW 1922-23 DOLLAR WAS SPENT

Total Expenditures for Year *\$507,173.55

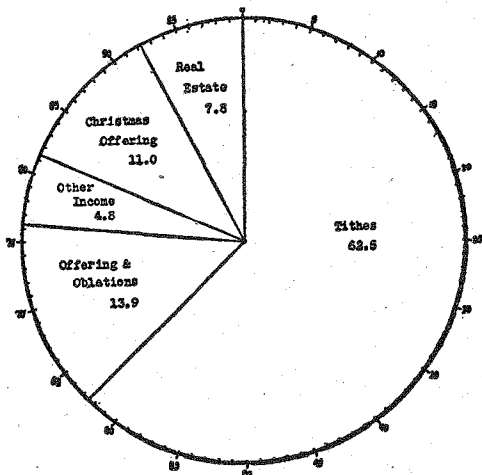


Family allowances, \$207,934.97; elders' expense, \$101,354.49; aid, \$35,759.92; real estate, \$30,346.28; church institutions, \$45,590.53; general and miscellaneous, \$36,940.66; administration, \$49,246.70.

*In preparing the previous chart for this year, as shown in the 1923 conference report, the item of institutional income, of \$6,170.49, was deducted from institutional expense and the expenditures therefore reduced in this amount.

HOW THE 1923-24 DOLLAR WAS RECEIVED

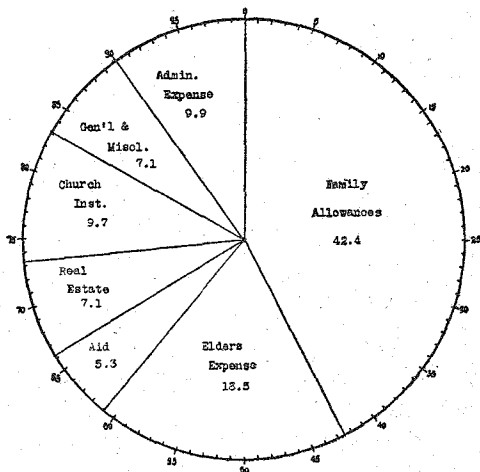
Total Income \$503,498.86



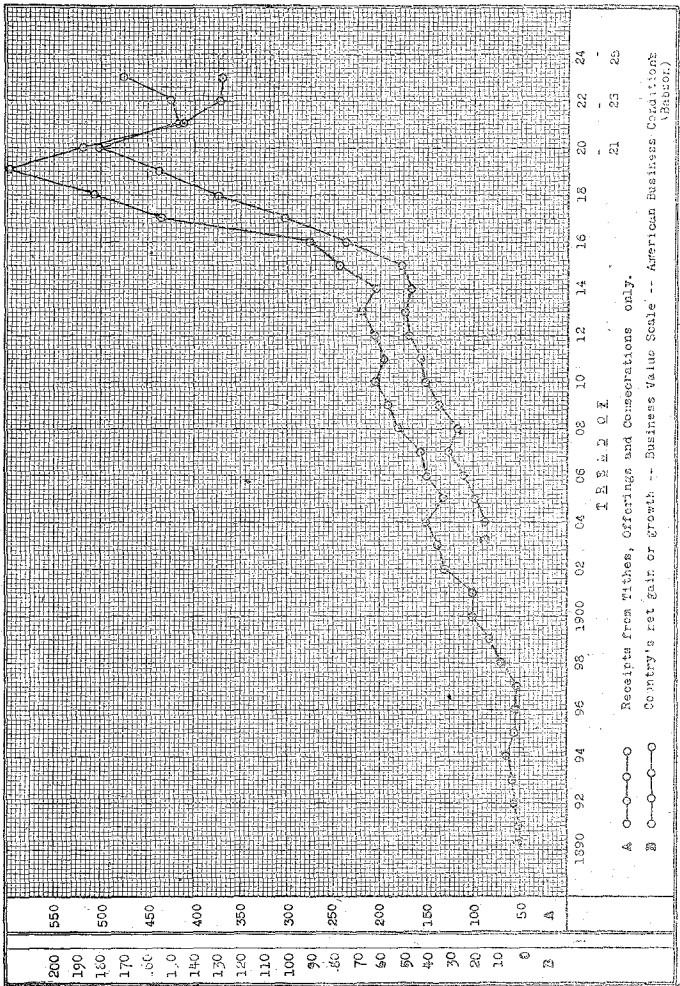
Tithes, \$314,623.63; offering and oblation, \$70,105.55; Christmas offering, \$55,271.22; consecration, \$4,054.82; bequests, \$10,263.00; real estate, \$39,056.08; institutional, \$2,247.12; other income, \$7,904.44.

HOW 1923-24 DOLLAR WAS SPENT

Total Expenditures for Year \$544,249.64



Family allowances, \$230,736.44; elders' expense, \$100,-837.88; aid, \$28,536.82; real estate, \$38,683.19; church institutions, \$52,967.61; general and miscellaneous, \$38,453.15; administration, \$54,035.55.



A O-O-O-O-O Receipts from Withes, Offerings and Consecrations only.
 B O-O-O-O-O Country's net gain or growth -- Business Value Scale -- American Business Conditions (Barber.)

Condensed Statement of

INCOME AND EXPENDITURES

For Period Ended February 28, 1925

General Income:

Tithing	\$175,043.29
Offering and oblation	63,773.70
Christmas offering	42,405.63
Consecration	10,662.23
Bequests	*42,224.83
Contributions for church departments	**17,769.53
Contributions for foreign missions	771.94
Interest earned	2,140.33
Dividends earned	350.85
Commissions earned	6.50

Total	\$355,148.83
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Less: Expenditures—General:

Family allowances	\$154,015.72
Elders' expense	60,370.89
Aid extended	19,235.65
Foreign missions	2,485.42
Payments on consecration contracts	3,195.16
Administration expense— church offices	25,648.72
Administration expense— stakes	8,685.71
Administration expense— bishops and agents	764.67
General expense—church offices ...	4,985.01
General church expense	2,868.81
Interest, exchange, revenue, etc.	5,293.96

Total	\$287,549.72
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Excess of income over expenditures	\$ 67,599.11
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Real Estate Income:

Rents earned:

Reserved	\$ 21,821.82	
Houses and lots	1,059.14	
Farm lands	1,939.91	
Church edifices	329.00	
Interest earned—		
real estate contracts	1,121.56	
Real estate income—		
sale of real estate	24,152.92	
Total		\$ 50,424.35

Less: Expenditures—Real Estate:

Reserved property	\$ 16,681.76	
Houses and lots	1,674.09	
Farm lands	675.89	
Church edifices	438.59	
Life estate expense	162.03	
Miscellaneous real estate expense..	70.40	
Real estate income—		
cost of real estate sold	18,914.81	
Materials and supplies	29.57	
Total		\$ 38,647.14
Excess of income over expenditures		\$ 11,777.21

Church Institutions—Income:

Graceland College	\$ 380.37	
Graceland College religious		
education	392.76	
Children's Home	524.28	
Holden Home	537.33	
Saints' Home	70.92	
Sanitarium	355.97	
Total		\$ 2,261.63

Less: Expenditures—Church Institutions:

Graceland College	\$ 9,500.00
Graceland College gymnasium	2,282.10
Children's Home	2,100.00

Holden Home	5,695.97	
Saints' Home	5,050.00	
Sanitarium	3,565.00	
Children's Home—		
Society Islands	2.91	
Total		\$ 28,195.98
Excess of expenditures over income		\$ 25,934.35
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Excess of income over expenditures for eight months ended Febru- ary 28, 1925		\$ 53,441.97

*Of this amount \$24,500 represents property other than cash which has been consecrated, bequeathed, or contributed to the church and included among the assets.

**Of this amount \$16,766.49 represents receipts for Radio Department.

CHURCH AUDITOR.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 1, 1925.

To the First Presidency: I submit the following statements, the result of my examination of the accounts of the Presiding Bishopric for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1924.

I have endeavored to make these statements quite plain and complete enough to reflect clearly the church's temporal activities during the year and its financial position at June 30, 1924.

Exhibit A-1. Balance sheet at June 30, 1924.

Exhibit A-2. Balance sheet with special fund asset accounts omitted.

Exhibit B. Statement of receipts and expenditures July 1, 1923, to June 30, 1924.

Exhibit C. Real estate department, statement of income and expenses.

Exhibit D. Reconciliation of net worth and reserve accounts.

Exhibit E. Comparative balance sheets showing increases and decreases of asset and liability accounts.

Exhibits F-1 to F-5. Analyses of expense accounts.

Exhibits S-1 to S-7. Auditorium fund and other special funds balance sheet.

Schedule S-1. Itemized statement of "Special Fund Investments."

I have of course performed the usual routine of checking to verify the assets and to establish the accuracy of the accounting work, bringing to the attention of the Presiding Bishop any clerical errors in order to put them in the way of being corrected.

Heretofore your auditor's report has included numerous "schedules" consisting of long lists of debtors and the amounts owing by each—of creditors and the amounts owing to each—real estate lists—church buildings, etc. Such schedules are not included at this time, partly for lack of time to get them into shape, but chiefly because I do not believe them important to this report. Such statements are prepared by the accounting department, and information is always available in the office of the bishopric when it is required. If, however, you have a different view of the matter and desire such schedules included in the report, they can be supplied later. For the present I have chosen rather to analyze some of the accounts in different ways than by name and amount and am giving in comments following some items of information that may perhaps be interesting or useful.

Notes Receivable:

Secured	\$ 81,293.93
Unsecured	98,919.49
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	\$180,213.42

Schedule S-1 gives a detailed statement of secured notes receivable set up on the books as special fund investments, amount \$58,526.59. All secured notes save a negligible few are covered by real estate mortgages or deeds of trust. The unsecured notes classify as follows:

From branches, districts, and church institutions	\$20,032.24
From individuals	78,887.25
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	\$98,919.49

Also another classification:

Not due	\$70,231.89
Past due—due dates ranging from 1920, but mainly due in 1922 and 1923	28,687.60
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	\$98,919.49

Of the amount "not due," some \$10,000 consists of renewals of matured items.

Accounts Receivable, \$146,081.45:

These accounts are classified as follows:

From branches, districts, and church institutions	\$70,781.45	
From individuals	75,300.00	
		<u>\$146,081.45</u>

Also another classification:

1923 and 1924 accounts	\$115,388.08	
1922 accounts	10,548.30	
1921 accounts	5,947.11	
1920 accounts	2,724.84	
1919 and older accounts	11,473.12	<u>\$146,081.45</u>

Exhibit E shows an increase in accounts receivable of \$37,941.22, of which amount \$21,097.73 is increase in loans to branches and church institutions and \$16,843.49 increase in individual accounts.

Reserves for Losses:

Notes	\$ 9,127.00
Accounts	6,557.98
	<u>\$15,684.98</u>

These accounts have not changed during the year except that bad accounts were charged to the latter in the amount of \$3,039.75. While I have made no attempt to classify notes and accounts as good, doubtful, or bad, and perhaps could not do so, I am doubtful if these amounts are half large enough to represent the uncollectable ones. However, since there are no commercial problems involved such as value of shares, earning power, credit standing, etc., I do not know if it is important even to have reserve accounts for losses, so have given these accounts only passing attention. Overdraft, Jackson County Bank, \$22,224.92.

This item is not in reality an overdraft, but represents accrued expenses—elders' family allowances, etc., for which checks were drawn June 30, but such checks were not remitted until some days later when funds were in bank to cover them. Comparative Balance Sheets—Exhibit E.

This statement is an interesting exhibit, showing how the year's deficit is provided for—namely, by increase of liabilities mainly. The excess of losses written off plus expenditures over income for the year is \$109,202.55. Decrease of assets provides \$4,027.65 of this total, and the remainder, \$105,174.90 is made up of increases in liabilities. This statement you will observe does not include special fund asset accounts.

The limited time since my appointment as auditor has

made it impossible to examine more than one set of books—those of the Presiding Bishopric. The church institutions—Herald Office, stake bishop's books, etc., will be taken up as rapidly as we can get to them and reports made to your office after each audit.

Respectfully submitted,
 G. W. EASTWOOD,
 Church Auditor.

Exhibit "A1"
 PRESIDING BISHOP'S OFFICE
 BALANCE SHEET AT JUNE 30, 1924
 Combining Special Fund Asset Accounts
 Assets

CASH AND UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT BONDS:			
Cash on hand and in banks—			
see overdraft contra		\$ 8,975.24	
Cash in banks— <i>special</i> (see note)		22,652.60	
Certificates of deposit— <i>special</i> ...		35,059.46	
Cash in hands of Bishop			
and agents		12,736.57	
United States Government bonds			
and W. S. S.— <i>special</i>		45,803.30	
Total Liquid Assets			\$ 125,227.17
RECEIVABLES:			
Notes receivable—secured	\$ 22,767.34		
Notes receivable—secured			
— <i>special</i>	58,526.59	\$ 81,293.93	
Notes receivable—unsecured	74,917.75		
Notes receivable—unsecured			
— <i>special</i>	24,001.74		
	\$ 98,919.49		
Less reserve for losses	9,127.00	\$ 89,792.49	
Real estate contracts receivable..		51,606.37	
Accounts receivable	\$ 146,081.45		
Deduct reserve for losses	6,557.98	\$ 139,523.47	
Total Receivables			\$ 362,216.26
PROPERTY:			
Real estate for sale	\$ 123,801.64		
Copartnership investments		14,000.00	
Corporate bonds		4,140.46	
Corporate stock	39,678.36		
Corporate stock— <i>special</i>	19,240.53	58,918.89	
			\$ 200,860.99
Total Current Assets			\$ 688,304.42
			\$9,481.96

PERMANENT:

Churches, land, and buildings ...	\$1,424,827.07	
Church institutions—homes, etc., not separately incorporated ...	90,651.91	
Real estate reserved	\$437,631.19	
Real estate reserved— <i>special</i>	83,294.05	520,975.24
Real estate subject to life estate..	51,433.81	
Automobiles	2,049.00	
Furniture, fixtures, and equipment	57,189.33	
Libraries	17,171.98	
Total Permanent Assets ...	\$2,164,298.34	
Deduct reserves for depreciation..	33,156.00	
Net Permanent Assets		\$2,131,142.34
Total Assets		\$2,819,446.76

Liabilities

CURRENT:

Overdraft Jackson County Bank.	\$	20,224.92
Loans from banks		8,712.86
Notes payable to others		162,130.56
Mortgages payable		90,765.00
Open accounts payable		42,616.01
Receipts from sale of churches— subject to refund		22,816.94
Auditorium fund receipts	\$464,259.56	
Less Auditorium expense to date	4,278.65	\$ 459,980.91
Land and inheritance funds	\$ 59,054.07	
Less expense account	22.54	59,031.53
Church extension fund		59.46
Temple fund		9,266.74
Organ fund		176.95
German relief fund		2,203.87
Total special fund reserves.		\$ 530,719.46
Total Current Liabilities...		\$ 877,985.75

NET WORTH:

Church edifices	\$1,424,827.07	
Other assets less liabilities	516,633.94	\$1,941,461.01
Total Liabilities and Net Worth		\$2,819,446.76

NOTE: The use of the word "Special" means that these assets are designated on the books as belonging to Special fund accounts—Auditorium fund, land fund, etc. We have shown them in their usual grouping, i. e., with other similar assets. The assets so designated amount to a total of \$288,578.27. Deducted from the total liability on account of Special funds, this leaves the amount borrowed out of these funds for general use to be \$242,141.19.

Elsewhere we show another balance sheet with Special fund asset accounts not considered, also balance sheets for all Special funds.

Exhibit "A2"

PRESIDING BISHOPRIC

BALANCE SHEET AT JUNE 30, 1924

(Special Fund Accounts Not Included.)

Assets

CASH AND GOVERNMENT BONDS:		
Cash on hand and in banks	\$	8,975.24
Cash in hands of Bishop's agents		12,736.57
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Total Liquid Assets	\$	21,711.81
RECEIVABLE:		
Notes secured	\$	22,767.84
Notes unsecured	\$ 74,917.75	
Less reserve for losses	9,127.00	\$ 65,790.75
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Real estate contracts receivable ..		51,606.37
Accounts receivable	146,081.45	
Deduct for losses	6,557.93	\$ 139,523.47
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Total Receivable	\$	279,687.93
PROPERTY:		
Real estate for sale	\$123,801.64	
Copartnership investments	14,000.00	
Corporate bonds	4,140.46	
Corporate stocks	39,678.36	
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		\$ 181,620.46
Total Current Assets	\$	483,020.20
PERMANENT:		
Churches, land, and buildings ...	\$1,424,827.07	
Church institutions, homes, etc., not separately incorporated ...	90,651.91	
Real estate reserved	437,681.19	
Real estate subject to life estate..	51,433.81	
Automobiles	2,049.00	
Furniture and fixtures and equipment	57,189.33	
Libraries	17,171.98	
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		\$2,081,004.29
Deduct for depreciation		33,156.00
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Net Permanent Assets	\$2,047,848.29	
Total Assets	\$2,530,868.49	
Liabilities		
CURRENT:		
Overdraft Jackson County Bank.....	\$	20,224.92
Loans from bank		8,712.86

Notes payable to others		162,130.56
Mortgages payable		90,765.00
Accounts payable		42,616.01
Receipts from sale of churches subject to refund		22,816.94
Auditorium fund loans	181,910.45	
Land and inheritance fund loans	50,324.88	
Temple fund loans	7,674.24	
Organ fund loans	132.45	
German relief fund loans	2,099.37	
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		\$ 242,141.19
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		\$ 589,407.48
NET WORTH:		
Church edifices	\$1,424,827.07	
Other assets less liabilities	516,633.94	\$1,941,461.01
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Total Liabilities and Net Worth		\$2,530,868.49

PRESIDING BISHOPRIC
RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES
Year Ended June 30, 1924

Exhibit "B"
Receipts

Tithing		\$314,623.63
Offerings and oblation		125,376.77
Consecration		4,054.82
Bequests		10,236.00
Contributions for church departments:		
Women's Department	\$ 967.12	
Radio	11.00	
Graphic Arts	10.09	
History	3.86	992.07
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For foreign missions:		
German	73.35	
Australasia	121.75	
British Isles, general	54.79	
British Isles, Saint Leonards	60.15	
Scandinavian93	
Society Islands	2,401.87	
Isle of Pines	280.60	2,993.44
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For Church Institutions:		
Graceland College	1,983.45	
Children's Home	498.51	

Holden Home	1,308.34	
Saints' Home	324.91	
Independence Sanitarium	1,736.75	5,851.96

Net Income from Real Estate:

See separate statement—Exhibit C.....		372.89
Dividends received		653.12
Interest received		3,265.81
Refund of prior year's expenses		944.80
Charge back to bank of old outstanding checks		462.62

\$469,827.93

Expenditures

Elders' family allowances—Exhibit F-1	\$230,235.44
Elders' expenses—Exhibit F-1	100,805.38
Foreign missions expenses—Exhibit F-2	9,481.96
Payments on consecration contracts	5,482.80
Consecration prior years refunded	10,700.00
Aid extended	28,535.82
Administration expenses—Exhibit F-5	48,043.92
Stakes' expenses—Exhibit F-3	11,895.56
Bishops and agents outside of stakes	1,121.38
General church miscellaneous expenses	1,868.37
General Conference expenses	2,220.99
Donations to church buildings	535.45
Refund of proceeds from sale of churches in prior years	268.50
Library expenses	809.19
Exchange	306.68
Discount on Liberty Bonds sold	1,196.38
Interest paid (not including real estate loans)	7,411.62
Expense on Colorado White Marble Investment	1,503.25
Miscellaneous expense	611.15
Refund or adjustment of items in prior years erroneously credited as income	715.29
Support of church institutions—Exhibit F-4:	
Contributed for the purpose	\$ 5,851.96
Supplied out of general funds	50,720.49
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\$520,321.58

Receipts

469,827.93

Expenditures in excess of receipts

\$ 50,493.65

Exhibit "C"

