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Quarterly Conference

Held over from last week

The regular quarterly conference of the Alberta Stake of Zion convened in the Cardston Assembly Hall, Saturday morning, August 17, 1907. Besides the Presidency of the Stake, Patriarchs, High Councillors and Bishops, Elders Rudger Clawson and George A. Smith of the Apostles Quorum and Elders Thomas Hull and Bishop Fred Clawson of the Mutual Improvement Associations, Salt Lake City.

The opening hymn, "The happy day has rolled on." Prayer was offered by Elder John A. Silver.

Singing, "Awake ye saints of God, awake."

Elder Edward J. Wood of the Stake Presidency opened the Conference with a report of the Stake Presidency for the last three months. They had visited all the wards and branches in the Stake and held meetings with good effect. He said that the monthly priesthood meetings were well attended and that a spirit of peace and contentment seemed to be in the midst of the people.

Elder Josiah Orr of the Bishopric of the Orton Ward, near Macleod, reported the condition of that ward.

Sister Aggie Campbell representing the General Board of the Young Ladies Association, Salt Lake City, spoke of the necessity of honoring the law of tithing and told of an experience in the case of a non-believer in the Gospel who had testified to the "blessings resulting from obedience to the law."

Elder Henry L. Hinman was the next speaker. He spoke of the advantages of saints living together in towns and villages where they might gather often to testify of the truth of the Gospel and the divinity of the work performed by prophet Joseph Smith. He hoped that the youth of Israel would not be contaminated with the iniquity that is spreading abroad throughout the land.

Bishop N. W. Tanner of Aetna Ward was called upon to report the condition of his ward. He said that the people were united and that the visits of the Home Missionaries were greatly enjoyed and appreciated by the people.

The choir then sang "When shall we all meet again."

Elder Thomas Hull next addressed the congregation. He referred to the splendid reports that had been given and said that it was an evidence that much good was being performed by the people. He read the hymn, "Awake, ye saints of God awake," and earnestly impressed upon the saints the necessity of remaining faithful and true to the Gospel as it had been revealed in these last days.

The choir then sang, "I'll praise my Maker while I've breath."

Bishop Clawson also spoke for a few moments. In the course of his discourse he impressed upon the people the necessity for being grateful for the blessings they had received and the great advantages and liberties which they enjoyed in this goodly land. He urged them to be active in every good word and work as this would keep them alive to their duties and responsibilities.

Elder George A. Smith was the last speaker at the morning meeting. His address was mainly along the line of the great blessing the presence of the patriarchs is to those who know the will of the Lord and strive to do it. He reviewed the work of the Patriarchs from the days of Abraham until

the present time and told of the great good they had done for the people and also of the power which the Lord had imparted unto them.

Singing, "Inspire of the ancient seers."

Benediction was pronounced by the stake clerk, Elder Sylvester Low.

The conference re-convened at 2 p. m. with Counsellor Thomas Duce presiding.

Singing, "Now let us rejoice in the day of salvation."

Prayer by Elder John A. Woolf.

Singing, "O God our help in ages past."

Elder Thomas Duce made the opening remarks. He testified to the faithfulness of the saints in the Alberta Stake and referred to the prosperity which seemed to be pretty general among the people. He exhorted the saints to constant prayer and thanksgiving.

Bishop Frank Leavitt reported the Leavitt Ward. The organizations were all in good working order and prosperity was attending the people.

Elder Frank Earl, returned missionary, told of some of his missionary experiences in the United States.

Elder Ambrose Woolford, who has just returned from a mission to Great Britain, related some experiences and testified to the truth of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Singing, "Onward Christian soldiers."

Elder Rudger Clawson expressed his satisfaction at the favorable circumstances surrounding the saints. He read the hymn, "O my Father thou that dwellest," and spoke of the grand and beautiful truths contained in the same. He said that things on earth were typical of the things in heaven. He spoke at some length on the evils of race suicide and the consequences of those who would indulge in the same. He said that they would bring down the wrath of an offended God.

Elder George A. Smith spoke along the same lines as Elder Clawson. He paid a eulogy to the gentler sex as more religiously inclined than the brethren. This fact he said had a great tendency towards assisting mankind for they come more directly under the influence of mother in the early part of their life and the lessons that are learned then are not soon forgotten. He related an incident of the fidelity of a mother's love and quoted the commandment, "Honor thy father and thy mother that thy days may be long in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee." He invoked the blessings of the Lord upon the heads of the mothers in Israel.

Singing, "Behold the mountain of the Lord."

Benediction was pronounced by Elder Johannes Anderson and the conference adjourned until 2 p. m. on the following day.

The meeting on Sunday morning was held under the auspices of the Stake and Local Sabbath School Organization. Reports from the visiting officers were heard and Sunday School Exercises were rendered.

The regular meeting of the Conference convened at 2 p. m. with Counsellor Stirling Williams presiding.

Singing, "Come, come ye saints, no toil or labor fear."

Prayer was offered by Elder H. R. Sloan.

Singing, "My God the spring of all my joys."

Sacrament was administered by members of the Cardston Ward and the General and Local authorities were presented and sustained.

