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NOTE: Written on the flyleaf page is the notation:

Father's mother was a cousin of John Quincy (scratched over in pencil) Adams

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# Provo, Ut. Dec 24, 1912

Twenty-three years ago I began keeping a journal. There are few things which I have done which has given me more joy than the fact of my journal-keeping. I prize my journal more than I do my entire library of about \$800.00. I do wish I had a journal of my father's & mother's live. It would be of a great worth to me in interpreting the psyc. of their lives & the tendencies of their children.

When I began my journal I was 26 or 27 yrs. old--23 years of joy and sorrow--23 years of successes and failures--23 years of progress and repentence--23 years of mental and spiritual unfolding.

I completed my last journal Nov. 17. Since then I have lectured in Hyrum 2nd ward to young people's conjoint. I have spoken to the relief society of the 7th Ward, Logan, twice on children's so-called lies. I lectured to the parents class of the 1st Ward, Logan; I spoke in our ward (7th Ward) a wk ago last Sun. I was taken to Hyrum in an automobile two weeks ago to address the active teachers (men & women) of that stake. There were about 300 present. The occasion was an excellent one. I had great freedom and the spirit of the audience was splendid. It was an occasion long to be remembered. I discussed with the Supt's. & adv. teachers how to question pupils in our Stake Convention of Religion classes. I have been asked to go to Brigham City to talk to Parent classes but could not go. Francis asked that I go to Castle Dale & deliver an address at the Academy but couldn't go. I had to eliminate requests to speak at Hyde Park & Smithfield.

I should have recorded that I delivered the Founder Day address at the Oneida Stake academy. I left there & went to Overton, Nev. There I delivered seven addresses--one of them at St. Thomas. My trip & speeches were a great awakening. These are the words of those who heard. See clippings from Des. News. Many of the most appreciative expressions were uttered every where. They were too flattering to repeat. My subjects (at Preston), The Influence & mission of our Church Schools. In (Nev.) Internal Evidences of Bk. of M. Progress of Science; Effects of

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Narcostimulants on the Offspring; Banishment of M. People; A Reply to I.W. Riley; What Parents should Reveal to Children concerning themselves etc. (This was given to the Parents & Theology class)

My work in the B.Y C & Agri. College is very strenuous. I am wining favor with my students & public. I desire this not for my sake but for the sake of the students & God's progress on earth.

I visited my home here during Thanksgiving & have now returned to spend Xmas holidays with my loved ones.

Dee returned Nov. 12, from his mission. Ma, Laura, Leslie, & wife were here for Thanksgiving dinner, also Aunt Mary & children. We had a nice time. Levon stayed in Logan Thanksgiving recess, but he has come with me for Xmas holidays.

Reginald returned from Dakota and made us all glad. He required the obnoxious habit of tobacco. He has promised that he will quit. It is a mark of pure intelligence when one can live a pure & noble life thru being told without the tasting of sin & folly. The next lower in this stage of purity & intelligence include those who have to taste sin before they can realize its blighting force and then turn from sin. The lowest class include those who when once in sin can never learn the lesson & turn from it, but continue on & on in crime to end of time.

#### Jan. 12, 1913. Logan.

I stayed home (Provo) until Jan. 6. I went to Benjamin & visited Mother and folks. I spoke to the Parent's Class also in evening meeting. I spoke to the Parent's Class in the 6th Ward Provo Sun. Jan 5. Dee & Levon returned here with me: We arrived Mon. night Jan 6. We stopped off in S.L. for a few hrs. I visited J.G. Kimball & Symour B. Young. Took dinner with O.F. Whitney at resteraunt.

Pres. Jos. F. Smith sent me a letter to answer from a gentleman by the name of C.M. Maines from Johnstown, Pa. asking; (1) what was the fundamental principle on which we defended the plurality of wives; (2) What is our doctrine concerning motherhood & the brith of children; (3) "Have you some small literature that you could send me stating the tenets of your faith and especially with reference to heredity & eugenics". I answered the letter with over 3000 word letter. Of course I was to take the responsibility of my reply & not make Pres. Smith responsible. If I had the time I should copy the letter in this journal. As part of the questions included thoughts along my research work, I gave most of my space to reviewing my findings. I took letter to Pres. Smith Jos F. Smith, Penrose & Dr. Talmage; the Dr. read the letter also to send a copy to the Pres.' office. They said my reply was good & my data was very valuable. Dr. Talmage desired a copy for himself.

Reginald ran away from home the day before we started here; has not wanted to come with me to school so he "hid out". We have put officers on his trail to bring him back. He, I learn from his mother, was in Sp. Fork Canyon. I can't tell why my sons who have been given much liberty, act this way. This is two who have done so.

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School work is going fairly well. I heard Dr. Winship of Boston yesterday on making the boy manly. His ideas were very faulty in his ideas of handling the infant & child. I met Dr. J.T. Miller also.

I attended a basket ball game last night between B.Y.C. & Oneida Stake Ac. If was fast & furious.

Trixie (Edna) Chambers has consumption & the family are feeling very badly over it. Dee & I administered to her last Wed. night. We also took dinner there today. I spoke in the tabernacle this afternoon for the first time in 8 yrs.

I am appointed a teacher in Parent's Class of this (7th Ward)

Jan. 19, 1913, Logan.

The week has passed in peace with much work. I attended our Stake officer's meeting (Relig. Class Org.) last Tues. night. That is the regular night for our weekly meeting.

My Psyc. classes were more or less a joy to me this week. I find when I do not get time to read carefully for preparation that my classes are not such an inspiration & joy to me; but if I can get good preparations then my work is a most enjoyable time for me. As a rule my students are much impressed with my teaching. They too feel my work a great inspration to them. This is what they say concerning it. I feel I have chosen wisely or at least my mother chose wisely for sure, & I find she must have been inspired in the impression she had in urging me to follow this line of work. I feel that that is one line of my life's work for which I came on earth. The patriarch makes mention of this same thing in my blessing.

I am prevailing in my ideas concerning the home life of our students as to how they shall be governed and their mode of life; (1) They shall have study hrs. (2) They shall be in homes at 7 P.M. (3) They shall have rules of conduct in their rooms etc. (4) They shall have prayers (5) They shall attend some sacramental meeting on Sun. These are things that we have not had before in the B.Y.C. I hope the experiment will be a success.

I attended High Priest's Quorum last Mon. night. I am trying to make the habit to always attend. I give the entire lesson (Resurrection) tomorrow night.

The B.Y.C. played U of U. freshman team in basketball last night & won 37 to 21.

Have recd. letters from Othello, Mother, Leon, Fern & Martha & Geo. Reginald returned home a week ago last Thurs. all grime & chagrinned. He desires to work and dislikes school. So have written that if he will work & help keep family I will permit it, not otherwise.

Dee is working very hard in school & very faithful in his religious work for which I am very thankful.

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Attended S.S. this morning & Bro Haddock & I conducted the Parent's class. This Parent Class movement is the greatest move for the improvement of the parent, child, home, etc that has ever been under taken amidst our people.

I am to speak in 2nd Ward to night. We have had ward conference this afternoon.

At 1:46 Bp. Adams, Bro. Bitter, & I administered to Edna D. Chambers. She & her family & her mother's family & Dee & I all fasted for the re<sub>7</sub> covery of her health. Bro. B. was mouth in prayer, Bp. A. annointed Edna & I confirmed. The spirit of God came upon me and I was urged (prompted) to say that she should recover from her affliction; she should rear her child & many other children; that every work I uttered should be fulfilled and for her to put her trust in the promise and this ordinance. She and her household should serve the Lord faithfully and if so these blessings should be fulfilled most faithfully & completely even beyond her comprehension at the present time. I am so grateful for this endowment & inspirational gift to day. O Father I thank you for this blessing unto the afflicted. Thy servant is humble & filled with gratitude.

I spoke in the 2nd Ward tonight. The occasion was a Religion Class meeting & the children were taken thru an exercise; subject was Prayer etc. I followed on the subject of prayer and urged the parents to sustain the organization by sending their children etc. The Spirit of the Lord was there & the people felt blessed thru what they saw & heard.

Dee & Levon went to our ward conference tonight. I took supper at Anna's (Daniels) tonight.

Reginald stands about 5 ft. 11 in. and is only 16 yrs. old. He is a big specimen of manhood:

Have written to Fern, Martha, Geo. Mother, Leon & Eugene. I also ansa Bro. MacDermitt's letter which he wrote me some weeks ago concerning my lecture in Overton, Nev.

I have been reading Hugo Münsterberg's "Eternal Values", a work on Psychology & Philosophy. I am finishing up, Introduction to Psychology by Read, Human Nature Club by Thorndike; Notes on Psyc. by Thorndike. Am also finishing Introduction to Psyc. by Robt. M. Yerkes. It is the best Psyc. I have ever read from the stand point of introspective psychology. I have often make such introspections on myself, but this is the lst Author I ever read who so devotedly followed this plan.

# Jan. 26, 1913

I am also just finishing Jordan's "The Heredity of Jno Doe" & Doncaster's "Eugenics".--two very valuable bks. I am recommending them to my students & several are buying them.

My, how busy I am with my school work! I have too much work to do.

Jno. Hand has written me asking that I write my speech on the Temptaion of Christ for he still has the inspiration of writing an opera on that theme. He made this same request of me when he was in Germany,

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studying. If possible, I shall try & write it.

I have been written to by Pugmire of Idaho (Senator) for a synopsis of my research work on the effects of tobacco, etc. I took nearly two hrs. yesterday dictating to Miss Lydia Hanson a gist of my findings.

I attended Stake officer's meeting also Priesthood meeting & lectured on the resurrection. My ideas caused some what of a rustling amidst some of the older brethran especially when I said that all who died before Christ's death were resurrected before those were who died after Christ's death.

I spoke to the Young men of the B.Y.C. last Fri. on the purity of their lives.

I attended the basketball game last night between our team & the L.D.S.U. team; we won(34 to 16).

I sent a copy of letter to Haines to Pres. Jos. F. Smith to see if it were agreeable to him.

I wrote Dr. Talmage, Martha, Reginald, Earl Daniels, Jno. Hand, Dr Woodworth, etc.

Recd. letters from Martha, Reginald, Othello, Sister Allen, etc.

Have recently recd. some new bks. from publishing houses for review on "Hist. of Education, "Main Currents of Modern Thought" King's Psyc. of Child Life.

Levon, I believe, is doing a little better in his work.

My daily prayer is that God will prepare me for more good to my fellow men & his cause. O, if I could have been inspired with great a desire in Youth. Yet there was a nameless longing in me from my youth for intelligence & the ability to do good.

I attended S.S. & testimony meeting this afternoon & bore my testimony. Dee also bore a very fine testimony. All the M.I.Associations held a conjoint session in the tabernacle to night and Apostle J.E. Talmage addressed the meeting. His speech was excellent and much appreciated by the vast audience.

We (Dee & I) went to Bro. Burkman's for supper tonight.

# Feb. 4, 1913 (Tues) Logan.

We are just finishing the 1st term's work here & in the A.C. I gave my exam. in Psyc. to the A.C. class yesterday. Yesterday I exam. my class in theology; it lasted 3 hrs. I criticised the papers to day. I was about 5 or 6 hrs. in doing so. All except two or three. The exam. consisted of 14 ques. & they (students) were at liberty to answer any 10. One of the questions or propositions was; What influence has the study of the Bk. of M. had upon you, etc. The testimonies or answers were excellent. Surely the Lord was with them to inspire their souls to such utterances. They did answer to get credit, but it was the expression of

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sincere souls who were inspired with new life & hope & desires since they began the study of the Bk. of M. They have found the words of Moroni to be true.

I have three more classes in Psychology to examine this wk. aside from the exam of the Co. teachers. This next term my work will be pedagogy & ethics.

I went one night last wk. and talked with Bro. Mitchell & the Bp. (Merrill). Bro. M. claimed that I was mistakened in claiming Alma said that all that died before Jesus' death & resurrection should be resurrected before those who died after Jesus' resurrection. The Bp. & I both tried hard to show him that he was mistaken & that no prophet writing on the subject went against Alma. This Bro. M. had made quite a stir over what I taught in the High Priest's quorum. The Pres. of the H.P's quorum said Bro. M. was wrong.

I went last Thurs. night & discussed Bk. of M. geog. for 2 or 3 hrs. with Joel Ricks. Last Sun. I went to McCammon, Ida. and spoke in the afternoon meeting and delivered a lecture in the evening. I replied to I.W. Riley's theory charging the founder of Mormonism as an epileplic & later insane. Every seat was taken. There were a great many non-Mormons there. One catholic (an editor) came up (with others) at the close of meeting & shook hands with me saying that was the best lecture he had heard for yrs. I felt the Lord was with me for which I am grateful. See clippings.

I addressed or lectured to the Seventies of the 1, 2, & 3rd quorums last night in the B.Y.C. on the Holy Ghost. (a) Who is he? What is his mission? Who is entitled to him? How obtained? Does he always remain with us? What does he give? If once he is received does one always retain him? How can we tell when we receive him? Is he a personage of spirit that keeps his identity or does he disseminate the particles of his body thru out the immensity of space ether as Orson Pratt held? Or does he keep the particles of like his body together & only his light or glory go into immensity of space like the sun? The key was given so we could tell when we have it. III Nephi chap. 12 Blessed are those who hunger and thirst etc. We had a nice time discussing my ideas & asking ques. I visited Miss Rose Hider this after noon. She has been out of school two wks. on account of sickness. I have recd. letters from Martha (several), Fern, Othello, Leon, Eugene, Francis, Juanita, Mrs. Allen & others.

My mother has sold her house at Benjamin for \$6500.00 to a Mr. Tibbits of Lake Shore. She has moved to Provo. I have written to Martha (several times), Francis, Othello, Earl Daniels, Jno. Spand, etc. I have for the last 6 weeks been sending little cartoons home to Kyrmal & Thorval representing themselves in some action or deed making short statements or asking of questions as to what they were doing etc. In some cartoons they were in trouble or having a jovial time. The cartoons have "tickled" them nearly to death. Martha says it is extremely amusing to listen to them for they talk, laugh, & clap their hands with joy.

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#### Feb. 18, 1913, Logan

Our examinations over. Most of my students passed their exam. satisfactorly.

I gave an address before the Waheka Sociey--a woman's society--on the subject, Adolescence. After the session some social amusements were had also a dainty lunch. I took Dee with me.

Supt. Cummings was here last Sat. & Sun. He attended our S.S. & afterwards I took him to dinner at the restaurant and we talked over school affairs. I told him I had asked for \$2000.00 a yr. He said that if it could not be granted he would try & throw in my way summer school work which would net me \$300 or \$400.00. Well, I hope so.

I attended afternoon meeting. Our school put on a very fine play & they had such good success the play was taken to Preston & Brigham City.

Last Wed. I went home to Provo & had much joy in meeting with my/loved ones. Martha & the children were all well. We all had a real j time of rejoicing.