PRESIDING BISHOPRIC
REAL ESTATE DEPARTMENT
STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES
Year Ended June 30, 1924

INCOME:

Sales of real estate	\$10,163.00	\$	
Deduct cost of real estate sold	9,371.11		

Balance profit	791.89		
Interest on real estate contracts received	3,187.93		

Rents received—			
Reserved property	22,837.52		
Houses and lots for sale	1,409.83		
Farm lands	998.80		
Church edifices	459.00		

Total Rents	\$25,705.15		
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Total Earnings Gross			\$29,684.97
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Expenses

RESERVED PROPERTY:

Repairs and maintenance	\$ 8,742.73		
Taxes	6,339.11		
Interest	3,919.82		
Insurance	1,521.01		
Abstracts	56.23		
Crop expenses	1,456.34		
Commission on loan renewal	875.00		\$22,910.24

HOUSES AND LOTS FOR SALE:

Repairs and maintenance	\$ 1,188.72		
Taxes	1,275.49		
Interest	231.19		
Insurance	31.00		
Abstracts	118.31		
Miscellaneous	84.00		\$ 2,928.71

FARM LANDS FOR SALE:

Repairs and maintenance	\$ 258.43		
Taxes	832.98		
Interest	84.00		
Insurance	8.80		
Abstracts	18.15		
Crop expenses	12.65		
Commission	200.00		
Miscellaneous	31.00		\$ 1,446.01

Church edifice expenses	1,256.85		
Life estate expenses	322.42		
Miscellaneous expense	447.85		

Total Expenses			\$29,312.08
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Balance Net Gain			\$ 372.89
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	Rep. & Maint.	Taxes	Interest	Insurance	Miscel.	Total
Receive. ...	\$8,742.73	\$6,339.11	\$3,919.82	\$1,521.01	\$2,387.57	\$22,910.24
For Sale ...	1,188.72	1,275.49	231.19	31.00	202.31	2,928.71
Farms	258.43	832.98	84.00	8.80	261.80	1,446.01
	\$10,189.88	\$8,447.58	\$4,235.01	\$1,560.81	\$2,851.68	\$27,284.96

Exhibit "D"

PRESIDING BISHOPRIC

RECONCILIATION OF NET WORTH AND RESERVE ACCOUNTS

Year Ended June 30, 1924

Credits

Net worth per ledger balance at June 30, 1923		\$2,089,561.04
Deduct adjustments during year relating to prior years		23,780.73
Balance—true net worth at June 30, 1923		2,065,780.31
Reserves at June 30, 1923:		
For notes	\$ 9,127.00	
For accounts	9,597.23	
For investments	15,000.00	33,724.23
Total—net worth and reserves at June 30, 1923		2,099,504.54
Add reserves set up during year:		
For losses on investments	15,000.00	
For depreciation	33,156.00	48,156.00
Total Credits		\$2,147,660.54
	Charges	
Excess of expenditures over receipts per Exhibit B		50,493.65
Depreciation and reserve for losses charged to profit and loss		48,156.00
Value of two churches sold during year proceeds credited subject to refund		17,250.00
Losses charged off:		
Independence storehouse	\$28,305.85	
Lamoni laundry	10,202.63	
Lamoni Supply Store	1,540.57	
On sale of farm machinery	1,040.00	
On sale of Kirtland Hotel equip- ment	169.85	
Mary S. Fisk, account received	200.00	
Total losses		41,458.90
Total charges		157,358.55
Net worth balance at June 30, 1924		1,941,461.01
Reserves balance at June 30, 1924		48,840.98
Total		\$2,147,660.54
Decrease of net worth	\$124,319.30	
Increase of reserves	15,116.75	
Net decrease	\$109,202.55	

Exhibit "E"

PRESIDING BISHOPRIC
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS
1923 and 1924

Assets

	6-30-23	6-30-24	Increases	Decreases
Cash	\$ 8,044.90	\$ 8,975.24	\$ 930.34	
Cash—bishops and agents	21,972.59	12,736.57		9,236.02
Notes receivable secured	12,514.87	22,767.34	10,252.47	
Notes receivable unsecured	87,110.63	74,917.75		12,192.88
R. E. contracts receivable	55,530.37	51,606.37		3,924.00
Accounts receivable	108,140.23	146,081.45	37,941.22	
Real estate for sale	124,585.88	123,801.64		784.24
Investments	77,982.31	57,818.82		20,163.49
Church edifices	1,438,273.69	1,424,827.07		13,446.62
Reserved real estate including life estates and institutions	575,378.14	579,766.91	4,388.77	
Automobiles	2,049.00	2,049.00		
Equipment—furniture and fixtures	55,520.33	57,189.33	1,669.00	
Libraries	16,634.18	17,171.98	537.80	
Totals	\$2,583,737.12	\$2,579,709.47	\$55,719.60	\$59,747.25
	\$2,579,709.47			\$55,719.60

Decrease of assets\$ 4,027.65 \$ 4,027.65

Liabilities

Overdraft Jackson County Bank	\$ 6,418.78	\$ 20,224.92	\$ 13,806.14	
Notes payable	216,433.67	261,608.42	45,124.75	
Accounts payable	45,211.35	42,616.01		\$2,595.34
Church edifice receipts sub-Special fund loans.....	209,658.10	242,141.19	32,483.09	
Totals	\$484,232.58	\$589,407.48	\$107,770.24	\$2,595.34
		\$484,232.58	2,595.34	

Increase of liabilities \$105,174.90 \$105,174.90

Summary

Decrease of assets\$ 4,027.65
Increase of liabilities\$105,174.90

Total equal to decrease of net worth and reserves
per Exhibit "D"\$109,202.55

Exhibit "F1"

PRESIDING BISHOPRIC
ANALYSIS OF EXPENSE ACCOUNTS
Year Ended June 30, 1924
Family Allowances and Elders' Expenses

	Allowances	Expenses	Totals
General officers	\$ 30,410.12	\$ 22,993.43	\$ 53,403.55
Active missionaries	128,305.08	54,738.08	183,043.16
Local pastors	42,330.77	19,765.60	62,096.37
Superannuated	18,243.71	3,370.77	21,614.48
Widows	11,446.76		11,446.76
	<u>\$230,736.44</u>	<u>\$100,867.88</u>	<u>\$331,604.32</u>

Exhibit "F2"

Foreign Mission Expenses \$9,481.96

Australasia	\$ 858.33
Palestine	248.08
Society Islands	4,144.09
British Isles—General	964.83
British Isles—Saint Leonards	2,902.84
Sweden	80.66
Hawaiian	11.08
Isle of Pines and Cayman Islands	272.05

Exhibit "F3"

Stake Expenses \$11,895.56

	Presidency	Bishop	Miscel.	Total
Independence	\$ 927.29	\$3,240.15	\$ 9.00	\$4,176.44
Lamoni	1,419.51	766.73	123.65	2,309.89
Kansas City	263.64	2,401.28	446.42	3,111.34
Far West	253.82	591.89	25.64	871.35
Holden	366.00	457.45	603.09	1,426.54
Totals	<u>\$3,230.26</u>	<u>\$7,457.50</u>	<u>\$1,207.80</u>	<u>\$11,895.56</u>

Exhibit "F4"

PRESIDING BISHOPRIC
SUPPORT OF CHURCH INSTITUTIONS

Year Ended June 30, 1924

	Receipts for Purpose	Expended out of General Fund	Total
Graceland College	\$1,983.45	\$15,974.03	\$17,957.48
Liberty (Children's) Home	498.51	4,301.49	4,800.00
Holden Home	1,308.34	7,867.62	9,175.96
Saints' Home	324.91	13,228.84	13,553.75
Independence Sanitarium	1,786.75	501.06	2,287.81
Religious education		1,129.55	1,129.55
Graceland College gymnasium		7,717.90	7,717.90
Totals	<u>\$5,851.96</u>	<u>\$50,720.49</u>	<u>\$56,572.45</u>

Exhibit "F5"

PRESIDING BISHOPRIC
ANALYSIS OF EXPENSE ACCOUNTS
Year Ended June 30, 1924
Administration Expenses \$48,043.92

Bishop's office—secretarial department	\$ 5,345.73	\$ 265.16	\$ 651.30	\$ 842.48	\$ 10.00	\$ 126.00	\$ 6.30	\$ 54.54	\$ 7,301.51
Bishop's office—real estate department	732.00		30.00	.95	25.00		1.00	.80	789.75
Bishop's office—accounting department	8,430.15	15.25	304.79		40.00	29.13			8,819.32
Total Bishopric	\$14,507.88	\$ 230.41	\$ 986.09	\$ 843.43	\$ 35.00	\$166.00	\$ 36.43	\$ 55.34	\$16,910.58
First Presidency	\$ 7,299.90	\$ 553.36	\$ 199.91	\$ 421.00	\$ 58.64	\$ 87.50	\$ 2.00	\$ 20.32	\$ 8,642.63
Quorum of Twelve	1,002.59	107.61	185.93	225.29		43.00		37.99	1,602.41
Publicity Agent	2,546.91		1,487.89	397.57	60.00	79.25		931.65	5,503.27
Statistician	1,552.18		Cr. 335.80	221.00					1,437.38
Auditor's office	2,712.50	75.00	54.39						2,841.89
Church Architect	75.40		26.31	3.32	8.50	21.50			135.03
Historian's office	385.05		28.30	45.53	7.50		6.80		916.38
Presiding Patriarch	114.61		25.60	1.30			6.00		143.31
Department of Music				2.25					8.25
Department of Women	1,651.25	316.22	91.58	15.00			5.00	420.95	2,500.00
Church Secretary	12.20			3.00				34.48	49.68
Graphic Arts Bureau	10.00		34.79	9.00			10.00	47.14	47.14
Social Service Bureau	127.50		5.10				5.83		138.43
Librarian	48.00	5.00	40.62	32.81	7.80		3.00		137.23
Total	\$32,495.97	\$1,337.60	\$2,830.71	\$2,220.50	\$117.44	\$935.00	\$197.31	\$1,484.08	\$41,018.31

Add general expense church offices—detail below..... \$ 7,025.31

Salaries and wages	\$1,237.04
Janitor	1,200.00
Light, heat, and rent	3,384.28
Telephones, telegrams, postage	975.69
Repairs and maintenance	60.01
Freight, etc.	118.65
Traveling expense	13.99
Ice and water	30.65
Miscellaneous	5.00
Total	\$7,025.31

Exhibit "S1"

PRESIDING BISHOPRIC

RECAPITULATION OF SPECIAL FUND BALANCE SHEETS

June 30, 1924

Fund	Liquid Assets Cash & Bonds	Investments	Deferred Expenses	Loaned to Gen. Fund	Total Contrib. & Earnings
Auditorium	\$100,007.55	\$178,062.91	\$4,278.65	\$181,910.45	\$464,259.56
Inheritance and land	1,706.85	7,000.00	22.54	50,324.68	59,054.07
Church Extension	59.46				59.46
Temple	1,592.50			7,674.24	9,266.74
Organ	44.50			132.45	176.95
German relief	104.50			2,099.37	2,208.87
	\$108,515.36	\$185,062.91	\$4,301.19	\$242,141.19	\$535,020.65

BALANCE SHEET, AT JUNE 30, 1924

Auditorium Fund

Exhibit "S2"

Contributions and payments on pledges	\$423,168.30
Income from loans and investments:	
Cash received	\$14,946.04
Interest on loans to general fund credited by addition to loan account 1922 and 1923	26,145.22
Total income	41,091.26
Total contributions and income	\$464,259.56

Represented by:

Cash in bank (checking account)	\$ 19,704.25
Certificates of deposit in bank	35,000.00
U. S. Government Bonds and War Saving Stamps	45,303.30
Investments (see schedule)	178,062.91
Expense to date on auditorium	4,278.65
Balance loaned to general fund	181,910.45
	\$464,259.56

INHERITANCE AND LAND FUNDS, AT JUNE 30, 1924

Exhibit "S3"

Christmas offerings July 1, 1920, to February 28, 1922	\$133,606.19	
Land fund receipts July 1, 1920, to June 30, 1924	6,535.92	
Income from Christmas offering de- posits and investments	599.81	
Receipts for inheritance fund 1923-24	262.18	
		<u>\$141,004.10</u>
Deduct:		
Land purchases—item June 30, 1921 (Note 1)	78,943.03	
Payments on inheritance 1923-24....	3,007.00	
		<u>81,950.03</u>
Balance of funds		\$ 59,054.07
Represented by:		
Cash in bank	1,206.85	
U. S. Government Bonds	500.00	
Investment (see note 2)	7,000.00	
Deferred assets—expense	22.54	
Balance loaned to general fund	50,324.68	
		<u>\$ 59,054.07</u>

Note 1. This item of land purchased does not represent any particular purchase or purchases of land. At June 30, 1921, the books showed loan accounts, Christmas offering and land funds to general fund amounting to \$78,943.03. The amount in this fund is simply reduced in that sum by credit to present worth account, the journal entry bearing explanation—"To cancel special fund loans to general fund since land purchased with general funds should have been paid with land fund and Christmas offering cash." (J. V. 344, approved by E. J. S. Entry by F. J. L. Journal C. R. 107.)

Note 2. Consists of note of William F. Fosdick assigned by Marion W. Barrett. Date of June 23, 1920, for 5 years, amount \$7,000 secured by real estate mortgage on 153 acres, Decatur County, Iowa.

MISCELLANEOUS SPECIAL FUNDS, AT JUNE 30, 1923

Exhibit "S4"

Church Extension Fund:

Contribution March, 1923	\$ 56.24
Interest on certificate of deposit	3.22
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Total	\$ 59.46
Represented by:	
Certificate of deposit	\$ 59.46
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Exhibit "S5"

Temple Fund:

Contributions	\$9,266.74
Represented by:	
Cash in bank	\$1,592.50
Loaned to general fund	7,674.24
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	\$9,266.74
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Exhibit "S6"

Organ Fund:

Contributions	\$ 176.95
Represented by:	
Cash in bank	\$ 44.50
Loaned to general fund	132.45
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	\$ 176.95
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Exhibit "S7"

German Relief Fund:

Total contributed July 1, 1920, to June 30, 1924	\$3,114.86
Deduct amount disbursed for relief.....	910.99
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Balance of fund	\$2,203.87
Represented by:	
Cash in bank	\$ 104.50
Loaned to general fund	2,099.37
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	\$2,203.87
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Schedule "S1"

PRESIDING BISHOPRIC
SPECIAL FUND INVESTMENTS, AT JUNE 30, 1924

Real Estate:

310 So. River—Proposed Audit. Site	\$ 5,077.82
303-309 So. Grand—Proposed Audit. Site	6,250.00
North Liberty Street Church	2,001.10
Recreation Field, Allen's First Addition	8,073.04
321 So. Grand—Proposed Audit. Site	2,800.00
316 So. River—Proposed Audit. Site	5,500.00
Battery Block	53,592.09
Total	<u><u>\$83,294.05</u></u>

Colorado White Marble Company:

Corporate Stock, 1700 shares at \$10	\$ 17,000.00
Expense of investigation, etc.	1,890.53
° Real estate—File 353	350.00
Total	<u><u>\$19,240.53</u></u>

Notes Receivable

Date Acquired	Maker	Date of Note	Time	Due Date	Amount
SECURED BY DEED OF TRUST:					
6- 1-21	G. L. Haas	8-24-20		4- 1-21	\$ 500.00
6- 1-21	G. L. Haas	8-24-20		10-31-21	750.00
6- 1-21	G. L. Haas	8-24-20		10-31-22	750.00
3- 4-21	C. E. Bogue	3- 1-21	1 yr.	3- 1-22	3,000.00
3- 4-21	C. E. Bogue	3- 1-21	1 yr.	3- 1-22	1,000.00
11-27-23	F. E. Chappelow	11-27-23	3 yrs.	11-27-26	1,600.00
4-18-21	W. T. Culp	4- 2-21	3 yrs.	4- 2-24	2,000.00
4- 2-21	T. W. Curtis	4- 1-10	5 yrs. extended to	4- 1-21	2,500.00
9- 6-23	R. C. Davis	9- 6-23	3 yrs.	9- 6-26	3,000.00
9- 9-22	Wm. F. Fosdick	6-23-20	5 yrs.	6-23-25	7,000.00
7- 1-22	W. C. Harvey	10- 1-19	5 yrs. extended to	10-1-27	2,000.00
1- 6-23	M. T. Jamison	8-15-22	5 yrs.	8-15-27	6,000.00
1- 5-22	Carl McVey		Paid	7- 9-24	12,375.00
2-13-18	J. W. Mauzey	6-18-14	3 yrs.	6-18-17	2,180.00
2-22-23	Wm. Mellinson	12-27-17	5 yrs.	12-27-22	7,000.00
6-30-22	Bessie Salsig	8-18-21	5 yrs.	8-18-24	1,000.00
6- 5-22	M. M. Salter	4- 3-22	5 yrs.	4- 3-27	844.08
10- 3-21	O. D. Spradley	10- 3-21	5 yrs.	10- 3-26	2,000.00
10- 3-21	O. D. Spradley	10- 3-21	\$20 per month	Bal.	1,027.51
12- 4-22	George A. Gould	12- 4-22	6 mos.	6- 4-23	1,000.00
7- 1-20	R. C. Russell	7- 1-20	5 yrs.	7- 1-25	1,000.00
TOTAL					<u><u>\$58,526.59</u></u>

UNSECURED—INDIVIDUAL:

7-28-21	A. B. Church, E. E. Nunn, and A. R. Moler	7-28-21	4 yrs.	7-28-25	\$ 2,800.00
6-29-21	M. B. Palmer	6-29-21	6 mos.	12-29-21	125.00
9-24-21	B. E. Peterson	9-24-21	6 mos.	3-24-21	Bal. 400.00
12- 3-21	Ellis Short	12- 3-21	6 mos.		6,000.00
TOTAL					\$ 8,825.00

UNSECURED—CHURCH BRANCHES:

11-29-20	Grand View Branch		5 yrs.		\$ 5,500.00
3-25-20	Hamilton Branch	7 yrs.	\$500 a year	Bal.	1,604.00
7- 1-21	Lexington Branch	\$75 mo.	Total \$4,154.27	Bal.	3,247.74
3- 1-20	N. E. Illinois District		5 yrs.		1,000.00
8- 2-21	Owen Sound Branch		One-two and three years		1,500.00
1-29-20	Pontiac Branch		3 yrs.		500.00
11-11-20	Sarnia Branch		\$500 a year	Bal.	1,825.00
TOTAL					\$15,176.74
GRAND TOTAL					\$185,062.91

CHURCH GOVERNMENT

President F. M. Smith read the following, presented by the First Presidency, from the April Council of 1924:

To the Church: In April, 1924, in response to call from the Presidency, a council met in Independence comprising the following officials: The First Presidency, the members of the Quorum of Twelve who were in America (eight), and the Bishops (except those in foreign fields). The genesis of this council has been presented in the *Herald* for June 18, 1924, and needs not repetition.

Among other things accomplished by this council was the adoption of the following, which the Presidency presents to the General Conference with the recommendation that it be adopted:

"This church, as defined by the late Joseph Smith, is a theocratic-democracy—not man-made, but of divine appointment and origin. (Matthew 16: 18; Doctrine and Covenants 1: 5; 17: 7; 1 Nephi 3: 221; 3 Nephi 10: 1.)

"The government of the church is by divine authority through priesthood. (Doctrine and Covenants 68: 4; 104; Acts 20: 28). The government in its objective is beneficent,

and its purpose is betterment of human conditions. The divine authority becomes operative through the consent of the governed—the common consent indicated in the law (Doctrine and Covenants 25:1; 27:4). It is divine government among the people, for the people, and for the glory of God and the achievement of his purposes towards ideal conditions.

“God directs the church through clearly indicated channels (Doctrine and Covenants 43:1, 2; 27:2); and his voice is the directing power of the church; but to this the assent of the people must be secured.