Elder Rudger Clawson was the first speaker. He eulogized the Choir for the splendid way they

Canada's Banking System

Prince Rupert Empire: The Calgary Eye Opener and the Vancouver World have discovered that the Canadian banking system is not what is claimed for it by its admirers. Nearly every business centre in the West, from Winnipeg to Vancouver, has been treated to a dose of financial medicine not to its liking. The Canadian banking system is all right for the banks and for the big cities in which the banks have their head offices; but were the branches of these banks in the smaller centres and towns replaced by local banks, with capital furnished by local capitalists, and managed by local officers and boards of directors, it is not unfair to assume that there would be fewer "squeezees" and withdrawals of credit in towns like Vancouver and Calgary and Winnipeg than there are under the present system. THE BRANCH BANKS "MILK" THE SMALL TOWNS AND CITIES, AND THE MONEY GOES TO THE HEAD OFFICES OF THE BANKS IN TORONTO AND MONTREAL, and these banks keep the surplus, often millions of dollars, out at interest in New York, Boston, Philadelphia and Chicago, where it is used in stock and grain speculation. Of course, it will be said that the Canadian banking system protects the bill holders and the depositors to a greater extent than the banking system of the United States. Every piece of paper money issued in the United States is absolutely safe, as safe as the issues of the Canadian banks. If a Canadian bank fails, which does not often occur, the depositors and the stockholders take chances in getting one hundred cents on the dollar, as do the depositors and stockholders in banks that fail in the United States. The question is: Would local banks, with local capital, managed by local officers and directors, be better for the smaller towns than branches of banks whose officers and directors live in big centres like Toronto and Montreal? Had Vancouver half a dozen local banks, with capital furnished by local capitalists, and managed by local officers and directors, it is safe to say it would be in a better financial position than it is today with its dozen branch banks and its millions of deposits out at interest in New York and Chicago. A surplus is a good thing to have at home. Canada's surplus money is not at home, and is not likely to be under its present banking system.

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had rendered the songs of Zion. He read the hymn, "Come, come ye saints, no toil or labor fear," and spoke of the jolly of worrying. He counselled the saints to guard against unnecessary troubles. He feared that the great danger lay in the accumulation of wealth which seemed to be poured out upon the saints here. He exhorted the people to not be unmindful of the Lord in all that they might receive but to ask His blessings upon all they enjoyed and also His protecting care. They should be faithful and true at all times.

The choir then sang an Anthem.

Elder George A. Smith read a statement of the affairs of the Alberta Stake in comparison with the affairs of the church in general. On the whole the report was very favorable to the Alberta Stake of Zion. He said that the saints could not be saved in ignorance. They must enlighten their minds and quicken their understandings. Reverse seems necessary to our progress spiritually and temporally and continued diligence is the only factor that will safely tide us through. He exhorted the saints to be humble and faithful and cling fast to the true and everlasting word of God. He bore testimony of the divinity of the work engaged in by the prophet Joseph Smith and how that the Lord had called him and for-ordained him for the great mission that he performed upon the earth.

Singing, "Lord thou wilt hear me when I pray."

Benediction by Bishop V. I. Stewart.

The conference adjourned until 7:30 p. m. This meeting was occupied by the Mutual Improvement Associations and was given over largely to the work of the same along the new lines that had been mapped out in Recreative Reading.

At the closing of this meeting the Conference adjourned for three months.

"Make Hay While the Sun Shines."

There is a lesson in the work of the thrifty farmer. He knows that the bright sunshine may last but a day and he prepares for the showers which are so liable to follow. So it should be with every household. Dysentery, diarrhoea and cholera morbus may attack some member of the home without warning. Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, which is the best known medicine for these diseases, should always be kept at hand, as immediate treatment is necessary, and delay may prove fatal. For sale by all druggists and dealers.

Fred Karren's Political Speeching

Magrath has a unique character in the person of the noted Fred Karren. Fred is the best "single handed talker" we ever met. He talks both loud and long and entertainingly. During the Municipal Contest at Magrath, Fred was one of the chief expounders of the ticket headed by Christian Jensen, Jr. Here are a couple of his droll samples at a meeting held in Magrath Public School last Saturday night; "Look at the Honourable Christian Jensen, the man we have named for the mayor of the Garden City. Chris is one of the shrewdest and best men I ever saw. He is one of the most economical souls I ever met. When he gets those "coin hooks" of his, onto a dollar he squeezes it until the eagle screeches, "15 or 20 per cent, please."

Speaking of George W. Heathershaw, he said: "Did you ever find a better man than the Honourable George W. Heathershaw, the man we have selected to occupy a place on the Council? Do you remember the year our crops failed, the year when we were so cussed poor that we couldn't flag a broad wagon if we knew the driver? Who was it stood between the people and the Massey Harris Company when the notes began to fall due and said to the Company, "Gentlemen you can better afford to carry these people over another year than they can afford to pay you." It was the Honourable George W. Heathershaw. Why since that time George has been in the Hospital twice to my certain knowledge undergoing an operation for the enlargement of the heart but the doctors have been unable to reduce it and he keeps on in the same big hearted way that he always has." It was after this orator for three quarters of an hour that this orator of the Garden City talked for his ticket and the support of Mr. Jensen and his colleagues,