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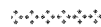
"And blessed are they who shall seek to bring forth my Zion at that day, for they shall have the gift and power of the Holy Ghost."—1 Nephi 3:187.

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## High Adventures



When I see a beautiful bird, or the first flower of Spring, or the first swelling buds; when I hear music floating through the calm air, or the joyous whistle of a boy on the street; or awake in the night to hear the steady patter of little raindrop feet as they chase each other across the roof; when I see a smile on a face, or hear a kind word spoken, or feel the firm handclasp of a friend, or discover some stranger who greets me with a cheery "Good morning", or come across a new idea in some of my mental wanderings, or stand amazed in the beauty of a clear night, or behold the gorgeous array of a rainbow spanning the sky—when such ordinary things as these happen to me, I set them down as high adventures that add richness and meaning to life.

I am resolved that not a day shall pass that I do not experience some thrilling personal adventure which will elevate my spirit and bring color into my life.

—Leo Bennett.

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### EDITORIAL

Another milestone in our church history has been passed, another Conference concluded. It gives me great pleasure to tell my brothers and sisters who could not be there in person, yet whose prayers attended us throughout the Conference, that the Spirit of Christ was present at each and every meeting. It was apparent from the very beginning that a greater spirit of brotherhood was in our midst. This spirit was felt in the hallways, on the sidewalks and wherever two or more of those present got together to visit or talk between services.

The Prayer and Sacrament services were rich spiritual feasts, where time passed so quickly that many who were waiting their turn to speak, were denied, but only by the relentless pressure of time.

The business meetings reflected the effect of these services by a decidedly mellow atmosphere; and while most questions had two sides, these sides were presented in a manner that did not disturb the feeling of brotherly love that prevailed, and all accepted the will of the majority with the grace becoming true Christians.

It was also very apparent that this Spirit predominated in the Council of Twelve by the unanimity of the reports and recommendations emanating from that body, one of the highlights of which was the filling of the Quorum by the calling and setting apart of Brother Robert Jensen, to the office of an Apostle. The testimonies of the Twelve turned a prosaic business meeting into another feast of the spirit and many eyes were wet by the flooding in of the Spirit as each rose to speak.

The ordination took place at the close of the prayer service, Friday morning. As the congregation sang, "Redeemer of Israel", the members of the Twelve gathered around Bro. Jensen who was seated at the center of a long table. After singing one verse of "Nearer My God To Thee", with bowed heads, Apostle Housknecht offered prayer and Apostle A. M. Smith assisted by Apostle T. J. Jordan anointed and set apart

Bro. Jensen, by the laying on of hands, to the office and calling of an Apostle for Christ. Then while singing "Nearer My God To Thee" and "Just As I Am, O Lamb of God, I Come, I come", the entire congregation filed by to give our new Apostle their hand of fellowship and to express their good wishes.

Our report of the Conference would not be complete without mention of the wonderful meals supplied throughout the eight days by Sisters, Jean Chapman, Marian Sprague, and Gladys Nast, with their helpers. As usual, donations were accepted to defray expenses, but their expert, unselfish services were donated to the good of the cause and were certainly appreciated by all.

It seemed to be the desire of every person attending this Conference that, "God's will be done", and this brought about the success of our deliberations. It is therefore a joyful privilege to make this report to you. The minutes of the business meetings will appear in the pages of the Advocate as space permits—you may read between the lines many things not appearing therein—but with the reading, it is the humble prayer of your editors that the spirit of the Conference will be borne as a testimony to your hearts that the prayers of the people have in a large manner been answered.

This brings us to an important observation: King Mosiah wrote to the Nephites many years ago, and speaks to us today from the dust of the earth, the following: "And if the time comes that the voice of the people doth choose iniquity then is the time that the judgments of God will come upon you;" Mos. 13:37. It is therefore paramount that the people of the Church choose righteousness and follow after their great leader Christ, that His will might prevail in all our ways.

There is much need for our continued support, both spiritually and financially, of the church and it's work, for only by the hands of man can God's work be done among men. And it seems to your editor that the door to service to God has been left ajar, and only by our active participation can it be kept open.

Many, if not most of us, believe that we are living in the last days. If this be true then we are told the fields will "white for harvest" and many workers will be needed. As the ministry of the Church of Christ enter their fields of activity this year, they will need the support of your prayers. These prayers can be a powerful force to combat wickedness, overcome indifference, and open new doors and hearts to receive the gospel of Christ. The power of the prayers offered however, will be contingent upon the lives, thoughts and actions of those who offer them. The Lord requires of us a broken heart and a contrite spirit. These qualities do not appear where pride and arrogance exist, but where humility and meekness allow the spirit of Christ to lead and guide.

Perhaps now more than ever before in the history of the Restored Gospel, we need this leadership, for we are beset on every side by the cunning craftiness of the great opponent of righteousness, and those who wittingly or unwittingly, aid the cause of dissolution.

In unity there is strength! You have proved that in your prayers for this Conference. Now let us prove that this same unity can bring about a miraculous advancement in the Church of Christ this year; by pushing wide the door of service and boldly taking upon ourselves the responsibility of Christian conduct; by upholding the ministry of the church, by our constant prayers; by taking part in the activities of our local churches and making our influence felt for good; by supporting the church with our time and our money. Is this too much to ask? If so, then we better ask ourselves, why?

Remember the course of the Almighty God is one eternal round and we can align ourselves with or against this course. The choice is ours. But we cannot stay or alter His decrees in one iota. His word has gone out—it will not return unto him void.

May we ever remain cemented together by the bonds of Christian love and fellowship, sustained by the outstretched hands of God.

O. A. C.

**MINUTES OF 1963 CONFERENCE  
CHURCH OF CHRIST  
(Temple Lot)**

**Minutes of April 6, 1963—10:00 A. M. Session**

Meeting opened at 10:00 a. m. with Bro. Thomas E. Barton in charge, assisted by Bro. Archie F. Bell. Opening song No. 190, "Redeemer of Israel." Opening prayer by Bro. Archie F. Bell. Second song No. 323, "O Thou God, Who Hearest Prayer."

General Conference was declared open by the chair.

Bro. Kenneth J. Smith moved that the Council of Twelve be in charge of the conference.. Seconded by Sr. Edna Smith. Carried.

Bro. William F. Anderson moved that the General Church Secretary be the conference secretary with power to choose his assistants. Seconded by Bro. William A. Sheldon. Carried.

Bro. William F. Anderson moved that the General Church Chorister be the chorister for the conference with power to choose her assistants. Seconded by Sr. Irene Shaw. Carried.

Nominations for Press Committee:

- James A. Hedrick
- M. Harvey Seibel
- Esther Caviness

Bro. William A. Sheldon moved that the nominations cease and that these three be the Press Committee. Seconded by Sr. June Smith. Carried.

Nominations for Ushers:

- Barney Wentworth—declined
- Rolland Sarratt—declined
- Thomas E. Barton, Jr.
- Randy Sheldon

Bro. Clarence L. Wheaton moved that nominations close and that these two be the ushers with power to choose assistants. Seconded by Sr. Doris Sheldon. Carried.

Tentative program was given first reading.

Sr. Doris Sheldon moved to accept the tentative program as recommended by the Council of Twelve. Seconded by Sr. Freda Flint.

Bro. Leslie P. Case moved to amend by adding after the words "sacrament service" the words to "and to accept the offer of the local Sunday School to provide Sunday School for the children during the morning hours." Seconded by Bro. E. Leon Yates. Carried.

Vote on tentative program as amended. Carried.

Independence, Missouri  
April 6, 1963

The Conference Assembled  
Church of Christ (Temple Lot)  
Independence, Missouri  
Greetings:

The Council of Apostles recommends the following program for the Conference:

- 8:00 a.m. Quorum Meetings.
- 9:00 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. Prayer Service.
- 11:00 a.m. Preaching Service.
- 2:30 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. Business Meeting.
- 7:30 p.m. Song Service.
- 8:00 p.m. Preaching Service.

We further recommend that on Sunday, April 7, the meetings be as follows:

- 9:30 until noon Sacrament Service and accept the offer of the local Sunday School to provide Sunday School for the children during the morning hours.
- 2:30 p.m. Preaching Service.
- 7:30 p.m. Song Service.
- 8:00 p.m. Preaching Service.

Respectfully submitted,

Council of Apostles  
(Signed) Archie F. Bell, Secretary

A question was raised concerning the referendum of 1962 with regard to transfer of membership to the Church of Christ from other churches of the Restoration.

Due to the tentative program which was adopted, providing for devotional services in the morning and business meetings in the afternoon, the opening business session was closed and the order of the meeting changed to that of a prayer and testimony meeting.

**MINUTES OF 1963 CONFERENCE  
CHURCH OF CHRIST  
(Temple Lot)**

**Minutes of April 6, 1963—2:30 P. M. Session**

Meeting opened at 2:30 p. m. with Bro. Archie F. Bell in charge, assisted by Bro. E. Leon Yates. Opening song No. 5, "Come Ye That Love the Lord." Opening prayer by Bro. E. Leon Yates. Second song No. 192, "Gracious Spirit, Dwell With Me." Scripture reading: Matt. 5:1-16.

Missionary report from Bro. William F. Anderson was read and received.

Independence, Missouri  
April 5, 1963

To the Council of Twelve  
Brethren,

I have made it a practice through the years of making a report of my labors, and therefore I submit to you this year a report.