I left for Castle Dale Thurs. night. Francis met me at Price & we talked until nearly 3 a.m. We talked & read going from there to Castle Dale (5½ hrs.) I lectured there in the evening to a fair sized audience. Nearly the entire city was under quarentine for small pox & measles. I replied to I.W. Riley's argument on Jos. S. being an epileptic. I also spoke Sat. fore noon to the school & visitors on my findings--hereditary influence of narcostimulants.

Francis came as far as Huntington with me & from there I took the auto. I arrived home Sat. night. I visited there with the family; Ma, what a Sister Lawisch until 4 P.M. I then went to Am. Fork & lectured before the combined 4 wards on The Religious Awakening of Adolescence. I had a splendid flow of the Lord's spirit.

# Mar. 9, 1813

I am teaching this semester Ethics (college course); Bk. of M.; Theory of Teaching; Prin. of Education. I have two sections in Ethics & Prin. of Ed. I still have a class of Co. teachers & one in Agri. College. My work = 27 hrs. I spoke to the Theological dept. of the 1st ward last Sun. on the Internal Evidence of the Bk. of M. I lectured in the 6th ward last Sun. night on Faith. The audience was large & interesting.

I attended our weekly Religion Class Officer's meeting.

Have recd. letters from home, Fern, Leon, Eugene, Othello & one from Mr. Haines of Johnstone, Pa. In it he thanks me for my great pains in answering his ques. in such detail.

Kyrmel has been sick with the measles, but is better now.

I attended S.S. as usual yesterday. I am given charge of the marching in S.S. Bro. Haddock & I are give charge of the seating

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the public in S.S. each Sun. I had a sleep yesterday afternoon.

I lectured last night in the 2nd ward here in Logan. My subject was "The Word of Wisdom from the Scientists Stand Point." The audience was large & attentive. I have read all the arguments written against the Right Rev. Spalding's pamphlet against the Bk. of Abraham. Dr. Widtso's articles (2) are the hardest blows against the Rev. phamplet from our side of the house. The article by Dr. Weble (an Egyptologist) of N.Y. is a perfect argument in defense of Jos. Smith as a translator.

I have finished two works on heredity--Richard Roe by David S. Jordan and Heredity in the Light of Modern Research by Doncaster.

# Mar. 18, 1913. Logan. Ut. (Mud & storm)

School work pleasant. I missed my class at A.C. Sat. due to talking to Earl Daniels & the family too long. He seems to be worse & we have decided that God is the only one who can heal him. We have arranged for a fast for all of our immediate kindred & some few friends for next Sat. 12 to Sun. 12 M. Earl has thru my talking to him become thoroughly imbued with turning to the Lord & serving him at all hazards. It took considerable praying on his part to get the spirit of God so he could feel this way. Finally the spirit of the Lord came upon him and he was filled with unspeakable joy. He could not sleep for joy. He sang all alone & to himself a verse of "We Thank Thee O God for a Prophet." It was a great pleasure for me to hear him relate his spiritual awakening. He looked 100% better than I had seen him look before.

I am writing to my sons & daughters & Martha; Anna's folks are writing to Bros. & Sisters, etc.

Edna Daniels Chambers is better.

I attended S.S. & Religion Class Conv. in after noon & took the time in discussing how a lesson should be presented and the nature of questions asked. I had had outlines prepared & passed around to the audience, which gave suggestive help to the teachers in conducting recitations, etc.

I took the 4:15 P.M. train & went to Mendon & delivered an address to a crowded house tho. the town was fearfully muddy. My line of thought was different than I ever talked before. The audience was very attentive and I learn, most interested. The Lord's spirit was with us. I returned home on the 8 a.m. train.

I missed priesthood meeting two meetings in succession I was to Earl's both nights.

I went again last Wed. & discussed Bk. of M. with Joel Ricks. He is imbued with the Bk. of M. He & I admin. to his daughters baby.

Two weeks ago last Mon. (Mar. 3) I blessed & named Netta D. Parmer's baby. His name is Kenneth Daniels Parmer.

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Last Sun. I took dinner with Chas. Richards & family; while there I blessed & named their baby. His name is .....

Have recd. letters from home Geo., Leon. Sister Allen now at New Jersey. She asked that I have the work done for 3 of her dead friends.

#### Mar. 30, 1913. Logan

Earl Daniels my nephew, has just died 10:40 A.M. He had been ailing with concumption for 3 years. He died very peacefully. His family are bearing up under the affection very well. We bury him Tues at 2 P.M. I have just called up Martha at Provo and notified her. She is to notify all others down there. We fasted 30 hrs. (Some 24 & some 48 hrs) a week ago last Sat. & Sun, but before we broke our fast he became deranged & has been out of his head most of the time until' he died. A half hour before he died I got permission of the Pres. of/ the stake to ordain Earl to the Melchisedek Priesthood. We ordained him an elder. I am so happy that we did this for he can now go on inhis good work. He can now take the gospel to those who sit in darkness. He had covenanted with the Lord to serve Him here & hereafter. I feel the Lord will accept of him & he will now do what he expected to do here. "The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away, & blessed be the name of the Lord." We all exercised every bit of faith we had but our faith was not great enough to prevail against the disease. Faith can accomplish no more than its own strength O if we could only live more by faith then we would have greater power over disease, calamity, the destroyer, etc. O for the "faith of a grain of mustard seed!" Ι have struggled & prayed for this faith. I teach it to the Saints I was to speak in Wellsville this afternoon and I had every where. decided to talk on the power of Faith, but I cancelled the appointment due to Earl's critical condition. An hr. later he died. This is twice I cancelled that appointment at Wellsville on account of Earl.

I have not been feeling well of late but am better now.

Levon is captain of "basketball team. They went to Wellsville Fri. to play the team there.

Reginald has again gone away without permission. He has been in Neb. & was making his way to Cheyanne, Wy. the last time he wrote. We are concerned over his "where abouts for a cyclone has swept thru; that country & destroys millions of property & hundreds of lives? Ohio & Ind. are both being swept with floods & 1000 or more lives were lost in the floods.

Destruction is upon the earth. I feel the day so long & so often prophicied of is now at hand. I feel it will never be stopped until the completion of all wickness. It (destruction) will go on until men's hearts will fail them thru fear & grief. May Zion be preserved is my prayer.

Nephi C. Jensen of the Agri. College has been appointed president of the B.Y. College. He is a young man I met 12 yrs. ago in San Pete I taught him & several others Trigonometry. I then discerned greatness in him and I urged him to keep on with his work and he is now a Ph.D. He's special line is Botany & Plant Pathology.

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# Apr. 6, 1913. Provo.

It is 83 yrs ago today since the church of Jesus Christ was organized. I attended conference yesterday. Pres. of Stakes & Pres. of missions were the only speakers except Geo A. Smith. They were the representative of the 3rd generation in the Gospel. The statement of our enemies that the 3rd & 4th generation are turning away from the gospel is not true only inso far as sin claims them.

I left Logan last Wed. afternoon & came home here & visited until yesterday morning when I went to con-ference. There I met many friends & some relative. I met mother, Josephine, Laura, Francis& Lesie there. I met Mrs. Pryor & Monta for a short time. Francis & I went to the Orpheum last night. He is going to have part of turbinates bones taken out.

Folks are well at home.

Earl's funeral was held at 2 P.M. Tues. Pres. Quiny & I were the principal speakers; one of the Bprick bro. Cardon spoke a few mins. Leslie sang the opening solo & left for the train; he couldn't remain for the funeral. Ma, Lesli & Josephine came from here to the funeral. None of Thos.' folks came. There were a great display of beautiful flowers. The house was not quite full at the funeral. The family seem to be quite consoled. Anna feels worse than any of them.

Trixie is some better. She has been very bad for some weeks.

Pres. Smith in his opening speech explained that there was only one head to the church. There couldn't be two. Bps. of wards were to handle all members in their wards and all members no matter how high or how low were subject to regulation & correction by the bishops. So presidents of stakes had sole jurisdiction over all members in their stakes.

While writing here I have just recd. a telephone message that Trixie is being operated on and that there is no hopes for so say the Drs. Surely this can't be for I felt beyond a doubt that she should live.

#### Apr. 13, 1913, Logan, Ut.

I visited conference Sun. after noon. I heard J.G. Kimball, O.F. Whitney, & B.H. Roberts speak. I left at 7 P.M. for here arriving about 10:30 P.M. Found the boys well. I went direct from the depot to Edna Chambers' home. Dee met me at the depot. She was some better. The Drs. have cut into her abdomen & about 2 or 3 qts. of puss came from her. They put in two tubes & sewed her up. The puss & food from her intestines have been flowing from the tubes ever since. She is better tho at times she has been very low. The discharge is not so bad now & it is hoped that the intestines will close up in a few days. She begins to have an appetite now, but she is a mere skeleton. I still believe the Lord will heal her. He only can do it. The Drs. at first had no hope, but now they have some. Dee & I have admininstered to her almost daily all week some times oftener.

I attended Sun School today & spoke in the 5th Ward tonight. The Religion classes of that ward gave exercises, etc. I spoke of about 20

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minutes. I took dinner at Leah Hanson's today. She gave birth to a fine baby boy at 5 A.M. this morning. She & babe are doing well.

I have just recd a phone from Juanita saying mamma is very sick that she is lying on the floor & the babe is just born & that Dr Hughes had just arrived at the house. I hope all will be well. I shall leave on the 8 A.M. train for home tomorrow.

Dee recd. today a telegram from Leon asking if he will join him & Othello in taking 10 acres of land & raising cantelopes. He telegraphed) back that he would accept.

I have recd. many new bks. on Education & Ethics lately.

Apr. 15, 1913, Provo.

I arrived here yesterday at 4:25 P.M. and found Martha in a 7 splendid condition & feeling fine: Her babe is a cute little black7 headed girl baby. It does not look like any of the other children? It is round faced, hair almost a coal black. Sister Lawisch says it looks as her (Martha) mother did when she was born. The babe is perfect in all ways & very good natured. All are happy over the babe, even Sister Lawisch is happy over its coming. She says that she would not have looked at it had it been another "ugly boy." The baby seems as happy or at least as contented, over its arrival as the others are happy. This is nine children for Martha. I do earnestly pray that we shall be permitted to raise the baby to woman-hood and to a life of intelligence and honor. I will stay here until tomor-row and then return to Logan.

I took John Hand to dinner yesterday while I was in S.L. I saw for a few minutes Mrs. Seymour. She says that she & her husband are doing well in their glass co.

I phoned to Mrs. Pryor while in S.L. She says Monta is not well-possibly mental trouble.

Trixie was some better when I left. The Lord

#### Apr. 22, 1913, Logan

Before leaving home we named our baby Marva Lawisch Hickman and blessed her and confirmed the name upon her. I gave her a good blessing asking the Lord to give her long life, pure life, a life of intelligence and of nobility. I asked that she be filled with the spirit of God from her childhood and be a joy to her parents & an honor in God's kingdom.

I left Provo in the afternoon of Apr. 16. I stopped off in S.L. (due to lateness of my train getting there) until 11:45 P.M.

I went & saw Mrs. Pryor & Monta for a short time. Monta has a nervous affliction which affects her mentality somewhat. I arrived here Mon. morning at 8. Have been busy with my work since.

Trixie is very bad improving a little & then relapsing. O my Father, do give her faith to be healed & increase our faith until we can call down the blessings from heaven.

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Apostle Whitney asked me to go with him & Hyrum Smith to attend Benson Stake conference, held at Lewiston. I went with him & was gone Sat. & Sun. We returned Mon. morning. He stopped off here until the 2:30 train for the purpose of administering to Edna D. Chambers. He gave her good blessing but she is worse again to day. We have again poured out our souls unto the Lord for her this afternoon. The pain left her before we took our hands off her head.

Mrs. Minnie T. Fairbanks took dinner with us at Bro Chambers to day. She told of the wonderful healings of her self & her son. They are wonderful indeed. This is the higher faith that I have been struggling for and praying that Israel may possess it also.

I find that simpler diseases which medical skill can heal as a rule, that the faith of the elders can also heal, but that it is only occasionally that our faith is great enough to heal diseases which medicine can't touch. This shows that the more dreadful the disease the greater the faith required to heal the sick. We as a people need to rise to a higher plain of faith in order to possess sufficient power to cope with more grevious afflictions. O my Father, give me this higher faith for the sake of the afflicted in the household of faith. Inspire thy people to live for it. Endow me with power to inspire others to attain to it. Speak unto my soul and endow me with power from on high for Thy name's sake.

#### May 1, 1913, Logan,

[Levon] is 16 yrs. old today. I gave him 25¢. I always give a few cents to each child on his or birthday verying from 5¢ to \$1.00 according to their age until after they are 21 yrs old.

Reginald has just written his mother. He is working at Gibbon, Nebraska. He is getting along well so he claims. He was put in jail for riding a passenger train. They were sentenced for 20 days but were let out in 6 days. This makes me sad to know he has no higher ideals than to be going that way. He says he is trying to be careful so he will not be in danger.

Recd a letter from W.E. Rydolch of S.L. in acknowledgement of my letter of condolence.

Have recd. letters from Eugene, Martha, & Juanita. Eugene has been recommended by the Co Supt. for the principalship at Escalante at \$100.00 a month for 8 mos. He is coming up. He is religion class teacher and in S.S. home missionary, etc.

I have been offered only \$1550.00 for next yr. I need more very badly for I can't pay my obligations & pay my living expenses. I have not decided what I will do as yet. I hope they will raise the offer.

I went to Cove Sun. & delivered an address in the afternoon and returned & delivered an address in the River heights' ward in the evening. In the afternoon I had a splendid spirit with me, but in the evening I was left a long & I talked from my own wisdom and it was a labored affair with not much pleasure in it. Mr. Humphrey took me to the River height ward.

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All are well at home. Edna Chambers is better, even beyond the Drs. hope.

Dee left here last Wed. a wk ago. He visited Provo & Beaver on his way to Overton Nev. He, Leon, & Othello are taking 15 acres of cantelopes to tend this summer.

My self & my classes in Ed. have been criticising various text bks. for the grades. Things are crowding in my classes. I am enjoying my Ethics class very much. This is the first time I ever taught a class in Ethics. I have read Ethics off & on for many yrs. The bks. in Ethics to which we are referring & reading from them quite heavily are Paulson, McKenzie, DeArcie, Dewey, & Tuft, Spencer. Thilliy is our text bk.

May 8, 1913, Logan.

I have agreed to deliver an address in Lewiston on Mother's Day (next Sun afternoon). At night I deliver the address to the 8th grade graduates in Lewiston.

Tues. night I deliver an address at College ward Wed. night at Providence; Thurs. night at Mendon & Fri. night in Millville. I have accepted all these invitations thinking it will help the College next year in the matter of students. I had to cut out one appointment in the 3rd Ward.

Have heard from home & all are well. I sent Martha \$35.00. Geo let her have \$26.00.'

I am nearly thru with all my text bks.

I have not made up my mind to accept the offer of the College. They are reconsidering my salary & will let me know later if they can raise me.

The B.Y.U. ball team beat the B.Y.C. 8 at 10 to 4.

I had a visit from Warren Hickman--uncle Wm's son from his wife (Wade). I had not seen him before. He is quite an interesting character. He is 50 yrs old. He owns about 4000 acres of land out in the Corlew valley: I have over 2 hrs. visit with him?