“In organic expression and functioning there must be recognized grades of official prerogative and responsibility (Doctrine and Covenants 104; 122:9), with supreme directional control resting in the Presidency as the chief and first quorum of the church (Doctrine and Covenants 122:2, 9; 104:42). This control it is presumed is beneficent. Protection against prostitution of this power is amply provided in the law.

“To carry into effect the purposes of the church, effective administration is imperative, and organic solidarity is maintained only by effective discipline, which is in consonance with the beneficent purposes of the church, but yet strongly enough administered to prevent the purposes of the organization being frustrated by individual caprice and rebellion. Authority to be effective must be respected.

“This view of the organization of the church affirms the interdependence of departments and coordination of action and holds General Conference as the instrument of the expression of the will of the people.”

It is, we feel certain, quite generally apparent that under existing conditions this matter should receive attention and the issue settled early in the conference, hence we suggest and recommend that the conference give its entire attention to this matter until settled.

FREDERICK M. SMITH,
For the Presidency.

It was moved by Elders M. A. McConley and J. O. Dutton that the document be adopted.

Printed copies of the document were distributed.

BASIS OF AGREEMENT

The following "Basis of Agreement" was moved as a substitute for the April council document, by Elders J. F. Curtis and J. W. Rushton:

PROPOSED BASIS OF AGREEMENT

(An Appeal to the Priesthood, Delegates, and Membership.)

In order to unify the forces of the church, we the Presidents of the Seventy offer the following as a basis of agreement:

The church is a theocratic-democracy—not man-made but of divine appointment and origin. (Matthew 16: 18.)

The government of the church is by divine authority and the common consent of the people. (John 15: 16; Romans 10: 13-15; Doctrine and Covenants 1: 2; 25: 1, 2; 27: 4; 38: 5; 42: 5; Mosiah 13: 34-40.)

Under the theocratic phase, the authority of God is primary. Under the democratic phase, the people (priesthood and membership) exercise the right to consent to, reject, or originate legislation.

This government is administered through priesthood, which consists of different grades as enumerated in the law. The First Presidency have the burden of the care of the church and presidency over the high priesthood. All quorums of priesthood and departments work under their direction according to the provisions of the law in the revelations of God and the General Conference resolutions.

God directs the church through clearly indicated channels (Doctrine and Covenants 43: 1; 27: 2; 125: 14), and his voice is the directing power of the church, but to this the consent of the people must be secured.

In organic expression and functioning there must be recognized grades of official prerogative and responsibility (Doc-

trine and Covenants 122: 9; 104) with general oversight vested in the Presidency as the leading quorum of the church.

To carry out the purposes of God through the church, effective administration is necessary. Adequate means for maintaining discipline are amply provided in the law. (Doctrine and Covenants 42: 19-23; Matthew 18: 15-17.)

To protect the rights of the people and provide the necessary checks in case of conflict, the law provides three quorums having concurrent jurisdiction. (Doctrine and Covenants 104: 11; 122: 10; 126: 10.)

This view of the organization of the church affirms the interdependence of quorums and departments and coordination of action, and holds that General Conference is the instrument of the expression of the will of the people.

Signed:

T. C. KELLEY.

E. E. LONG.

J. T. RILEY.

E. A. CURTIS.

R. L. FULK.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 3, 1925. J. W. DAVIS.

In response to question, the chair stated that distribution of printed copies of the substitute would be permitted.

It was moved by Elders R. S. Budd and M. W. Liston that all speeches during the remainder of the conference be limited to thirty minutes. The motion prevailed.

The chair recognized Elder E. E. Long, who spoke for the substitute.

Elder Long stated he would be obliged to leave immediately in response to a telegram announcing the death of his father. President F. M. Smith on behalf of the conference offered condolence to Brother Long.

The chair adjourned the session at 12.15 p. m.

to reconvene at 2.15. Announcements were made. Benediction by Elder Robert Winning.

Business session at 2.15 p. m., President F. M. Smith in the chair. Hymn No. 51 Conference Song Book was sung; prayer by Elder U. W. Greene.

Minutes of the morning session were approved.

APRIL COUNCIL AND BASIS OF AGREEMENT

Discussion on the original motion and substitute was resumed, and continued until 4.40 p. m., when the chair adjourned the session until 10 a. m. of the day following.

Benediction by Patriarch F. A. Smith.

At 8 p. m. preaching by Elder C. J. Hunt, assisted by Elder O. W. Okerlind.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8

At 8 a. m. prayer service, Patriarchs W. A. McDowell and U. W. Greene in charge.

Business session at 10 a. m., President F. M. Smith in the chair. Hymn No. 55 Conference Song Book was sung. Prayer by Elder J. A. Gillen. The minutes were approved.

Elder James W. Davis requested that as one of the Presidents of Seventy he be permitted to attach his name to the substitute from the Presidents of Seventy, because of absence when that document was formulated. The chair stated there being no objection the request would be granted.

COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

The committee on credentials presented an additional report:

The Presidency and General Conference: The Committee on Credentials herewith submit the following additional report:

Central Illinois, 622 members, 6 votes: Pearl Jones, Martin Bolt, Sister Martin Bolt, Lee C. Jones, Frank Corcoran, Fred O. Prichett.

Dunedin Branch, New Zealand, 19 members; M. A. McConley.

Respectfully submitted.

J. A. TANNER,
F. A. RUSSELL,
A. B. PHILLIPS,

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 8, 1925. *Committee.*

The report was adopted.

Reports of actions by quorums were read:

QUORUM OF TWELVE

To the General Conference, Independence, Missouri, Greeting: The Document on Church Government presented to the various quorums of the Melchisedec priesthood by the First Presidency on April 2 has been under advisement by the Quorum of Twelve since that date, and I am instructed to report to you that the following motion prevailed:

Resolved that as a quorum we adopt the Document on Church Government presented by the First Presidency.

A roll call was ordered and the resultant vote was as follows:

For:

J. A. Gillen
M. A. McConley.
J. F. Garver.
R. S. Budd.

Clyde F. Ellis.
D. T. Williams.
E. J. Gleazer.
F. H. Edwards.

Against:

J. W. Rushton.
J. F. Curtis.

P. M. Hanson.
T. W. Williams.

Very sincerely yours,

THE QUORUM OF TWELVE,
By F. HENRY EDWARDS.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 4, 1925.

HIGH PRIESTS

The First Presidency: We are authorized to report that the High Priests' Quorum on April 6, 1925, adopted the Document on Church Government approved by the Advisory Council April, 1924, by a vote of 85 for and 42 against.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR E. STOFT.
DAVID E. DOWKER,
Secretaries.

MASS QUORUM OF ELDERS

At a meeting of mass quorums of elders this morning, a vote was taken on that portion of the document submitted to us for consideration, known as church government, and I am instructed to notify the conference the vote was as follows: 114 for adoption, 59 against.

FRANK McDONALD.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 6, 1925. *Secretary.*

Discussion of the main question and the substitute followed.

A PROTEST

President E. A. Smith moved as an incidental motion, seconded by Elder J. F. Garver:

That the Presiding Bishop be requested to submit a copy of that document to this conference, to become a part of the minutes, and to explain to our satisfaction what is meant in that document, and what his intentions are, and those of his associates, for their future action.

The document referred to in the resolution had been read in debate by a member of the conference. It was placed in the hands of the secretaries by Bishop McGuire, in harmony with the resolution pending, and is here inserted in the minutes:

Whereas, the document on Church Government, now before the General Conference of the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, grants to the First Presidency supreme directional control over all the affairs of the church, spiritual and temporal; and

Whereas, because of the irregularities attending the introduction and development of the doctrine of supreme directional control, together with the threat of "elimination" made by the President of the Church against some of the leading church officers who are opposed to the document on Church Government, and because of the illegal selection and instruction of certain delegations to the General Conference; and

Whereas, this document on church government limits the legislative rights of the General Conference to assenting or

consenting to the proposals of an autocratically controlled priesthood; and

Whereas, the existing unhappy division in the church growing out of the attempt to force upon the church this doctrine threatens its very existence; and

Whereas, this demand for a completely centralized government with supreme directional control, which would in fact rest in the President, would fundamentally change the established order of the church; and

Whereas, this change from a theocratic-democracy to an autocracy or a hierarchy with final and supreme directional control in the hands of one man strikes at the very heart of the principles of church government contained in our Standard books (the Bible, the Book of Mormon, and the Book of Doctrine and Covenants) and General Conference enactments, by which the Reorganized Church in the Temple Lot Suit established its rights and claim to be the true church in succession; and

Whereas, should this document be indorsed it would be tantamount to apostasy—a departure from the accepted principles and practices of this Reorganized Church;

Therefore, we solemnly declare that we will not support nor countenance this attempt to change the fundamental principles of government given of God, and will consider ourselves justified in taking such steps as will protect the constitutional rights of the officers and members of the church against this insidious departure from the faith.

Further, as a group holding allegiance to the faith and principles established from the beginning of the Reorganized Church, we pledge ourselves to carry on the work of God in harmony with His law.

Bishop McGuire stated he would make the explanation.

The chair stated the motion of request was duly presented before the body.

After discussion the motion was adopted.

Bishop McGuire made a lengthy statement of explanation.

At 12.20 p. m. the chair adjourned the session until 2.15 p. m. Benediction by Elder R. S. Budd.

Business session at 2.15 p. m. President F. M. Smith in the chair. Hymn No. 86 in Conference Pamphlet was sung. Prayer by Patriarch Ammon White.

The minutes were approved.

DEMONSTRATIONS PROHIBITED

An incidental motion was adopted that hand-clapping and similar demonstrations be prohibited in the conference sessions.

The chair stated the main question and the substitute were before the assembly.

The discussion was resumed and continued until 4:30 p. m., when the chair adjourned the session until 10 a. m. of the day following.

Benediction by Patriarch F. A. Smith.

At 7 p. m. an Indian meeting was held in the lower auditorium, in charge of Elder Jonathan Koshiway.

At 8 p. m. the General Conference Choir rendered the oratorio, "The Creation," under direction of Paul N. Craig.

At 8 a. m. prayer meeting for the young people at the Liberty Street Church, President F. M. McDowell in charge.

At 8 a. m. prayer meeting in the Stone Church, in charge of Elders F. A. Smith and A. E. Stone.

The conference reassembled at 10 a. m., President F. M. Smith in the chair. Hymn No. 1 was sung; President F. M. McDowell offered prayer.

The minutes were amended and approved.

CHURCH GOVERNMENT AND BASIS OF AGREEMENT

Discussion of the main question and the substitute continued until 12:05 p. m., when the chair adjourned the session to reassemble at 2 p. m. Announcements were made; benediction by Elder J. F. Garver.

Business session at 2 p. m., President F. M. Smith in the chair.

Hymn No. 6 was sung; Prayer by Elder R. S. Salyards.

The minutes were approved.

Discussion of questions pending was resumed and continued until 4:50 p. m., when the chair adjourned the session until 10 a. m. of the following day. Benediction by Elder J. A. Gillen.

At 8 p. m. oratorio, "The Creation."

FRIDAY, APRIL 10.

At 8 a. m. prayer meeting, lower auditorium, Elders E. L. Traver and J. O. Dutton in charge.

At 10 a. m. business session, President F. M. Smith in the chair.

Hymn No. 26 was sung; prayer by Patriarch F. A. Smith.

The minutes were approved.

CHURCH GOVERNMENT AND BASIS OF AGREEMENT

President F. M. Smith took the floor; others also requested privilege of speaking on the question.

A motion was adopted suspending the time limit on the speech of the President.

President F. M. Smith then discussed the general question.

It was moved:

That the speech of President Smith be prepared and submitted to him for examination and published in pamphlet form and distributed among the delegates and members of the conference as soon as practicable.

An amendment was moved, to provide that only that portion which referred to interpretation of the document on church government be published.

An amendment to the amendment was moved:

That only those parts of the President's speech which in his judgment would be of a personal nature or might be construed to be of a personal nature be omitted.

After discussion the previous question on the incidental motions was ordered. The amendment to the amendment was lost; the amendment and the motion as amended were adopted.

Discussion of the main question followed.

The chair adjourned the session at 12:20 p. m. to 2:15 p. m.

Announcements followed; benediction by Elder R. S. Budd.

Business session at 2:15 p. m., President F. M. Smith in the chair. Hymn No. 3 was sung; prayer by Elder D. T. Williams.

The minutes were approved.

Discussion of the main question and substitute proceeded.

Bishop B. R. McGuire secured the floor, when the following incidental motion was adopted:

That inasmuch as the Presiding Bishop expressed his desire to be heard at this session, and in view of the need of and desire for his statement of his position in the present controversy, that he now be given the privilege of the floor.

An amendment, "that the time limit be suspended during the Bishop's statement," was adopted; also the motion as amended.

Bishop McGuire presented his statement.

At 5:23 p. m. the Bishop yielded to a motion to adjourn, subject to the Bishop resuming the floor on reassembling, which motion was adopted by vote of 267 to 259.

Benediction by Elder R. S. Salyards.

At 8 p. m. concert by the A Cappella Chorus of Graceland College, followed by reception in lower auditorium to all ex-students of Graceland, present students, and faculty and members of the Board of Trustees.

SATURDAY, APRIL 11.

At 8 p. m. prayer meeting, Elders O. Salisbury and Richard Baldwin in charge.

Business meeting at 10 a. m., President Elbert A. Smith in the chair.

The hymn, "Consecration," was sung. Prayer by Elder T. W. Williams.

The minutes were approved.

An incidental motion was presented:

That when the vote on the matter before the house is taken, it be by yea and nay vote; and that it be taken and reported separately; first on the substitute, then on the original motion.

After discussion it was moved that the motion be laid on the table.

An incidental motion, providing that the record of the previous day concerning the President's speech be read, was adopted, and the record was read.

The motion to lay on the table was lost.

The incidental motion was adopted.

It was moved that the speech of President F. M. Smith be entered on the minutes.

A motion to lay the resolution on the table was adopted by vote of 373 to 150.

The chair stated that according to previous action Bishop McGuire had the floor to discuss the general question.

Bishop McGuire proceeded with his statement.

At 11:30 a. m. President F. M. Smith took the chair and the discussion continued.

At 12:35 the chair adjourned the session until 2:15 p. m.

Benediction by Bishop F. B. Blair.

The General Conference reassembled at 2:15 p. m. with President F. M. Smith in the chair.

Hymn No. 53 was sung. Presiding Patriarch Frederick A. Smith offered prayer.

The minutes were approved.

The previous question was ordered on the main question and the substitute.

INTERPRETATION BY PRESIDENT F. M. SMITH

The printed pamphlet giving the President's interpretation of the document on church government was distributed, and is as follows:

HIGH POINTS IN PRESIDENT SMITH'S ADDRESS ON CHURCH GOVERNMENT

"The church is of divine appointment." (I have picked out the words of that first paragraph which set out its meaning.) Will any man question that? And let me suggest to you that there evidently is a group in the church who have a disposition to hold that no longer is divine authority the foundation stone on which this church is built. I mean to say by that that this church is very fast becoming unique (with perhaps one other exception) in its belief that it is necessary to have an authoritative religion. And this comes from the effort to democratize the church. And let me suggest to you with all the earnestness of my soul that this is the thing to which the delegates and ex officios of this conference and the church throughout the length and breadth of the land must give careful attention. Are we as a church about to be swept off the foundation of divine authority? So far as I am personally concerned, from my study of religions as fostered by man, I have reached the conclusion that when I yield the question of divine authority and say that religion is democratic I shall cease to be a member of any church.

"The government of the church is by divine authority

through priesthood." I challenge the statement that has been made on the floor of this conference that priesthood is not limited to group. It is if we are to believe the doctrines of the Latter Day Saint Church, for it is clearly set out, not only in Holy Writ so far as the Bible is concerned, but even more specifically so far as Holy Writ to Latter Day Saints is concerned, that men are ordained to the priesthood and that by the function of the Holy Spirit through those laying on hands. And that creates a group so far as priesthood is concerned. And we have affirmed that no man has a right to represent God unless he has this authority. Is that Latter Day Saintism or is it not? This means, if it means anything, that ordination is by the Spirit of God operating through those who are ordained, and authority is not bestowed by the voice of the people, but the voice of the people is used in expressing whether or not that authority will be exercised in their behalf. So no man, even though he might be properly ordained of God, has a right to represent the people without their voice.

"Common consent" has been mentioned. I want to give you an illustration of one aspect at least of common consent which is too little considered by this people. I sat in the conference of the Northern Wisconsin District not long ago, and there was a total of about fifty-nine votes, and yet that conference did work for the whole church, for an elder was selected by them after a call having come through proper authorities, and the man's ordination was authorized by a vote of fifty-nine; and the ordination was had. And the voice of those fifty-nine and the ordination following imposed authority upon that elder and gave him the right to officiate among one hundred thousand Saints throughout the world, and by common consent the rest of the church accedes to the action of the district named. There should be a distinction made between common consent and formal approval or assent, if you please. And what is taking place in that district is taking place throughout the length and breadth of the land.

The difference between a district conference and this con-

ference is this, that while they represent a locality, this is the church assembled in legislative capacity and hence becomes the voice of the people, the whole church. And so we can here by resolution speak legislatively for the whole body of the church, and the rest of the church by common consent accedes to what is done here.

In the discussion of government I submit that there is a great deal to be said distinguishing between a democracy and a representative government. This church is not in a sense a democracy for the reason that its legislative body (this conference) is representative, is republican in its character; it is not democratic. And every day we prove this by excluding from our assembly those who are not delegates or ex officios.

"God directs his church through clearly indicated channels." We believe in revelation. We believe in inspiration. Hence we say that God directs his church, but being a God of order (I might even say a God of Supreme Directional Control) he insists, he demands that it shall be done in certain ways and through certain channels. It is true that inspiration may be granted to every man or every woman in the church who is functioning as an individual, but no individual is going to assume it is his right to "direct the church"; at least he ought not to. There have been individuals who have done it but not according to law.

Now coming to the paragraph beginning, "In organic expression and functioning there must be recognized grades of official prerogative and responsibility," I will say that when that paragraph was indicted there was in my mind's eye, not the legislative branch of the church, not the judicial branch of the church, though there can be organic expression and functioning in each of these, but we had in mind the idea of expressing in concrete form the method of attempting to carry out the policies and instructions of the General Conference, policies, instructions, and law which had been received by prophetic instruction, approved by representative vote, and those policies that may have originated

with the people recognized and functioning in their right to initiate legislation. And so we have recognized in our study of organizations that there must be a systematic and orderly arrangement of those who constitute the administrative machinery. And I do not use the word machinery in an obnoxious sense. I mean the machinery through which this body expects to have its will carried out. This body is a legislative body and cannot carry out its will in the interim of conference, nor even in conference itself without that machinery functioning. So we have said that in order to reach efficiency and the proper presentation and finally complete the expression of the will of this people, there must be an organic form of expression that will be as orderly as God himself intends it should be and that he has said must be.

I was about to overlook something very important in that paragraph, "supreme directional control." Now what is meant by those words? It is simply this: If this body's will is to be carried out, there must be an expression and a manifestation of its will through its proper machinery that does not allow of its work being frustrated by a contention between two heads that are supposed to be equal. It cannot be done. It never has been done in organizations, and it will not be. The tendency of every body is to so arrange its organization that there is one person or one place where responsibility can be fixed and an accounting called for. And so far as what was in the minds of those who presented this document to the council, (and I assume it was in the minds of the big majority who adopted it, thus becoming an expression of the Joint Council) is that this applies to the administrative affairs of the church. We were not dealing with the judicial. There is no reason why we should have attempted to do so there. The statement that was made on this floor (and which was absolutely uncalled for to put it in the most mild form), that the President of this church has at any time attempted to excommunicate a person without a proper court trial is false and never should have been uttered on this floor. There should have been a disposition in the name of

fairness to find out what was done in the case rather than to come here with such a statement as that. I challenge anybody to show with any remote degree of exactitude that I have, or that any member of the Presidency has, attempted to manipulate the judicial machinery of the church in any way.