I having been appointed to be the representative here in the office, I have endeavored to be here each day with the exceptions of about two weeks in all.

By invitation I held meetings in Houston, Mo., over two Sundays.

Also by invitation I addressed a group of the student body of Graceland College on Church History and was well received by them, and have since received some favorable reports.

During the year I have met with and conversed with some three hundred eighty nine, and I feel have made friends for the Church of Christ, and was able to present the story of the establishment of the church, and referred to the mistakes that were made, which was well received. There seems to be a spirit of inquiry coming to light, and there are those that are desirous of knowing.

As to active ministerial work outside of here in the office, I have not done a great deal.

I preached eighteen sermons, had charge of twelve, and assisted twelve times, and attended one hundred and fifty other services, administered to the sick fifteen times and assisted in administering a few times, confirmed two, blessed two children and performed two marriages.

I was able to sell one hundred dollars and sixty-five cents worth of books, during the year.

The Book of Commandments and the booklet on Temple Lot Deed went well.

I attended the Missouri Reunion, also the Wisconsin Reunion, otherwise I was here in the office every day.

Respectfully submitted,

Sincerely,  
(Signed) Wm. F. Anderson

Report from Board of Publications was given first reading.

Letter from Vincente Poot of Yucatan was read and received.

Vincente Poot, Address  
Chunhuhub, T. Q. Roo, Mex.

Church of Christ  
(Temple Lot)  
P. O. Box 472  
Independence,  
U. S. A.

Chunhuhub, Territory Quintana Roo. March 30, 1963.  
General Church

At this date I take the liberty of addressing the Church, as a baptized member of it. I refer that in this year I have been waiting the messenger (missionary) of God and Jesus Christ, my brother E. Leon Yates, and my sister, Frances Yates. They who each year have visited me, they have comforted me, they have shown me good example, they have shown me their affection which I still have in my heart. They have encouraged me in the Gospel of Christ. In it I have been called an elder in the Church anointed of God, Jesus my Savior.

I request of the saints that they let me know the situation of conflict which Brother and Sister Yates have encountered. Because always when I remember them, I feel a quiet sadness because I do not know why they did not pass this time. (Why they did not

go to see him last time?) I request also of all the brothers and sisters that they help me with their prayers, because I am very weak in spirit. I know that the prayers of the just are able to help in this situation in which I find myself. God will answer for good in due time, because we ask Him.

May God guard in all at this moment. Amen.

Your brother in Christ.

Respectfully,

(Signed) Vincente Poot and Family

Recommendation from Council of Twelve, regarding Yucatan mission, was given first reading.

Recommendation from Council of Twelve, regarding Temple Lot property, was given first reading.

Request from United Workers was given first reading.

Bro. William F. Anderson moved to grant the request of the United Workers for time for their annual meeting. Seconded by Bro. John Sweem. Carried with no dissenting votes.

Independence, Missouri  
April 6, 1963

To the Conference  
Church of Christ (Temple Lot)  
Greetings:

The General United Workers Organization requests that the time after the Tuesday afternoon business session on April 9, 1963, from 4 o'clock to 6 o'clock be allotted for its annual meeting.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) Lois Harris  
Secretary

Bro. Clarence L. Wheaton moved that the end of the Tuesday afternoon business session (4:00 p. m. April 9) be the deadline for new business. Seconded by Bro. William A. Sheldon. Carried with no dissenting votes.

Bro. Clarence L. Wheaton moved to take up for consideration the recommendation from the Council of Twelve regarding the Yucatan mission. Seconded by Sr. Doris Sheldon. Carried.

Bro. William F. Anderson moved to adopt the recommendation regarding the Yucatan mission. Seconded by Sr. Doris Sheldon.

Bro. C. LeRoy Wheaton moved to amend the motion by striking out all after the word "Resolved" and inserting "Whenever an Apostle or any missionary is sent out into the world they shall be sent out two and two as the Scriptures provide." Seconded by Bro. Roland D. Sprague.

Bro. Oren A. Caviness moved the previous question on the amendment. Seconded by Bro. William A. Sheldon. Carried with two dissenting votes.

Vote on the amendment: for 12, against 29.

Bro. Ed. McIndoo moved the previous question on the original motion. Seconded by Bro. William A. Sheldon. Carried.

Vote on original motion: Carried with five dissenting votes.

Independence, Missouri  
April 6, 1963

The Conference Assembled  
Church of Christ (Temple Lot)  
Independence, Missouri

Greetings:

The Council of Apostles recommends the adoption of the following: Resolved,

That when one of the Apostles is sent to Yucatan, it be required that he be accompanied by an Elder, a Seventy or another Apostle. Respectfully submitted,

Council of Apostles  
(Signed) Archie F. Bell, Secretary

Bro. Oren Caviness moved to consider the resolution on church property. Seconded by Bro. John Sweem. Carried with one dissenting vote.

Bro. Oren Caviness moved to adopt the resolution on church property. Seconded by Sr. Irene Shaw.

Sr. June Smith moved the previous question. Seconded by Bro. William A. Sheldon. Carried: For 50, against 17.

Vote on the recommendation from the Council of Twelve regarding church property was limited to the priesthood because the resolution was a referendum bill. The result of the vote: 13 for, 11 against. One affirmative vote was challenged.

Independence, Missouri  
April 6, 1963

The Conference Assembled  
The Church of Christ (Temple Lot)  
Independence, Missouri  
Greetings:

The Council of Apostles recommends the following to be sent out to referendum:

1. That the General Bishopric shall retain all title and equity in the Temple Lot property, including the building and appurtenances and has the jurisdiction over said building and appurtenances at all time, and have no right to delegate such jurisdiction to any individual or group of individuals without the specific instructions from the General Conferences of the Church of Christ.

2. That the local congregation who assemble in the church building on the Temple Lot, in accordance with the Quit Claim Deed of February 7, 1941, shall have the use, but not jurisdiction, of said building as a place of worship and local business meetings only.

3. That the Pastor of the local congregation shall file with the Secretary of the General Bishopric, a list of all regular worship services and local business meetings to be held.

4. The baptismal fount is for their use, but due notice of its intended use shall be placed in the hands of the Secretary of the General Bishopric as soon as possible before using it.

5. The General Bishopric being thus informed of the schedule of meetings and use of the fount, shall be authorized to allow others to use the building and fount, only when they are not thus being used.

6. At all times there should be conference and co-operation between officers of the local church and the General Bishopric, that there may be no conflict of interest.

7. The General Church reserves the right at all times of the use of the structure for Special Conference, regular conferences, etc., at which times, local services shall be temporarily suspended in the building. The Chambers set aside for Council Rooms are exempt from any and all local church use, unless specific permission is given on request to the Secretary of the Council of Twelve for their quorum room, and the Secretary of the General Bishopric for their council room.

Respectfully submitted,

Council of Apostles  
(Signed) Archie F. Bell, Secretary

Closing prayer by Bro. E. Leon Yates.

MINUTES OF 1963 CONFERENCE  
CHURCH OF CHRIST  
(Temple Lot)

Minutes of April 8, 1963—2:30 P. M. Session

Meeting opened at 2:30 P. M. with Bro. E. Leon Yates in charge, assisted by Bro. Don W. Housknecht. Opening song No. 76, "Sovereign and Transforming Grace". Opening prayer by Bro. Don W. Housknecht. Second song No. 213, "O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee". Scripture reading Phillipians 2:1-15, 4:8.

Minutes for April 6, 1963, 10:00 A. M. session approved as read.

Minutes for April 6, 1963, 2:30 P. M. session approved as read.

Request for time of meeting by General Sunday School officers was given first reading.

Request for time of annual conference social by Young Peoples' Christian League was given first reading.

Missionary report from Bro. Clarence L. Wheaton was read and received.

Independence, Missouri  
April 7, 1963

To the General Conference  
Church of Christ (Temple Lot)  
Independence, Missouri  
Assembled:

Greetings in the Lord Jesus Christ.

I hereby submit my report as a member of the Council of Twelve, and Missionary in Charge of Michigan, Eastern Canada and the New England States.

Due to circumstances over which I have no control, I was unable to go into the Eastern part of my field, though I have carried on some correspondence in that area.

Spent considerable time in Michigan, and Missouri (not in my field), and made an extended trip to the northwest, where we made contacts with members of the Church of Christ in Minnesota, Idaho, Washington, Utah and Colorado.

During this time I preached numerous sermons, administered to the sick, baptized 2 new members at Flint, Michigan, blessed several children, had charge of one funeral, and spent considerable time in an effort to adjust a difficulty in my field.

Have attended two meetings of the Council of Twelve in the consideration and adjusting of difficulties that have arisen requiring quorum action.

At the same time I have been greatly handicapped in my work by the so-called Probation which was imposed upon me at the last conference, which was not fully understood by membership in the field. In efforts to adjust difficulties of serious nature and consequence to the Church I have met with a defiant charge "you have no authority to act in this matter, you are under probation." So this, and the fact that I have for this past year been appointed by the Probate Court in Kansas City as the Administrator of the estates of my oldest brother and his wife, who have been deceased in the last year, which has involved the necessity of making every effort to get into my field contingent upon being suddenly recalled to Missouri for numerous appearances in the Court, has made it almost, if not entirely impossible for me to properly administer the affairs of the field appointed me. I have requested my attorney on several occasions, to seek my release from this unhappy situation, but it has been to no avail. However, I hope to see this situation cleared up shortly, and to my relief, so that I can go about the Father's business more diligently.