Sister Merrill gave me a bottle of peaches, chanchan, a qt. of cooked beans, & green onions.

I wrote Mother a letter last night telling her of my appreciation for her. I sent it so she would get it by Mother's day.

Edna Chambers is very bad again. I just came from administering to her.

We had conference here last Sun. I attended two meetings Bros Grant, Lyman & Bp. Nibley were here.

#### May 18, 1913. Logan

Edna Daniels Chambers died last Thurs. at 1:5 P.M. She was consciousness almost to the last minute. It was sublime to see her faith.

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It did not leave her, she carried it with her to the beyond. I had held out with faith right to the last. Only twice did my faith fail me before the last 2 or 3 days before her death. I have never known more faith to be exercised in any sickness. I told her I was sure she would live and I believed it. She responded under our administrations. At times when she would be at death's door, & we would administer to her, she would recover until we all felt she would live. even the Drs., tho at first, no hope saw her recover under our admin. until they felt she would recover. Faith kept her alive until she was a veritible skeleton. Ι never saw any one poorer. We held the funeral to day at 12 M. in the 3rd The flowers were in profusion. All except one bunch were cut ward. flowers. There must have been over \$100.00 in flowers. I took one bouquet of roses & carnation (\$1.00). The funeral was a tender & pathetic one. The speakers could hardly talk for crying. In fact some wept as they talked. The singing was good. Leslie sang one solo. Two of her lady friends sang solos. The family desired I should speak but I asked to be excused for I felt so deeply it seemed I could not say any thing. I sat with the mourners. Anna felt very badly & almost fainted away during the funeral. We had to work with her twice during the services. I went to the cemetry. There 22 vehicles in the procession. Laura & Leslie went back on the afternoon train. Bro. Chambers held up well. I went back to Bro. Chambers' & took dinner after funeral.

I deliver an address a week to day in Lewiston on Mother's day. I gave the graduation address in the evening in same place; Tues. night I delivered one in College; Wed. I gave one in Providence; Thurs. night in Mendon; Fri. night in Millville. Last night we as a faculty banqueted the 4,5 & 6th yrs students and entertained them in a dance. It was a pleasant evening.

We have heard from Reginald again. He says he will work his way back home or to Overton, Nev. where Dee & the boys are. He is still using tobacco tho he says he has been trying to quit. I am grieved over his conduct.

Levon is a pretty good boy but is not doing very much in school. He is much interested in sports & idleness.

I have recd. letters from Martha, Dee, & Othello. The boys have begun their work in the Cantelopes. They have 15 acres.

Life is not looking as bright to me now as it some time does. I hope life does not lose its value & possibilities for me. I pray that the future may give more means & comfort than the past. I want a life of work and activity. I desire to be a great service to the human race. If not, I feel I am a failure as far as this life is concerned. I shall be very sad if I worked for merely my self.

I am discussing for a week the Ex. Evidences of the Bk. of M. to three theological classes--mine, Robinsons, & Linfords.

Examinations began last week & will continue to end of semester but some of the classes will go on as well.

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I wrote Mother a letter so she would get it for Mothers day, also one to Sister Lawisch.

#### June 4, 1913, Provo.

School closed May 28. At least we had commencement and the next day we had the final exam. I left on the afternoon of the 28th. Levon & I stayed in S.L. that night We went to the Princess theatre (10¢ each). We slept at Supt. H.H. Cummings. The next morning we came home & in the evening I went to American Fork and delivered commencement address to the high school graduates I had splendid liberty and the audience was much impressed. Irvin Pratt said he was never so deafly impressed before in listening to a speech. He is a teacher of years of experience and I supposed my words was an expression of his own (perhaps unexpressed) thoughts. Leslie and I came from there here in his buggy. He went onto Payson. I kept his horse & buggy and took most of the family to the cemetery (decoration day).

For the last two weeks before leaving Logan I delivered several commencement addresses in the county at the 8th grade graduates. The places were Lewiston, College, Providence, Mendon, & Millville. I also gave an address at Lewiston on "Mother's day." I could not fill all requests for speaking the last two weeks before I left Logan.

By special request I went to the Murdock Academy and delivered three address--in afternoon meeting at the Academy werein all Beaver were invited & visiting friends met; then at night I spoke to graduates; & in commence exercises on Mon. I delivered an address. I returned home this morning. While at Beaver I had a splendid visit with Fern and family also many glad friends. It was a real treat for me to go back there. I remained from Sun. until Tues. 4:30 P.M. I attended the alumni banquet & meeting. I paid my annual fee for the chemistry fund also alumni dues two \$2.00 in all.

In as much as the assemly hall of the Academy had burned down & the more need for the new building I moved that the alumni association pledge them selves to raise \$1000.00 to begin the work anew-on the new building also that we protest against roofing the new building being roofed at two stories, but that it be raised an other story. My motion was readily seconded & prevailed unamnimously.

Fern has three fine children & all are very bright. They just flocked around me all the time I was there. Sheridan says he will now quit tobacco and be baptized. I hope he does.

Eugene has been here for three days & a half. I got a half days' visit with him. He has gone south (Beaver, Iron & Garfield Cos) to canvass for Orson Swett Mardan's book "Pushing to the Front." He had come up to attend summer school, but took this job & gave up school. He thinks he can do well.

We got a letter from the boys at Overton. I signed a note with Dee to get \$100.00 to help them thru the summer. It took \$25.00 to send Levon there so I sent to day a check to Dee for \$75.00. Levon left for Overton Sun. morning.

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We are all well at home. Geo. is off surveying with Jno. Stewart in Tooele Co. & on the large island (Church Isle) in Great Salt Lake. Reg. has not returned from Neb. yet. I am much worried over his wandering away.

I forgot to say that Leslie has quit the school and gone into the business world. He and Pres. Clark of Am. Fork has gone into getting in real estate work. Things look promising with them.

#### June 27, 1913, Provo.

I left here two weeks ago last Mon. afternoon in Leslie's auto with him, Ma & Laura for Castle Dale & on torSan Juan Co. We got as far as Tucker and stayed all night & shipped the auto to Price because it got out of order. We went by train to Price & went in hired auto the next evening to Castle Dale Leslie & Olive remained at Price and got auto fixed and came on the next day. We all attended Vira's wedding and Leslie, Laura and I started Thurs morning in auto for San Juan Co. We took Olive as far as Huntington & she remained with her We got within about 14 miles of Green River & the car got people. strained & some rods bent & it became unmanageable and ran over a cliff & turned a somerset Leslie fell on to cliff on opposite side seeing the car coming over on him, he gave one flounder & struck bottom side up. Had it struck him, he surely would have been killed. As it was he was badly bruised on hand, leg, hip, etc. He had his car hauled to Green River & shipped here to Provo. Laura & I went on to San Juan Co. We had a hard trip as the roads were very bad. We found splendid land. We found that it was all which had been claimed for it. We took up or chose land for her, Ma, myself, my four grown sons, & Sheridan McGarry. If we can raise money for outfits, I will send some of my sons there to fence & plow. Laura & I are figuring in conjunction with Senator Hammond Jason, on buying & promoting the big Cummingham ranch. He asks \$460,000 for the same. It has nearly 13,000 acres; 26,000 sheep, about 4000 cattle, 100 horses; 40 mules; 87 hogs; houses farm implements to run 1,500 acres saw mill, etc. etc. I am anxious that we can handle it for after first payment the ranch will pay for itself as we go.

While in Moab I spoke three times on Sun. At the close of the last meeting Senator F.B. Hammond Sr said that was the most profitable & happiest day he ever spent in Moab (He has lived there for 30 yrs.) The Lord was with me and the influence rested upon the people. I am grateful for His spirit.

The Cummingham ranch lies east & south of the Sa Sal Mts., but are part of it is in Uinta Range or Co. The land Laura & I took up lies east of Monticello 6 miles & 6 mi. north. It is a dry land proposition, so we took upland under the Smoot act. I feel that it is the greatest dryland proposition in the west because of the good quality of the land & the copeous rain & snow fall (av. from 18 to 20 in. a yr.). The people were very kind to us with one exception & he charged us \$5.00 taking us around about 4 hrs. Pres. Adams & ex pres. Walter Lyman were most generous helpful to us.

That county is poorly developed and the people sloven & wasteful. They need new light on intensive farming, etc.

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I met a Mr. Wilmorth from Col. who rode with us from Thompson Springs to Monticello, (or nearly so). He is president of a Radium Co. We rode with Mr. Dodge & Co (theatrical) from Moab to Colton. I found Mr. Dodge a very fine man likewise Mr. Wilmorth.

Tho the trip was a little hard & cost me about \$40.00 yet I believe it will prove a blessing to me & my family. We arrived home finding all well.

I see from the paper W.M. Stewart died yesterday of heart trouble. He has been prin. of the Normal School of the U. of U. since 1888. He is one of Utah's great Educators. The departure is a great loss to Utah.

#### July 13, 1913. Provo (Sun)

A week ago last Sun. I was at American Fork concerning delivering a series of 20 lectures on Child Psyc. (Genetics). It was voted by Bps teachers of Parents Class & Pres. of stake that they would have the lectures & give me \$150.00 for the same. I expect to begin them tomorrow night unless plans change. While in Am. Fork I spoke to the people of the 2nd Ward the people were newly impressed on the value of the covenant of the Sacrament and were very appreciative.

I have been a week in Salt Lake attending the N.E.A. It was not as well attended as was expected. There were only about 6 or 7000 where as they expected 12,000. Some think the shortness in number was due to fact that many teachers were saving up for the Exposition in 1915; others thought it was due to prejudice against the Mormons. Be it as it may those who came were loud in unstinted praise. I heard some say that Utah had no equal in the musical and social world. The music was furnished by Utah exclusively. Aside from the S. Lake Choir & vocalists the S.L. City Schools under Mr Wetzell frunished the music one day; B.Y.U. students; Springville Schools under the leadership of Mark Robinson etc. The Pres. of the N.E.A. also P.P. Claxton U.S. Bureau of Ed. said they heard the best music here they ever heard. It excelled in team work especially. I have clippings taken from Des. News which gives in part the impression of prominent Educators who were at the Convention. They are with out doubt the most holed expressions of gratitude & appreciation of the people of Utah & especially of the Mormons. They declare that the Mormons have the truest conception of Ed. & life of any people in the world. Some in their written & oral statments declare there no people in the world equal to the Mormons in Ed. purity nobility, etc. Dr Becknell was one of them. See clipping in this bk. or elsewhere. attended 12 or 14 sessions. I deeply appreciated the thoughts given, many of them were new. The thought is to bring Education & life's duties closed together; to look afer the health of children; to emphsize Eugenics, etc. It is an experience long to be cherished.

I attended a week ago yesterday the Church School convention. There was considerable criticism of the good derived. I told Supt. Cummings of some of the adverse criticism and suggested how it may be avoided in the future. I stayed with a Mr. & Mrs Knowlden (758 E. 5 S) while in S.L. My board & room were \$1.25 (2 meals a day). I had two nice talks with Apostle Whitney. He read me his new poem "Pledge Eternal".

While in S.L. I attended "The Stampede" a daring exhibition of horsemanship; riding of wild & trained bucking horses, steers, & bulls,

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racing, & what they call "bull dogging" wild steers where the rider runs at break neck speed along side a running steer & grabs it by the horns & swings from the horse to the ground & grabbing the steer by nose with one hand & other still hold of horse throws the steer to the ground & holds him. Several of the riders were thrown from bucking horses & steers. I also attended one vaudiville or variety show.

I also did business with Hammond & Parsons on the Cunningham proposition. Cunningham telegraphed me that he would let us have it for \$60,000 down and rest on annual payments at 6%. The personel of our Co are Self, Hammond, Laura & Parsons. We took Parsons in because his business influence. We are moving things and hope to get other interested in our proposition. I returned from S.L. last evening.

I helped Ma & Laura today (Sun) get their furniture in the house for ma, & L. are moving in their new home. I have attended no worship todav. This is a rare exception that I did not attend some place of worship.

I am almost broke, but hope soon to have some. I have written a reply to the Rt. Rev. Spalding on his pamphlet against the Bk of Abraham. I have shown that Jos Smith set forth a truth in Ast. unknown then to the world and if so this is the truer test of Jos.' correct translations.

July 20, 1913. Provo (Sun) I have done but little this week but rest, read a little, & work in garden awhile.

I sent my article: "Modern Astronomy Vindicates the Accuracy of Jos. Smith's Translation of the Bk of Abraham", to the Deseret News for publication. I rather think the Rt. Rev. Spalding has met ten times more opposition than he expected. I think he must be some what chagrined to find that his Egyptian critics are so thoroughly answered and shown up in a very unenviable light for they have been shown to be prejudiced skimming and shallow in their criticism; in accurate in their interpretation, untrue in some of their utterances. They disagree in part of their interpretations. Dr. Robt. Webb of New York, a thorough Scholar in Hebrew & Egyptian, has shown how inaccurate Rev Spalding's chosen critics are & he has shown that Jos. S. must have known some things that have been found out long yrs. after he did his translating and that he is technically accurate in much that he translates.

Have I said before that I had completed my thesis on article on the Temptation of Christ? I wrote it for Jno. Hand so he could drawn upon it for inspiration in writing the opera on the temptation & crucifixion of the Savior. He has asked me now for 4 or 6 yrs. to write it for him.

I have been phoned to from Preston, Id. by Dr. Erickson to know if I would give the 24th of July address. I will leave here Wed. for there.

I went to Lehi today to meet with the Bps. to see if I could deliver my series of 20 lectures on the Psyc. of the Child. They favor them but the people did not respond very well. It may not be a success. I will know a few days later.

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I have written letters to J.M. Cunningham. Hammond, the boys, & A.C. Nelson. I recd. a letter from Mr. Short from Chicago enquiring more about the big ranch we have for sale.

I pertook of the sacrament today and truly covenanted with the Lord to always remember & keep his commandments that I might have his spirit to be with me.

Did I say that I have read three astronomies thru; Stars by Newconde, The Sellor Uni by Hole, & Hist. of Sc. of Astronomy? I enjoyed very much the perusing of these bks. I literally love that Science. It is a living revelation to me. Theology, Psychology, Ast. & Geology are my favorite ologies & nomey.

Our little baby, Marva, does not grow much. In fact in three months she has only gained about  $l_2^{1}$  or 2 lbs. She is well & bright. She is very good natured & we love her almost to desperation. It is a case, where the law of gravitation is reversed for the larger bodies revolve around the smaller.

Our home is a home of peace & good will.

Martha & the children are going with Bro. & Sister Startup in the auto to the lake on July 24 for the celebration of 2nd & 6th Wards.

Aug. 7, 1913. Am. Fork--am at Leslies place.

I delivered the address at Preston as agreed. My speech was well recd. Tho I never "play to the galleries" yet there were many wet eyes in the opera house as I spoke. The opera house was packed. See comments from Journal of clippings. I left immediately after the meeting for home. I recd. \$16.10 for expenses etc. I met many kind friends while there. Many were the praises for my effort.