There is a sentence here interjected which has been mentioned a number of times that would not have been in this document if there had been a disposition on the part of "my friends, the enemy," to do anything else than presume that my desire and the desire of my fellow members in the Presidency was not to execute the work of the church with its beneficent purposes in view. And so we say that this directional control over the administrative affairs of the church in attempting to carry into effect the will of the body "should be presumed to be beneficent." If the purposes of the church as you, the General Conference, believe them to be are not carried out, you have recourse, for any General Conference of this church by a majority of one can say to your President, "Get out," and he has no recourse. Not even reasons have to be assigned.

I might say in an attempt further to relieve the disturbed minds of some of my brethren as has been reflected in their speeches on this floor, that so far as the Presidency is concerned the words "supreme directional control" had only reference to the administrative line of work.

"To carry into effect the purposes of the church, effective administration is imperative, and organic solidarity is maintained only by effective discipline which is in consonance with the beneficent purposes of the church, and yet strongly enough administered to prevent the purposes of the organization being frustrated by individual caprice and rebellion. Authority to be effective must be respected." My friends, there has been reference made in a number of speeches on this floor to that phrase in regard to effective discipline, and yet in only one single instance has there been an attempt to discuss it in any other way than in its punitive aspects. When discipline has a function so much expanded beyond a mere

matter of punishing a man who has gone wrong, why should we spend so much time discussing the punitive aspects and leave untouched the matter of directional discipline? Here is what I have in mind. I believe it was mentioned before. A young man comes into this church, or an old man is assigned to a new work, and he comes to the office saying, What must I do? It seems to me it is something to be greatly desired that there shall be an effective discipline directive in its character that will enable this man to reach the end results of his work in the quickest way possible because constructive discipline is had. The word *discipline* was used there by the framers of that document in its broadest sense. The Methodist Church issues a book called the Methodist Discipline, and you will be very much surprised, if you have not read it, to find that there is not a word said there about going to jail or laying on the cat of nine tails or something of that kind.

I have kept still and have been accused of doing so from an ulterior motive. Why, bless your souls, I saw some correspondence in which it was intimated that the President of this church was keeping still because he was afraid to talk.

In the closing paragraph of that document there is this language: "This view of the organization of the church affirms the interdependence of departments and coordination of action and holds General Conference as the instrument of the expression of the will of the people." In my opinion the only weakness in that paragraph is that it does not make it quite strong enough. We were unfortunate in presenting it in the negative sense, hence it was changed. In the original which was presented by the Presidency these are the words used: "This view of the organization of the church does not admit of independence of departments." That is where our trouble has been, in independence of departments. At the same time it goes on and says this view also holds the General Conference to be the instrument of the expression of the will of the people, speaking in a general sense. We know of course they have a chance to express their will in other ways such as in branches and

districts, in business meetings and conferences, and they have expressed their will perhaps in some other ways; but the chief way for the general church to express its will is by General Conference enactment, though its will may be expressed by common consent to general administrative acts, which of course are always subject to legitimate review. And this also, it seems to me, presupposes the idea that the legislative body shall function as a legislative body and not as an administrative body. It is not a sitting of the board of directors. That is the basis on which I answered the question which has been distorted in an attempt to have it work to my disadvantage when I stated that the General Conference should not presume to issue orders to any man. Unless some man has been guilty of an official infraction of his responsibility to this body, the will of the body should be expressed in laws and an expression of policy. It has a right to call in question its officers, and in that way it may issue an order when an officer of the conference has violated the proprieties or his responsibilities to it. The Congress of the United States does not attempt to issue orders, but it does adopt laws, and immediately the law is adopted it is referred to the administrative department of the United States to execute it, which is why it is called the executive department. That is true here.

I am going to pass just briefly over this. "Proposed basis of agreement." That does not settle the main thing at issue which was considered by the Joint Council and which has been so disruptive of our organic solidarity, the relationship of the quorums, because it recognizes the right of the President over the high priesthood but lets go some other things that are extremely important so far as this difficulty is concerned.

CHURCH GOVERNMENT AND BASIS OF AGREEMENT

The chair stated that delegations withdraw and take their vote on the substitute, when they would reassemble and the vote be called. After that, should the substitute be lost, they would do likewise.

and make up their vote on the main question.

Chairman of delegations announced places of meeting, and the assembly dissolved to reassemble at 3:30 p. m.

Following action on the substitute, the vote was taken on the main question. The result of the ye and nay vote on both propositions is as follows:

TO ADOPT THE SUBSTITUTE

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baugh, D. A. Whiting, Ellis W. Whitehead, R. M. Young, Ray Whiting.—354.

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Australia: Northern N. S. W. 1 1-4; Southern N. S. W. 5; Southern Queensland 1; Victoria 1; Adelaide Branch 1; Perth Branch 1; British Mission: Midland 2; Northern 3 1-2; Southern 1; Hawaii Territory: Hilo Branch 1; Honolulu

Branch 2; Honolulu Chinese Branch 1; Honolulu Japanese Branch 1; New Zealand: Auckland Branch 1; Dunedin Branch 1; Society Islands 11; United States and Canada: Alabama 2; Alberta 1 2-3; Arkansas 2; Central Illinois 6; Central Michigan 17; Central Nebraska 4; Central Oklahoma 15; Chatham 9 1-3; Clinton 9; Des Moines 13; Detroit 16.15; Douglas Branch (Arizona) 1; Eastern Colorado 7 1-2; Eastern Iowa 6; Eastern Maine 5; Eastern Michigan 16; Eastern Montana 2; Eastern Oklahoma 4.8; Far West Stake 15 5-17; Florida 4 4-5; Fremont 1 2-3; Gallands Grove 9; Holden Stake 11; Idaho 2; Independence 23 1-21; Kansas City Stake 25 5-6; Kentucky and Tennessee 2 1-2; Kewanee 4 4-5; Kirtland 5 7-10; Lamoni 23; Little Sioux 9; London 7; Minnesota 5; Mobile 7; Nauvoo 7; New York and Philadelphia 8 3-4; North Dakota 5; Northeastern Illinois 4 2-5; Northeastern Kansas 6; Northeastern Missouri 1 1-2; Northeastern Nebraska 12; Northern California 17; Northern Michigan 10; Northern Saskatchewan 3 1-3; Northern Wisconsin 6; Northwestern Kansas 5; Northwestern Ohio 2; Pittsburgh 2 1-2; Portland 5 6-7; Pottawattamie 6 2-3; Saint Louis 9.45; Seattle and British Columbia 7 8-10; Southern California 1 1-6; Southern Michigan and Northern Indiana 11 1-4; Southern Missouri 3; Southern Nebraska 5; Southern New England 11; Southern Ohio 14 7-9; Southern Wisconsin 5; Southwestern Kansas 4; Southwestern Texas 1 2-3; Spokane 7; Spring River 17; Toronto 7.777; Utah 5; Western Colorado 3; Western Maine 5; Western Michigan 7 1-2; Western Montana 2 2-3; Western Oklahoma 5; West Virginia 1; Wheeling 6; Youngstown-Sharon 3.—575. Total 919.

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Australia: Northern New South Wales 3 3-4; Southern New South Wales 2; Southern Queensland 1; Victoria 2; British Mission: Northern 3 1-2; Southern 1; Wales 1; Germany: Braunsweig Branch 1; Hannover Branch 1; Gross Wartenberg Branch 1; Einbeck Branch 1; Gross Raschen Branch 1; Holland: Rotterdam Branch 1; Society Islands 1; Switzerland: Basel Branch 1; United States and Canada: Alabama 4; Alberta 3 1-3; Arkansas 2; Chat-ham 4 2-3; Detroit 4.85; Eastern Colorado 7 1-2; Eastern Michigan 1; Eastern Oklahoma 7 2-10; Eros Branch (La.) 1; Far West Stake 10 12-17; Florida 1 1-5; Fremont 3 1-3;

Holden Stake 5; Idaho 3; Independence 20 20-21; Kansas City Stake 5 1-6; Kentucky and Tennessee 2 1-2; Kewanee 3 1-5; Kirtland 4 3-10; Little Sioux 9; London 2; New York 4; New York and Philadelphia 3 1-4; Northeastern Illinois 6 3-5; Northeastern Missouri 1 1-2; Northern Saskatchewan 1 2-3; Northwestern Ohio 2; Owen Sound 15; Pittsburgh 2 1-2; Portland 1 1-7; Pottawattamie 8 1-3; St. Louis 3.55; Seattle and British Columbia 1 2-10; Southeastern Illinois 12; Southern California 12 5-6; Southern Indiana 7; Southern Michigan and Northern Indiana 3 3-4; Southern Missouri 3; Southern Ohio 1 2-9; Southern Saskatchewan 3; Southwestern Texas 3 1-3; Toronto 6.223; Western Michigan 1 1-2; Western Montana 1 1-3; Western Oklahoma 1; West Virginia 2; Winnipeg 1; Youngstown-Sharon 1;—239. Total 405.

The chair adjourned the session at 6 p. m. until 10 a. m. Monday, April 13. Benediction by President E. A. Smith.

SUNDAY, APRIL 12.

At the Stone Church, session of the Mount Zion Sunday School at 9:30 a. m., Superintendent C. B. Hartshorn and assistants in charge.

At 11 a. m. Easter sermon, by Elder W. W. Smith.

At 2:30 p. m. prayer meeting in upper auditorium, Elders M. H. Siegfried and J. M. Terry in charge.

Lower auditorium, same hour, prayer service, in charge of Evangelists F. G. Pitt and H. O. Smith.

At 7:30 p. m. illustrated lecture on the Life of Christ, by President E. A. Smith.

The same illustrations were shown in the lower auditorium at the same hour, the amplifier conveying the lecture of President Smith to the audience.

Sunday services were held at other churches, as announced.

MONDAY, APRIL 13.

At 8 a. m., prayer meeting, Elders A. E. Stoff and G. Scott Daniel in charge.

Regular business session at 10 a. m., President F. M. Smith in the chair.

Hymn No. 56 was sung. Prayer by Elder R. S. Budd.

The minutes were approved.

AUDITORIUM

The First Presidency submitted the following action of the April council on the Auditorium:

To the Church: The council of April, 1924, assembled at the call of the Presidency and which was in session some ten days or thereabouts, discussed among other matters the general question of the Auditorium, and adopted the following:

- "1. The Auditorium should be built without delay. There is imperative demand for such building. If it were unneeded the undertaking would be ill-advised.
- "2. Plans should be made to spend such portion of the amount of subscriptions as fast as available in erecting such part of the ultimate building as will meet our present needs, any unused portion being invested in safe income-bearing securities for the benefit of further future expansion of the Auditorium Building.
- "3. To effect this end, location and plans should be determined as expeditiously as possible, and the Auditorium fund should be rehabilitated without delay.
- "4. The rehabilitation of this fund should be effected with the full purposes of the church in view and with especial regard for our work in solving our social problems.
- "5. Unutilized properties should be sold, and the proceeds applied in returning the loans to general funds. This also applies to the investments of the fund.
- "6. Lands desirable for promoting our social program or church extension should not be sold to rehabilitate the fund unless the exigencies demand.
- "7. The High Council and the Presiding Bishopric shall

designate the list of properties to be sold to rehabilitate this fund.

- "8. With a *bona fide* start made on the erection of the building, the collection of the remainder of the subscriptions to the fund should be undertaken."

The Presidency submits this action of the Joint Council with the recommendation it be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,
THE FIRST PRESIDENCY.

By F. M. SMITH.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 6, 1925.

It was moved by Elders U. W. Greene and C. J. Spurlock that the report be adopted.

President F. M. Smith and Bishop J. F. Keir each made statements.

The previous question was ordered, and the motion to adopt prevailed.

STEWARDSHIPS AND SOCIAL PROGRAM

The Presidency reported additional action of the April council in relation to the social program:

To the Church: The Presidency submits to the conference the following action of the council of April, 1924, with the recommendation that it be adopted:

- "1. Be it resolved that we favor the immediate initiation of a program looking towards the establishment of Zion and the application of the law of stewardships, which program is as follows:
- "2. That the Bishopric secure completed financial statements by the selection of a corps of men qualified by special training (if possible) who shall be assigned territory with a view to securing these financial statements by personal contact.
- "3. That financial statements be provided which are especially designed to serve these purposes.
- "4. That the members of the church be requested to file their financial statements annually.
- "5. That arrangement for the payment of tithes due the church should be made at the time of filing of the inventory.
- "6. That all who are willing and desirous should be placed

upon the stewardship basis, either individual or group, as they shall manifest the essential qualifications.

- "7. That books, tracts, etc., expressing the social ideals of the church should be published without delay.
- "8. That ministerial propaganda of the church include the presentation of the social ideals of the church with specific reference to the law of tithing and consecration, that they may cooperate in the education of the Saints, particularly young people and inquirers.
- "9. That the people of the church should be urged to gauge their expenditures in accordance with definite budgets to be formulated with the idea of maintaining an equitable standard of living consistent with the attainment and perpetuation of their maximum efficiency and the needs of the group.
- "10. That in looking to the completion of the surveys of man power, capital, markets, territories, etc., a bureau of research and service should be established.
- "11. That the determination of the order of economic development should be given immediate consideration.
- "12. That the surplus consecrated from stewardships in operation should be set aside for, or at once used in the establishment of other stewardships.
- "13. That in view of the extension of our social organization, there will be necessity for providing vocational guidance and training."

Respectfully submitted,

THE FIRST PRESIDENCY,

By F. M. SMITH.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 6, 1925.

It was moved by Elders Roderick May and E. A. Erwin that the report be adopted.

The previous question was ordered, and the document was adopted.

REPORT OF FIRST PRESIDENCY

The First Presidency presented the following report and recommendations.

April 6, 1925.

To the Conference: The Presidency has, under the trying conditions of the past conference year, labored assiduously to advance the interests of the church. The heavy correspondence at the office, covering as it does a wide range of

subjects, response to calls for preaching, visiting district conferences, reunions, conventions, and the various church institutions, with other details demanding attention, together with teaching and writing of articles, all have placed a burden of work upon us as a quorum and as individuals which has been far from easy, the tasks being made the more difficult by reason of the unfortunate conditions existing in the church.

In responding to the various calls, the members of the Presidency have visited points in the following States: Missouri, Kansas, Iowa, Illinois, Oklahoma, Nebraska, Michigan, Wisconsin, Ohio, Ontario, Pennsylvania, New York, Massachusetts, Maine, Colorado, California, and the District of Columbia, and were at some twelve reunions and about thirty district conferences.

As is perhaps well known to the members, since May the Presidency have not been editorially responsible for the HERALD, though one member (Elbert A. Smith) has acted as "contributing editor" to the HERALD. The junior member (F. M. McDowell) has continued his work on the faculty of Graceland College, and has handled the details of the departmental work, as that report shows.

As far as it has been possible for us to do so, we have kept continuously in touch with the various departments and departmental workers. The reports which have been submitted to conference indicate the activities. Changes in the personnel have been made only where unavoidable.

Foreign mission work has remained at a rather low ebb, and we sincerely hope the time may soon come when there will be sufficient unity to permit a wholesome expansion of this work.

Very much to our regret we have to present the resignation of Doctor G. Leonard Harrington as physician to the church. Appreciation of his splendid work in the Health Department and his social vision gives rise to a hearty wish that he might still give us his services in these lines. We wish him well in the larger fields of activity into which he feels he has moved.

Shortly after the first of the calendar year, Albert H. Knowlton presented his resignation as church auditor, which we finally felt compelled to accept. We appointed George W. Eastwood to the position, which appointment we present for your approval.

In submitting herewith the report of the publicity agent, we call attention to the fact that this department was brought into existence by appointment of the Presidency. After the appropriations committee last June disallowed appropriation to that department, the agent (Arthur E. McKim) accepted a position with a Saint Louis firm and left Independence. After consultation, the Presidency suggested to Brother McKim the advisability of resigning so that we could make temporary appointment or assignment of the work to some other office at headquarters. But Brother McKim refused to resign. We submit herewith his letter of December 12, 1924:

December 12, 1924.

PRESIDENT F. M. SMITH,
Office,

Dear Brother: I was surprised to have your letter of December 4, asking my resignation as general Publicity Agent of the church.

You do not specify your reasons why my resignation should be tendered, but seem to base it on the fact my arrangements are not satisfactory to you. I do not understand that the personal satisfaction of any officer is the standard by which other general officers are to be entirely governed, but that we also bear a responsibility to the General Conference which authorized the departments and which sustained us all at last General Conference.

As I wrote you in my former letter, I was under the necessity of obtaining employment for a livelihood, due to the fact that the Appropriations Committee saw fit to disallow any funds for the operation of my department, and in planning for my work thought that I could do as much under the circumstances as anyone else. Since I was willing to carry on this work without expense to the church, I thought

my efforts would be sought rather than discouraged. I still feel that way about it. Do you know of any way this work can be handled without money to better advantage? I will be glad to consider your information on that point and believe you must realize that there is no one more deeply concerned with the publicity work than I am, who have given five years in building up the department.

I cannot see the consistency of your requesting or my tendering my resignation at this time, therefore beg you to understand this letter as declining to relinquish this work until General Conference has opportunity to direct in the matter.

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) ARTHUR E. MCKIM,

Publicity Department.

We still feel that under the circumstances Brother McKim should have resigned as per our suggestion. And we recommend his release so we can reorganize the department in some form.

Report of Publicity Department

SAINT LOUIS, MISSOURI, March 1, 1925.

To the Presidency and Conference; Greetings: There is little to report regarding the Publicity Department since last General Conference. In April it was sustained along with the other departments of the church at the conference, but in June it seems that the Appropriations Committee disallowed any funds for this work. The reasons for this action were never disclosed to the general publicity agent; in fact, no notifications of any kind came to the department regarding the matter.

However, in response to the unofficial news of the committee, the Publicity Department laid out no plans involving the expenditure of church money after July 1, and has spent not a cent since that time except to supply tracts to the missionaries. This literature was charged to the special tract fund.

The actions of the Appropriations Committee seem to have been entirely negative in this matter, and, so far as we

have been able to ascertain, no provisions were made for taking care of the large publicity organization that has been built up throughout the church.

There are now active publicity agents in nearly every branch of the church, and rather than see this splendid organization go to pieces for lack of direction, we notified them through the HERALD to carry on as best they could, and that they might call on the general office for help as usual, provided only that it did not necessitate the expenditure of church funds.

The general publicity agent found it necessary of course to take up other employment, but feeling that he could perhaps do as much in the publicity work without funds as any other would, undertook to keep the department intact until conference. For this reason he did not respond to the request of the Presidency to resign, especially as no valid reasons were given for the request.

The Publicity Department was organized four years ago and has been sustained by each conference since that time. A wide organization has been built up throughout the church, looking after the publicity interests of the branches as well as the general church.

The church, as any other great organization, has felt the need of consistent advertising, and we do not think it will be long content to throttle down on all advertising expenditure. We do not think that even the radio, a new department not authorized by the church but appropriated \$16,000 by the same committee that abolished the Publicity Department, will permanently displace printer's ink as a means of advertising. At least there is no evidence of radio supplanting advertising in other circles.

So far as the present publicity agent is concerned, he is willing to leave the Publicity Department in the hands of the conference at this time. If the conference shall make an appropriation for publicity work, it will be necessary for him to resign, as other work engages most of his time. If no funds are found available for this department, then he is willing, if wanted, to carry on as before and do what little he can.

Trusting that this report covers the situation fully so far as the Publicity Department is concerned,

Very sincerely,
(Signed) ARTHUR E. MCKIM.

Independence Sanitarium

I shall not attempt here to present much of a report from the Sanitarium. Under the efficient management of Sister

Gertrude Copeland, that institution has made some much needed improvement and is now in excellent condition.