In addition to the above activities, I have not been idle when at home, as I have been involved in an extensive correspondence, due to request of brethren of the Twelve, in answering a lot of false and malicious propoganda put out by members of the Church of Christ and others, who was at one time associated with the Church of Christ for a very short period of time. This propoganda has had to do with the provisions this church has made for the Transfer of Membership from other divisions of the Restoration, and an attack upon the provisions for the Council of Twelve in the Church of Christ, with the center of their attack in making a strenous effort to force me to deny my calling as an apostle, as being deceptive and hypocritical. Such a denial I will never make, for I know that it was of God, not man, and that to deny the same, would be the equivalent of denying the Holy Ghost, as it was through the Spirit of God that this call was varified to my soul. I therefore pray that you as members of the Church in Conference assembled shall continue to sustain my calling, and bear with me in my feeble efforts to service to the glory of God and of His only begotten Son, Jesus Christ.

Most sincerely,

(Signed) Clarence L. Wheaton

P. S. I also attended the reunion in Michigan, and took part, and had a very enjoyable time.

(Signed) Clarence L. Wheaton

Letter from 53 persons in Yucatan was read and received.

Church of Christ  
Ticul, Yucatan, Mexico  
March 18, 1963

Church of Christ (Temple Lot)  
P. O. Box 472  
Independence, Missouri, U. S. A.  
General Church

We place this before you with respect.

This is to greet you in the name of God and Jesus Christ.

As members and friends of the Church of Christ we are glad to have this opportunity to write you.

The purpose of this letter is to express to you our spiritual interest in the True Gospel of Christ. We can assure you that we have received the Light of the Gospel from the restored Church of Christ of Independence, Missouri, and through the teachings of Mr. Clarence Wheaton, Apostle of the Lord. Mr. and Mrs. Angela Wheaton taught us the Gospel. After several years of working with us, he brought our brother, Mr. E. Leon Yates. This brother is one of the twelve Apostles of the Lord.

Since then our brother and Mrs. Frances Yates, his beloved wife, became good friends of ours and they showed us the way to the Truth. Everything was fine until June 9, 1962 when for the ambitions and bad thoughts of the Pastor who had the deed of the lot where the Temple is built, and guided the people to leave the Headquarters of the Church established in the United States. He told them that a Mexican should not be ruled by a foreigner. Since then we quit going to the Temple because we did not agree with the ideals of the Pastor.

We send our photographs and signatures with our request that during the conference that will take place in April, you present this letter to the conference.

We would appreciate very much if you could send or appoint Brother Mr. E. Leon Yates as missionary in Yucatan. He understands Spanish very well and this is very important for us. We can assure you that he has been a good Apostle in the work of Jesus Christ and his wife has been very good and kind with all of us. We would regret very much if they could not come back to Yucatan.

Enclosed you will find the pictures and signatures of all the persons who are witnesses of what I am writing in this letter. They are persons from Ticul and from other towns around here.

Your brothers in Christ,

Church of Christ  
Ticul, Yucatan, Mexico

Original signatures of those who willfully signed:

Name	City	State	Bapt.	Reads
1. Gundro Avida C.	Dzan	Yucatan	Yes	Yes
2. Dieguina Avila Estrella	Dzan	Yucatan	Yes	Yes
3. Celestino Moreno	Ticul	Yucatan	Yes	No
4. Graciliano Ucan Estrella	Mani	Yucatan	No	No
5. Celia Lucia Cocom	Ticul	Yucatan	Yes	No
6. Renan Chuch Lima	Ticul	Yucatan	Yes	Yes
7. Elsy Noemi Cocom	Ticul	Yucatan	Yes	Yes
8. Cipiano Moreno Ch.	Ticul	Yucatan	Yes	Yes
9. Lucia Costillo Nieves	Ticul	Yucatan	No	Yes
10. Bernaldo Mo Pech	Ticul	Yucatan	Yes	No
11. Gregoria Estrella Chan	Dzan	Yucatan	Yes	No
12. Clementina Iuit Cocom	Ticul	Yucatan	Yes	No
13. Josefa Briceno Ayuso	Ticul	Yucatan	Yes	No
14. Cayetano Alfaro Contrares	Ticul	Yucatan	Yes	Yes
15. Susana Gonzalez Albares	Ticul	Yucatan	Yes	No
16. Soledad Cocom	Ticul	Yucatan	Yes	No
17. Julio Chi Cocom	Pustunich	Yucatan	No	Yes
18. Miguel Canul	Ticul	Yucatan	No	Yes
19. Liboio Canul Tech	Pustunich	Yucatan	Yes	No
20. Toso Ines Juit	Ticul	Yucatan	No	Yes
21. Maria Jesus Canche Canich	Pustunich	Yucatan	Yes	Yes
22. Maria De La Luz Padrecode	Ticul	Yucatan	Yes	Yes
23. Juguacia Moreno	Ticul	Yucatan	No	No
24. L. Daniel Alfaro B.	Ticul	Yucatan	No	Yes
25. Tuan Bautista Uc Tun	Dzan	Yucatan	Yes	No
26. Genoneva Dzib	Dzan	Yucatan	Yes	No
27. Hector Ceron Ruz	Oxkutzcab	Yucatan	No	Yes
28. Victoriano Celis R.	Ticul	Yucatan	No	Yes
29. Angela Celis Fee	Ticul	Yucatan	No	Yes
30. Leonildo Canul Pech	Pustunich	Yucatan	Yes	No
31. Dalila Cocom Mo.	Pustunich	Yucatan	Yes	No
32. Liboria Canul Pech	Pustunich	Yucatan	No	No
33. Pilar Del Carmen Sandoval	Chan, Ticul	Yucatan	No	No
34. Fernando Chan Chuc	Ticul	Yucatan	Yes	Yes
35. Guillermo Balam Cocom	Ticul	Yucatan	No	No
36. Castulo Ortis Enealos Ia	Ticul	Yucatan	No	Yes
37. Rosa Elena Yates De Perez	Merida	Yucatan	No	Yes
38. Moses Gomez O.	Muna	Yucatan	Yes	Yes
39. Antonia Leon Z.	Muna	Yucatan	No	No
40. Aunifo Gomez L.	Muna	Yucatan	Yes	Yes
41. Pedro Juacio Gomez Leon	Muna	Yucatan	No	Yes
42. Cuatemoc Gomez Leon	Muna	Yucatan	No	Yes
43. Overiforo Gomez Leon	Muna	Yucatan	No	No
44. Yuaguin Gomez Leon	Muna	Yucatan	No	No
45. Lema Crintobol Gomez Leon	Muna	Yucatan	No	Yes
46. Loudes Gomez Leon	Muna	Yucatan	Yes	Yes
47. Wilma Martin Ortiz	Muna	Yucatan	Yes	No
48. Pablo Noh	Ticul	Yucatan	No	No
49. Ysidro Avila Estrella	Dzan	Yucatan	Yes	Yes
50. Melchor Ku	Dzan	Yucatan	Yes	Yes
51. Felipa Avila	Dzan	Yucatan	Yes	Yes
52. Petrona Cocom De Yam	Ticul	Yucatan	Yes	Yes
53. Marcos Peraza	Dzan	Yucatan	Yes	Yes

Letter from Roger Can was read and received.

March 31, 1963

To the General Conference of the Church of Christ:  
Greetings:  
Dear Brothers:

Even though my letter to that group of representatives of the Church was not answered, and instead you sent two of your representatives to insult and threaten us, I am taking the liberty again, this year, to write you and I hope that this time the answer to this letter may not be the same way as the one last year.

I only want you to know that, during February of this year, the discouraged group of Kopte, had the pleasure to receive as visitors brothers Case and Hedrick, who together with Brother Fernando brought us a very needy message of encouragement. The service held the night these brothers were here, had a very good attendance and the words of encouragement of these brothers had a very warm welcome. But, as soon as these brothers left the Peninsula the missionary Cayetano Alfaro, who for reasons of security for my family, was not allowed to stay in my home. Then he went to the house of another brother in this locality and there, later on I was informed, said bad things about brothers Case and Hedrick, he said that they were the real "Mormons" and that he, Alfaro, is the one who Sr. Yates left as pastor of the Church in Ticul, but the visitors did not respect him as such. The term "Mormon" here in Yucatan, is synonymous of "adultery" and the fact that Sr. Alfaro had called the visitors "Mormons", without knowing them, was not right.

As I said before, this man only wants to cause trouble and disunity among the brothers here in Yucatan and if this is the type of missionaries that the Church supports, it does not surprise me that there is so much disharmony among the brothers in other places. The pastors are only interested for the mutton of the sheep and for their "wool", but not to gather them.

I hope this time to receive a better demonstration of sincerity and moderation in the service of Christ.

Roger C. Can  
Kopte Motul  
Yucatan, Mexico

Recommended missionary appointments were given first reading.

Resolution of Advocate policy was given first reading.

The request from the General Sunday School Association for time of meeting was called for.

Bro. Clarence L. Wheaton moved to grant the time requested by the General Sunday School. Seconded by Bro. Edward J. McIndoo. Carried with one opposing.

Independence, Missouri  
April 8, 1963

Conference Assembled  
Church of Christ (Temple Lot)  
Greetings,

The officers of the General Sunday School Association request the hours of 4:00 to 6:00 P. M., Wednesday, April 10, be set apart for use by the General Sunday School.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) James A. Hedrick  
Superintendent  
General Sunday School Ass'n.