Martha & the children went to the lake on the 24th & had an excellent time bathing & visiting.

The next day after returning home I went to Heber to attend the Wasatch conference with Apostle Whitney & Elder Hart. I took my turn in speaking with the brethren. I spoke three times. Bro. W. & I spent all the time going and coming reading & criticising a new poem which he has written, entitled "The Pledge Eternal. Outside of his Elias it is the best & lengthiest poem he has written. We spent 3 or 4 hours on it while at Heber. Of course I am not an accomplished critic when it comes to poetry. I am of most help in analyzing & criticising the psychology & logic of it. I am of some worth when it comes to that. The poem is based upon Laura's life, etc.

Last Sun. I was in Lehi and spoke in 1st Ward meeting for a short time. I began my series of lectures before a class of about 40 or more. I am giving 20 hrs on the Psychology of the Child (Genetic Psyc.) My class is enlarging each night until thru . I have come each day over here to Leslie's home & spent the day reading and visiting. I read the Shepherd of the Hills by Harold Belle Wright in one day of about 7 hrs. I am also perusing again Kirkpatricks Child Study.

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I blessed a baby last Sun in Lehi & named it. It is named Wm Emil Rocker.

I sent \$33.00 to Martha yesterday. I have recd. about \$48.00 so far for my lectures. There will be more.

Bro. Whitney made me a present of a vol. of Joseph Smith's Teachings.

Leslie & his wife are called upon a mission to the Sandwich Isles. Mother is nearly broken hearted over it. She feels she will never see him again: I have tried to console her & tell her she will.

# Aug. 13, 1913. Lehi

I am still giving my lectures in Lehi. I will be thru tomorrow night. The people who taking my work are becoming very enthusiastic it, and thru their enthusiasm others are coming each night. I hear such expressions, incidentally, as: "I would not miss these lectures for any thing; Bess I ever heard; "Each lecture is worth 10 times more than the price of the entire price". "It is a perfect revelation to me". "If the people knew what they were missing the house would be packed each night"; "Why couldn't we have known these things in our earlier lives"; "Can't express my gratitude"; Life will be richer for me thru these lectures", etc. Such expressions as these have come mostly indirectly. I am very grateful for such appreciation for my greatest desire is to uplift the race. I am not seeking for praise. I never play to the The truths I have to give bring the galleries to me. galleries. If I am classed as an orator by my friends, it is not due to any sweeping periods of rhetorical flights but due to the truths, their simplicity of utterance & soul power I give with it. Any one is an orator who has a message for the world, it burns in his soul, and he has power to tell it--that constitutes an orator. Any thing short of that is cheap rhetoric and air pawing questers. Persons have often said that what I said scarcely ever left them that it seemed to burn into their souls. Such is characteristic of the Spirit of God. Don't feel I am eulogizing my self; I am recording these few excerpts that my descendents my get a truer glimpse of ancestors. That which I have said is but a faint index of things that are said of me. The Lord has given me this gift & I am reverentially humble over the ability to do good & cause others to be lead to glorify the name of the Lord. This has been my daily prayer that I could do this. I take no honor to my self. I am working for the Kingdom of God.

I went to Am. F. each day last week & stopped with Leslie & Olive. Last Sun. I gave my lectures in the fore noon (2 hrs); spoke to parent class teachers of the Stake; then spoke 10 min. to the general essembly, then afterwards spoke to the entire Priesthood of about 400 hundred. Then I went to Provo & staid until Mon. evening. While there I read my theory of Deluce to Prof. Chamberlain. He tells me that his wife is in.

All are well at home. Leon & Dee are to be married the last of this month on Sept 1. I have seen neither of their girls but they are said to be splendid girls.

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I have been out to dinner today to Bro. Carl Hopkins & wife. It was a fine dinner. I was out to supper last night at Bro Fred Merrill's & wife of this place. It was a fine supper.

Attended ball game today at Bro Carl Hopkin's expense.

A lady (Mrs Fox) brought her little boy this afternoon to see if he was bright or what was cause of his being unable to talk but very little.

#### Aug. 24. (Sat.) Am. Fork

I am here delivering the same series of lectures that I gave in Lehi; tho. my audience is very attentive yet I think they are not quite so enthusiastic as those in Lehi.

I went home last Sun. & came back Mon. evening at 5 P.M. I took in \$70.00 at Lehi and only \$50.00 here so far. I get thru here Tues night.

I go to Pleasant Grove & speak Sun. I may deliver these lectures there. Last Wed. evening Leslie took Lorea, Olive, Fern & I to Saratoga springs in his auto. We had a fine bath in the pool.

Martha, Juanita, Thorval, Kyrmel & the baby (Marva) came over with me last evening & Leslie took us & his family to Saratoga again. I find I can still turn a back somersault and light on my feet tho I am 51 yrs. old. I was only one in the pool who could do it with any degree of completeness. Thorval got out in the water over his head & nearly drowned before we could get to him. The poor little fellow had drunk himself full of water. Our hearts were very sad, tho he was not unconscious. We finished our bath & went out. We had a nice supper afterwards & then returned here. I am not feeling well to day;--perhaps I ate too much. For supper we had bread, butter, olives, pickles, ripe tomatoes, potatoes chips, veal loaf, boiled ham, & water melon.

I visited Mother & Laura yesterday for 2 hrs.

I went to Salt Lake last Sat. talked over our business proposition with Bro. Hammonds of Moab. He thinks we can land the the Cunningham proposition for Mr. Short thinks he can get a buyer for us & has gone to Chicago for that purpose.

We recd. a photo of Dee's betrothed. She is a nice looking girl & seems to bear all the qualities of a pure noble girl.

The weather is very warm. Yesterday it was 100 degrees in the shade.

## Am. Fork, Ut. Aug. 26, 1913

I am feeling fairly well. I went to Pleasant Grove Sun. & spoke in the afternoon & evening. I staid at Bro. Wm Hayes' home. He has an interesting family.

I finished my course of lectures here last night. The audience was about 100; they have been increasing from the first. About the

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time my lectures are thru in each place the people are thoroughly aroused to their worth. Bp. Smith said to the audience that they were worth \$500.00 to him & if they had come earlier they could have been worth still more. I repeat my first lecture over to night for the benefit of those who did not hear them. I have been staying with Leslie & Olive while here.

I had a long talk with Rev. Murphy of the Presbyterian Church. He thinks that his church comes nearer keeping the Word of Wisdom than we do

# Sep. 1, 1913. St Charles, Bear Lake Co. Idaho.

To refer to what Rev. Murphy & I were talking about; He thought that nearly ½ of our young people had to get married. I told him I felt it was not over 2 or 3 in a hundred who did. I asked two bps. & one Pres. of Alpine Stake the ratio, who had to get married & they said about 5% or one in twenty. That is sad. Undoubtedly we as a people are going worse as far as social & sectual sin are concerned.

I finished my lectures in Pl. Grove. My audiences become very enthusiastic before the course was thru. The ernest expressions of the parents & young people were very extravigant. Below I will record two testimonials I got from three who attended my lectures. I am very grateful that I can do good and that my work is so much appreciated.

I left Sept 6 for Logan. I was there 1 wk. preparing for school & sending our letters to Co. teachers & conferring with cty. supt. concerning his teachers taking work with me this yr.

I staid with Mrs Daniels my sister while in Logan. I left for Bear Lake Sat morning & arrived in Montpelier at 5:30 P.M. I spoke there Sun after noon & at Paris in the evening. I staid with Bp. Sutton in Monpelier & with Pres. Wm L. Rich in Paris. Bp. Sutton has a look much akin to the Prophet Jos Smith & his nose is almost a factsimily of the Prophets. I had good audiences in both place. Pres. Jos R. Shepherd said that the audience in their tabernacle (Paris) was the largest for yrs. out side of conferences. My words were much appreciated and I was conscious of the Spirit of the Lord upon me.

I went to Bloomington yesterday & spoke to a large audience for a town of 560 people. We must have had 1/3 of the town. I staid at the hotel until night. I slept at the home of Bro. Hart--bp's councellor. I arrived about 2 P.M. & am stopping with Bp. E. M Pugmire. He & I went to the B.Y.A. together. Since that date he has been on 3 missions, one in this nation & one in Europe & one in Utah. He has been in the state legistature--4 times in Senate & once in the House & last fall ran for a U.S. representative but was defeated due to the defeat of his party.

### Sept. 29, 1913 Logan.

I went to Fish Haven and spoke to a small audience. In the afternoon I took a trip across the lake in a steam launch with Mr. Stoke and others. Bear Lake is the most beautiful lake I ever saw. The water is extremely clear & so deep that when a few hundred yds. from shore the water was a deep blue. It is fed from springs which boil up from the bottom in most cases. Where the water was over 100 ft. deep, the water boiled up to the surface from the depths.

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While in the town I stopped at the hotel. The next day I returned to Montpelier & at night I made a reply to Dr. Riley on the Founder of Mormonism. I had a very large & interested audience. Some were non-Mormons. I left home next morning. I got here about 5 P.M. While in Bear Lake I read most Darwins five years in S. Am & Pacific Isles. The bk is entitled "The Beagle. It is a most excellent work. It is of charming interest & lucidly written. I got a point in favor of the Bk. of M. from the work. It describes that the original cow of S.A. has no other kin except the cow in Asia. This is a proof the the Jaredites must have brought the cow here as the Bk of Ether says. While in Bear Lake I met a few very interesting characters. Bro. Sutton who has the mail contract took me in his auto from Fish Haven to Montpelier without price.

School has been going a wk. We have a very large attendance about double what we had this time last year. We are very happy over the excellent prospects.

A week ago yesterday, I went to Brigham City to meet with the Stake annual M.I.A. conference, but when I got there I found that their conference had been postponed. So I went on to S.L. and attended the funeral of Ben E. Rich. It was at 2 P.M. Sun. The tabernacle was filled above & below. I suppose it was one of the largest funerals ever held in S.L. Splendid tributes were paid the memory of Pres. Rich.

I went on to Provo in the evening & visited the family. The next morning I went to Benj. and got Levon who had been there for nearly 6 weeks >& had not written or let us know he was there. I brought him here with me & got him a place to work at Pres. Hendricks at Lewiston. I do hope he will be energetic & faithful to the trust placed in him.

I went to Newton yesterday and spoke before the Parent's class & took up the time in the afternoon meeting. I probably will deliver my lectures on the Psyc. of the Child there. They are working to that end.

I have organized only two of my classes. I am teaching College Theo.--Authenticity of the Bk. of M.; Gen. Psychology. Othello came Sat. night from the south. He begins in the A.C.

I had a long talk with Pres. Widtsoe on my Theory of the Deluge. He says it is the most unique theory of the Deluge he ever saw & says it seems to fill all requirements. He and one or two other Profs. are going to help me figure on the Physics & chemistry of such a change.

Mr J.C. Cunningham has offered to sell the entire ranches for \$400,000.00. I will know in a few days what we can do in the matter.

# Logan, Sept. 30, 1913.

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I have just recd. phone from home. jAll are well: Martha read me a telegram from Mr. F.W. Short saying, that they were ready to approve sale of ranch deal & for Mr. F.B. Hammond to go immediately to Chicago to meet party. I telegraphed the same to Hammond and for him to meet me in S.L. or Provo Thurs. or Fri. I telegraphed to T.B. Carpenter at Grand Junction, Colo. that sale looks favorable & that I must have 35% for my commission. I requested that he answer immediately. I shall be grateful all my life to the Lord if this sale proves good or goes thru. It seems too good to be true.

#### Oct. 4, 1913. Provo.

Home again with my loved ones. Life is sweet where one has a home & a good family. As a rule my family is above criticism with one or two exceptions. I got home yesterday morning. On arriving here I found two letters from Mr. Short, urging Hammond's coming to Chicago. He wants  $\frac{1}{2}$  commission and Hammond & I other half. But, the night before, Hammond and I telegraphed Short that we would give him 1/3 commission. We tele-graphed Cunningham also that we must have option of 60 more days; yester-day I got reply from him that the option will be extended 60 days more if necessary. I called Hammond from S.L. yesterday to talk over matters & decide on definite plans. He starts for Chicago Sun. I gave \$35.00 to help defray expenses. He goes to tie up that end of the bargain. The thing that worries me is that Mr Short has got two or three things exagerated & it may frustrate the sale.

We had a surprise on Mother yesterday in honor of her birthday. She was 75 yrs. old. We had the supper at Josephines. Leslie came & got us & returned us in his auto. Sister Lawisch was with us. I took Bro. Hammond with us. He returned to S. Lake this morning. Geo. goes back to Logan with me.

# Oct. 18, 1913 Logan.

I met Bro. Hammond in S.L. and talked over matters. Hammond said he needed \$15.00 more. Francis raised the \$15.00 & Hammond started Mon. for Chicago. He has written me from Chicago saying sale looks favorable. If J.M. Cumming will accept terms, then it looks like the sale is a go. We are to get only \$25000.00 a piece, but the Chicago are to get in property (tenement houses) over \$300,000.00. I am satisfied if the sale goes thru. I have telegraphed J.M. to see if he has accepted proposition.

I telegraphed to Denver Chief of police for him to locate Reginald if possible and tell him great sorrow at home. His mother is nearly distracted. I hope to hear from both telegrams tomorrow or next day.

Since last writing I have spoken in 2nd Ward to Parents class on Gov. of Children; in the 3rd Ward on emotions and their effect on the race. Today (Sun) I went to S.S. and this afternoon I spoke to the Senior class teachers (about 30 or 40) in this stake on how to teach the Bk. of M. I was highly pleased to know what an inspiration the class got from my discussion. They said that it was an inspiration & a revelation to them. One was an A.C. teacher. Two or three of them have expressed a desire to come and take work with me in the B.Y.C. There is no joy quite so complete which comes from enlightening & inspiring one's fellow men.

My class(es) in A.C. has been going two weeks (34 in class). I am now teaching Bk of M. Evidences, including a defense of Jos. S. & the witnesses; College Psychology--two sections, Genetic Psychology, will have two sections (one of Co. teachers) and a class in algebra.

I may go to Nevada & lecture in about 2 or 3 weeks.

I am preparing to announce my self as being on the lecture platform. I am offering to give them for \$15.00 in this co. and \$25.00

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beyond. I have 14 subjects on my bills any one will be delivered for above price. Look in the Journal of clippings for the bills.

Othello & George are here attending school--Othello at the A.C. & Geo. B.Y.C. Geo. has been chosen president or manager of the 3rd yrs, debating team.

Have recd letters from Dee & Leon & their wives & have answered them.