Statistically, for a period from January 1, 1924, to December 31, 1924, the report is as follows:

Number of patients in hospital January 1.....	30
Number of patients admitted during the year.....	1,027
Total number of patients during year.....	1,057
Number of patients discharged during year.....	1,023
Remaining in hospital December 31.....	34
Number of days' treatment of patients.....	11,856
Daily average number of patients in Sanitarium.....	33
Number of minor operations.....	280
Number of major operations.....	254
Number of deaths during year.....	62, or 6%
Cost of maintenance per patient per day.....	\$4.45

Financially the Sanitarium has, with the contributions made to it in the way of gifts, about held its own; but we hope to see the time come soon when this very worthy institution shall have been endowed in such a way as to permit an expansion of its activities to meet other needs.

Besides general repairs and many minor improvements, the old equipment of the X-ray room has been replaced by new—an up-to-date and efficient one. Two other much needed improvements are (1) laundry machinery to do the heavy laundry work at a large saving over present methods, and (2) an addition to the building for the maternity department, which has grown till the present quarters are inadequate.

Respectfully submitted,
FREDERICK M. SMITH,
For the First Presidency.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 6, 1925.

It was moved by Elders G. F. Barraclough and Samuel Twombly that the report and recommendations be adopted.

The previous question was ordered.

The vote was taken separately on the recommendations.

PUBLICITY AGENT

The recommendation to release the publicity agent was adopted.

AUDITOR

The recommendation to accept the resignation of Elder A. H. Knowlton as auditor and to appoint Elder G. W. Eastwood in his stead was adopted.

PHYSICIAN

The recommendation that the resignation of Doctor G. L. Harrington as church physician be received, was adopted.

"LADIES' HOME JOURNAL" ARTICLES

The following concerning publication of matter in an eastern magazine was moved and seconded by Mrs. B. M. Anderson and Mrs. F. M. Smith:

Whereas, a leading eastern magazine has admitted to its columns within the past four or five months, a series of articles under the caption, "Brigham Young," in which the character and mission of Joseph Smith have been falsely and slanderously represented, and

Whereas, the attention of the editor of said magazine has been called, so far without satisfactory result, to these misrepresentations, and he has been informed of the findings of the courts of the land, in which the original church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints was absolved from the charge of responsibility for the introduction and practice of polygamy, and,

Whereas, the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints has been, by the same findings, declared the true and lawful successor to the church founded by Joseph Smith in 1830, therefore

Be It Resolved, that we, the ex officio and delegate members of the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, in General Conference assembled, do hereby solemnly and vigorously protest against these false attacks made upon the character and ministry of the founder of our church, and

Be It Further Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions, together with copies of the findings of Judge L. S. Sherman in the Court of Common Pleas of Lake County, Ohio, and of Judge John J. Philips in United States Circuit Court, Western Division, Western District, Missouri, be forwarded by the secretary of the church to the editor of the *Ladies' Home Journal*, with the earnest request that they be published in said magazine and such prominence and emphasis placed upon them as shall, in part, rectify the mistakes and atone for the injustices that have been given such wide circulation through its columns, and

Be It Further Resolved, that copies of this resolution shall be sent to the Associated Press.

President F. M. Smith made a statement, in effect that he had interviewed the author of the articles mentioned and the editor of the *Journal* named.

It was moved and seconded that the matter be referred to a committee for consideration and report.

After some discussion the previous question was ordered, and the motion to refer prevailed.

It was moved by Mrs. F. M. Smith and E. C. Harrington that the committee consist of President F. M. Smith, Bishop B. R. McGuire, and Mrs. Audentia Anderson.

The motion prevailed.

SOUTHERN SASKATCHEWAN DISTRICT

Resolutions from the Southern Saskatchewan District were read:

R. S. SALYARDS,

Independence, Missouri.

Dear Sir: Inclosed find two resolutions passed by the Southern Saskatchewan District to be presented at the next General Conference.

Yours sincerely,

ZELLA N. MALDEN.

ROULEAU, SASKATCHEWAN, August 5, 1924.

Resolved, that we, the Southern Saskatchewan District in conference capacity hereby authorize our delegates appointed to the General Conference to fill any vacancy that may occur in the delegation by reason of the failure of one or more delegates to be at the conference for 1925.

Whereas, the Lord has laid a great burden of responsibility on the church to send the gospel to the nations; and

Whereas, the finances are being diverted to carry on a "social program" not provided for in the law; and,

Whereas, the missionary force has been continually reduced as a result; therefore,

Resolved, that we, the Southern Saskatchewan District in conference assembled, most earnestly process [protest?] against any policy or program that interferes with the missionary program provided for in the law; and be it further

Resolved, that a copy of this document be sent to the general church secretary, R. S. Salyards, for presentation to the next General Conference.

The chair stated that the request presented in the first resolution had been provided for.

Moved by Elders Daniel Macgregor and P. R. Burton to adopt the resolution pertaining to missionary work.

The previous question was ordered, and the motion to adopt was lost.

DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND EXPRESSION

The Pittsburgh District presented the following, adoption of which was moved and seconded:

To the Presidency and Secretary of the General Conference of the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, which convenes April, 1925, at Independence, Missouri:

At the spring conference of the Pittsburgh District which convened at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, March 14, 1925, the following resolution was adopted:

"That we recommend to the General Conference changing the name of the Department of Recreation and Expression to the Department of the Religio, continuing activities as at present organized, and providing such quarterlies for study as interest in the locals may demand."

MARY MCGOWAN,

District Secretary.

PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA, March 23, 1925.

The previous question was ordered, and the motion was lost.

EDITORIAL SUPERVISION OF CHURCH PUBLICATIONS

The following, providing for editorial supervision of the church publications by the First Presidency, was moved by Elders C. E. Wight and B. H. Doty:

Whereas, the editing of the church periodicals is clearly a spiritual work and stewardship; therefore be it

Resolved that editorial supervision of the church periodicals shall hereafter be directly under the control of the First Presidency.

A motion for the previous question was lost.

An amendment was moved to add these words, "and that the Board of Publication be notified to comply with the wishes of this body as expressed in this action."

Discussion followed until the noon hour, when the chair adjourned the session until 2 p. m.

Announcements followed.

Benediction by Elder G. T. Griffiths.

Business session at 2:00 p. m. President F. M. Smith in the chair. Hymn No. 13 was sung. Prayer was offered by President F. M. McDowell.

The minutes were approved.

BOARD OF PUBLICATION

The following was moved as a substitute for the motion and amendment presented at the morning session:

Be it resolved, That the Presiding Bishop be and is hereby instructed to take such steps as shall properly provide that hereafter the Board of Publication shall consist of one of the First Presidency, one of the Quorum of Twelve, one of the Presiding Bishopric, and two persons to be elected by the conference of the church on nomination by the Presiding

Bishop with the approval of the First Presidency. And the Presiding Bishop is hereby instructed that he should make nominations to this conference in harmony with these provisions.

Be it further resolved, that in the interim between conferences no one should be removed from the Board of Publication or vacancies filled on the said board without the approval of the First Presidency.

Be it further resolved, that the Board of Publication should recognize the First Presidency as being in general editorial charge of the various periodicals of the church.

After discussion the previous question was ordered and the substitute was adopted.

DEPARTMENT STUDY

A communication from the conference in Zion was read:

Resolution adopted by the local conference in Zion, February 2, 1925.

(To be presented to the General Conference.)

Whereas, the Saints are admonished to study the Book of Mormon; and, Whereas, in Zion and many other branches throughout the entire church, the Zion's Religio Literary Society has been reorganized to meet more fully the demand for the study of the Book of Mormon; and,

Whereas, the work of these societies has been a source of comfort and strength to the Saints; be it,

Resolved that the Saints of Zion in conference assembly hereby petition the coming General Conference to express itself in favor of these worthy movements by authorizing the reorganization of the Zion's Religio-Literary Society for the primary purpose of the study of the Book of Mormon wherever demanded.

A motion to adopt was followed by a motion to lay on the table, which latter motion prevailed.

The chair stated that the table was practically clear of business. He suggested that adjournment be taken to permit quorums and other bodies to meet and take up matters of business for presentation to the conference.

The chair adjourned the session at 3:30 p. m. until the day following at 2 p. m.

Announcements were made.

Hymn No. 75 was sung. Benediction by Elder G. T. Griffiths.

At 7 p. m. the head of the local Sunday schools in Zion presented a series of lantern slides illustrating features of that department.

At 8 p. m., lower auditorium, program by the nurses of the Sanitarium training school.

At 8 p. m., upper auditorium, preaching by Elder J. J. Cornish, assisted by Elder Peter Muceus.

TUESDAY, APRIL 14

At 8 a. m. prayer meeting, Elders C. J. Hunt and J. M. Terry in charge.

At 10 a. m. session of the Department of Women in the upper auditorium, Sister Blanche Edwards, head of the department, in charge.

Business session at 2 p. m. President F. M. Smith in the chair. Hymn No. 9 was sung. Prayer by F. A. Smith, presiding evangelist.

The minutes were approved.

QUORUM OF HIGH PRIESTS

The Quorum of High Priests reported:

The First Presidency and General Conference: The Quorum of High Priests desire to report the following:

Upon report and recommendation of President J. A. Tanner, the resignation of Brother A. H. Parsons as counselor in the presidency of the quorum was accepted, and the nomination by President Tanner of Brother W. S. Macrae to fill the vacancy was approved at the meeting of the quorum on April 14, and provision for his ordination is requested.

(Signed) ARTHUR E. STOFF,
Temporary Secretary.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 14, 1925.

The report was approved and the ordination provided for.

TIME LIMIT—NEW BUSINESS

The chair recommended the time limit for the introduction of new business be fixed at 2:15 p. m., Wednesday, the 15th. The recommendation was adopted.

GENERAL CONFERENCE 1926

It was moved that the time of convening of the next General Conference be April 6, 1926. The motion was adopted.

HIGH COUNCIL

The following was moved by Bishop R. T. Cooper and Elder M. M. Turpen:

Resolved, that the action of last General Conference of 1923 providing for the selection of members of the Standing High Council be rescinded, and that the laws governing this matter prior to the adoption of said resolution, particularly section 99 of the Doctrine and Covenants, be reaffirmed as the constitutional law of the church.

After discussion the previous question was ordered by vote of 227 to 167.

The motion was adopted by vote of 233 to 133.

Elder J. F. Garver made a statement and presented his resignation as a member of the High Council.

The resignation was accepted, and a vote of thanks tendered Elder Garver for his services as a member of that body.

The chair presented the resignation of Elder W. W. Smith as a member of the High Council.

The resignation was accepted and a vote of thanks also tendered Elder Smith for his service as a member of the High Council.

"LADIES' HOME JOURNAL" ARTICLES

The committee to which was referred resolutions concerning articles appearing in the *Ladies' Home Journal* reported as follows:

Whereas, the *Ladies' Home Journal* has admitted to its columns within the past four or five months, a series of articles under the caption "Brigham Young," in which certain statements reflecting upon the character and mission of Joseph Smith are gross misrepresentations, to the hurt and irreparable injury of the church he founded, and

Whereas, these facts have been brought to the attention of the editor of said magazine, and whereas he has been informed of the findings of the courts of the land in which the said church, founded by Joseph Smith in 1830, was absolved from the charge of responsibility for the introduction and practice of polygamy; and,

Whereas, the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints has been, by the same findings, declared to be the true and lawful successor of said church; and,

Whereas, appeals to the editor of said magazine have not resulted in any published correction on his part; therefore,

Be It Resolved, that we the ex officio and delegate members of the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, in General Conference assembled, do hereby solemnly and vigorously protest against these false attacks made upon the character and ministry of the founder of our church, and

Be It Further Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions, together with copies of the findings of Judge John J. Philips in the United States Circuit Court, Western Division, Western District, Missouri, and of Judge L. S. Sherman in the Court of Common Pleas, Lake County, Ohio, be forwarded by the Presidency of the church to the editor of the *Ladies' Home Journal*, with the earnest request that they be published in said magazine and with such prominence and emphasis as shall rectify the mistakes that have been given such wide circulation through its columns.

(Signed) MRS. B. M. ANDERSON,
FREDERICK M. SMITH,
BENJAMIN R. MCGUIRE,
Committee.

The report was adopted.

AFFIRMATIVE MESSAGE

The following resolution was moved by Elder J. A. Tanner and seconded by Elder B. H. Doty:

Whereas, the law of God has warned the church that no person is to be permitted "to frustrate the commands of the body in conference assembly," and has directed that those

who oppose what may be presented to the conference should voice their objections in the conferences and not in the fields of labor (Doctrine and Covenants 125:16); therefore be it

Resolved, that the conference appointees and ministry be required to go forward from this conference with an affirmative message in consonance with the voice of the church as set forth in the constitutional laws and legislative enactments.

After lengthy discussion, the resolution was amended by substituting the word *requested* for *required* and as amended was adopted.

The chair adjourned the session at 5 p. m. to reconvene at 2 p. m. the day following.

Benediction by Elder J. A. Gillen.

At 8 p. m. in the upper auditorium, musical recital by Arthur H. Mills, pianist, and Eugene Christy, tenor, proceeds for the purpose of purchasing a reproducing piano for the radio studio.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15.

At 8:30 a. m. prayer meeting, Elders Amos Berve and C. E. Wight in charge.

At 10:45 preaching by Elder J. Charles May, assisted by Elder W. P. Bootman.

At 10 a. m., lower auditorium, session of local and district superintendents of Department of Recreation and Expression, President F. M. McDowell in charge.

At 11 a. m., lower auditorium, district presidents and chairman of reunion committees met with the general reunion committee, President F. M. McDowell in charge, assisted by Elder F. Henry Edwards.

Business session at 2 p. m., President F. M. Smith in the chair.

Hymn No. 56 was sung; Elder E. J. Gleazer offered prayer.

The minutes were approved.

ORDER OF EVANGELISTS

The Order of Evangelists reported:

To the Conference: The Order of Evangelists has held seven sessions during this session of conference, three meetings of the Order, and four meetings with the High Priests' Quorum.

Sixteen members of the Order have been present and participated in the work of the sessions. The meetings have been characterized by good feeling and a desire to carry on the work of the Order. And the men go out with a full determination to carry out a constructive campaign and make their work effectual for good in the building up of the church by way of strengthening the Saints along the line of the work given them to do. H. O. SMITH, *Secretary*.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 15, 1925.

OKLAHOMA DISTRICTS

The following from the Central Oklahoma District was read:

At the Central Oklahoma district conference, held at Sperry February 14 and 15, a resolution was passed asking General Conference to so divide Oklahoma into districts that there would be four districts instead of three; as follows:

Tulsa District, to be bounded by the State of Kansas on the north, starting with the Santa Fe Railroad at Chilocco, running south to Payne County, including the towns on this line; then following the west line of Payne County and the south line of Payne County to Creek County. Following Creek County line to Okmulgee County, and eastward with Muskogee County; then taking in all of Cherokee County, bounded by the east line of Cherokee County and Mayes County, and on the north and east by the north lines of Mayes and Rogers Counties, and the east line of Washington County north to the Kansas line.

The north line of Oklahoma Central District would be the south line of the Tulsa District as described above. The east line of Central Oklahoma District would be the east line of Okfuskee and Hughes, Johnson, and Marshall Counties. The south line of the Central Oklahoma District would be the Red River running westward to the Frisco Railroad in Tillman county, taking in the towns on the Frisco Railroad in Tillman County. Then following the south and east line of Kiowa and Caddo Counties and north to the

Canadian county line. Following this county line on the west and north to Kingfisher County, following the south and east line of Kingfisher County and the West and North lines of Logan County to the Santa Fe Railroad and to the corner of Payne County to the west side of the Tulsa District. All the State west of Tulsa and Central Oklahoma district would be the Western District of Oklahoma. The counties of Nowata, Craig, Ottawa, and Delaware would be as now, in Spring River District. The balance of the southeastern part of the State, together with the portions of Arkansas and Texas that are now in the Eastern Oklahoma District, would be the new Eastern Oklahoma district boundaries.

This division was recommended by the president of the district, by Hubert Case, general missionary, and Apostle E. J. Gleazer and passed by the district conference.

Very truly,

EARL D. BAILEY,

District President at time of passage of this resolution,
February 14, 1925.

HUBERT CASE.

JAMES A. THOMAS.

It was moved that the Presidency appoint a committee on district boundary lines to which this shall be referred. The motion was adopted.

The chair appointed Elders R. S. Salyards, E. D. Bailey, and E. J. Gleazer as such committee.

BASIS OF REPRESENTATION

The following was moved and seconded:

Whereas, all branch enrollment records originate with the Department of Statistics; and

Whereas, it is advisable that a uniform date be used in order for representation in General Conference to be equitable; therefore, be it

Resolved, that stakes, districts, and branches not in districts, be entitled to representation on the basis of the enrollment shown in the last semiannual report of the Department of Statistics previous to such General Conference.

A substitute was moved: "That the basis of representation shall be the membership of the respective districts at the time of holding their conferences"; —this in connection with the statement of

the chair on Tuesday, April 7, that the action would be understood to mean that representation would be based upon membership as reported by the districts on their credentials.

A motion to refer to the committee on rules of representation prevailed.

RECREATION AND EXPRESSION

The chair called attention to ten recommendations on page 31 of the published report of the Department of Recreation and Expression (see report of that department). On motion the ten recommendations were adopted.

GRACELAND COLLEGE TRUSTEES

The following from President G. N. Briggs concerning Graceland College trustees was read:

Because of the fact that there was no conference held in 1921 nor in April, 1922, and not until October, 1922, and that the term of office of the members of the Board of Trustees of Graceland College expires in April, three years after election, and that due to overlooking these facts in both the conference of October, 1922, and October, 1923; and that there was no conference in 1924; and in order to make the record clear and to conform with the requirements of the Articles of Incorporation of Graceland College, an examination of the minutes of the conference shows the following facts:

1. The term of office of A. Carmichael and Walter Hayer, elected in April, 1920, expired in April, 1923.

2. There being no conference in 1921 and not until October, 1922, the terms of T. A. Hougas and C. B. Woodstock elected in April, 1918, expired April, 1921, and they served until October, 1922, when their successors, F. M. McDowell and A. M. Carmichael, were elected to serve until April, 1924.

3. The terms of J. F. Garver, J. W. Wight (succeeded by appointment of C. E. Wight), and G. N. Briggs, elected in April, 1919, expired in April, 1922, but due to previous failure to elect held over until the General Conference of October, 1922, and were reelected for the term expiring in April, 1925.

There are, therefore, the following trustees to be elected:

First: Two to succeed A. Carmichael and Walter Hayer for term expiring April, 1926.

Second: Two to succeed F. M. McDowell and A. M. Carmichael for the term expiring April, 1927.

Third: Three to succeed J. F. Garver, C. E. Wight, and G. N. Briggs for term expiring April, 1928.

In order to conform with the requirements of the Articles of Incorporation of Graceland College, it is recommended that these vacancies be filled.

A motion to proceed with the election of college trustees was adopted.

To succeed W. E. Hayer, term expiring April, 1926, M. A. McConley, W. E. Hayer, and Daniel Anderson were placed in nomination. Elder McConley withdrew his name from the list of nominees.

A substitute was moved that A. Carmichael and W. E. Hayer be elected to succeed themselves.

After discussion the previous question was ordered, and the substitute was adopted, the vote being taken on the names separately.

To succeed F. M. McDowell and A. M. Carmichael, Daniel Anderson was nominated to succeed the first named.

A substitute was moved that F. M. McDowell and A. M. Carmichael be elected to succeed themselves.

After discussion the previous question was ordered, and the vote was taken separately on the two names. F. M. McDowell was elected.

Division being called on the vote of A. M. Carmichael resulted in his election by a vote of 194 to 172.

To fill the expired terms of J. F. Garver, C. E. Wight, and G. N. Briggs, the following were nominated:

Blanche Edwards to succeed J. F. Garver.

Vida E. Smith to succeed C. E. Wight.

G. N. Briggs to succeed himself.

J. F. Garver to succeed himself.

C. E. Wight to succeed himself.

It was moved that the first three nominated be declared elected.

A motion to lay on the table was lost.

The previous question was ordered, and the motion to elect the first three nominated prevailed.