Bro. William F. Anderson moved the Young Peoples' Christian League's request for time for their annual conference social be granted. Seconded by Bro. Archie F. Bell. Carried.

Independence, Missouri  
April 8, 1963

Conference Assembled  
Church of Christ (Temple Lot)  
Greetings,

The Young Peoples' Christian League requests the evening of Friday, April 12, be set aside for their annual conference social.

Time to be immediately following the afternoon business session.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) James A. Hedrick  
Leader

Bro. Thomas J. Jordan gave a verbal missionary report in which he requested that the following statement be made a matter of record: "When you cease to have a Quorum of Twelve, you cease to have a Church of Christ."

Sunday School and Church Materials was given first reading.

Bro. Clarence L. Wheaton moved to take up the missionary appointments. Seconded by Bro. Thomas J. Jordan.

Bro. Forest Maley moved to amend by adding "each one singly and in turn." Seconded by Sr. Miriam Mason. Carried: 31 for, 20 against.

Vote on motion as amended: "moved to take up missionary appointments, each one singly and in turn." Carried.

Independence, Missouri  
April 8, 1963

To the Conference  
Church of Christ (Temple Lot)  
Independence, Missouri  
Greetings:

The Council of Apostles recommends the following field appointments for the coming conference year:

1. Apostle T. J. Jordan be placed in charge of Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Western Canada, Alaska and Minnesota.
2. Apostle B. C. Flint be placed in charge of Iowa and Wisconsin.
3. Apostle T. E. Barton be placed in charge of the European Mission and Colorado.
4. Apostle C. L. Wheaton be placed in charge of Michigan, Massachusetts, Maryland, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Rhode Island, New York, Vermont, Maine, Delaware, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, Canada (east of a line between Manitoba and Ontario), New Brunswick, Newfoundland and Nova Scotia.
5. Apostle A. M. Smith be placed in charge of Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia.
6. Apostle A. F. Bell be placed in charge of Nebraska, Wyoming, Idaho, Oregon, Washington, Montana, North Dakota and South Dakota.
7. Apostle E. L. Yates be placed in charge of New Mexico, Arizona, California, Nevada, Utah and Mexico.
8. Apostle Wm. A. Sheldon be placed in charge of Kansas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Louisiana and Texas.
9. The Council of Apostles be placed in charge of the State of Missouri.
10. Apostle Wm. F. Anderson be placed in charge of the office as the General Church Representative there.
11. Elder Cayetano Alfaro Contrares be appointed to labor in Yucatan under the supervision of the Missionary-in-Charge of that field, and that Brother Alfaro's wife be given an allowance, of the same amount sent to Brother Cayetano Alfaro in the past.
12. Elder Sylvanus Mason of Wales be appointed to labor in the British Isles and that an allowance of \$10.00 per month be sent him for Elder's expense.

13. Apostle D. W. Housknecht be appointed as Missionary-at-Large.

Respectfully submitted,  
(Signed) Archie F. Bell, Secretary

Apostle Thomas J. Jordan be placed in charge of Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Western Canada, Alaska and Minnesota.

Brother Forest Moley moved to amend the recommendation by striking out all after the words "Thomas J. Jordan" and inserting "to be missionary-at-large." Seconded by Bro. Denver Chapman.

Bro. Thomas E. Barton moved as a substitute for the entire resolution that Bro. Thomas J. Jordan be missionary in charge of Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Western Canada, Alaska and Minnesota and to be a missionary-at-large. Seconded by Sr. Minnie Smith. Carried.

Apostle B. C. Flint be placed in charge of Iowa and Wisconsin. Bro. Isaac Brockman moved to approve the appointment. Seconded by Bro. Curtis Yates. Carried.

Apostle Thomas E. Barton be placed in charge of the European mission and Colorado. Bro. Tony Grzincic moved to approve the appointment. Seconded by Sr. Doris Hutchison. Carried.

Apostle Clarence L. Wheaton be placed in charge of Michigan, Massachusetts, Maryland, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Rhode Island, New York, Vermont, Maine, Delaware, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, Canada (east of a line between Manitoba and Ontario), New Brunswick, Newfoundland, and Nova Scotia. Bro. Oren Caviness moved to approve the appointment. Seconded by Sr. Minnie Smith. Carried with one opposing.

Apostle Arthur M. Smith be placed in charge of Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia. Bro. Curtis Yates moved to approve the appointment. Seconded by Bro. Tony Grzincic. Carried.

Apostle Archie F. Bell be placed in charge of Nebraska, Wyoming, Idaho, Oregon, Washington, Montana, North Dakota and South Dakota. Bro. Oren Caviness moved to approve the appointment. Seconded by Bro. Joseph Kidd. Carried.

Apostle E. Leon Yates be placed in charge of New Mexico, Arizona, California, Nevada, Utah and Mexico. Bro. Thomas E. Barton moved to approve the appointment. Seconded by Bro. Isaac Brockman.

Bro. Harold B. Schultz moved that this appointment be deferred until the two letters addressed to this conference by the mission in Ticul be read to this conference. Seconded by Bro. Forest Moley.

Bro. Clarence L. Wheaton moved to amend the motion to defer by deleting "until the last two letters addressed to this conference by the mission in Ticul" and inserting "until the report from the Arbitration Committee" and add "and approved or disapproved." Seconded by Sr. Miriam Mason.

Bro. William A. Sheldon moved the previous question. Seconded by Bro. B. C. Flint.

Bro. Clarence L. Wheaton moved to extend time for business one-half hour if necessary. Seconded by Bro. Richard A. Wheaton. Carried.

Vote on previous question: Carried with three opposing.

Vote on amendment: 33 for, 21 against.

Vote on motion as amended: moved to defer until the report from the Arbitration Committee is read to this conference and approved or disapproved. Carried: 33 for, 22 against.

Bro. Marvin Case moved to adjourn and that this report be the first order of business at the next meeting. Seconded by Bro. LeRoy Wheaton.

Bro. Edward J. McIndoo moved to adjourn until 10:30 a. m. April 9 and that this be the hour of meeting for business for the remainder of conference. Seconded by Bro. Harold B. Schultz. Lost: 24 for, 26 against.

Vote on motion to adjourn: Carried.

Closing prayer by Bro. Don W. Housknecht.

### MINUTES OF 1963 CONFERENCE CHURCH OF CHRIST (Temple Lot)

#### Minutes of April 9, 1963—2:30 P. M. Session

Meeting opened at 2:30 p. m. with Bro. Don W. Housknecht in charge, assisted by Bro. William A. Sheldon. Opening song No. 263, "Saviour Like A Shepherd Lead Us". Opening prayer by Bro. Richard A. Wheaton. Scripture reading: Isaiah, chapter 55.

Bro. M. Harvey Seibel moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes at this time. Seconded by Bro. Isaac Brockman. Carried.

Report from the Arbitration Committee on the Yucatan matter was read.

Bro. William F. Anderson moved that this report be approved. Seconded by Sr. Doris Sheldon. Carried.

April 8, 1963

Conference Assembled  
Church of Christ (Temple Lot)  
Independence, Missouri  
Greetings:

#### REPORT ON THE WORK OF ARBITRATION

In order to give some idea of why this report is given there must needs be some statement as to why the undersigned was sent to Yucatan after the conference of 1962.

The Council of Apostles had invited Brother Fernando Ojeda into their meeting of April 13, 1:30 P. M. During the course of questions and comments, the fact was brought out that there was friction between Brother Fernando Ojeda and Cayetano Alfaro. The Council decided that the appointment of these two brethren be held in abeyance until this difficulty could be settled, and that their Elder's Expense be continued.

Later during the same meeting it was decided to send me to Yucatan to be the arbitrator in this matter and that Bro. E. L. Yates be sent along to assist. At the 2:00 P. M. conference session of that day the Chair asked for a report to be brought to the conference



from the Council of Apostles concerning the matter. The following report was submitted.

"The Council of Apostles beg to report the following:"

"Brother Archie F. Bell has been chosen to go to Yucatan to try to arbitrate the difficulty there and Brother E. L. Yates has been chosen to go along to assist in the matter."

The Conference amended this report by adding: "and Brother Ojeda be appointed to assist in this matter." A motion by the Conference to concur with the recommendation of the Twelve was carried by a large majority.

The duties defined by the Council April 17 were for the one sent to Yucatan to try to do the following:

1. Adjust the difficulty between Fernando Ojeda and Cayetano Alfaro.
2. Adjust the difficulty pertaining to the petitions.
3. Report back to the Council.

My first contact was with Bro. Ojeda. It was necessary to know if the members in Yucatan had authorized him to prefer charges. If this was their intention, I did not want to do anything to interfere with their plans. Bro. Ojeda assured me that the members down there had no such intentions. Arrangements were made to go to Yucatan by car. Bro. Ojeda was invited to accompany us, in the car. It was thought that this would enable us to travel cheaper and we three would arrive at the same time. Bro. Ojeda never did give me an answer. One of the members of the Bishopric said Fernando had told him that he had been invited to accompany us but he did not care to go by car, but would go down by air when he was ready to go.

Bro. Yates and I left for Yucatan about the 16th of May and arrived in Merida seven days later. The next day we went to Muna and visited at the home of Moses Gomez, one of our members. We went on to Ticul but Fernando was not there and no one seemed to know when he was coming. I did not think it wise to be idle, so told Brother Yates, that I wanted to see as many of the members there as we could. It was strictly understood that no questions were to be asked them concerning the trouble, but it was my intention to see as many signers of the petition as those who didn't sign. Not being able to speak any of the languages (Maya or Spanish), it was necessary for me to use my eyes and ears, and rely on what help I could receive from the Spirit of God.