At times I feel this life of mine is a very rich one; it seems rich with experiences many of which are very happifying, others sad. There are moments when I really love my life and its oceans of truth. With the many hours of sadness that have been mine there comes an unspeakable gratitude which consoles. My patrarchal blessings are slowly coming true; my life is gradually broadening. I trust I shall not lose my hope which has carried me passed the remotest land marks of my early manhood's fondest hopes and dreams. I have often asked the Lord to fill me with great power for good that he would give me more inspiration in my words & voice than any other living man for self agrandizment but that I might have that added power with this generation to awaken in them a divine power and worship. I have often asked that my words would be as living fire in their souls. At times this seems to have been I do not clamor for for my personal recognition. granted. I have often asked that my name might be forgotten but that my words of truth may cause my bearers to pray more earnestly & seek after God more than ever before. This too has often been granted. I long for my God's recognition that he may give me a mission which has never been quite attained by any other; this longing has been for His sake not for praises for myself. I have never played to the galleries, I have never taken the honor to myself when I have been successful. I often marvel when I think of my childish & youthful ignorance, that my Lord could have lifted me up as he has. He has my daily gratitude for what I have attained. I realize it is little, yet I am constantly thankful to him. I have prayed that I may yet grow in power & intelligence until I am 80 years of age and then hold my own until I am ready to rest or that He may call me to an other field of action. It may be vain for me to ask this but I have asked that I can advance as much above what I am now, as I am above what I was at 20 yrs. of age. I am asking this for the betterment of His cause. I will come this way but once and I wish to remain until I have completed--filled up and running over--all He sent me to do. Yes, that I might do enough more to blot out--counterbalance--all my follies. O Father, let my soul be a living fountain of truth where in Thy Spirit & my soul may blend so that Thou can speak Thy mind & will thru me in all things that I should know & do. I ask that every power of life be vibrant in me to the end. I long that the earth be purer & more intelligent & that thru me some of this may be attained. I wish no one harm. I believe I can say that my soul is at peace with the world & with my Father in heaven. I long that my children, without exception, shall follow my life of sacrifice and righteous toil. So far most of them are doing so in part except Reginald & Levon. I hope they will yet be as faithful as the others.

# Oct. 23, 1913, Logan.

I recd. telegram from Carpenter saying he did not know what decision

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J.M.C. had come to concerning the sale.

Have recd. letter from Martha, she is not well. I wrote her to night also mother.

I am teaching 25 hrs. & expect to take up work with the Co. teachers next Sat.

## Oct. 26, 1913 Logan.

It is Sun. night. I attended fast meeting & bore my testimony & gave the address in the 8th Ward tonight. Othello went with me. My subject was : "Blessed are those who hunger & thirst after righteousness for they shall be filled with the Holy Ghost". That is a splendid test that any one can put upon himself. What does it mean to hunger & thirst? What does it mean be filled with the Holy Ghost? When that love begins to lull in me I know that the Holy Ghost is waning also.

Have recd letter from Bro Hammond saying he was in S.L. and that the buyers were to start West next Mon. to visit the JMC. ranches.

#### Nov. 3, 1913. Logan.

The buyer arrived & was looking over the ground the last time Bro. H. wrote, but the sale looked rather dubious because Mr Carpenter represented some thing much cheaper than Mr. Cunningham had done. This make Hammond appear in a bad light for he had represented the property much higher than Mr. Carpenter did. I have written Bro. H. to take an other turn on the ranch sale. I have heard nothing since. I am still hopeful that the sale can be made.

I have been liberated from my Algebra class so that I could take charge of the S.S. class (theological) in the 2nd Ward of Logan. The Pres. of the college & also the officers of that ward desire to make it a B.Y.C. S.S. for our students and others of the ward.

I worked hard this last week. I have read Science & Immortality by Oliver Lodge of Eng. one of Eng's greatest-scientists. The work is an excellent treatise on the eternity of the spirit & the narrowness of Science. He takes the Creeds to task because they are nonprogessive; because they have ceased to lead the world, etc. It is a most admirable work.

I went to McCammon yesterday morning and lectured last night on the External Evidences of the Bk. of M. (For comments see clipping). I am to go again later & deliver another lecture. There were several non-Mormons present and were very appreciative. I told one person that I would thank the Lord for the blessing & for the appreciation. I was up until 1:30 A.M. this morning & arose at 5 A.M. I got here ll:15 A.M. I had a long talk with Judge Hart at the Junction & from there here. He took me to breakfast while we were waiting at Cache Junction.

I am asked to go to Preston, Id. and deliver an address to the Co. teachers.

I begin my lectures on the Psyc. of the Child at Newton next Wed. night. I am to deliver 20 lectures (two a night)

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I am to deliver 8 lectures in Lewiston beginning Nov. 19

Nov. 9, 1913, Logan.

Have been busy this week; Wed night I went to Newton--the first of my ten nights there. The school room was full--about 70 people. I discussed the phys. unfolding of the child before birth & the number, form, growth & mission of the brain and nerve cells; also the rate & nature of growth after birth, etc.

I went to Preston, Id. & delivered an address on "The Responsibility of the Teacher" to the Oneida Co teachers. My lecture seemed to be much appreciated. There were about 40 present. I went up Fri. night & came back yesterday 2:40 P.M.

I was invited to attend the Wobeca Society last night held at Pres. Jensen's home but I did not go.

I went to the 2nd Ward this morning and began the S.S. spoken of before. There were 70 or more present. The room was packed, so we will get or take the assembly hall for we expect many more to join.

Dr. Widtsoe and I spoke in the tabernacle this afternoon.

I recd. a letter from Bro. Hammond stating that the deal fell thru for the buyer found that the owners or at least one of them put a lower estimate on the property than J.M. had done, etc., but Mr W.D. Brown has telegraphed to Bro Hammond & said that he had buyers for the place. I phoned to Pocatello & got him. He says he is ready to do buiness & that he will be here about Tues to talk over the proposition.

Levon has quit the Sugar factory; he had started for Cali. with a young fellow whose home is in Cali. I sent Geo. to take him off the train when he got to Logan depot, I suppose Levon is wondering how Geo. knew of Levon's plans. So he is here & seems quite contented & possibly will begin to work at the soda fountain in Horne's drug store in the morning.

#### Dec. 7, 1913.

In this busy hustling world, I have neglected my journal.

The deal which I was making with Brown & his Co. was almost a sure go & we were in S.L. for that purpose & all agreements written out & agreed to. When I left & went to Nev. (Overton) Mr. Cunningham took all from my hands & give it (deal) over in hands of Taylor Bros. He raised the price over \$100,000.00 more than I was selling it for. That is the real reason for this withdrawing it from me, tho he told me he would sacredly keep his promises with me. I regret this change for I surely would have sold the ranches for three companies were wanting it. If the Taylor Bros. sell the property they are to divide profits with me but I will not make a 1/10 as much as I other wise would have done. The other way I would have made from \$25,000.00 to \$30,000.00. I really did not believe Mr. Cunningham would brake this promise with me as he did.

I went & delivered two lectures in Overton, Nev. & one talk to the Parent's & Theological class at the Stake Union meeting.

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I had a good visit with Dee & Leon & their wives. They are Vivian; & Winnie--Vivian Perkins & Winnie Whitehead. They are very nice girls-clean--pure, intelligent, & good looking. Dee & his wife came to Moapa to meet me. The two boys & their wives brought me back to Moapa.

We hunted most of the way. I killed only one quail & a meadow lark. I have never done such poor shooting since I learned to shoot as I did that day. I brought home 3 quail & a duck; 50 lbs. of sweet potatoes, & 50 lbs. of pomegranites, nuts, & lettuce. I looked like a farmer as I lugged them into the train.

I was paid \$50.00 for my trip down there. The people raised the money by charging admission to my two lectures. I was surprised to see the house crowded at both meetings when I learned that the admission was 25¢ each. I really enjoyed my visit there. The people were kind & very apprecative. The boys are happy with their wives; may God bless them and their offspring forever. Leon is teaching at Logan & Dee is farming. I went home & spent thanks giving. We all took thanksgiving dinner with Mother & Laura. Ma's home is beautiful & comfortable. Josephine's home is nearly built. I was so happy to see my family again.

I have now spoken four times in Newton. I also delivered a lecture in Lewiston on the Progress of Sc. & Invention in the last 100 yrs.

Our S.S. theological class, in the 2nd Ward, is growing in size.

I spoke in the 7 Ward tonight on the Christ child. My soul was melted to tears like wise that of the audience as I built up the life of the Christ from infancy to 12 yrs. old. It is a theme that wins the hearts of all even that of children.

I have been asked by three different wards to deliver the Xmas address, but I had to refuse because I will not be here.

My school work is going well. I am very happy in my work for I feel I am doing good to my fellow men.

#### Dec. 14, 1913. Logan.

I completed my article "The Normal School a practical Art" for the Alumni number of the B.Y.C. quarterly. It does not satisfy me by any means, yet is about the best I could do under the rush order. I just got it finished when it went to press.

I went to Newton & delivered two lectures Thurs. night. I lectured three times today--S. School, tabernacle, & 5th Ward. The exercises in the tabernacle were in commeration of the Prophet Joseph. I was the only speaker. I attended the basket ball game and the college ball after.

I was asked by the Logan Journal to write an article for their Xmas issue. I am too busy. I had to refuse an invitation to give the Christmas address at the A.C. next Thurs. because I have so much work on me.

Dec. 24, 1913, Provo, Ut.

I returned home last Sat. evening. I arrived in S.L. Fri. night

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and attended the theatre at the Old Salt Lake theatre. Mille Gaby Desley was the star dancer & actriss. She is a literal whirl wind on the stage in her dancing & performance. It is gaudy in the extreme and smacks of the immoral. She is the actriss who "danced King Immanuel of Portugal off his throne".

Sat. I visited the Taylor Bros. about sale also F.B. Hammond.

Reginald got home Sun. night about 1:30 A.M. I sent money to: bring him home. He was caught in Denver without money and his shoes off his feet. He was arrested for asking for 10¢ to get a bed. He wrote me ; from the city jail telling me of his condition & asked if I could aid I immediately telgraphed to the municipal court for the amount of him. the fine, etc. & to send him home that I would telegraph the money. The Chief of Police, Felix O'Niell, telegraphed it would take only \$17.75 to get ticket home & no fine. I telegraphed \$19.00 to Chief of Police so Req. would have \$1.25 to buy food on way home. He got home with his feet absolutely on the ground & his socks worn out. It is pitiful, but his guardian angel lead him there so he could learn the lesson for he was slow in the learning. This is a fulfillment or answer to our prayers for we had prayed that his guardian angel should have power to lead him home. He has lead our son back & he has come home humble & is willing to be advised in all things. He is to go back to Logan with me & attend school. I got Reg. a new suit of clothes, hat, & shoes. He looks fine in them. He is a fine looking man-boy of only 17 yrs. but he stands 5 ft 111/2 inches. He is one of God's elect & I feel will fill his mission which God sent him to do. Since he left a yr. ago he has been in Wy, Neb. & Colo. He has had many hardships. Our hearts have ached for him, but we are now happy that he is home. The Lord be praised for his return. When the Chief of Police saw that Reg. was virtually barefooted "You are flying pretty light arn't you, for this time of year". he said: Then the snow was between 2 & 3 ft. in Denver. I hesitated to record this history of Reg., but I do so because some time it may be of worth to be known.

All well at home. Reg. & I went & took dinner with my mother yesterday. She is well & comfortable in her new & beautiful home.

Last Thurs. night I went to Newton and delivered two more of the 20 lectures. The class (about 100) are becoming more & more impressed over the unfolding of the child life, since my lectures began. I am told that whipping has almost disappeared from that town for the which the people are rejoicing. I am reverentually grateful that I can aid in taking cruelty from the world especially from the children of our own race. I pray it can be extended throughout all Zion & the world.

In the B.Y. College we had Xmas services last Fri. Elder B.H. Roberts delivered a splendid address on the life of Christ & his mission.

## Jan. 2, 1914, Provo, Ut.

It is a brand new year filled with all kinds of people with every degree of sin and goodness. Intelligence and sin seem to be in deadly conflict. It is not ignorance and sin as it once was for men now know right from wrong and therefore are ripening for destruction. Man has: it in his power now to prove the results of moral, ethical, social sin-physical, mental, etc. Science as demonstrated the truth of all these

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sins. We have more truth now, by far, than we are willing to live to. This condition is prerequisite for condemnation. I believe truth is prevailing over sin in many ways.

Xmas was quite profuse with her gifts at our home. The Xmas tree was pretty. It proves a pure delight to the children & Martha. I am too matter of fact to see all there is of joy in the tree. Laura gave me "Peter Grimm". I read it thru. It is an embodiment of the new thought of our existance after death, etc.

# Jan. 12, 1914, Logan, Ut.

I returned here Jan 6. Reginald is here now also I will not record what he did & where he went Jan. 2, but he returned & is now in school. I am very thankful for the same. Surely the Lord again heard my prayers--our prayers. There are five of us here now, we live in two rooms & cook for our self. Levon is still working at the soda fountain & the other three are attend school.

I lectured in Newton last Thurs night on the mental & physical defectives. I have three more nights yet. I went to Hyrum last night and lectured to the three wards. I feel the Lord was with me and the people rejoiced at what I said. My subject was; The Word of Wisdom from the Scientists' Viewpoint. Pres. Wm C & Geo. C. Parkinson were at the lecture. (For comments see journal of clippings). I stayed at Bro. Peterson's last night. He and his family treated me fine.

I am still on the internal Ev. of Bk. of M. with my class in Theo. I have over 40 members. They are an extremely interested class.

In the S.S. I am handling the Riley Theory of Prophet Joseph.

I am way behind financially. It will take about half of my next check to pay up my arrears for this last mo. It took \$23.00 to get Reg. from Denver including telegraphing, etc. I fitted him up with hat, shoes, & suit of clothes & let him have \$1.10=\$20.85, then he spent \$11.50 more. It all amounts to \$55.00. His grandma Lawisch got him over \$4.00 in clothing also.

I spoke a week ago to night in our ward (7th) to the Relief Society & the priesthood. I reviewed the Bk. of Ether and pointed out some external evidences.

Dr. Daynes returned my thesis on the Temptation of Christ. He says that it is a most beautiful theory and well written.

I am very grateful that the Lord has helped me to (to) be of some worth in his kingdom. I pray to rise to a position of intelligence which I can be of great worth to God and his people for many years to come.

# Jan 24, 1914, Logan.

Since last writing things have been moving rapidly with me. I have been very busy with my classes--Theology, Psychology, etc. My students in Theology (who are college students & teachers) are very much enthused over the work saying it is the most interesting subject they ever took. One young man told me yesterday if he got nothing more than this theology I am giving it would pay him richly for his time & means spent here.

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The teachers are even more, if any thing, thrilled with the subject than the students. I have seven missionaries amidst a class of over 40 students. It is the most brilliant class I ever taught in Theology. In fact, I have been waiting for years to get minds brilliant enough to follow me with appreciative intelligence. We need more theology like this amidst our people. In the 2nd Ward S.S. the class has gone from a very few to over 100 pupils because I am giving similar work and they are very appreciative & extremely attentive. The Bp. says he desires to belong & will leave the parent's class to join.

The President of the College told me today that the people were turning toward me and I was rapidly growing in favor with the teachers & public. I am very grateful for this for my life's desire has been to do much good amidst this people. I earnestly pray I shall never lose this esteem, but that it may grow as long as I live. I more earnestly desire that thru my good works and my life they shall be lead to glorify my Father in heaven. I want no glory. I shall be richly paid if my fellow men will love me and be more fully inspired to climb to higher plains & more devotion to our Father in heaven.