At 4:20 p. m. the chair adjourned the session until 2 p. m. of the day following. Benediction by G. T. Griffiths.

At 7:30 p. m. young people's prayer meeting in the upper auditorium, Elders D. O. Cato and Joseph Jaques in charge. Following the prayer meeting a moving picture, a nature study, was presented.

THURSDAY, APRIL 16

At 8:30 a. m. prayer meeting in charge of Elders H. A. Higgins and J. A. Thomas.

At 10:45 a. m. preaching by Elder W. A. Smith, assisted by Elder E. R. Davis.

At 2 p. m. business meeting. President F. M. Smith in the chair. Hymn No. 52 was sung. Prayer by Patriarch F. A. Smith.

The minutes were amended and approved.

COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

The credentials committee presented an additional report:

To the General Conference: To date we have registered 612 ex officios, 227 delegates besides 276 delegates which are also ex officio, and 240 visitors. These figures are subject to slight correction. Respectfully submitted,

J. A. TANNER, *For the Credentials Committee.*
April 16, 1925.

HIGH PRIESTS

The High Priests' Quorum reported:

To the First Presidency and the General Conference: The Quorum of High Priests has held nine meetings. Seventy-

five members have reported the following labors: 5,058 sermons; 3,916 times in charge of services; 1,593 times assisted; 8,140 other services attended; 16,313, total number services attended; 224 baptized, 215 confirmed, 142 assisted to confirm, 66 ordained, 38 assisted to ordain, 189 children blessed, 95 assisted in blessing, 6,412 administrations to the sick, 398 assisted in administrations, 64 marriages solemnized, 1 assisted in organizing branch, 7 new openings effected, 3,819 pastoral visits, 314 administered sacrament, 23 cases of difficulty adjusted, 16 cases submitted to court, 3,529 tracts distributed, and 113 house-to-house calls.

Owing to the resignations of A. H. Parsons as counselor in the quorum presidency, and A. H. Knowlton from the office of secretary, the vacancies have been filled by the choosing of W. S. Macrae as counselor, and C. I. Carpenter as secretary.

There are seventy-five or more of our number attending the conference.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR E. STOFF,

C. I. CARPENTER, *Secretaries.*

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 16, 1925.

CHILDREN'S HOME TRUSTEES

The Department of Women nominated for the Board of Trustees of the Children's Home, Mrs. Ida Etzenhouser to succeed herself; Mrs. Callie B. Stebins to succeed Mrs. Ida A. Monroe. The nominations were approved.

RULES OF REPRESENTATION

The following was moved and seconded:

Resolved, that the committee on rules of representation are herewith instructed to consider the matter referred to them in 1922, 1923, and 1925 conferences and submit their report for publication in the *Herald* thirty days before the convening of the General Conference, April 6, 1926, and that it also be included in the preconference report.

A motion to adopt was followed by a motion to refer to the committee on rules of representation, which latter motion prevailed.

ORDER OF BISHOPS ON PRESIDING BISHOPRIC

The Order of Bishops presented the following report:

To the First Presidency and Conference in Session; Greetings: The Order of Bishops met in the office of the Presiding Bishopric at 9 o'clock a. m. April 15, at which time the following bishops were present:

Benjamin R. McGuire, J. F. Keir, I. A. Smith, E. L. Kelley, C. E. Irwin, John Zimmermann, M. H. Siegfried, A. F. McLean, M. C. Fisher, E. Short, R. T. Cooper, E. O. Clark, C. J. Hunt, Charles Fry, A. Carmichael, F. B. Blair, R. May, J. A. Becker, J. A. Koehler, B. J. Scott, A. B. Phillips, also three bishops' counselors; namely, A. J. Yarrington, John Tucker, and J. E. Hovenga.

The Order met again at 9:20 a. m. April 16, with all of the above named brethren present except Bishops J. F. Keir, E. L. Kelley, and C. E. Irwin. At this morning's session the following preambles and resolutions were adopted by unanimous vote of the bishops present, with the instruction to report the same to you for your consideration, the members of the Presiding Bishopric having withdrawn during the consideration and adoption of the document:

Whereas, as a result of the meeting of the Order of Bishops held on the 15th of April, 1925, with eighteen bishops in addition to the Presiding Bishopric in attendance, and a further session of the Order held on April 16, 1925, with an attendance of sixteen bishops in addition to Bishops B. R. McGuire and I. A. Smith of the Presiding Bishopric, it has become finally apparent that, owing to the conscientious scruples held by the Presiding Bishopric, Benjamin R. McGuire, J. F. Keir, and I. A. Smith, conditions exist under which a continuance of the ministrations of the Presiding Bishopric is incompatible with the action of the present conference; and

Whereas, there is no reasonable hope that conditions shall become so changed as to make a unity of effort possible; and

Whereas, we believe that the affairs of the Presiding Bishopric have been administered conscientiously and with integrity according to their understanding and convictions of the matters and conditions prevailing; and

Whereas, in justice to the church in general we believe that the Presiding Bishopric should be composed of men who are in conscientious accord with the enactments of this General Conference; and

Whereas, we believe the Presiding Bishopric desire the

welfare of the whole church but hold conscientious scruples against voluntarily laying down a divinely imposed trust;

Therefore, be it and it is hereby resolved, that in furtherance of the general and financial interests of the church and in justice to the present Presiding Bishopric it is the sense of the Order of Bishops that the Presiding Bishopric be honorably released from their present positions.

ORDER OF BISHOPS,

April 16, 1925.

J. A. BECKER, *Acting Secretary.*

It was moved by Elders E. J. Gleazer and Ellis Short, sr., that the report be adopted.

The Presiding Bishopric asked permission to withdraw during consideration, which being granted, they withdrew from the assembly.

It was moved and seconded that the Presiding Bishopric be asked to make a statement before the vote was taken.

STATEMENT BY BISHOP B. R. MCGUIRE

The motion was adopted. Bishop McGuire made the following statement:

Mr. President, Ex Officio and Delegate Members of This Conference: When, on April 6, 1916, the General Conference of the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints asked us to assume the responsibility of the office of Presiding Bishop, we cheerfully responded to the call. We have as cheerfully given service in that office. Our only regret is that the service given has not been better and more to the advancement and the building up of the kingdom of God. From our record we believe that no matter what the action of this body shall be to-day upon the question pending before it, you are warranted in believing that we shall continue to strive to be honorable, law-abiding members of the church of Jesus Christ. I speak the sentiments of my colleagues. However, so far as I am concerned they are at liberty to express their views.

I pray that our heavenly Father in his love and mercy may grant that each ex officio and delegate member of this conference shall have that measure of his Spirit that he may be able to know what is right and have a sufficiency of his grace to do the right, that the determination of this

conference upon the matter now before you for consideration shall be to his praise and his glory.

It was moved that speeches on the question before the assembly be limited to twenty minutes.

A substitute was moved providing a limit of ten minutes.

A motion to lay the entire matter on the table was lost.

An amendment to the substitute, to fix the time limit to fifteen minutes, was moved and seconded.

The previous question on the entire matter, the report of the Order of Bishops and the motions fixing time limits for discussion, was lost.

The amendment to the substitute, and the substitute as amended, fixing the time limit to fifteen minutes, were adopted.

It was moved by Elders J. W. Davis and J. E. Yates, as a substitute for the resolution from the Order of Bishops, "that the Presiding Bishopric be sustained."

The previous question on the substitute was lost.

Discussion of the main question and the substitute followed.

It was moved by Elders W. L. Christy and G. E. Harrington that this entire matter be referred to the Presidency, Twelve, and Seventy.

The discussion continued until 5 p. m., when the chair adjourned the session until 10 a. m. of the day following.

Benediction by Patriarch F. A. Smith.

At 8 p. m. preaching by Elder W. I. Fligg, assisted by Elder Lee Quick.

At 9 p. m. a program by the Missionary Chorus was broadcast from the radio studio.

At 8 p. m. the ladies of Independence held a reception at the Campus, to which all visiting women were invited.

FRIDAY, APRIL 17.

At 8 a. m. prayer meeting in charge of Patriarchs F. A. Smith and H. O. Smith.

Business session at 10 a. m., President E. A. Smith in the chair, Hymn No. 13 was sung. Prayer was offered by Elder J. A. Gillen.

The minutes were approved.

FASTING AND PRAYER

The following was moved by Elders O. Salisbury and J. A. Koehler:

That further consideration of this matter be deferred, and that we seek the Lord through the prophet, in fasting and prayer, for direction.

President Frederick M. Smith withdrew from the assembly during consideration of the resolution.

After discussion the previous question was moved on the resolution to defer, and it was adopted.

OKLAHOMA DISTRICTS

The committee on boundary lines presented the following reports, which were separately approved:

To the Presidency and the General Conference: Your committee to which was referred a document designed to affect changes in boundary lines of Oklahoma districts, recommends:

Inasmuch as there is much difference of opinion among Oklahoma district delegates concerning proposed changes of boundary lines of said districts;

That the present boundaries remain, and that the several districts consider and act upon the proposed changes, also such others as they may desire to recommend, having in view the interests of the work in the entire State.

That the missionaries appointed to that State also so consider the question; and that such districts and missionaries report their conclusions to a committee consisting of R. S. Salyards, E. J. Gleazer, and R. S. Budd on or before March 20, 1926, which committee shall consider such reports and recommend action to the General Conference of 1926.

Signed, R. S. SALYARDS,
E. D. BAILEY,
E. J. GLEAZER,

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 16, 1925. *Committee.*

To the Presidency and General Conference; Greeting:

Inasmuch as the Central Oklahoma and Texas Districts have passed resolutions in effect that the counties in Texas now in the Central Oklahoma District be placed in the Texas Central District, your committee on boundary lines recommends approval of said action.

Respectfully submitted,
R. S. SALYARDS,
E. D. BAILEY,
E. J. GLEAZER,

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 16, 1925. *Committee.*

QUORUM OF TWELVE

The Quorum of Twelve presented a recommendation as follows:

The General Conference; Greeting: At the session of the Quorum of Twelve held this morning, Elder Jeremiah A. Gunsolley was selected to act as a patriarch and evangelical minister, and we therefore recommend that he be ordained in accordance with this action.

Very sincerely yours,
THE QUORUM OF TWELVE,
By F. HENRY EDWARDS.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 16, 1925.

It was moved that the report be adopted and the ordination provided for.

Elder Gunsolley expressed willingness to accept the responsibility. Elders J. F. Garver and Lee Quick spoke in favor of the ordination.

The motion to approve prevailed.

THIRD SEVENTY

The Third Quorum of Seventy reported:

To the First Presidency: The Third Quorum of Seventy beg leave to submit the following report:

To date we have participated in nine joint sessions during this conference besides four sessions of our own quorum. We have had no organized program before us, hence our work has been mostly extemporaneous.

As a statistical report for the quorum, we have this to report from ten of the members:

Sermons 2,586, in charge of services 437, assisted in presiding 193, other services attended 1,074, total number of services, 4,364; baptized 187, confirmed 155, assisted to confirm 43, ordained 33, children blessed 104, administered to the sick 737, marriages performed 8, new openings effected 23, pastoral visits 200, administered the sacrament 16, house-to-house calls 90.

This report covers the period of the past eighteen months, ending March 31, 1925.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES J. SMITH, *Secretary.*

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 17, 1925.

FASTING AND PRAYER

The chair suggested adjournment until 2 p. m. of the following day, that quorums and other bodies might meet in fasting and prayer according to the terms of the resolution adopted.

He adjourned the session at 11:15 a. m. Hymn No. 14 was sung. Benediction by Patriarch Frederick A. Smith.

At 11:30 a. m. the priesthood met in general assembly in the lower auditorium and engaged in a season of prayer. Presidents E. A. Smith and F. M. McDowell, Presiding Evangelist Frederick A. Smith, and Apostles J. A. Gillen and J. F. Curtis were in charge.

During the afternoon the various quorums met at their appointed places in seasons of prayer, in harmony with the action of conference.

At 2:30 p. m. a general service of prayer was held in the upper auditorium, called by the Department of Women, Elders G. T. Griffiths and J. M. Terry in charge, Sister Blanche Edwards sitting with them.

At 8 p. m. Elder G. T. Griffiths delivered an illustrated lecture on church history. He was assisted by Elder C. Ed. Miller.

SATURDAY, APRIL 18

At 8:30 a. m. prayer services in the upper auditorium, Patriarchs W. A. McDowell and Richard Baldwin in charge.

At the same hour the priesthood met for prayer in the lower auditorium, Elder J. A. Gillen, president of the Twelve, in charge, assisted by President F. M. McDowell, Patriarch F. A. Smith, Apostles J. F. Curtis and J. F. Garver, and Elder William Grice.

At 10:45 a. m. preaching by Elder Peter Whalley.

Business session at 2:15 p. m., President E. A. Smith in the chair. Hymn No. 158 in the Hymnal was sung. Prayer by Elder G. T. Griffiths.

The minutes were approved.

HIGH PRIESTS

The High Priests' Quorum recommended ordinations as follows:

To the First Presidency: At the meeting of the High Priests' Quorum yesterday, the following action was taken:

After a communication from the First Presidency recommending a number of brethren to be ordained to the office of high priest was read, it was moved, seconded, and carried that the quorum concur in the recommendation of the First Presidency as touching the names of the following brethren:

James A. Thomas, G. S. Daniel, Thomas S. Williams, and Bruce E. Brown.

Respectfully submitted,

C. I. CARPENTER,

ARTHUR E. STOFF,

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 18, 1925. *Secretaries.*

The First Presidency: In considering your communication recommending the name of John Sheehy to the office of high priest, the Quorum of High Priests took the following action:

That a committee consisting of the quorum presidency and the Far West stake presidency consider the recommendation before final action of the quorum was taken.

At the morning session of April 18 the committee reported recommending favorable action. By motion the quorum concurred in the recommendation of the First Presidency.

Respectfully submitted,

C. I. CARPENTER,

ARTHUR E. STOFF,

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 18, 1925. *Secretaries.*

A motion to adopt was followed by expressions by each of the brethren named, of willingness to accept ordination, a number of brethren indorsing the action. The vote on each name was taken separately and in each case was approved.

STATEMENT AND REVELATION

President E. A. Smith read the following document presented by President F. M. Smith:

To the Church: Before and since the decision of the conference to have a season of prayer for divine direction in the matter before the conference, I have presented to the Lord the needs of the people; and through the voice of inspiration I am directed to say to the church: It is wisdom that the brethren of the present Presiding Bishopric be released from further responsibility in that office, and that Albert Carmichael be ordained to act in the office of presiding bishop for a time, he to choose from among the bishops two to act as counselors.

It is well that the documents from the Joint Council of April, 1924, have been approved, and the church is admonished once again that the great task laid upon it cannot be accomplished if contention continues. The hastening time is here, and greater unity than ever before is necessary if the forces of opposition are to be met, and such unity will prevail if those holding the priesthood will remember their commission to preach the gospel, and each officer will strive to discharge his own duty and magnify his calling.

The promise has been given that no power shall stay the hand of God in the accomplishment of his purposes among his people; and as the church shall move forward in its great work the fulfillment of prophecy may cause the Saints to tremble at the exhibition of divine power, yet they shall rejoice in the protection of his grace.

The authorities of the church whose duty it is to appoint men to missionary tasks should remember the previously

given instructions to send out by twos; and so far as practicable let the missionaries be so sent. There is wisdom and safety in this.

Your servant,

FREDERICK M. SMITH.

KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI, April 18, 1925.

It was moved by Elders J. A. Gillen and B. H. Doty that we adopt the document coming from the President of the church for what it purports to be, a revelation from God.

Reports of quorum actions were read:

THE QUORUM OF TWELVE

The General Conference; Greeting: I am instructed to inform your honorable body that the Quorum of Twelve have taken under advisement the document presented by President Frederick M. Smith on this date. By a vote of eight to four we have adopted it for what it purports to be.

Very sincerely yours,

THE QUORUM OF TWELVE,

By F. HENRY EDWARDS.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 18, 1925.

FIRST PRESIDENCY

President F. M. McDowell reported verbally for the Presidency that the document had been approved by them.

QUORUMS OF SEVENTY

The Quorums of Seventy reported that they were not yet ready to report action.

HIGH PRIESTS

The First Presidency: The High Priests' Quorum wish to report that the document presented by the President of the church was adopted by a vote of 45 for and 7 against, 10 not voting.

Respectfully submitted.

C. I. CARPENTER,

ARTHUR E. STOFF,

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 18, 1925. Secretaries.

ORDER OF BISHOPS

To the First Presidency and Conference Assembled; Greeting: The Order of Bishops met at 10.30 a. m. with thirteen members present. The document presented by President F. M. Smith was read and duly considered and upon motion was adopted unanimously as the voice of the Lord to the church.

ORDER OF BISHOPS,

By J. A. BECKER,

Acting Secretary.

April 18, 1925.

ELDERS

To the Conference; Greeting: The Elders met this morning and considered the document presented by President Smith.

After about an hour's discussion, a motion to adopt prevailed by a vote of 92 for and 17 against, 17 not voting.

FRANK McDONALD, *Secretary.*

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 18, 1925.

AARONIC PRIESTHOOD

To the General Conference; Greeting: The Aaronic priesthood was called together this morning by Bishop B. R. McGuire to consider the document presented by President Frederick M. Smith. The undersigned were elected to act as chairman and secretary of the meeting and Bishop McGuire then withdrew.

After consideration and discussion, the vote was ordered and the document approved by a vote of 41 to 4, with some not voting.

J. W. GUNSOLLEY, *Chairman.*VERNON A. REESE, *Secretary.*

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 18, 1925.

Discussion of the motion to adopt continued until 4: 50 p. m., when the chair adjourned the session to reassemble at 8 p. m.

The chair then entertained a motion that the conference adjourn to meet on Monday, the 20th, at 10 a. m.

The motion was laid on the table without discussion.

Objection to this action being urged, the chair put to the assembly an informal motion, asking if it

desired to meet at 8 p. m. The assembly voted in the affirmative.

Announcements were made. Benediction by Elder J. W. Rushton.

Business session at 8 p. m. President E. A. Smith in the chair.

Hymn No. 134 was sung. Patriarch U. W. Greene offered prayer.

The minutes were approved.

ORDER OF EVANGELISTS

The Order of Evangelists reported:

The Order of Evangelists directs me to report that, at a meeting held at the Order of Enoch House at 6.30 p. m. April 18, 1925, the Order adopted the following resolution, the vote standing 7 for and 6 against, two not voting:

Resolved that this Order accepts the document presented by the President of the church as a revelation to govern the church.

H. O. SMITH,

Secretary of Order.

STATEMENT AND REVELATION

It was moved that the previous question be ordered on the matter pending on adjournment—the motion to adopt the document presented by President F. M. Smith.

A point of order was raised, that the main question had not been stated by the chair as before the assembly. The chair sustained the point of order; he then stated the question as before the body.

The previous question was then moved and adopted by vote of 256 to 185.

A motion that the vote be taken by yeas and nays was lost.

The motion to adopt prevailed by vote of 351 to 97.

The visiting members of the church, those not ex officio members and not delegates, were permitted to vote on the question, and a strong majority voted for adoption.

It was moved by Elders M. H. Cook and W. A. McDowell that the document be published in future editions of the Doctrine and Covenants. The motion was adopted.

Hymn No. 17, "How firm a foundation," was sung.

STATEMENT BY BISHOP A. CARMICHAEL

Bishop Carmichael, being requested to speak, made the following statement:

I am sure, folks, that you do not care to hear any oratorical display to-night. If you did, you could not get it from me now.