When we were in the company of those who had signed the petitions, including Roger Can, I could see in their eyes and hear in the tone of their voices that they did not feel toward Brother Yates as the two petitions and the nine letters received, indicated they did, with exception of not more than five or six, and all of these exceptions lived in Ticul.

We were received well among the membership in Ticul, Dzan and Kopte. We went to Ticul two days after we arrived in Merida and talked with Raul Magana. He said Fernando had returned home the night before. Later that day we met Fernando on the street. He said his place was in bad shape due to the fact he had been gone so long and he was fixing it up. This was on Friday.

On Saturday evening, Brother Yates and I, accompanied with some of the folks from Muna, attended a meeting in the Church in Ticul. Never before nor since, have I been so completely ignored as I was at that meeting and all the rest of the meetings we attended at Ticul. It was not myself I was thinking of so much, but I was not only representing the Apostles but had the sanction of the Conference as well, to be in Yucatan, and it seemed to me that courtesy could have been shown enough to the Church of Christ, to let the members know who I was. Never was either Brother Yates or I asked to offer a prayer or to speak to the members in the church in Ticul.

When we went to Dzan we were treated as brothers. The affection shown there to the Church of Christ and to Brother Yates, and when they spoke of Brother Wheaton it was certainly warming to the heart. Their Pastor, Miguel Dzac has the appearance of a man who is above average in righteousness.

Another young man I was highly impressed with is Fernando Chan. He was finishing his training to teach in the schools of

Mexico. He was very interested in the Gospel and so serious minded for a young man. He is teaching himself English and for that reason we took him along many times to interpret for us. The Spanish and Maya seemed to flow freely from his tongue. He still falters quite a bit with his English.

In our visits, I met Cayetano Alfaro. My intention was to make his acquaintance and try to gain his confidence sufficiently to try to arbitrate the trouble between him and Brother Fernando Ojeda.

But on Sunday, May 27, Brother Ojeda took the matter of the trouble between him and Brother Cayetano, in his own hands, after We had returned to Muna and the result was, there could be nothing done on my part concerning it. A full report on this is filed with the Council of Apostles.

In our visits among the membership in Ticul in particular, information was given me without prompting on my part, neither was it on the part of Brother Yates. These statements showed their love for Brother Fernando and their desire for him to again be the fine kind of a man he was at the beginning of their Church experience in Yucatan. Most of this information has been filed with the Council of Apostles.

The only ones I asked questions of were Brethren Fernando Ojeda and Raul Magana and Cayetano Alfaro. Brothers Ojeda and Magana speak English. Brother Alfaro speaks only a few words of English. When I questioned Brother Magana, we were alone. When I questioned Brother Ojeda, Raul Magana and another man were present. I wrote their statements down as they gave them, then let them read what I had written. Their statements have been placed in the Council files. When I questioned Brother Alfaro, there was an interpreter present. Brother Alfaro made some statements then said he would rather write them himself. He wrote his statement in Spanish. It has been translated into English and is in the Council file.

My plan had been to see how the members received Brother Yates when he alone was with me, then take Brother Ojeda along and see all of them again and see if the members would act the same as before. I kept notes on happenings and statements each day. Brother Yates did not know all I had in mind as I did not think that would be fair.

After visiting what I thought would be a cross section of membership, I asked Brother Fernando to go along, explaining what I had done. He refused. I told him I had not questioned anyone except him and Raul and Cayetano. He and Raul because they spoke English. He said he that he did not have to believe that. I tried to show him that he could ask them himself if I had questioned them. He said he had made other arrangements. He never consented to go along. During our conversation Brother Ojeda said the report had gotten around that some of the membership hated Brother Yates. He said that was not true because the membership love Brother Yates.

I found the reason in part for the trouble between Brother Cayetano and Brother Fernando. Several told it and the story was the same, but due to the unfortunate incident on May 27, nothing could be done to correct it. The ironical part of it is, it was brought about through the love that the membership there, including Brother Cayetano, have for Brother Ojeda.

On Saturday evening June 9, we held a meeting in the church at Ticul concerning the petitions. I attempted to explain to them from the scriptures the position the church takes on various points of the scripture. An interpreter was obtained in Merida for the meeting. He spoke only Spanish and English. Some of the talks were made by some there in Ticul in Maya. That way we could not understand what was said.

Brother Raul Magana told me that he and Fernando Ojeda had written the petition with the 37 signatures. Since returning home a letter has been received from Roger Can. It is interesting to note the difference in the language in his letter and the petition he sent to the 1962 conference.

The information filed with the Council of Apostles gives the reasons for the recommendation submitted to the Council as published in Zion's Advocate.

I firmly believe that if members from United States would

have kept free of interference in this affair in Ticul, there might have been a much better chance of arbitrating this matter. But in my conversation with those who speak English, letters were quoted from and copies of letters from down there up here were shown to me trying to prove their point against members of the Church in the United States. I saw from a distance material that had been run over a copy machine. I feel quite sure that the copies were made in the United States.

It was pleasant to meet the members of the Church in Yucatan but it was very sad to hear of their heartaches and be able to see that what they told was not for the purpose of doing harm but in hope that error might be corrected. It was heart warming to see the expressions in their eyes and their countenances when some of them would offer Brother Yates the use of their homes to live in. The hospitality we experienced in the home of Moses Gomez and family was on the top bracket. Theirs is truly the house by the side by the side of the road, for they are a friend to man; Yes, children of the Master.

May our aim be to feed these brothers and sisters in Yucatan with an example of true Christian love. Let us refrain from feeding them on the food of contention, fault finding, and tale bearing. Let us remember the Scriptures as found in Proverbs. "Where no wood is, there the fire goeth out; so where there is no talebearer, the strife ceaseth. As coals are to burning coals, and wood to fire, so is a contentious man to kindle strife."

It truly makes me sad to find it necessary to make the statements I have in this report. I wish it would have been possible to state that the mission to Yucatan was one hundred per cent successful, but I can not. This condition is rooted too deep to be healed in a short time. I believe that with wisdom and brotherly kindness the wounds will be healed but as Brother Miguel Dzac wrote, they will leave a scar.

I firmly believe that the work in Yucatan has been inspired of God from the beginning. It being of God, the forces of evil will try to destroy it. Let us all be found in the service of our Lord in my prayer.

(Signed) Archie F. Bell  
A. F. Bell, Apostle  
Church of Christ (Temple Lot)

Bro. William A. Sheldon moved to extend to Bro. Archie F. Bell our appreciation for this report. Seconded by Bro. Oren Caviness. Carried.

Bro. Rolland D. Sprague moved as an incidental motion that this Arbitration Committee report be translated into Spanish and put into the Advocate. Seconded by Bro. Harvey J. Bell.

Bro. M. Harvey Seibel moved as an incidental motion not to publish this report in the Advocate at all. Seconded by Sr. Lovita Seibel.

Bro. C. LeRoy Wheaton moved that the whole matter of special treatment of this document, except publishing in the Advocate, be laid on the table. Seconded by Bro. Richard A. Wheaton. Carried.

Reading of the two letters from Yucatan was called for.

Bro. E. Leon Yates moved as a substitute for the whole matter that the appointment of Bro. E. Leon Yates be deferred until the whole Yucatan problem be aired before the entire priesthood of this conference and this be the first order of business of this conference. Seconded by Bro. Denver Chapman.

Bro. Thomas E. Barton moved as an incidental motion that all persons and each local church shall not interfere with church work in Yucatan, or no local

shall extend themselves beyond their own affairs of their local. Seconded by Bro. Thomas J. Jordan.

Bro. E. Leon Yates withdrew his motion to defer his appointment.

Closing prayer by Bro. William A. Sheldon.

#### Minutes of April 10, 1963—2:30 P. M. Session

Meeting opened at 2:30 p. m. with Bro. Don W. Housknecht in charge, assisted by Bro. William A. Sheldon. Opening song No. 240, "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms." Opening prayer by Bro. William A. Sheldon. Second song No. 325, "Saviour, Like A Shepherd Lead Us." Scripture reading was from the Book of Job.

Bro. M. Harvey Seibel moved that this incidental motion (relative to individuals or local churches projecting themselves into the affairs of another local) be referred to the Council of Twelve. Seconded by Bro. Isaac Brockman.

Bro. Richard A. Wheaton moved as a substitute for the whole matter, that we reaffirm the delegate conference action of 1927 relative to the actions of the local churches and that we adhere more strictly to it. Seconded by Sr. Doris Sheldon.

Bro. Harold B. Schultz moved the previous question. Seconded by Bro. Isaac Brockman. Carried.

Vote on the substitute motion. Carried.

Bro. Oren A. Caviness moved the previous question on Bro. E. Leon Yates appointment. Seconded by Bro. M. Harvey Seibel. Carried.

Vote on Bro. E. Leon Yates appointment. Carried.

Apostle William A. Sheldon be placed in charge of Kansas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Louisiana and Texas. Bro. Tony Grzincic moved to approve the appointment. Seconded by Bro. Joseph Kidd. Carried.

The Council of Apostles be placed in charge of the State of Missouri. Bro. Isaac Brockman moved to approve the appointment. Seconded by Sr. Doris Hutchison.

Bro. Isaac Brockman moved the previous question. Seconded by Bro. Harvey J. Bell. Carried.