I spoke in the 3rd Ward last Sun. night on faith. My sermon was an analysis of faith, etc. I spoke to the advance teachers of the Religion classes & also superintendents last Sun. after noon.

Thurs. night I gave my two lectures on Psyc. of child in Newton. When I was thru the Bp. came up & put his arm around me & said that he did not know what he & people would do when I left them for they had been so inspired & interested with what I had taught them that they would feel lost. So he and others urged that I give lectures on other subjects after this course is finished. I have agreed to give a few more & they want the Thurs. nights reserved for them.

I gave a short talk before the faculty Mon. evening on the value & purpose of examinations. I am urging that this school devises better ways in getting the standards of students than grind them with 3 hrs. exams. I claim that it is cruel to a student especially high school students and should not be tolerated.

I have recd. letters from Martha, Sister Lawisch, Francis, & others.

I speak in Preston Fri. night & start for Castle Dale Sat. morning to deliver 4 lectures.

I speak tomorrow night in 2nd Ward & Tues. night to the Y.L.M.I. stake officers.

I feel I am doing too much out side work to give the time I should to advance work.

Reginald, Geo. & Othello are studing hard.

Feb. 9, 1914 Logan.

Since last writing I have delivered my final of 20 lectures in Newton on "the Child". I am to deliver a few more there.

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I delivered one lecture before the Academy & public at Preston, Id. I got \$20.00 for same, see clippings on for press comments. I went to Castle Dale Sat., Jan. 31, and delivered two lectures--one in Orangeville & one in Castle Dale. I got \$19.30 in Orangeville & \$32.80 in Castle Dale. The audiences were charged 25¢ a piece. They were very appreciative from start to finish. For comments see clippings in Journal

The next morning I spoke before the students of the Academy. My brother Francis reviewed many interesting points in my life of earnestness, push and spiritual power, etc. I returned home Wed. night & remained there until yesterday 2:30 P.M. I got here last night at 8 P.M. I had a very nice visit both at home & with Francis & friends. I read Alfred R. Wallace's latest work on the social & moral phase of the age.

The apostles have cut off from the church Bros. Clark, Silver, & Rubin G. Miller for recent marriages. In the excommunication they (quorum) said it was in subordination. I pray that the day will never come when this principle of marriage will be taken from this people. Immorality will increase as this principle decreases. I have my grave doubts if the excommunications are sincere or meant to be real in the eyes of the brethren.

A new semester begins this morning. I will need a wk. to finish up my Gen. psyc. & Genetic Psyc. then I teach Sociology & Prin. of Teaching. On returning I found the boys well.

I am suffering from sciatica rheumatism & have been so for about 3 weeks. It is very bad and gives me much pain. I have been lying down nearly every day for about 10 days.

I have made so far this winter, outside of my regular salary, \$170.00 for which I am very thankful.

#### Feb. 22, 1914 Logan

I delivered my lecture on the "Christ Child" a week ago last Thurs. in Newton a crowded house. I was given \$10.00 for the same.

I went to Preston, Id last Sat. a week ago and lectured on "School Government" to the Franklin Co. teachers. My audience was very appreciative, see clippings. I remained and saw the Basketball game between A.C. & O.S. Academy; A.C. won 48 to 29. I was given \$15.00 for my trip there. I stayed with Prin. Robinson while there. I returned here Sun. morning. I lectured to my class in S.S. in 2nd Ward still answering P.W. Riley. In the afternoon I attended our monthly religious class convention and gave advice to the advance teacher & supts. I finished up my last semester's work in courses in Psychology this last week & have organized my classes in Sociology & Prin. of Teaching.

Last Thurs. evening I stepped on a rusty nail and it ran nearly, thru my ft. I have been in bed most of the time since with my foot in anteciptic hot baths. It got so bad yesterday & last evening I sent for the eleders (Bp. Adams & Bro Clark) both of the 5th ward for I was at my Sister Anna's. I went there to have her aid me in caring for my, ft. My boys fasted & prayed today. My ft. ceased to pain & most of the pain & swelling left me & I returned home this evening very much improved

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I wrote to Martha last night. Othello & Geo. came up to see me today while I was at Anna's. They are splendid fellows & very faithful to me & their work.

Reg. & Levon are younger & they are not quite so thoughtful.

I had to cancel three lectures today & tomorrow night on account of my accident.

I read a novel "A Spinner in the Sun". There were strained points in it also some psyc. acts, etc. Some characters stood out well. It was story of love, accident, infidelity, a portray of the old orthodoxical "hill" type with the new thought of Christianity, etc.

I have revised some little my reply to Rev. Spalding. Jos. Hickman & Dr. Jensen think it is the strongest article written against him ouside of the Webb articles. Dr. Widtsoe says it sounds good to him & that he has no criticism.

#### Mar. 15, 1914 Logan.

It is now about 5 weeks since I wrote before due to sickness & work. I stepped on a rusty nail which put me out of school about two weeks. I went to Provo for a wk. The nail scrapped the bone & caused me considerable pain & some blood poison. I had to cancel 7 lectures & turn my classes over to others.

Sister Lawish is very sick. We took her home so Martha could wait upon her. She has arterial sclerosis. I learn she is no better.

I continued my discussion of the I.W. Riley theory before my S.S. class in the 2nd Ward. I spoke to the religion teachers of the Stake today at their monthly meeting. I also spoke in the 4th Ward tonight to a crowded house. The Spirit of the Lord was upon the people. I warned Zion of the impending dangers and reviewed some of the prophecies of Isaiah. Zion is to be sifted.

I had a nice visit home & rested up. I met Prof. Doggy formerly of the Washington Uni. I had a very nice talk on our Gospel.

While in S.L. I visited Henry Tanner at his office. I took him and Frank Fairbanks to dinner. I had a short visit with apostle Whitney. We had a long walk. He says that Pres. Smith is determined to stop all plural marriages & that is why they are cutting off those who have recently gone in that principle. They intend to handle the one who married them. I earnestly pray that the day will come when this principle will be practiced in Zion by her pure people. It is sad to know that are hundred & even thousands pure daughters who are not married & can get no one their equals.

I have seen Pres. Smith about my going back to the B.Y.U. to teach telling him that all my interests & property are in Provo & south. He says he sees no reason why I should not teach there. I told him Pres B. had said that some of the board would not stand for my going back, but Pres. S. said he knew nothing about such a thing & that I should explain this to Supt. Cummings & to use his (Pres S's) name in my explanation & that he is perfectly willing that I teach there. Supt. C. was not in

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S.L. at the time so Apostle Whitney was to present the matter to him. I have not as yet heard the results. I think this is the first about time I ever asked a favor for myself. I would not have done it were it not for my family who do not wish to be moved about any more.

I am sending my reply to Spalding in the Era for publication. It may not be published. Will know more later.

We have had the Church H.S. basket ball league played off at our college. Murdock & Oneida teams were the best teams.

I learn Fern has another baby. Levon started to read the Bible thru for \$10.00; he got half way thru & quit. He was to finish it in two weeks. He read ½ thru in one wk.

I was toast master yesterday at the banquet served to about 90 athletes and teachers. It was a pleasant time.

Mar. 30, 1914

Sister Lawisch seems no better so Martha says. Moritz & wife came from Dakota to see his mother.

Ex-Pres Smith (Isaac) has just died. His home just accross the St. from where we are staying.

I am nearly well from my sciatica which has been quite bad for about 3 months.

I have finished paying Leon & Dee's note. Int. & prin=\$107.73. Leon sent \$15.00 to apply on the note.

My studies are moving fairly well.

I have lectured in the 4 & 5th Wards; to my class of Co teachers two Sat.; a week ago last Sat. I lectured to the teachers of Franklin Co. Id. I was paid \$15.00 for expenses.

Aside from lecturing, talking to my class in S.S., I rode across the valley to Mendon & spoke to the saints in afternoon. After meeting ate lunch & went to Newton & lectured on the Banishment of the Mormon People to a full house. It was a most impressive meeting. Many wept over the tragic history of this people. Was paid \$10.00

If it were not for the few dollars I earn on the side, I could not live while I have the boys in school.

I just met Bessie Tanner,-Craigen,-Wilson for a few minutes tonight.

I talked to night to the Relief Society of the 7th Ward on the evidences of Christ's visiting this continent as found in the legends of the Indians.

# Apr. 7, 1914, Logan.

I have been to the annual conference and also to Provo. I attended conference two days. The sermons delivered by Pres. Smith Elders Whitney

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Roberts, Young, Talmage were very strong. I refrain from writing any brief for the complete report will be published in pamphlet form. The Spirit of the conference was excellent. Surely the Lord is with His people. I rejoice in the growth of Zion. There now 65 stakes and something over 760 wards.

I was home (Provo) two days & three nights. All were well except Sister Lawisch who is very low. It looks as though her days are numbered. She has been noble in her life and has fought a good fight and has won a noble reward. I rejoice in her life & its struggle. I owe her an undying blessing for she has given me my noble wife. Her (Mrs L.) son & his wife came to visit their mother a week & returned to South Dakota to their home.

My mother has been ill but better. Her health is failing quite rapidly.

I am much discouraged over Levon's lying & deceitful ways also for his seeking to chew & smoke. I have tried hard to lift him up, but he is looking for a lower level on which to stand. This is a hard thing to say & to go down as history against him. I pray the Spirit of God will lift him up so this will be a thing of the past.

I had a good visit with Francis in S.L. While there I attended the ortheum.

The children at home are well & happy. I paid the hundred dollar note at the bank which I signed for Dee & boys. Interest & all=\$107.73

Dr. Woodworth has written and asked that I attend the three day's reception for Dr. Cattell in honor of his 25 yr as head of Psyc. in Columbia. Dr. W. asked that discuss some of my research work. I wrote him that it was impossible for me to leave my work, yet I appreciated the honor in being asked to deliver a short address.

I sent an article for publication to a Boston magazine it was on my research work.

I have been asked to aid in discussing our gospel with a Seven day adventist, but I haven't time but have agreed to aid England in getting some thoughts together.

I had a nice visit with Bessie Tanner Wilson. She was the love of my youth and her love for me has not entirely faded away.

# Apr. 12, 1914 Logan, Ut.

My school work is moving on nicely. I am teaching Prin. of Ed. Sociology, Genetic Psyc. & Bk. of M. & defence of its author. I am at pres--replying Rev. Spalding and his critics on the Bk of Abraham. I am showing that the Bk. of Abraham contains truths on Astonomy which were unknown to that science at the time the P. of G.P. came forth. My class of college students & a few teachers are much impressed with the truths brought forth.

I met yesterday with my class of Co. teachers from 9 to 11:30 A.M. and then I discussed their work with them for nearly an hour. Then

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O.S. Dunn review to me Heny's work on the Pedagogy & Psyc. of Reading It took him until two o'clock to finish. He has done very good work with me in the special work of the Curriculum.

I taught my class in S.S. today & finished the criticism of Riley's theory on Jos. Smith as an epileptic, paranoic, & insanity. His theory falls before a keen analysis of the life of Joseph.

I spoke for 15 min. on the subject of the Resurrection in S.S.

This after noon we has special easter services in the tabernacle & Bro. B.H. Roberts was the speaker. God was surely with him for I never heard greater oratory from the lips of man.

I took supper at Mrs. Kramer's & daughter this evening & spent the evening until 8:45 P.M. They seem interested in the Gospel. Miss Kramer is feeling very badly over braking up with her young man. She confided all in me.

I am writing home again tonight. Have not heard from them since I came.

Apr. 17, 1917 Logan.

It is Fri. & I have been to Preston with Apostle Whitney to attend the funeral of Sister Saul Hale. She died of cancer and other ailments at the age of 73. She had been almost a constant sufferer for 4 yrs. Many splendid things were said of her & they were well deserved. There were four speakers. I spoke for a short time but Bro. Whitney spoke  $1\frac{1}{2}$ hrs. He is a beautiful speaker & his ideas are excellent. We took dinner at the hotel & supper at Bro. Johnson's (lst C. in the Pres. fo the Stake). He & Bro. Tibbitts brought myself, Whitney & Howell home in the auto. We got here at 8:45 P.M. We went & called on Annie & family for an hr.

My trip was quite pleasant. Bro W. told me he had seen Brimhall prsonally about my going back to the B.Y.U. but Brimhall says there is a deep seated feeling against me in his faculty and two members of the board (Jesse Knight & Holbrook). Bro. W. was quite indignant over the matter and feels the main trouble lies with Brimhall himself. It is strange to me for my relations had always been very pleasant with faculty. Pres. Smith said he did not know that any members had feelings towards me. I can't quite fathom the situation. It is hardly right for me to believe prejudice is to blame nor can I believe either board or faculty have taken any stand against me. I know this that my preparation has been as thorough as the best of them & more than all saves 2 or 3 of them. I shall let the matter drop. If the Lord or his servants desire me there, they will call me. So the matter is closed as far as I am concerned.

Warren Hickman came to visit me this week. We stayed all night at Annie's.

I find that Bro. W. does not agree with some of Penrose's interpretation of the scriptures.

Recd. letter from home & Sister Lawisch is about the same.

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Geo. is writing an oration & I helped him criticise it. It seems guite good to me.

I have just been reviewing Moulton's Practical Astronomy. Is is very good & up to date (1912). I also read Prof. Peterson's review of the Planetesimal Theory. It is also very clear cut.

I sent today Martha \$10.00

Good night.

#### Apr.18, 1914, Logan.

Yesterday helped Geo criticise his oration on "The Childrens's Crusades". He has a pretty nice speech.

I went up to the games at the A.C. yesterday after noon. Othello > was in the mile. He came out 3rd. He made the time about 5 minutes. the others were about 5 or 6 sec. ahead of him. He has gained about 30 sec. this yr.

I have read three pamphlets lately of this religious movement lead by this Mr. Eeastman who was excommunicated some few years ago. I learn from Bro. Boss (who is being won over to this man) that many of the Saints are being lead to him as the one mighty and strong as spoken of in the 85 sec. of the D.& C.

I have spent many hours trying to show him that it is an impossibility for him to be the one. I predicted that if he (Boss) followed this man that he (Boss) would leave the church (which he felt was not necessary) & that he would never realize his hopes in following this man; that he would not be realize the promises made in his patriarchal blessing in which he has great faith. I finally felt to tell him that Eastman & his followers would not have power to lead him away though his mother had gone over to Eastman's belief.

By request I was the only speaker in the tabernacle this afternoon. I took up a defense of the Bk. of Abraham and made a reply to Rev. Spalding & his critics. I took the astronomical phase and proved that nearly every one of those facts was unknown to the astronomical world, but since then nearly every one of those truths have been discovered which fact indicates Jos. Smith as a sincere translator. My speech seemed to produce a profound impression upon the hearers. As was said to me it is a new field of attack & of proof which had not been taken up by any one else. My speech was taken down verbatim by Bro. Howell from the A.College. (For comments see Journal of clippings).

I attended our Ward meeting tonight Bro. Mitchell spoke on geneo-logical work.

I recd. a letter from Juanita stating grandma Lawisch is some better.