I apprehend that you have all sensed the fact that the task that lies before me is rather difficult under the circumstances, and I am sure I sense that fact very, very keenly. The social program that lies before this church is a stupendous task, and no man or set of men should even dream of doing it without God's assistance. As I said to you the other day, the thing that puts this church of ours above, beyond, separate and apart from every other denomination is the fact that we believe in present-day revelation, and that is the distinctive thing that gives me heart that sometime, somewhere, somehow, please God, we will put this thing across. I have dreamed of it, I have worked for it, I have prayed for it. I shall so continue to do, believing that in every honest heart among latter-day Israel I will have a constant and stanch friend. I may have enemies. I know of none now. I know of none before me in the church I consider my enemies. I shall carry on without fear or favor of any man or set of men. Listen to that, ladies and gentlemen: I shall carry on without fear or favor of any man or set of men the work as God gives me to see how to do it. I sincerely ask your prayers that I may do it wisely and well. I do not expect to suit all of you. That is a dream that is almost unattainable. A man who sits as a judge in Israel cannot expect to suit both sides of the case. We must always necessarily make people displeased on account of our judgment. That will be the lot of a bishop in Israel to sit as a judge, and in these cases he cannot expect to suit everybody. But I promise you—oh, I do not think it is necessary to promise you. I think you who have known my life know just what kind of a man I am. I do not want to pose as a hero. God forbid. But I think my life has demonstrated to you that I wanted to do the right thing and am trying to do the right thing.

I sincerely ask your prayers and your cooperation, and I pledge you, men and women, that I will do all that lies in my power to sustain the constitution of this church—the Bible, the Book of Mormon, and the Doctrine and Covenants—and when I say the Doctrine and Covenants I do not want to re-evaluate it and take out some of the late revelations—I will do all in my power to sustain the constitutional law of this church, the Book of Mormon, the Doctrine and Covenants, and the statutory laws enacted by you in your legislative capacity. I pray God to help me and ask you to pray for me to this end.

Bishop Carmichael nominated Bishop M. H. Siegfried to be one of his counselors, stating that later he would nominate the other counselor.

It was moved and seconded that the nomination be approved.

Bishop Siegfried made a statement, in which he expressed willingness to accept the position.

The motion to approve prevailed.

ADMINISTRATION TO SICK

The committee on administration to the sick reported:

To the Presidency and General Conference: I beg leave to report the number of administrations since the convening of conference. We have administered to 98, with good results reported to us of relief from their distress.

J. W. METCALF, *For the Committee.*

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 18, 1925.

FIRST SEVENTY

The First Quorum of Seventy reported:

To the General Conference; Greeting: The First Quorum of Seventy has had in attendance at this General Conference 49 members. Those in attendance are, A. M. Baker, Alma Booker, N. L. Booker, W. P. Bootman, P. R. Burton, William Bath, Hubert Case, E. A. Curtis, J. D. Carlisle, C. M. Clifford, William Davis, J. A. Dowker, B. H. Doty, O. L. D'Arcy, A. R. Ellis, R. L. Fulk, W. I. Fligg, L. G. Holloway, L. Houghton, J. G. Halb, George Jenkins, H. A. Koehler, E. E. Long, J. R. Lentell, M. W. Liston, Guy P. Levitt, R. M. Maloney, J. C. McConaughy, J. C. May, A. C. Martin, W. C.

Neville, O. W. Okerlind, J. C. Page, J. F. Petre, William Patterson, G. W. Robley, C. H. Rich, S. S. Smith, J. F. Sheehy, S. G. St. John, J. E. Vanderwood, J. B. Wildermuth, J. E. Wildermuth, L. O. Wildermuth, B. W. Whiting, R. D. Weaver, F. F. Wipper, J. E. Yates, and J. H. Yeager.

To date the quorum has held three sessions, and nine joint sessions with the other seventy.

The quorum as presently constituted numbers 59. Of this number 50 were under appointment the past conference year, 2 reside in foreign fields, 3 have labored in foreign fields, 7 have acted as district presidents, 7 as branch presidents; 1 has labored in Indian work, 3 as supervisors, and 2 have been in attendance at Graceland. Three have reported hindrances on account of sickness.

There were 50 of the brethren that have reported to the quorum. Those not reporting were: R. T. Brown, D. R. Chambers, J. A. Dowker, E. Y. Hunker, C. O. Johnson, A. L. Loving, J. M. Simmons, and J. F. Sheehy. From the 50 reports in hand, the following summary is deducted: Sermons 10,283, times in charge 1,241, other services attended 4,596, times assisted in presiding, 1,520, total number of services attended 17,643; baptisms 953, confirmed 594, assisted to confirm 361, ordained 52, assisted to ordain 47, children blessed 346, assisted in blessing 110, administered to the sick 3,922, assisted to administer 585, marriages 60, branches organized 7, new openings 63, discussions 12, pastoral visits 2,301, members of court 1, administered the sacrament 212, Sunday schools organized 1, and a number of other items of routine work incident to ministerial work that is not contained in this report.

Sincerely yours,

S. S. SMITH, *Secretary*.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 17, 1925.

At 9 p. m. the chair adjourned the session until 2 p. m., Monday, the 20th.

Announcements of Sunday services, etc., were made. Hymn No. 172 was sung; benediction by President E. A. Smith.

SUNDAY, APRIL 19

Sunday services as announced were as follows:

ORDINATIONS

At 11 a. m. ordination and prayer service in upper auditorium, Presidents F. M. Smith, E. A. Smith, and F. M. McDowell in charge.

Those approved for ordination were ordained to offices indicated by officers officiating, as follows:

Presiding Bishop: Albert Carmichael, by Presidents F. M. Smith, E. A. Smith, and F. M. McDowell.

Counselor to Presiding Bishop: M. H. Siegfried, by E. A. Smith, F. M. Smith, and F. M. McDowell.

Patriarch: J. A. Gunsolley, by F. M. McDowell, F. M. Smith, and E. A. Smith.

Counselor to president of Quorum of High Priests: W. S. Macrae, by J. A. Gillen and J. F. Garver.

High Priest: Bruce E. Brown, by J. F. Curtis and R. S. Budd; T. S. Williams, by R. S. Budd and J. F. Curtis; G. Scott Daniel, by J. F. Garver and J. A. Gillen; J. F. Sheehy, by E. J. Gleazer and F. Henry Edwards; James A. Thomas, by F. Henry Edwards and E. J. Gleazer.

At the suggestion of President F. M. Smith, each of the brethren ordained made brief addresses.

The hymn, "Jesus, I my cross have taken," was sung; benediction by President F. M. McDowell.

PREACHING SERVICES

Stone Church: 7:30 p. m. Elder J. A. Gillen.

Second Church: 11 a. m., Elder Walter W. Smith; 7:30 p. m., Elder J. L. Cooper.

Walnut Park: 11 a. m., Elder M. C. Fisher; 7:30 p. m., Elder Peter Whalley.

Enoch Hill: 11 a. m., Elder H. H. Higgins; 7:30 p. m., Elder L. G. Holloway.

Liberty Street: 11 a. m., Elder B. H. Doty; 7:30 p. m., —

Spring Branch: 11 a. m., Elder O. J. Hawn; 7:30 p. m., Elder Guy P. Levitt.

Englewood: 11 a. m., —; 7:30 p. m., Elder G. Scott Daniel.

East Independence: 11 a. m., Elder G. W. Robley; 7:30 p. m., Elder F. F. Wipper.

MONDAY, APRIL 20

At 9 a. m. prayer meeting, lower auditorium, in charge of Elders J. M. Terry and W. P. Bootman.

At 9 to 11 a. m. session of the Department of Women, in upper auditorium, Sister Blanche Edwards in charge.

Business session at 2 p. m., President F. M. Smith in the chair. The hymn, "Consecration," was sung. Prayer was offered by Patriarch A. E. Stone.

The minutes were amended and approved.

BOARD OF PUBLICATION

Bishop Carmichael presented nominations for members of the Board of Publication:

To the General Conference: In accordance with your instructions, we herewith present the following nominations for members of the Board of Publication: F. M. Smith, Roy S. Budd, M. H. Siegfried, Fred B. Blair, R. R. Redfield.

Very respectfully,

A. CARMICHAEL.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 20, 1925.

The nominations were approved.

HIGH PRIESTS

The Quorum of High Priests reported nominations for ordination to the office of high priest:

The First Presidency: The High Priests' Quorum wish to report that favorable action was taken by them at their morning session approving the recommendation from the First Presidency as touching the names of the following for the ordination of High Priest: Doctor A. W. Teel, Los Angeles; Ray Knowlton, Los Angeles; T. G. Neville, Kirtland; Fred A. Fry, Woodbine, Iowa; Virgil Etzenhouser, Oakland, California; D. O. Cato, Independence.

Respectfully submitted,

C. I. CARPENTER, *Secretary.*

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 20, 1925.

It was moved and seconded that the report be approved.

Elders Teel, Knowlton, Neville, Fry, and Cato, not present, were indorsed by members of the conference.

Elder Etzenhouser expressed willingness to accept.

Each name was approved by separate action.

SECOND QUORUM OF SEVENTY

The Second Quorum of Seventy reported.

To the Conference: For the period from January, 1923, to February 28, 1925:

Sermons preached 8,793, times in charge of services 2,406, times assisted in presiding 1,417, other services attended 6,016, total number of services attended 18,632; baptized 729, confirmed 524, assisted to confirm 265, ordained 40, assisted to ordain 23, children blessed 311, assisted in blessing children 64, administered to sick 4,751, assisted in administration 451, marriages solemnized 52, branches organized 1, assisted 1, new openings effected 46, discussions held 10, pastoral visits 1,507, acted as member of court 9, administered sacrament 351, cases of difficulty adjusted 19, cases submitted to court 2, number of tracts distributed 49,675, number house-to-house calls 2,995.

J. W. DAVIS, *President.*

J. W. PETERSON, *Secretary.*

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

The committee on appropriations reported:

To the First Presidency and General Conference Assembled; Greeting: The appropriations committee met this morning and approved the following appropriations subject to revision:

Offices, Departments, and General

1. Presidency	\$ 8,750.00
2. Bishopric	18,000.00
3. Quorum of Twelve	1,600.00
4. Statistical Department	1,500.00

5. Auditor	4,000.00
6. Architect	1,000.00
7. Historian	1,100.00
8. Patriarch	200.00
9. Church Secretary	50.00
10. Librarian	400.00
11. Graphic Arts Bureau	200.00
12. Department of Women	2,000.00
13. Department of Recreation and Expression	1,200.00
14. Radio Department	6,000.00
15. General Office Expense	7,000.00
16. General Church Expense	3,200.00
16a. Real Estate Expense	50,000.00
17. District Expense	1,200.00
18. Interest and Exchange	8,000.00
19. Foreign Missions	10,000.00
20. Payments on Consecration Contracts	5,000.00
21. Tract Fund—Publicity	2,500.00
21a. Sunday School	3,265.00
21b. Social Service Bureau	1,415.00

Stakes

22. City of Zion—Presidency	1,450.00
23. City of Zion—Bishopric	3,600.00
24. Lamoni—Presidency	1,400.00
25. Lamoni—Bishopric	1,200.00
26. Kansas City—Presidency and Bishopric	2,900.00
27. Far West—Presidency	1,400.00
28. Far West—Bishopric	600.00
29. Holden—Presidency and Bishopric	1,400.00

Ministerial

32. Family Allowances	240,000.00
33. Elders' Expense	90,000.00
34. Aid	30,000.00

Institutional

35. Graceland College	20,000.00
36. Graceland College—Gymnasium	2,300.00

37. Children's Home	5,000.00
38. Holden Home	9,500.00
39. Saints' and Liberty Homes	10,000.00
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Total	\$558,330.00

The Appropriations Committee also considered the following preambles and resolutions and report favorably thereon and recommend that the matter be referred to the First Presidency and Order of Bishops with power to act:

"Whereas the financial support of the institutions of the church, including Graceland College, has been under consideration by the leading quorums and General Conference for many years, and

"Whereas the leading quorums of the church have adopted the policy of maintaining a fully standardized and officially accredited college of recognized standing in the educational world, and

"Whereas the standardizing and accrediting associations of the country have recently revised their standards relating to endowments, fixing \$200,000 permanent endowment for Junior Colleges and a minimum of \$500,000 for four-year colleges, and

"Whereas the matter of an endowment for Graceland College has been under consideration by the leading quorums of the church for several years and by resolution been favored by the Joint Council of Presidency, Twelve, and Bishopric as well as by the Standing High Council, and

"Whereas all income derived from permanent endowment will reduce by that amount the appropriations required from the General Conference for current running expenses,

"Therefore, Be It Resolved, That we favor the policy followed for many years of maintaining and supporting a fully standardized and officially accredited institution of higher learning at Graceland College, and

"In view of the fact that in order to maintain a Junior College an endowment of \$200,000 is required and for a four-

year college an endowment of \$500,000 is required by the accrediting associations of the country,

“Be It Further Resolved, That we favor the raising of an endowment for Graceland College of \$200,000 at once in order to maintain our present Junior College and an additional \$300,000 at the earliest possible date for the accrediting of a full four-year standard college.”

In the administration of this fund when raised, it is suggested that in the development of the stewardship plan of the church lands may be purchased and resold, the interest on the purchase price to be used for the maintenance of the college to meet its endowment requirements, or

It may be loaned to the general church at interest secured by properties held by the church and on which money is now borrowed, the interest being paid to outsiders.

APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE,

(Signed) By J. A. BECKER, *Secretary*.

April 20, 1925.

A motion to adopt was followed by a statement by President G. N. Briggs of Graceland College, who spoke by request.

The motion to adopt prevailed.

TESTIMONIAL

The following testimonial to retiring members of the Presiding Bishopric was moved and seconded by Bishops R. T. Cooper and M. C. Fisher, and adopted by unanimous vote.

Whereas, at the call of the church, Brethren Benjamin R. McGuire, James F. Keir, and I. A. Smith left their several avocations in the affairs of men and for a number of years have given to the church their unstinted services, enhanced by the benefits of their business and professional training; and

Whereas, in the wisdom of God and the church they have now been honorably released from further responsibility in their services as the Presiding Bishopric of the church;

Therefore, be it resolved, by the General Conference assembled, that we express to them jointly and individually our appreciation of their services rendered to the church.

HIGH COUNCIL

The Presidency reported that the resignations of Elders M. H. Siegfried, W. W. Smith, J. F. Garver, and the death of Elder John M. Cockerton had caused four vacancies in the Standing High Council. They presented the names of Elders R. T. Cooper, C. Ed. Miller, D. O. Cato, and B. J. Scott for confirmation to fill said vacancies.

The nominations were approved by the conference.

At 3.15 the chair adjourned the session until 2 p. m. of the day following. He suggested that all delegates and ex officio members remain until the conference had completed its business. He urged that members of the Bishopric and of the Quorums of Seventy remain until the day following the conference to consider matters to be presented to them by the First Presidency.

Announcements were made. Hymn No. 56 was sung. Benediction by President E. A. Smith.

At 8 p. m., preaching by Elder J. R. Grice, assisted by Elder William Grice.

TUESDAY, APRIL 21

8.30 a. m., prayer meeting in the lower auditorium, Patriarchs F. A. Smith and H. O. Smith in charge.

At 9 a. m. session of the Department of Women in the upper auditorium, Sister Blanche Edwards in charge.

10.45, upper auditorium, preaching by Elder James Pycock, assisted by Elder H. A. Chelline.

The conference convened in business session at 2 p. m., President F. M. Smith presiding.

Hymn No. 88 was sung. President F. M. McDowell offered prayer.

The minutes were approved.

SUPERANNUATED

The Quorum of Twelve presented the following report:

To the General Conference; Greeting: We wish to recommend the following brethren for superannuation: William Davis, W. H. Kelley.

Very sincerely yours,
THE QUORUM OF TWELVE,
By F. HENRY EDWARDS.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 21, 1925.

A motion to approve the recommendation was adopted.

PRESIDENTS OF SEVENTY

The council of the Presidents of Seventy reported recommendations for ordinations:

To the Conference: The following names have been selected for ordination to the office of seventy: E. H. Davies, T. L. Clark. E. E. LONG,
Secretary Council.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 21, 1925.

A motion to approve was followed by statements of recommendation of the brethren named. Brother T. L. Clark, present, expressed willingness to accept, and by separate action each name was approved.

MISSIONARY APPOINTMENTS

The Quorum of Twelve reported the following list of missionary appointments for 1925-26, such appointments having the approval of the First Presidency:

To the General Conference; Greeting: We have given as much of our attention as possible to the consideration of appointments, but the circumstances prevailing during conference have been such that it has been impossible for us to complete the assignments we wish to make for the conference year 1925-6.

A number of appointments have been referred to a post-

conference council, and a list of the brethren concerned is appended hereto. This reference to the council is no reflection whatever on the standing of the brethren named.

New applications for missionary appointment, and all foreign missions will also be considered at the post conference council.

The list of appointments completed is also attached.

Very sincerely yours,

THE QUORUM OF TWELVE,

By F. HENRY EDWARDS.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 21, 1925.

Arizona:

E. E. Long.

Arkansas and Louisiana:

E. A. Erwin, J. E. Vanderwood.

California:

Northern: E. B. Hull.

Colorado:

Eastern: J. D. Curtis, Western: R. E. Davey.

Indiana:

Southern: O. J. Hawn, J. W. Metcalf. South Michigan and Northern Indiana: Percy E. Farrow.

Illinois:

Northeast: J. E. Wildermuth; Central: E. L. Ulrich; Nauvoo: C. F. Putnam.

Iowa:

Gallands Grove: W. A. Smith; Little Sioux: C. J. Smith; Des Moines: W. D. Tordoff; Pottawattamie: William Bath; Eastern: L. Houghton; Kewanee: O. W. Okerlind; Fremont: J. D. Stead; Lamoni Stake: L. Holloway.

Kansas:

Northeast: C. E. Harpe; Southwest: H. V. Minton; Kansas City Stake: W. I. Fligg.

Kentucky and Tennessee:

Alma Booker.

Michigan:

North Peninsula: E. N. Burt; Central: S. T. Pendleton; Eastern: G. T. Richards; Detroit: J. R. Grice.

Missouri:

Clinton: W. E. Haden; Spring River: A. T. Higdon; Southern: A. M. Baker; Holden Stake: E. A. Curtis, R. D. Weaver; Northeast: Henry Sparling; St. Louis: J. W. A. Bailey; Far West Stake: F. F. Wipper, J. R. Lentell.

Minnesota and North Dakota: William Shakespeare.

Montana:

Western: G. W. Thorburn; Eastern: W. P. Bootman.

Nebraska:

Northeast: B. F. Creel; Central: George Jenkins.

Ohio:

Northwest: Jacob G. Halb; Southern: J. D. Showers; Kirtland: William Patterson.

Oklahoma:

Central: Hubert Case, Jonathan Koshiway; Eastern: J. T. Riley; Western: A. H. Christensen.

Oregon:

Eli Bronson.

Pennsylvania:

Youngstown-Sharon: W. C. Neville; Wheeling and Pittsburgh: T. L. Clark; New York and Philadelphia: G. W. Robley.

Texas:

Central: S. S. Smith; Southwest: D. S. Palmer.

Utah and Idaho:

Utah: Guy P. Levitt; Idaho: R. D. Fulk.

Wisconsin:

Northern: L. O. Wildermuth; Southern: W. L. Christy.

Saskatchewan:

Southern: O. L. D'Arcy.

Chatham:

B. H. Doty.

Alberta:

Joseph Yeager.

Owen Sound:

J. W. Peterson, S. G. St. John.

Manitoba:

Fred Gregory, Winnipeg objective.

Southeastern Mission:

T. C. Kelley, J. Charles May, N. L. Booker, T. M. Carr.

Seattle and British Columbia:

A. C. Martin.

Referred to post conference council:

F. B. Almond, William F. Anderson, E. D. Finken, Alvin Knisley, H. A. Koehler, Peter Muceus, William Postma, Lee Quick, James Pycock, H. W. Savage, A. C. Silvers, G. C. Tomlinson, Frank Veenstra, W. R. Wirebaugh, G. H. Wixom, James E. Yates, H. E. Winegar, J. W. Paxton, P. R. Burton, James W. Davis.