Vote on the Missouri appointment. Carried: for 50, against 18.

Apostle William F. Anderson be placed in charge of the office as the General Church Representative there. Bro. Isaac moved to approve the appointment. Seconded by Bro. Tony Grzincic. Carried.

Elder Cayetano Alfaro Contreras be appointed to labor in Yucatan under the supervision of the Missionary-in-Charge of that field, and that Brother Alfaro's wife be given an allowance, of the same amount sent to Brother Cayetano Alfaro in the past. Bro. C. LeRoy Wheaton moved to disapprove the appointment. Seconded by Bro. Forest Maley.

Bro. Isaac Brockman moved the previous question. Seconded by Bro. Tony Grzincic. Carried.

Vote on the motion to disapprove the appointment of Bro. Cayetano Alfaro. Lost: for 12, against 53.

Bro. Isaac Brockman moved to approve the appointment of Bro. Cayetano Alfaro. Seconded by Bro. M. Harvey Seibel.

Bro. Isaac Brockman moved the previous question. Seconded by Sr. Doris Hutchison. Carried.

Bro. Clarence L. Wheaton moved to adjourn until 10:00 a. m., April 11, for business and prayer meeting will begin at 8:00 a. m. Seconded by Sr. Freda Flint. Carried.

Closing prayer by Bro. William A. Sheldon.

**Minutes of April 11, 1963—10:00 A. M. Session**

Meeting opened at 10:00 a. m. with Bro. William A. Sheldon in charge, assisted by Bro. William F. Anderson. Opening song No. 68, "In Thy Name, O Lord, Assembling". Opening prayer by Bro. William F. Anderson.

Minutes of April 8, 1963—2:30 p. m., session were read and approved.

Minutes of April 9, 1963—2:30 p. m., session were read and approved.

Minutes of April 10, 1963—2:30 p. m., session were read and approved.

Report from the United Workers was read.

Bro. E. Leon Yates moved to receive the report of the United Workers. Seconded by Bro. Thomas E. Barton, Jr. Carried.

**REPORT ON THE UNITED WORKERS GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING**

The General United Workers met with 26 ladies present on April 9, 1963. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman Sister Silva Rudd. "Blest Be The Tie That Binds", was sung with Sister Evalena Sills at the piano. In the absence of the Secretary Sister Lois Harris, Sister Edna Smith took the minutes of the meeting. The minutes of April 12, 1962 meeting were read and approved as read.

Sister Doris Sheldon gave the Treasurer's report which shows a bank account balance of \$491.34 of which \$484.05 is money for the Old Folk's Home Fund. The Treasurer's report was accepted and spread upon the minutes.

Sister Doris Sheldon gave a verbal report of the activities of the East Independence Local for the past year. She told of the several bake sales and rummage sale which were held to help swell the building fund for the new church which we were building. The Independence East Local also contributed \$10.00 toward the purchase of new dishes for the general dining hall. Flowers and encouragement was also sent to several members during the year.

The Grand Junction Local also turned in a verbal report which was given by Sister Ely. She stated that their group had only 11 member but that their efforts were also blessed in helping with their new church building.

The Local on the Temple Lot had a written report which was read.

Sister Keeney reported on what four women of the Houston, Missouri Local were doing. She stated they had bake sales and rummage sales and had contributed the rent of the hall in which they meet, also purchased chairs for it. She stated that everything they had purchased so far was completely paid for and that there still remained a tidy little sum in the treasury.

Sister Minnie Smith gave her report as the member at large.

She urged that this coming year we would be more diligent in saving our pennies for the Old Folks Home Fund.

It was moved and seconded that all these Local reports be received and spread upon the minutes. Carried.

Sister Evalena Sills and Sister Rituh Willard gave a reading which brought out the thought that what we send out to others returns back to us as an echo. If we send out love it comes back to us in blessings but the opposite hurts us more than the one it is aimed at.

Sisters Edna and June Smith sang a duet, "We'll Scatter Good Seed."

This being Sister Gladys Marquette's birthday the ladies assembled sang Happy Birthday to her. Sister Marquette is from Sparta, Wisconsin.

A check for \$10.00 was received from Sister T. S. Maley and Sister Grace Boettcher of Minneapolis, Minn., for the Old Folks Home Fund.

There were two collections taken and were as follows:

Regular General Fund .....	\$ 8.75
Old Folks Home Fund .....	\$30.76

We played a game called "Women of the Bible", and from the low scores I am afraid we all need to study our Bible a little more than we do now.

Moved and seconded that the present officers succeed themselves for the coming year. Carried.

Sister Doris Sheldon resigned as Treasurer.

Moved and seconded that we accept Sister Doris Sheldon's resignation. Carried.

Moved and seconded that Sister Irene Shaw of Louisburg, Mo., be our Treasurer. Carried.

A general discussion was had concerning the Old Folks Home Fund and several good ideas were voiced that could be carried out this coming year to increase the amount of monies raised.

Moved and seconded that we send Sister Margaret Skinner a card. Carried. Slips of paper were passed so each one might sign her name which will be placed in the card sent Sister Skinner.

The closing song was "What Fruit Have You Gathered" and the closing prayer was offered by Sister Minnie Smith.

The officers for the coming year are as follows:

- Chairman—Sister Silva Rudd
  - Assistant Chairman—Sister Edna Smith
  - Secretary—Sister Lois Harris
  - Treasurer—Sister Irene Shaw
  - Member at Large—Sister Minnie Smith
- (Signed) Edna Smith  
Secretary Protem  
(Signed) Silva Rudd  
Chairman

The Missionary Report from Bro. Arthur M. Smith was read.

Bro. Oren A. Caviness moved to receive the report. Seconded by Bro. Edward J. McIndoo. Carried.

Independence, Missouri  
April 8, 1963

To the Council of Twelve  
and  
To the General Conference  
Greetings:

Herein I submit my Ministerial report for the year 1962.

I was able to visit and work with all the local churches in my field during the past year, besides calling on several outside my prescribed field, wherever I was able to reach in answer to invitation or call. I visited in the homes of many of the isolated Saints. We were unable to reach all parts of the field where we know scat-

tered members live because of the scattered condition and the distance they live apart.

I baptized seven, and blessed a number of children. We administered to many that were sick or afflicted. We can testify to you we have seen a greater manifestation of God's power, and his willingness to hear the prayers of the Saints and answer them, than I have ever seen before. The Saints in this field are strong in the faith, and prayerfully looking forward to the coming of our Lord and Savior.

In addition to my Ministerial labors, we have been working with the Board of Publications, to get new publications out and some of these tracts that have become exhausted and sold out, reprinted and in some instances improved. I have met with the Board four times during the year and had considerable correspondence in our effort to increase the efficiency of our supply of printed matter for missionary purposes.

In the European field, there has been no work done except through the labors of Elder Salvanius Mason; Bro. Mason wrote me he was making an effort to again open the work in Wales in a new locality, also that he would go and try to re-establish the group at Gilfach Goch. I have not heard as to what success he was having in this effort to re-establish the work over there.

We are earnestly praying God will bless the efforts of all who shall strive to build up the work of His Kingdom during the year that is before us, and making an interest in your prayers, we wish to remain as ever your humble brother and co-worker for our Lord and Master, even Jesus Christ.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) Apostle Arthur M. Smith

Recommendation from the Council of Twelve relative to the filling of the vacancy in the Quorum of Apostles was given first reading.

Recommendation from the General Bishopric relative to the business manager was given first reading.

Minority Report from the Yucatan Arbitration Committee was read and received.

Independence, Missouri

April 10, 1963

#### THE YUCATAN INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE MINORITY REPORT

To the Conference of the Church of Christ (T.L.)  
Greetings:

Being that I was appointed by Conference action last year to be one of the members of the Committee to investigate the Yucatan situation that caused considerable protest from down there against the way things were being done there, I wish to submit for your consideration, the following report.

While still in this country last year, in the month of May, and while making preparations to take a trip to Michigan, I was contacted by Bro. Archie Bell and he asked me then if I would be willing to travel to Yucatan with him and the other member of the committee. Since I was not certain of the day of my return to Independence I was unable to commit myself to go with them. Bro. Bell then told me that they would be ready to depart in about two weeks from that day. However, when I returned from Michigan at the end of the two-week period I was informed that they had already left for Yucatan some time before.

Being the possessor of a return plane-ticket, as soon as I could get ready I flew to Yucatan, arriving in Merida, Yucatan, and later in the day in Ticul, Thursday, May 24th.

When walking down the main street of Ticul the afternoon of the next day in the company of one of our young brothers there, we were met by a strange car which, I was informed by its occupants, was newly obtained and in it were Bros. E. L. Yates, the driver A. F. Bell, sitting next to the driver, and senior Moises Gomez, of Muna, Yucatan in the back-seat. After exchanging greetings

Bro. Yates asked me when I had gotten in and so forth, but I did not feel free to ask when they got there themselves, where they were staying, where they had been or anything, and there was nothing said about it either nor was I asked then to join them nor was I offered any suggestions. It was a week later, Saturday morning, May the 2nd that Bro. A. F. Bell came to my house while Bro. Raul Magana was there visiting. Bros. E. L. Yates and Fernando Chan, the only ones I saw, stayed out on the street where the car was parked. Then Bro. Bell told me that he had come to interview me and to ask me "some questions". I then said that it was too late and he said that he didn't think it was. When I then asked him why he had not contacted me before then he said, "I was not ready". Then I asked him, "What makes you think then that I am ready now". However, he went ahead and said that he wanted to make arrangements and rent a place where the matter of the Yucatan document could be discussed privately. But I informed him that the groups involved wanted it discussed in the Ticul Church and that plans were being made to hold a business meeting in said church the next week, for since the document was drawn up in a business meeting everything pertaining to it should also be taken care of in a meeting where all concerned could participate. Bro. Bell raised an objection to this on the grounds that such a meeting "is not Christian because it would create contention and that contention it is not of God." When I reminded him of the contentions in the church, especially during conference each year he was a gentleman enough to admit that there is contention in the church conferences.