#### Apr. 26, 1914, Logan.

It is Sun. night. This is the great go-to-meeting Sabbath. I have been to S.S. and two meetings. I taught my S.S. class & had a review of the internal evidences of the Bk. of M. The afternoon tabernacle services were farely well attended. Bro. Pederson of the A.C. was the speaker. He gave some good ideas.

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This evening I spoke in the 7th Ward as a home missionary. A return missionary girl (Miss Craimy) talked for a short time. I spoke of the social psyc. aspects of loving our neighbors, etc. and why it is that we should love them; that it is impossible to love God & hate man. I read a reply of the chairman of the Chicago ministers who were trying to get all churches to advertise & get every man & woman in Chicago to attend church but when Bro. Ellsworth sent a letter to them complimenting them on their undertaking & sent a check for them to advertise his church for they were to do the advertising for the different creeds. This is their reply:

Dear Sir:--Inclosing up the matter pertaining to the go-to-Church Sun. campaign, I found among the papers your check which is enclosed herewith. The advertisment which you ordered was not run because the Committee voted that it should be excluded on the ground that your organization was neither Catholic, Protestant, nor Jewish. Yours very truly, A.G. Fegert, Chairman

I then proceeded to read from I Nephi Chap 14:10-14 wherein the angel told Nephi that there were but two churches, etc. and shouted that the christian creeds fulfilled what the angel thru their treatment from the beginning of our church.

I went to Bro. Bjorkman's for dinner after, after-noon services. I had a very pleasant visit. At the meeting were a number from different wards to hear me speak.

I went yesterday to Richmond with Bro. Gardner and judged at the Stake Contest in Retold stories & orations.

Last night I went to hear Dr. Culp. on the Psychology of Success. His lecture was very good. After the lecture I went with him, the Pres. & Cummings to Pres. Jensen's home & talked for nearly an hr. on Eugenics etc. Then I went for a short to the dance the 3rd yrs. were giving in honor of the 4th yrs. & the college students. Aside from dancing & speeches they served punch & candy.

Fri. night I attended the concert given by a quartet from S. Lake. Ensign, Graham, & two ladies were the singers. It was a most excellent concert.

Sister Lawisch is better but still helpless.

We are now being plunged into a war with Mexico tho. it so far is only being directed against Huerta & his faction yet I feel that it will yet involve all Mexico. We have taken Vera Cruse & are prevaring to march on to the City of Mex. Othello wanted to volunteer with other of the A.C. boys, but I told him the time had not come for that. When the time come that we were needed we would all go if necessary. I feel our nation should take that nation, due to their treatment of our people & foreigners, also the poor peons & indians and hold the gov. until we established peace & equity in that country; & to give rights to the oppressed. We are sending most of our fleet & about 20,000 land forces. I am wondering if this will be the beginning of that war I saw was to be

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when many nations would be involved. Things look a little ominous. That was & is yet to be for God showed it to me in vision at the same time he showed me the Russian Japenese war & that Smoot would keep his seat in the Senate. I was shown that this war (to be) was to have its origin on the south western part of our nation & extending into Mexico. I think I recorded at the time I saw it which was a few weeks before the Russian Japenes' war began.

#### May 3, 1914 Logan

The war spirit seems to be lulling a little & the S. Am. Republics are urging peace.

Geo. got medal in oratory from the B.Y.C. this week. We had a debate with the LDS. U. last Fri. & our school won. I visited or attended the Co. H.S. contest in oratory & reading. Geo. was in it, but did not get first place, because the judges said it was too historic to be an oration tho. they said he out classed every other contestant.

We had an athletic contest with A.C.U. yesterday. They easily beat us. It was a fine contest.

I attended Stake priesthood meeting last night & conference to day. Bros. Whitney & Goddard were the visiting brethren. They spoke well. After meeting I went auto riding with brother Kimball, wife & Bro. Whitney. Bro. Whitney tells me that he appreciated very much my reply to the Rev. Spalding. He said he went & asked the Des. News to print it. He thinks it very strong. He says that Pres. Ballif has said very complimentary things of me & my work & deplored the fact that the Church schools could not pay me what I am worth for I am a growing power, he said.

GrandMa Lawisch is a little better.

#### May 10, 1914 Logan, Ut

The week has passed quietly. I have not been out of the city nor have I give any addresses except to my classes.

I attended the athletic contest between U.A.C. B Y U & B.Y.C. yesterday. U.A.C. took first place, B.Y.U. second. Othello was in the mile. The time was made by Tolman in 4 min 47 sec. Othello can make it under 5 min. so far.

On Fri. our College had a "hike day" on the mountains & supper above Providence about 6 P.M. It was a very pleasant day.

It is mother's day. I attended S.S. & mother's meeting tonight. I have just written a nice letter to mother in appreciation of her life.

#### May 20, 1914 Logan.

I went home last Fri & had a two day's visit. I was one of the field judges at the state meet of the four colleges (B.Y.C; U.A.C; B Y. U; U of U). Othello & I had our R.R. expenses paid.

Sister Lawisch is a little brigher & stonger, but her feet seem to be dying slowly but surely & she is in pain consideralbe of the time. I was so happy to be home again. My stay was so very pleasant to all. I

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got Juanita a \$4.00 bracelet for graduation. She is a splendid girl. So is my good natured Lorea.

Levon is taking boxing has been in several contests. I saw him in a four round contest, but he doesn't know it. The marshal & I went in for a short time. The contest was a draw.

I visited mother, Leslie & Olive for a short time while home.

I recd. several copies of the Scientific Temperance Journal published in Boston for Apr. It had my article in it: "A Study of the Pre-Natal Influence of Narco-Stiumulants". The Editorial Staff said it was a very strong article & gave it first place in the issue. I am sending out a few copies of the issue to my friends.

I am to deliver the graduation address to the H.S. Students at Grantsville.

I had a long talk with Supt. Cummings night before last. I took him to Supper at the restaurant (\$1.30). He tells me I should be in the B.Y.U. and that if he has his way I will go there. Pres. Jensen says I must stay here.

June 10, 1914, Provo, Ut.

My! how fast time flies. It has been a month since I last wrote. I have been very busy with school work and lectures. We closed up school. It has been a very successful year with us. I did not have very heavy examinations for my (about) 70 college students as my work was largely thesic & book review. That is much better than examinations. It is more pedagogical & advantageous to students. I had 45 students in my class at the Agri. College in the Principles of Education. My students in Bk. of Mormon Evidences are very appreciative, saying that the work was worth more to them than all their other work & the most inspirational work they ever took. I had 7 returned missionaries and it was a great joy to them. All girls & boys felt they would like to carry the Gospel to the nation. One said it was worth \$1000.00 to ther. I mention this to show the value of our theological work.

I went to Gransville and delivered two lectures--one to the H.S. graduates. I recd. \$25.00.

I spoke in the 8th Ward of Logan a week ago Sun. night on the Internal Evidences of the Bk. of M. I came home twice in the last month. Once my fare was paid.

We have just closed a three day's Church school convention. It is the best & most fruitful one we have ever held. I gave a paper on narco-stiumulants.

Leon & his wife were here for two days. Bro McQuarry stayed one night with us. I got to see many old friends.

## June 24, 1914 Logan

Eugene & Dicy with their two babies came to visit us. Eugene desires to get work up north this summer.

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I am here delivering 20 lectures to 50 or 60 Logan people. It was expected that we would have 100 or two. I will be here two weeks in the lectures. At the same time I am getting the benefit of Dr. Gillett's lectures on Rural Sociology. He is from North Dakota Uni. I have reviewed his new work on Rural Sociology.

I have read Kate Wiggins "Rights of Children, two novels;-Within the Law, & The Man in Lower Ten. I spent about 14 hrs. in reading the three. I also completed Dr. Todd's in Social Study; "The Primitive Family". It is an excellent on the origin & progress of the family idea, the gov. & rearing of the children, etc. It is almost gruesome in places detailing the family life of primitive peoples. It is perhaps the most thorough work of its kind ever written. I am stopping here with Anna.

Reg. came up to Logan from home & is working for Bro. Ezra Hatch for \$40.00 a mo. & board with a promise of a raise to \$50.00 if he (Reg.) makes good. Reg. & Levon are on the sly using to tobacco at least part of the time tho they have repeatedly promised not to use it any more.

Have recd. letters from Martha, Othello (who is canvassing in Wy. for knitting factory), & W.C. Lyman.

#### June 28, 1914 Logan

I am enjoying my lectures given to about 50 persons. They are very expressive of their appreciation of the things I am giving. Bro. Mitten (high councellman) & Pres. Balliff are bewailing the fact that they can't get all the city out to hear me. See clippings for press comments. I listened to a lecture by Dr. Gillette tonight in the tabernacle. I quite enjoyed it. I open the meeting with prayer. I have heard him each day this week on the rural problems. I spoke this morning in 3rd Ward parent's class on the right to be well born.

Geo. came up yesterday from the sugar factory & will go back about 6 A.M. in morning. Fred Finlayson & his sons (Bird & Lyman) are here & will work here for a while. Geo. may go out on the survey with Jno. R. Stewart. Geo. & I went and had ice cream tonight in Murdock's Candy kitchen. He took ice cream, I took egg malted milk. This is my favorite drink. I am recording this not because of its rarity or great importance because I often treat my children & my self. My children all like to go in town with me because they can always expect something from me. I scarcely ever return home without taking something nice for the children. They rush to kiss me, on my arriving home, & then rush for my satchel to find what it contains for them. At least the little ones do. I say I am not recording this because of its importance, but that you, yet-to-be, my descendents may get a peep of an other phase of my life. I have often said that I have spent enough time playing with my children to have graduated from college. Is that time lost? Perhaps in that play I have gotten much of my psychology.

### July 6, 1914, Provo.

Home again and all are well except Sister Lawisch who is afflicted with paralysis of the feet & as a result can't walk only a few steps & that with help. She is a little better than she was.

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I was up to see mother night before last & she is well & active. She & Laura have 10 roomers & 5 of them are boarding with Mother. I was always taught to call my parents--Pa & Ma. It now sounds flat. My children have been taught to say Papa & Mamma. That too seems to effeminite for grown men. My older sons call me father . That always sounds good to me whether from children or grown-ups. The word "Daddie" is having quite a run just now with many families expecially with girls of the family.

I was asked to deliver the 4 of July oration at Logan, but I told the committee that I would not be there & for them to get one who would be there.

I attended S.S. & fast meeting yesterday. I bore my testimony twice.

Dr. Donald McGregor was disfellowshiped by the Twelve. I am glad they dealt as lightly with him. I met Donald in S.L. before he went before the Twelve. I get the promise of one of the Twelve that he would do what he could for the Dr. and it seems that he did, for others of Dr's order were excommunicated. I am praying for the day to hasten when we will be given our rights, & that our pure brethren & sisters who have attempted to live God's law will not be dishonored.

I received a very choice blessing from Patriarch Christian J. Larson of the 7th Ward Logan. I shall record it here:

## A Patriarcal Blessing.

A patriarchal blessing given by Patriarch Christian J. Larson on the head of Josiah Edwin Hickman; son of Geo. W. Hickman and Lucy Ann Haws, born 1862 Salem, Utah Co. Ut.

Brother Josiah, I place my hands upon your head in much humility, and ask God, the Eternal Father, in the name of Jesus Christ that He will give unto me his Holy Spirit to indite your blessing; and by virtue of my patriarchal calling, I confer upon you a patriarchal blessing. I say to you the Lord loves you for your integrity and is well pleased with you in all your labors among the Saints of God. You are surely one of those sons of God who shouted for joy in the heavens when the foundations of this earth were laid; and you are one of those noble ones whom God stood in the midst of "Of these I will make my rulers". Hence be exceedwhen He said; ingly glad and thankful to your heavenly Father that your Spirit was preserved in the Spirit world so you might be born upon the earth in this the dispensation of the fullness of time when the Gospel of and the holy priesthood in all its fullness has been again restored to the earth by the Prophet Jos. Smith. And much will yet be required at your hands in helping to build up the Zion of our God, for the Lord has wonderful endowed you with the gifts of faith, of intelligence, and memory and in all your labors you have been blessed of the Lord; and your mind shall continue to expand, and your intellect to grow brighter for you were from the beginning destined to be a leader and a counsellor in the midst of your brethren; and your sons shall become great intelligent men also; and your blessings shall rest down down on them and they shall become a mighty people and have great possessions in the

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earth. And your daughters shall become mighty women and shall be leaders among their sex and your blessing shall rest down upon them and their posterity.

You are of the royal seed of Joseph who was sold into Egypt and thru the lineage of Ephraim and I confer ypon you the blessings of Abraham, Isaac, & Jacob. And you shall stand at the head of a numerous posterity for to it there shall be no end. You shall live to accomplish all you came upon this earth to do. And I seal upon you the fullness of all the blessings which are given in the temples of the Lord for to your blessings there shall be no end.

I seal you up from the power of the destroyer and confer upon you the blessings of health both of body and mind, and that you may live to accomplish all that may be required at your hands, and that your last days shall be your best days, and in looking back upon your past life in this earth your heart shall be made to rejoice. You shall have part in the first resurrection and be numbered with the 144,000 who shall stand as saviors upon Mt Zion during the Mellinium for there is a crown of glory and immortality and eternal life prepared for you; and thru your faithfulness I seal all these blessings upon you and seal you up unto eternal life by virtue and seal of my priesthood even so, Amen.

#### July 19, 1914 Provo.

I have spent the last two weeks at home resting, reading and doing some odd chores & computing on my Sociolgical data. I have now most of it computed.

I have recd. letters from Othello, Francis, Geo., Levon & others. Geo. Gibbs, Sec. to 1st Presidency has referred a gentleman from Arkansas, to me for information on the results of pl. marriage

I spoke in our ward (6th) last Sun. evening on the importance of pertaking of the Sacrament. I have attended from two to three services each Sun. since I came home.

Sister Lawisch is some better. She seems quite well in mind & body except the paralysis of her feet which makes her almost helpless in getting around.

Geo. put \$20.00 in the bank (Cache Valley) for me this mo. Every thing is extremely happy at home with us now. Our baby, Marva, is so cute and knowing in all her ways. She is now 15 mo. old

#### Aug. 15, 1914 Logan.

I have been at home (Provo) all the time until Aug. 9, when I came north to go on (an Ed.) a 3 wk lecture tour. While home we (Leon, Radino, Valko & I) dug trench for sewer & city water and had the piping laid. Leon & Wife were with us for about 10 days. Leon has now gone to San Juan Co. to our land. He will most likely work a month or 6 weeks. While there he will secure his land. I was to go there but was called here. We got the \$250.00 loan from Cachevally bank and made 1st payment (\$125.00) on the 100 acres plowed by W.C. Lyman. We have ordered Omni Porter to put up the posts for 6 mi. on our land. This is beginning steep but we expect to be able to meet the payments as they come. Dee will possibly come up & go to Monticello & work for a mo. or two & prove up on his land or at least make application in person for his land.