LOCAL APPOINTMENTS

The First Presidency and Quorum of Twelve reported the following list of local appointments for the same period:

- Baldwin, Richard, New England.
- Berve, Amos, Nauvoo District.
- Bishop, James E., Southern Ohio District.
- Burt, G. W., Central and North Michigan.
- Blackmore, John, post conference council.
- Bullard, Richard, Ohio, outside Kirtland, and Tennessee and Kentucky.
- Brown, Bruce E., Eastern Colorado, Colorado Springs, objective.
- Carpenter, C. I., Independence.
- Chase, Amos, post conference council.
- Carlile, Joshua, Nebraska.
- Chelline, H. A., post conference council.
- Chrestensen, J. C., Southern Missouri.
- Cook, M. H., Portland District.
- Cooper, J. L., Northeastern Illinois District.
- Corbett, A. J., post conference council.
- Daniel, G. Scott, Nauvoo District, Burlington objective.
- Davis, E. R., Kewanee District.
- Davis, James, Western and Southern Michigan and Northern Indiana.
- Davis, E. A., Eastern Iowa District.
- Davis, J. Arthur, Western Colorado District.
- Dowker, D. E., post conference council.
- Dutton, J. O., Central Illinois after October 1.
- Elliot, T. J., Providence, Rhode Island.
- Etzenhouser M. A., Independence.
- Etzenhouser, Virgil, post conference council.
- Farrell, Ralph, referred to Presidency.
- Fry, Charles, Kirtland District.
- Greene, U. W., post conference council.
- Grice, William M., post conference council.
- Gresty, J. T., post conference council.
- Harrington, G. E., post conference council.
- Griffiths, G. T., Iowa, Minnesota, North Dakota, and Nebraska, excepting Lamoni Stake.
- Gunsolley, J. A., Lamoni Stake and Far West Stake.
- Hawkins, Charles W., superannuated.
- Haworth, W. J., post conference council.
- Higgins, H. A., Saint Louis District, Saint Louis objective.

- Hunt, C. J., Referred to Presidency and Bishopric.
Jones, C. E., post conference council.
Lenox, E. J., Southern Wisconsin after October 1.
Lewis, George, post conference council.
McDowell, W. A., Illinois and Wisconsin.
May, Roderick, post conference council.
Martin, J. F., post conference council.
Miller, C. Ed., Independence.
Mussell, F. T., Gallands Grove District.
Newton, Thomas, West Virginia District.
Osler, William., Alberta District.
Parsons, A. H., Florida.
Perkins, D. B., post conference council.
Pitt, F. G., Kirtland and Southeastern States.
Pycok, David, post conference council.
Rannie, Edward, post conference council.
Rich, Calvin H., Western Maine District, Stonington objective.
Robertson, E. F., Southern Nebraska,
Russell, R. C., post conference council.
Sheehy, J. F., Far West Stake, Cameron, objective.
Shields, John, Ontario.
Smith, W. W., Southern California, Los Angeles objective.
Smith, H. O., Oklahoma and Texas.
Stoft, A. E., New York and Philadelphia, Philadelphia objective.
Smith, I. M., Holden Stake.
Thomas, J. A., Central Oklahoma, Tulsa objective.
Stone, A. E., Pennsylvania and New York States.
Twombly, Samuel, Northeastern Kansas District.
Umphrey, Matthew, post conference council.
Wells, G. R., post conference council.
Whalley, Peter, Omaha, Nebraska.
White, Ammon, Missouri and Kansas, except Far West Stake.
Whiting, Birch, post conference council.
Williams, D. J., Hawaii Territory.
Williams, T. S., Southwestern Kansas, Wichita objective.

The conference voted to approve the appointments.

SUSTAINING

The conference proceeded to sustain officers, quorums, departments, etc., as the list was presented by the chairman.

The First Presidency were sustained by vote of the assembly and also by vote of the visitors, following some discussion.

It was moved that the members of the Quorum of Twelve be presented separately for the vote of the assembly.

RESIGNATION

The resignation of Apostle John W. Rushton was read, as follows:

To the General Conference; Greeting: I herewith present to you my resignation as a member of the Quorum of Twelve.

Sincerely,

JOHN W. RUSHTON.

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, April 22, 1925.

It was moved that the resignation be accepted.

Elder Rushton made a statement.

It was then moved and seconded that the statement by Brother Rushton be included in the minutes.

The motion to include in the minutes was laid on the table.

During the discussion of the resignation, Brother Rushton withdrew from the assembly.

After discussion the previous question was ordered, and the motion to accept the resignation was adopted by vote of 182 to 115.

Discussion of the motion to act upon the names separately was continued, when the previous question was ordered and the motion to consider separately was adopted.

The name of Apostle T. W. Williams was presented and a motion made that he be sustained. Elder Williams made a statement, following which the previous question was ordered, and the motion to sustain was lost by vote of 114 to 173.

The following members of the Quorum of Twelve were sustained by separate votes: Elders P. M.

Hanson and J. F. Curtis, both making statements, following presentation of their names; J. A. Gillen, P. M. Hanson, J. F. Curtis, M. A. McConley, J. F. Garver, F. H. Edwards, E. J. Gleazer, C. F. Ellis, R. S. Budd, D. T. Williams.

On motion of Elders W. D. Bullard and W. O. Hands a vote of thanks was extended to Elders J. W. Rushton and T. W. Williams for past services to the church. The motion prevailed.

REORGANIZATION OF SEVENTY

It was moved by Elders L. G. Holloway and W. P. Bootman, that this conference favor the reorganization of the Quorums of Seventy and that this matter be referred to the Presidency, Twelve, and Seventy for consideration and report at the next General Conference.

A point of order was raised that the resolution would come under the head of new business. The point was ruled against by the chair.

The previous question was ordered, and the motion prevailed.

It was moved by Elders J. O. Dutton and E. F. Robertson:

That it be the sense of this body that we sustain all the Seventy, including the council of Presidents of Seventy, except those who say they cannot go out and work under the program of the church as now outlined.

A substitute was moved by Elders B. J. Scott and J. F. Curtis that we sustain the council of Presidents of Seventy.

The substitute prevailed.

It was moved by Elders M. H. Cook and D. E. Dowker that the Quorums of Seventy be sustained subject to the resolution of reorganization and reference.

An incidental motion that the Seventy be voted on separately was laid on the table.

The motion to sustain prevailed.

The following were then sustained without discussion: The Presiding Bishopric, the Order of Bishops, the Order of Evangelists, the Standing High Council, the Quorum of High Priests, the Eldership, the Architect, the Auditor, the Chorister, Historian, Librarian, (the chair stated the Presidency were not prepared to make nomination for office of Church Physician,) Secretaries, Statistician, Board of Publication.

CHILDREN'S HOME TRUSTEES

Elders A. J. Yarrington and C. B. Hartshorn were elected to succeed themselves as members of the Board of Trustees of the Children's Home, and that board was sustained.

The Bureau of Graphic Arts, Graceland College Trustees, Sanitarium Trustees, Order of Enoch, and Department of Recreation and Expression.

The Sunday School Department: The First Presidency nominated C. B. Woodstock as superintendent, and by vote the nomination was approved and the department sustained.

Department of Women, and the standing committees.

By formal motion the conference adjourned according to previous provision to meet at Independence, April 6, 1926.

Announcements were made, and the President declared the conference adjourned.

Hymn No. 9 was sung.

The benediction was pronounced by President E. A. Smith.

FREDERICK M. SMITH,

ELBERT A. SMITH,

FLOYD M. MCDOWELL,

Presidents.

R. S. SALYARDS,

P. G. FAIRBANKS,

Secretaries.

LIST OF GENERAL OFFICERS

Personnel and Appointments of Ministry and
General Officers of the Church*First Presidency*

Frederick M. Smith.

Elbert A. Smith.

Floyd M. McDowell.

Quorum of Twelve

J. A. Gillen.

Clyde F. Ellis.

J. F. Curtis.

D. T. Williams.

Paul M. Hanson.

E. J. Gleazer.

J. F. Garver.

Roy S. Budd.

M. A. McConley.

F. Henry Edwards.

Presiding Patriarch

Frederick A. Smith.

Presiding Bishopric

Albert Carmichael.

Mark H. Siegfried.

R. S. Salyards, Secretary.

P. G. Fairbanks, Assistant Secretary.

C. B. Woodstock, Superintendent Department of Sunday School.

Miss Blanche Edwards, Superintendent Department of Women.

F. M. McDowell, Superintendent Department of Recreation and Expression.

S. A. Burgess, Historian and Librarian.

Frank A. Russell, Statistician.

Henry C. Smith, Architect.

G. W. Eastwood, Auditor.

Stake Officers

- R. V. Hopkins, Assistant Pastor, Independence.
 C. Ed. Miller, Assistant Pastor, Independence.
 J. A. Becker, Bishop, Independence.
 J. A. Tanner, President Kansas City Stake.
 F. B. Blair, Bishop Kansas City Stake.
 O. Salisbury, President Far West Stake.
 J. A. Koehler, Bishop Far West Stake.
 D. J. Krahl, President Holden Stake.
 F. A. McWethy, Counselor to D. J. Krahl.
 W. S. Macrae, Counselor to D. J. Krahl.
 A. B. Phillips, Bishop Holden Stake.
 I. M. Ross, Counselor to A. B. Phillips.
 Cyril E. Wight, President Lamoni Stake.
 Wilber Prall, Counselor to C. E. Wight.
 A. J. Yarrington, Counselor to Bishop of Lamoni Stake.

General Conference Appointees

- Almond, F. B., city missionary, Chicago, Illinois.
 Anderson, P. T., missionary, Denmark.
 Bailey, J. W. A., missionary, Saint Louis District.
 Baker, A. M., missionary, Southern Missouri District.
 Baldwin, Richard, evangelist, Southern New England District.
 Ballard, S. W., missionary, Northern New South Wales District, Australia.
 Barmore, A. C., missionary, New South Wales, Australia.
 Bath, William, missionary, Pottawattamie District.
 Berve, Amos, local, Nauvoo District.
 Bishop, James E., local, Southern Ohio District.
 Blackmore, John, local, Detroit, Michigan.
 Booker, Alma, missionary, Kentucky and Tennessee District.
 Booker, N. L., missionary, Southeastern Mission.
 Bootman, W. P., missionary, Spokane District.
 Bronson, Eli, missionary, Portland District.
 Bullard, Richard, evangelist, referred to Presidency and Twelve.

Burt, E. N., missionary, Northern Michigan—Northern Peninsula.

Burt, G. W., evangelist, Central and Northern Michigan Districts.

Burton, P. R., missionary, Southern California District.

Brown, Bruce E., local, Eastern Colorado District, Colorado Springs, objective.

Carlile, Joshua, evangelist, Nebraska.

Carpenter, C. I., local, Independence, Missouri.

Carr, Thomas M., missionary, Southeastern Mission.

Case, Hubert, missionary, Central Oklahoma District.

Chase, Amos M., missionary, Hawaiian Territory, Hilo, objective.

Chelline, H. A., local, Eastern Maine District.

Chrestensen, J. C., local, Southern Missouri District.

Christensen, A. H., missionary, Western Oklahoma District.

Christy, W. L., missionary, Southern Wisconsin District.

Clark, Thomas L., missionary, Wheeling and Pittsburgh Districts.

Cook, M. H., local, Portland District.

Cooper, J. L., local, Northeastern Illinois District.

Corbett, A. J., missionary, Southern New South Wales District, Australia.

Creel, B. F., missionary, Northeastern Nebraska District.

Curtis, E. A., missionary, Holden Stake.

Curtis, J. D., missionary, Eastern Colorado District.

D'Arcy, O. L., missionary, Southern Saskatchewan District, Regina objective.

Daniel, G. Scott, local, Nauvoo District, Burlington objective.

Davey, Roscoe E., missionary, Western Colorado District.

Davies, E. H., missionary, Victoria District, Australia.

Davis, E. R., local Kewanee District.

Davis, James, evangelist, Western Michigan and Southern Michigan and Northern Indiana Districts.

Davis, E. A., local, Eastern Iowa District.

Davis, J. Arthur, local, Western Colorado District.

Davis, J. W., missionary, Northern California District.

- Davis, William, superannuated.
- Doty, B. H., missionary, Chatham District.
- Dowker, D. E., local, Lamoni Stake.
- Dutton, J. O., local, Southern Wisconsin District until October 1; Central Illinois District thereafter.
- Eggen, John, missionary, Holland.
- Elliott, T. J. local, Providence, Rhode Island.
- Elliott, W. C., missionary, New York District.
- Erwin, E. A., superannuated.
- Etzenhouser, M. A., local, Independence, Missouri.
- Etzenhouser, V. B., local, Northern California District, Oakland objective.
- Farrell, Ralph W., referred to the Presidency.
- Farrow, Percy E., missionary, Southern Michigan and Northern Indiana District.
- Farthing, R. J., missionary, Society Islands.
- Finken, E. D., missionary, Southern Ohio District.
- Fligg, W. I., missionary, Kansas City Stake.
- Foo, Prescott A., missionary, Hawaiian Territory.
- Fry, Charles, bishop, Kirtland District.
- Fulk, R. L., missionary, Idaho.
- Green, Carl F., missionary, Germany.
- Greene, U. W., evangelist, referred to Presidency and Twelve.
- Gregory, Frederick, missionary, Manitoba, Winnipeg objective.
- Gresty, J. T., evangelist, New South Wales, Australia.
- Grice, John R., missionary, Detroit District.
- Grice, William M., local, Central Michigan.
- Griffiths, G. T., evangelist, Iowa (except Lamoni Stake), Minnesota, North Dakota, Nebraska.
- Gunsolley, J. A., evangelist, Lamoni and Far West Stakes.
- Haden, W. E., missionary, Clinton District.
- Halb, Jacob G., missionary, Northwestern Ohio District.
- Hall, Abel, missionary, British Isles Mission.
- Harpe, C. E., missionary, Northeast Kansas District.
- Harrington, G. E., local, referred to First Presidency and Twelve.

Hawn, O. J., missionary, Southern Indiana District.

Hawkins, Charles W., superannuated.

Haworth, W. J., local, Australian Mission.

Higgins, H. A., local, Des Moines District, Des Moines, objective.

Higdon, Amos T., missionary, Spring River District.

Hoisington, L. G., missionary, Switzerland.

Holloway, L. G., missionary, Lamoni Stake.

Houghton, Leonard, missionary, Eastern Iowa District.

Hull, E. B., missionary, Salt Lake City.

Hunker, E. Y., missionary, Norway.

Hunt, C. J., bishop, referred to Presidency and Presiding Bishopric.

Jenkins, George, missionary, Central Nebraska District.

Johnson, C. O., missionary, Sweden.

Jones, J. H. N., missionary, New Zealand, Auckland objective.

Kelley, T. C., missionary, Southeastern Mission.

Kelley, W. H., superannuated.

Knisley, Alvin, missionary, Holden Stake.

Koehler, H. A., missionary, London District.

Koshiway, Jonathan, missionary, Central Oklahoma District.

Lenox, E. J., local, Central Illinois District until October 1; Southern Wisconsin District thereafter.

Lentell, J. R., missionary, Far West Stake.

Levitt, Guy P., missionary, Utah.

Lewis, George, bishop, New South Wales, Queensland, and New Zealand.

Liston, M. W., local, Eastern Michigan District, Port Huron objective.

Long, E. E., missionary, Arizona.

Loving, A. L., missionary, New Zealand, North Island.

Martin, A. C., missionary, Seattle and British Columbia District.

Martin, John F., evangelist, Ohio.

May, J. Charles, missionary, Southeastern Mission.

May, Roderick, superannuated.

- McDowell, W. A., evangelist, Illinois and Wisconsin.
- Metcalf, J. W., missionary, Southern Indiana District.
- Minton, H. V., missionary, Southwestern Kansas District.
- Muceus, Peter, missionary, Scandinavia.
- Mussell, F. T., local, Gallands Grove District.
- Neville, W. C., missionary, Youngstown-Sharon District.
- Newton, Thomas, local, West Virginia District.
- Ohlert, Elmer C., missionary, Germany.
- Okerlind, O. W., missionary, Kewanee District until September 1; Sweden thereafter.
- Osler, William, local, Alberta District.
- Palmer, D. S., missionary, Southwestern Texas District.
- Paia a Metuaaro, missionary, Society Islands.
- Parsons, A. H., local, Florida.
- Patterson, William, missionary, Kirtland District.
- Paxton, J. W., missionary, Southeastern Illinois District.
- Peisker, E. A. H., missionary, New Zealand.
- Pendleton, S. T., missionary, Central Michigan District.
- Peterson, J. W., missionary, Owen Sound District.
- Pitt, F. G., evangelist, Kirtland District and Southeastern States.
- Price, Harry, missionary, Wales and Southern District of England.
- Putnam, Charles F., missionary, Nauvoo District.
- Pycock, David, local, Toronto District.
- Pycock, James, missionary, Toronto District.
- Quick, Lee, missionary, Clinton District.
- Rannie, Edward, referred to Presidency and Twelve.
- Rich, Calvin H., local, Western Maine District, Stonington objective.
- Richards, G. T., missionary, Eastern Michigan District.
- Riley, J. T., missionary, Arkansas and Louisiana.
- Robertson, E. F., local, Southern Nebraska District.
- Robinson, A. V., missionary, Northern New South Wales.
- Robley, G. W., missionary, New York and Philadelphia District.
- Ruch, V. D., missionary, Norway.

Russell, R. C., evangelist, Owen Sound and Chatham Districts.

Savage, H. W., missionary, Society Islands.

Seiler, Frederick W., missionary, Germany.

Shakespeare, W. E., missionary, Minnesota and North Dakota Districts.

Sheehy, John F., local, Far West Stake, Cameron objective.

Shields, John, evangelist, Ontario.

Showers, J. D., missionary, Virginias.

Silvers, A. C., missionary, Northwestern Kansas District.

Smith, C. J., missionary, Little Sioux District.

Smith, H. O., evangelist, Oklahoma and Texas.

Smith, I. M., evangelist, Holden Stake.

Smith, S. S., missionary, Central Texas District.

Smith, W. A., missionary, Gallands Grove District.

Smith, W. W., local, Southern California District, Los Angeles objective.

Smolney, John, missionary, Germany and Poland.

Sorden, D. B., missionary, Palestine.

Sparling, Henry, superannuated.

Sparling, William, missionary, Minnesota and North Dakota Districts.

Stabel, Johann, missionary, Germany and Poland.

Stead, J. D., missionary, Fremont District.

St. John, S. G., missionary, Owen Sound District.

Stoft, A. E., local, New York and Philadelphia District, Philadelphia objective.

Stone, A. E., evangelist, Pennsylvania and New York States.

Taruaiarii a Teriinohorai, missionary, Society Islands.

Thomas, J. A., local, Central Oklahoma District, Tulsa objective.

Thorburn, G. W., missionary, Montana.

Tordoff, W. D., missionary, Des Moines District.

Twombly, Samuel, local, Northeastern Kansas District.

Ulrich, E. L., missionary, Central Illinois District.

Vanderwood, J. E., missionary, Arkansas and Louisiana.

Vaughn, W. J., missionary, Southern New South Wales District, Australia.

Veenstra, Frank, missionary, Holland.

Velt, H. I., missionary, South Australia.

Weaver, R. D., missionary, Holden Stake.

Wells, G. R., local, Northeastern Missouri District.

Whalley, Peter, local, Omaha, Nebraska.

White, Ammon, evangelist, Missouri, (except the Far West Stake) and Kansas.

Whiting, Birch, referred to Presidency and Twelve.

Wildermuth, J. E., missionary, Northeastern Illinois District.

Wildermuth, L. O., missionary, Northern Wisconsin District.

Williams, D. J., local, Hawaiian Territory, Honolulu objective.

Williams, T. S., local, Southwestern Kansas District, Wichita objective.

Winegar, H. E., missionary, Eastern Oklahoma District.

Wipper, F. F., missionary, Far West Stake.

Wirebaugh, W. R., missionary, Western Michigan District.

Wixom, G. H., referred to Presidency.

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