After thinking it over for a while Bro. Bell finally agreed to have the meeting in the Ticul church, providing that the people that would there and had any questions to ask, for them to ask Bro. Bell I said then that I thought the church claims that its business is done by the voice of the people and that, if there was consistency in this claim, the people down there had as much right to decide for themselves how the thing should be handled. To this, Bro. Bell also had objections but arrangements were made and people from Ticul local as well as members from Dzan, Pustunich and Kopte met in the Ticul church the evening of June 9th, to discuss the situation. Bro. Bell and Yates hired a certain "senor Marin" from Merida to act as their interpreter. When all that were to be there arrived and representatives of U. S., Ticul, Dzan and Kopte were seated in a very strategic order by Bro. Bell, the meeting was then opened with the usual prayer and song part of such meetings. Then Bro. Bell proceeded to address the audience and very cleverly tried, not to deny the accusations in the letter, but to rationalize Bro. Yates' actions, examples of which are: "The house that Bro. and Sr. Yates demanded that it be evacuated by its former occupants for their benefit was built with money contributed by Bro. Yates' friends". This church was also built with donations from his friends (and \$5,000.00 pesos) of Bro. Yates' own money" and because it was that way he could preach in it whenever he wanted to. Bro. Bell was interrupted at this point by one of the audience, Bro. Carlos Gonzalez (who, thanks to this unchristian action has since left the church) who said, "Are you throwing to our face what you claim you have done for us here? If because you helped build this church, you think that we are obligated to subject ourselves to your every whim you are absolutely mistaken". It would be of interest to you to know that the interpreter, who was seemingly asleep in his seat, did not catch this and to Bro. Yates distaste he had to ask me to interpret this. We were also told that, where objections had been raised to the preaching of the "apostles being the heads of the church", we must remember that the church, as pictured in Rev. 12, had a crown of 12 stars and that these were the 12 apostles that were at the head of church. (The ones Christ chose in Palestine were left out!) During the remainder of the meeting the authenticity of these two brothers' claim to the apostleship was challenged by Bro. Raul Magana who read from the scriptures what the signs of apostleship were and reminded the audience that these signs were absent in these brothers' attitude and life. Christ's words concerning giving, . . . "let not thy left hand know what thy right hand doeth" were also read from the Bible and connected with the things said about contributing so much toward building the church in Ticul. After considerable unrest the meeting was closed and people went home very disgusted, discouraged and disappointed that men would

act like that. We learned later that, because of the attitude that was displayed there the night before, a meeting to which Bros. Yates and Bell had been previously invited and was to take place in the Dzan church Sunday afternoon was called off, for the members there, who have gone through severe trials to get the church established there, felt that they could not afford to let the contentious spirit of these men disrupt their peace.

We learned later that Bros. Bell and Yates left for their home the following Monday.

Though I have been exposed to the bitter persecution and injustice of men, and women, who claim to adhere to the Gospel of Christ, though condemned by many of you who I know don't have a clear picture of the situation, I still have confidence if nothing more, in the all searching eyes of the One before whose tribunal each and everyone will stand to face judgment. I do not want you to feel sorrow for myself; the efforts that I have made for the good of the church are not considered a sacrifice, although I, in doing work for the church neglected my own life and self which thing I now have to try and take into consideration. All I ask of the few among you who are sincere, is not that you believe me to be innocent of the accusations raised against me, but to pray that God may in time decide who is right and who is wrong for above your judgment and your own opinion, whatever it may be, is the Wisdom and the Power of a Just God.

In closing I only ask for the privilege of quoting from the Book of Mormon the words found on page 646:

"And thus commandeth the Father that I should say unto you, At that day when the Gentiles SHALL sin against my gospel, and SHALL reject the fullness of my gospel, and SHALL be lifted up in the pride of their hearts above all nations, and above all the people of the whole earth, and SHALL be filled with all manner of lyings, and of deceits, and of mischiefs, and all manner of hypocrisy, and murders, and priestcrafts, and whoredoms, and of secret abominations; and if they shall do all these things, and shall reject the fullness of my gospel, behold saith the Father, I will bring the fullness of my gospel from among them; and then will I remember my covenant which I have made unto my people, O house of Israel, and I will bring my gospel unto them: and I will shew unto thee, O house of Israel, that the Gentiles shall not have power over you, but I will remember my covenant unto you, O house of Israel, and ye SHALL come unto the knowledge of the fullness of my gospel. But if the Gentiles will repent, and return unto me, saith the Father, behold, they shall be numbered among my people, O house of Israel; . . ."

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) Fernando Ojeda.

Affirmative minutes from the General Sunday School Association were read and received.

Independence, Missouri  
April 11, 1963

To the Church of Christ  
In Conference Assembled  
Independence, Missouri

Greetings:

The assembly of the General Sunday School Association was called to order at 4:25 p. m. April 10, 1963, by Bro. James A. Hedrick, Supt.

Opening song No. 258, "Come Learn of the Meek and Lowly."  
Opening prayer by Bro. Leslie P. Case.

The minutes of the April 13, 1963, were read and approved.

The reports of the Treasurer and Auditing Committee were read and accepted.

Reports from local Sunday Schools were read. They were:  
Cedar Springs, Michigan  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

It was moved and seconded that we elect a committee of three to investigate the lost manuscripts and the committee be representatives from both the Board of Publications and the Quarterly Committee. Carried unanimously by a show of hands.

The committee was elected and the members are:

Tom Maley  
M. Harvey Seibel  
Kenneth J. Smith

The following officers and committees were elected:

James A. Hedrick, Superintendent  
Leslie P. Case, Assistant Superintendent and Treasurer  
Caroline Hedrick, Secretary

Quarterly Committee: Don McIndoo (3 years), John E. Bell (3 years), Marvin Ely (2 years), Bob Case (1 year) and Tom Maley (1 year).

Auditing Committee: Richard Wheaton (3 years), Harold Gill (2 years) and John Gill (1 year).

Translation Committee: Fernando Chan (3 years), Denver Chapman (2 years) and Fernando Ojeda (1 year).

It was moved and seconded that in the event that the General Sunday School Association should ever be terminated that all funds in the Treasury be prorated back to the local Sunday Schools from which they were received. Carried: 19 for, none against.

It was moved that we adjourn to the appointed day and hour in April 1964. Carried.

Closing song No. 319, "Thou My Everlasting Portion." Closing prayer by Bro. LaVerne Lussenden.

Respectfully,  
(Signed) Caroline Hedrick, Secretary

Report from Quarterly Committee  
April 1, 1963

General Sunday School Association  
Greetings:

During the past year there were no new quarterly materials given to the Quarterly Committee. All old quarterlies were acted upon the previous year, so we have nothing to report upon in the way of quarterly material. Perhaps I should bring up some ideas from different members of the committee and thereby stir up some interest in quarterly material which we are very desperately in need of.

One of the foremost things mentioned was the need of material for our young people. Another stressed that we give a great deal of attention to our teen-agers, and went on to say that we need to do something for all our children. Also another member mentioned that he would like to see some material developed for our young people regarding the Book of Mormon, archaeological evidences, principals of the gospel, and human relationships.

Another one of our members thought that in our search for quarterly material that the greatest attention should be given to the fundamentals of faith, obedience and brotherly love. He also had this to say that the children and teen-agers need the reassurance that God is deeply interested in them personally. One of our members has checked on material from the "Gospel Light" which is an outside source of information. Another member thought that it is critical that Sunday School material for our young people be provided within our own framework of belief.

In summation of the above I would like to appeal to the members of this church that we need quarterly material. Perhaps we as a committee can accomplish more this year than we did during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,  
(Signed) Marvin E. Ely

Resolution to approve the report of the Council of Twelve relative to the Yucatan mission was given first reading.

Resolution to investigate the past actions of the church was given first reading.

Auditor's report was given first reading.

The missionary appointment of Bro. Caytano Alfaro was voted on with the following results: 53 for, 13 against.

Elder Sylvanus Mason of Wales be appointed to labor in the British Isles and that an allowance of \$10.00 per month be sent him for Elder's expense. Bro. Forest Maley moved to approve the appointment. Seconded by Bro. Arthur M. Smith. Carried.

Apostle Don W. Housknecht be appointed as Missionary-at-large. Bro. Tony Grzincic moved to approve the appointment. Seconded by Sr. Doris Hutchison. Carried.

Bro. Thomas E. Barton moved to proceed with the election of officers and committees. Seconded by Sr. Doris Sheldon. Carried.

General Church Secretary—Bro. E. Leon Yates moved to retain the present secretary. Seconded by Sr. Minnie Smith. Carried.

Recorder—Bro. Nicholas F. Denham moved that Sr. Lois Harris be elected to succeed herself. Seconded by Bro. C. LeRoy Wheaton. Carried.

Chorister—Bro. Oren A. Caviness moved to retain the services of Sr. Kathryn Matthews. Seconded by Sr. Doris Sheldon. Carried.

Bro. C. LeRoy Wheaton moved as an incidental motion that the General Church Secretary be authorized to publish announcements of any and all regular and special conferences or general church meetings in the Zion's Advocate and the public press. Seconded by Bro. Oren A. Caviness. Carried.

Bro. Richard A. Wheaton moved as an incidental motion that the Dining Hall Committee be authorized to draw upon such funds as they have and the General Church funds as necessary, and at their own discretion hire a cook and additional help as needed. Seconded by Bro. Tony Grzincic.

Bro. Clarence L. Wheaton moved to amend that the committee act more as a supervisory committee. Seconded by Bro. Arthur M. Smith.

Bro. C. LeRoy Wheaton moved the previous question. Seconded by Bro. Isaac Brockman. Carried.

Vote on the amendment: Lost 19 for, 32 against.

Vote on motion relative to the dining hall committee: Carried.

Bro. Clarence L. Wheaton moved to adjourn. Seconded by Bro. Richard A. Wheaton.

Bro. E. Leon Yates moved to amend by adding until 2:00 p. m. Seconded by Sr. Doris Sheldon. Carried.

Vote on the motion to adjourn until 2:00 p. m. Carried.

Closing prayer by Bro. William F. Anderson.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Minutes of the Conference will be continued in the June issue.

## A MORE EXCELLENT WAY

I Cor. 12:31

In this modern world we are kept constantly aware of the word "barrier". It is used in advertising the speed and performance rating of modern machinery, such as automobiles and airplanes. Jet plane manufacturers and government scientists are continually struggling to overcome the sound barrier, the thermal barrier and many others. These problems are of great concern to those whose responsibility it is to develop aviation and electronics. If they are to move forward they must overcome these barriers.

If the future of aviation is concerned with barriers, how much more should the future of the world, the church and the individual be concerned with other kinds of barriers. A barrier is a line, either imaginary or real, which shuts off or separates. It is something we must overcome if we are to move forward. It is something that takes strength, determination and character to cross. There must be exhaustive social and religious engineering done if we are to slip safely past the barriers without setting up destructive forces.

The most formidable barriers which we must overcome are those which separate us from God. This is the "social barrier", or our relationship with our fellowmen, as nations of the world, as churches and as individuals. We cannot say that any one race or class of people is entirely to blame for all these conditions. These conditions are almost insurmountable because of the lack of understanding or the disregard that individuals have for the principles of living as set forth by Jesus Christ.

When we look at it from that standpoint it brings the responsibility of crashing the social barrier to the level of the individual. God is not the author of persecution and hatred, and as He has demonstrated many times in the past, He will eventually destroy those, be they nations or individuals, who continue to ignore His law.

We, of the Church of Christ should have a greater understanding of these conditions. Through our books which we believe contain the fulness of the gospel, God declares, "Behold, this is a choice land, and whatsoever nation shall possess it, shall be free from bondage, and from captivity, and from all other nations under heaven if they will but serve the God of the land, who is Jesus Christ . . ." Ether 1:35.

Those are not idle words, they are from the voice of God. They carry the promise of abundant living if we obey, or the penalty of being swept off the land if we fail.

If we are to survive as a nation or as a church, those things which separate us from God and our fellowmen must be removed. How can a nation or a church repent of its iniquities? Only through the personal righteousness of each individual. To the degree that we are lacking in personal righteousness, to that degree we have failed to cross the barrier which separates us from God. Furthermore, to that degree we

have put their stamp of approval on the unrighteous conditions of the world.

All things are made up of small parts. If every part is perfect we have perfection. If one part fails, however small and insignificant it may be, there can be no perfection. That one small part contributes to the failure of the whole. There is truth in Paul's statement, "Know ye not that a little leaven leaveneth the whole lump."

Procrastination may seem to be a little thing but it forms one of the most formidable barriers between man and God. The first step toward the Kingdom of God is the desire to follow him. Many people have found the desire in their hearts to turn toward God, but they procrastinate the definite steps which lead directly to His Kingdom—repentance and baptism for the remission of sins.

One man wrote, "What are you waiting for, to convince you that nothing truly is except today, and that your happiness depends neither on time nor place, but on the inner condition of your soul."

Jesus said, "No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the Kingdom of God." He knew, as every person knows, that we can never get the job done by waiting until we do everything else first. We should not put off until tomorrow what we can do today.

The world will never enjoy peace unless we stop testing H bombs to kill people, and start using atomic energy to serve people. Our nation would not be a free nation if someone had not started working for it. A church will never accomplish Christ's purpose until its members stop contending and start teaching repentance. An individual will never enjoy the abundant blessings of God, until he takes the first steps towards the Kingdom, faith, repentance and baptism.

Zacchaeus, who was a rich man, had a great desire to see Jesus but he was a very small man and he could not see over the crowd which lined the street. Zacchaeus did not put off doing what he knew he should do. He ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree so that he might see Jesus when He passed.

Jesus looked up and saw him and said, "Zacchaeus, make haste, and come down: for today I must abide at thy house." Zacchaeus came down as fast as he could, and with a joyful heart said, "Behold Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have taken anything from any man by false accusation I restore him fourfold. And Jesus said to him, This day is salvation come to this house . . ." Luke 19:2-9.

Zacchaeus did not procrastinate the day of his salvation. Without hesitation he put his hand to the plow, and without looking back, he turned under the great barrier which separated him from God. By so doing he made all the resources of God available for his own life.

The resources of God are available to every life if we use our strength to remove the barriers which sep-

arate us from Him. He does not promise us freedom from suffering, but He promises us a feeling of hope and an inner peace, with the strength and courage to withstand the trials of life which come to us.

E. J. M.

## DEATH DEALING NAILS

By Louis P. Caldwell

During World War II, I was employed by the George J. Hagan Engineering Co., of Pittsburg, Pa., as a field engineer. A letter from the manager of a large tobacco manufacturing company in Wheeling, West Virginia, requesting services from our company, came to my desk. They were interested in better efficiency in their business. I was directed by my employer to make the requested survey of the plant, which I did.

The manager asked me if I had ever been through a modern tobacco plant and if I would care to do so. I assured him that I would, and we spent two and a half hours together on this job. I noticed that he didn't use tobacco in any form and asked him the reason. He replied: "I know too much about the weed."

The plant, a brick building of 4 or 5 stories covered about one fourth of a city block. The automatic cigarette machines were located on the top floor. The fine cut tobacco was stored in nickel plated metal hopper bins, and conveyed on continuous belts about 6 to 8 inches wide. It was formed between guides to give the tobacco about the length of the finished cigarettes. These endless belts carried it through tunnel like openings upon which was mounted, five or ten gallon glass bottles, filled with a fluid that looked very much like black strap molasses. A small amount of this liquid was constantly dropping onto a screen-like mat and was atomized by compressed air into a fine mist and was directed onto the moving tobacco as it continued to the paper enrobing mechanism.

When the manager was asked about this operation he replied: "That is where we nail the smokers to our wagon." Those Death dealing nails!

There is not the least doubt in my mind about the nature of these figurative nails. Never have I been addicted to the use of tobacco, but in spite of my example, one of my sons was led into smoking cigarettes by schoolmates, when he was but nine years old. He soon became a "chain smoker." He developed throat and lung trouble at about 55 years of age. He was under a doctor's care and had radium treatment for several years. He died in his 61st year, largely the victim of this habit.

Every intelligent person should read the article in the February Readers Digest, entitled; And Slow Death. According to the American Public Health Association statistics, a million children now in school will die of lung cancer before they reach the age of 70! Cigarettes with those Death Dealing Nails, will no doubt be a great factor.

REUNION DATES

The Colorado Reunion will be at Grand Junction, July 12, 13, and 14.

The Missouri Reunion will be at Houston, July 27, and 28.

The Michigan Reunion will be at Flint, August 3, and 4.

The Wisconsin Reunion will be at Sparta, August 10 and 11.

The Tennessee Reunion will be at Puryear, Date announced later.

It is not too early to start to plan now to attend these spiritual feasts.

EVERYTHING YOU DO

Success is in the way you walk the paths of life each day; it's in the little things you do, and in the things you say. Success is not in getting rich, or rising high to fame. It's not alone in winning goals, which all men hope to claim.

Success is being big of heart, and clean and broad in mind; it's being faithful to your friends, and to the stranger, kind. It's in the children whom you love, and all they learn from you; success depends on character, and everything you do.

—From The Pepper Box St. Louis Rotary Club.

EASTER

Say not that death is king, that night is lord, That loveliness is passing, beauty dies; Nor tell me hope's a vain, deceptive dream Fate lends to life, a pleasing, luring gleam To light awhile the earth's despondent skies, Till death brings swift and sure its dread reward.

Say not that youth deceives, but age is true, That roses quickly pass, while cypress bides, That happiness is foolish, grief is wise, That stubborn dust shall choke our human cries. Death tells new worlds, and life immortal hides Beyond the veil, which shall all wrongs undo.

This was the tale God breathed to me at dawn When flooding sunrise told the night was gone.

—Thomas Curtis Clark.

BUILDING A MAN

I took a piece of human clay, And gently formed it day by day, And molded, with my skill and art, A young child's soft and yielding heart. I came again when days were gone— It was a man I gazed upon. The form I gave him still he bore, But I could change him nevermore.

—Author Unknown.

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