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My summer has been spent very pleasantly this summer. I sold a number of crates of cantaloupes from Overton & made about \$20.00. Since coming here we have spoken in Hyrum, Paradise, Millville, Providence, Hyde Park, & Benson. We to to night to Mendon. I read Dr Herter's work-The Biological aspects of Human Beings. It is a fine work, but I can't agree with him in all his conclusions. He makes human activity too much the results of Physical & Chemical causes. This has been a very warm summer.

## Aug. 22, 1914 Dewey, Ut.

Since last writing Bro. Henry Ottie & I have spoken in Mendon, Wellsville, Newton, Clarkson, Beaver ward, Fielding, & Dewey. We had Pres. Jensen with us at Mendon & Wellsville. Our audiences with 2 or 3 exceptions have been larger than our Sunday meetings. A good Spirit prevails with us and the people are very much elated over our talks & the music.

Pres. Welling said that never before had the church school teachers sounded such thoughts to stir the people to the love & necessity of of the Church school education. He pronounced our talks the best of their kind that he had ever heard. It seems we are going to have many students--as a result of our work.

We have stopped with Bps. Rigby of Newton, ---- Clarkston, Johnson of Beaverdam, Dewey of Deweyville & Pres. Welling also ½ day with Willard Hanson at Fielding the greatest farmer & stockraiser of the west. I got some excellent ideas from him. We have been treated very well on our route. Bro. Ottie has produced excellent music for the people. Heretofore we have not had any students from this place for yrs. but now we will have possibly 4 this yr.

I am in good health & hopeful. I see the need of a mighty awakening in Zion & my talks bring out the fact. I am anxious that God will endow my voice & words with a spirit that will thrill men's hearts to feel deeper & be awakened to pray more earnestly & awakened to the greater love of the Lord's work. He has to a great degree heard my prayers. I have not heard from my sons since I wrote in my journal, but Martha & children at home are well.

# Aug. 30, 1914 Franklin, Id.

Since last writing Bro. Ottie & I have spoken in Honeyville, Garland, Blue Creek & Tremonton. Everywhere the spirit of the Lord was with us and the people were wonderfully impressed with our work. Prof. Jensen says that at Deweyville the people were extravigant in their praises. One gentle man said that the speech was the greatest he had ever heard. In Brigham the people told Pres. Jensen they considered me one of the greatest men in the church. (Now forgive this record yet I put it in for your sake). I often hear similar remarks but I record this as a peep into a phase of my life. When the Spirit of the Lord is poured out upon me in great abundance then the people are greatly impressed) At Garland the editor said my address was the greatest he had heard in 20 yrs.

I returned from Bear River Stake to Logan & Bro. Ottie went to S.L. to play in the band for a few days during the Carnival. I have been alone since at Richmond, Franklin & Preston. I spoke twice in Preston.

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I was treated very kindly in Preston. I go to Cove today & to Smithfield tonight & home tomorrow.

The European war is the greatest the world ever knew & the end is / not yet. I suppose this is the worldwide war which I was shown about , 10 yrs. ago. See former journal.

## Sept. 28, 1914 Logan.

Since last writing I went home for nearly three weeks & had a guiet visit with my loved ones. Dee came from Overton. Leon returned from? Monticello where he worked for 2 weeks. Fern & Sheridan with the children come & visited us. He went to Monticello & secured his land. Fern, & children were to go with him & live all winter there & he was to return for his team, etc., but when they got to Thompson's Springs they could not go as autos were broken & they could get no conveyances, so Fern & babies came back to Provo & waited Sheridan's return. He came back with wonderful reports of the country. The wheat crop varied from ' 29 bu. to 53 bu. per acre. Potatoes 2½ lbs. each, corn & oats all raised on non irrigated land.

Geo. went to teach school in Fairview, Wy. Levon is at Provo. Reg. visited us yesterday. He had a fight and threw his thumb out! The other fellow got his nose broke; so it is a case where they broke even. Reg. is still using tobacco to he never lets me see him use it. I have had a very serious talk with him about that habit. He is 6 ft. high & ' not quite 18 yrs old (lacks 2½ wks).

Othello is doing well in his teaching here in the Lowell. His subjects are; spelling, hist, hygiene & Eng, & Geo. He is to be married Xmas holidays. He is a fine lovable character. His betrothed is Helen Bunker of St. Thomas.

Our college began Sept. 21. I am teaching Gen. Psyc two sections; Genetic Psyc. two sections and Old Testament. I have laboratory work in Psyc. We have just recd. over \$150.00 of apparatus for dept. of Psyc.

Spoke in 4th Ward Sun. night as a home missionary.

#### Oct. 11, 1914 Logan.

I have been to conference at S.L. I was home from Fri. night till Tues. forenoon. Martha & I attended conference two days together. We went with Leslie in his auto from Provo & back at night. We attended the play entitled "Disraeli" played by Arliss. I saw this play in N.Y. It is a great play. It stays with one so long. I will not write any thing of the conference sermons as they are all published in pamphlet form by Deseret News Co.

I had such a good visit at home with Martha & the children. I am/ lonesome without them. Our lives are so happy together. Martha & I are/ wrapped up in each other as tenderly as in our days of youth.' I hope they (we) will always be so. Sister Lawisch is a little better. We had a nice birthday dinner at Mothers'. She was 76 yrs old Oct 3./ We all expressed our love for Mother & reviewed our lives & hers as we remembered them. It was a tender moment and we all shed tears of joy & pathos. Chas., Annie, & Eunice were not there; all the other children were also some of the grand children, besides Martha & Olive.

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I returned here Tues. night. School is moving nicely. We have a larger school than ever before. The College portion is doubled from last yr. I am asked to teach a S.S. class in the 2nd Ward especially for the benefit of the college students. I met with them for the first today. We have decided to take up the life of Christ; building up the Psychological Christ Child in lieu of his history of infancy & childhood. We will study his temptation from a new angle; sermon on the Mts. some of his miracles and his trial & crucifixion from the legal stand point.

I spoke in 2nd Ward tonight on the present war & the prophetic fulfillment. I quoted from the D.& C. Bk. of M. & Isaiah to show that this war & others that will follow are the awful fulfillment of what God said could come.

Levon came up to go to school. He has entered 2nd yr. H.S.

Reginald was 18 Oct. 8. 1

My work seems to be very much appreciated by the students and the public in general. I am reventially grateful for this blessing. My constant pray is that I may be of great worth to the youth of Zion, etc.

Jos. Vanderhoof (a son of my cousin, a daughter of Wm Hickman) had his adenoids & turbinated bones removed Fri. I went to see the operation.

Warren Hickman & wife were here 10 days ago. I went in their auto to Deweyville with them & took the train from there to S.L. He is a real fine man. He own 4700 acres of land & 400 of cattle.

#### Oct. 25, 1914 Logan

Since last writing I have Mrs Vanderfoof & husband from Sowville, Ut. She is uncle Wm Hickman's daughter by Minerva Wade his 4th wife, I believe. She has had 15 children. She raised all but one. I also met Warren Hickman again.

I have been much worked in my school duties at B.Y. & A.C. with S.S. & religion class work. I am in the Stake Presidency. I was asked to take the Presidency but I refused because of too much work. I agreed to aid, but not take the responsibility. In S.S. Iam trying to build up the childhood of Jesus. The class of married & unmarried seem to be much impressed so far.

Have recd. letters from home & others of my family. All are well.

I am chairman of the lecture committee of the B.Y. & A.C. We are to have appear this yr. Ex-Gov. Folk of Mo., Alton Packard, cartoonest Baumgardt (lecture on Ast.) Ben Greek players, McClure, and the Shepherd brothers. We may get one or two more numbers before the yr. is out.

Levon is doing some better than he did in school two yrs. ago.

I attended Priesthood meeting today also S.S. & evening meeting. I spoke for a few minutes on Religion Class work.

WhenI study nature in such a way that it denies what God has said, which shall I believe? Science often reverses herself as taught and

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interepreted by men; but God never. We should welcome every new thought sf science and list it by & thru the revealed word of God. Nature, dismovered and rightly interpreted, will never be at variance with God's **revelation** to man.

Nov. 1, 1914 Logan. The wk. has passed in peace. We are having some little trouble to convince all our teachers that to have prayers in each theology class mach day will result in good, but I believe now most have decided to try this plan & see if it will promote a better religious atmosphere. This school three yrs. ago was at a low ebb, but since Pres. Jensen took charge it is improving. I am thankful for this. Dr. Maeser told me yrs. ago that this school was far from having the religious element he desired it to have. Pres. Jensen tells me that my class in theology is being considered the most favorable of all the theology classes. I am thankful for seeming success for I have been quite worried over the out-come of my teaching the Old Test. I know this that at first the students were talkative & indifferent, but now they are very attentive with a look of deep interest; at time, having on their faces an expression of awe. So far we have discussed the days of creation, the fall, the Garden of Eden, its location, etc., with a comparison of discovered science--geology, palaentology, ast. etc. There is a very close agreement between science ♣ God's revelation.

I sent a check of \$95.00 to W.C. Lyman to apply on debt (Othello \$20.00; Geo. \$20.00; Leon \$15.00 & I \$40.00)

Recd. letters from home, Geo. & Leon. I wrote to Eugene, Leon, Dee, Geo. & Martha. All are well.

I attended two political rallies this last week--Democratic & Rep.

I attended quarterly conference today. Many good things were said by Pres. Ballif, Dr. Widtsoe, Bp. Nibley, Rulan S Wells & others. I am appointed 1st counsellor to Geo. Gardner in Stake Religion Class organization.

## Sun., Nov. 15, 1914, Logan

School work is very stenuous. I am now teaching, including 4 hrs. psychological laboratory work, 31 hrs a week. This is about twice what a college man should carry. After 5 weeks I will drop three hours of Method's work which I am giving to a class of M.I.A. students who are talking a 6 wk's. course at the college. I have between 15 & 20 in the class.

Last Sun. I spoke twice, once to the high priests of the stake on the subject of the Holy Ghost. I gave out some new ideas on the H.G. which were endorsed by the brethren & the Stake Presidency. In the evening I addressed a large audience in the 6th Ward. I had splendid liberty in both meetings & the people appreciated very much what I said for their expressions were full of kindness and praise.

We had Packard with us last Mon. Being chairman of the meeting I introduced him three times to as many audiences that day. He is a famous cartoonist. As a result of my high recommendation of him we had the tabernacle literally jammed Mon night. He pleased his audiences very

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much. We had the biggest audience. I am told, ever assembled here on our lyceum course of the two colleges.

I have had a very strenuous day for I have spoken in five different meetings--high priests quorum, S.S. theology class on the childhood of Christ, M.I.A. convention on "How to secure attendance in the junior classes & how to interest them; in the Religion Class convention; & in the 7th ward to night.

## Dec. 7, 1914, Logan.

Since last writing I have spoken many times. One Sun. I spoke five times--High Priests 7th ward; S.S. 2nd ward; M.I.A. officers & teachers apart. The Lord was with me in all my speaking.

I have been to southern Nevada and given five addresses in Bunkerville, St. Thomas, and Overton. Martha and the three babies went with me. We had a very nice time. We had a splendid visit with Leon, Dee & their wives. We were gone five days. We had the misfortune of losing two of our satchels and a sack of vegetables. I learn one satchel has been found.

Our babies (Thorval, Kyrmel & Marva) had a very happy childish time. I am so glad Martha & the children went with me.

While in Provo I spoke in the 6th ward on the prophetic element of the war. I talked on the same subject in Providence last night. I went to S.S. H. Priests & meeting yesterday & Providence at night.

I attended the State Teachers conv. Drs Judd & Philips were the special lecturers. They had excellent (U. of Chicago)(U. of Denver) thoughts to give.

I am sending to day a \$50.00 check to Omni Porter who has put up posts around one sq. mi. of our land in San Juan Co. & strung posts around two more sections.

It is making us dig to pay our monthly installments for fencing and plowing (100 acres).

George is doing exceedingly well in his school work for which I am very pleased.

Othello is doing well also. He is to be married Dec. 23 to Miss Helen Bunker of St. Thomas. It was our good pleasure to see her when we were south. I am to begin a course of lectures on Astronomy this week in the wards of the city & stake. A small fee will be charged to pay for the astronomical slide and to aid the M.I.A. course.

Levon is not doing very much in school just enough to keep from failing. He has great possibilities but lacks disposition. This is a rebuke to any one who lives below his powers.

Reginald has left Hatche's & was last seen in S.L. I am grieved over him. A boy of promise but unawakened so far. O God my Father,

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preserve him I pray you, & return him & awaken him. It is the dense sleep of mortality of upon.

## Jan. 5, 1915, Logan

I delivered my lecture on Ast. in the 6th ward for comments & appreciation see Journal of clippings. School closed Dec. 18. I went direct home to Provo. I have a quiet visit & stay. I read "Psychology & Social Sanity by Hugo Munsterberg while home. It is a very practical treatment of several psyc. & Soc. questions. I went & visited Chas & Eunice & families at Benjamin. I spoke in S.S. & Afternoon meeting while there & attended a splendid concert given by Profs Lund, Hand, Leslie & wife & Miss Horne (Susie's daughter). I had a very pleasant time there. I had a visit with Mother, Francis. Josephine? Leslie Fred & Olive who went to Benj. I was ill 2 or 3 days while home. Martha & Thorval were also ill.

I paid \$165.00 tithing this yr. (1915).

Reginald went--went to Overton & is now there staying with Leon. I have told Levon he would have to go out hustle for himself for hê has absolutely failed in his school work so for--getting E's & F in: all but two studies & in one he got a D & other C. That is a disgrace. He has the ability but no desire. He is ungrateful. He left tonight purporting to go to Blue Creek to work. He has got to: learn wisdom thru hard knocks & experience. I hope he learns wiselŷ. I am grieved over his life on broken promises & disceptions for it has been an unbroken chain of failures & desceptions for 2 yrs. I pray God to teach him life's values so that He will enable Levon to fulfill his life's mission as God sent him to fill.

Vivian Hickman has a  $11\frac{1}{2}$  lb boy. Othello has married (Dec. 23) Helen Bunker from St. Thomas. She seems to be a very nice girl. I am living with them. They were married in S.L. temple. They spent  $a^3$ wk. with us at home in Provo.

I wrote a Xmas article for the Logan Journal: The Effect of this World Wide War on Christianity. See Journal of clippings. My "Temptations of Christ" are being printed in the B.Y.C. paper "The Crimson." I heard Orson Whitney read his "Elias" twice during holidays. I consider it a very excellent epic poem. I tell him he will have to be dead 100 yrs. before it will be fully appreciated. I wrote from here to S.L. with him. He told me that Erastus Snow said that the Prophet Joseph told him that this earth was peopled twice before Adam began the race.

I am behind about \$70.00 this last mo. I sent \$100 south to Lyman & Porter, but \$20.00 were for Othello & \$15.00 for Leon.

## Jan. 10, 1915 Logan

Levon did not go to Blue Creek to left for S.L. with a suspicion hanging over him that he or Bateson or both stole \$20.00 from the Royal cafe or candy kitchen of Nielson's. The Bateson boy knew the way into the kitchen & out so no one could see him, but Levon didn't. Yet Leon had seen Nielson put his money away. If Leyon had not forged

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my name & stolen at home I could not believe that he is guilty as suspected. I am much grieved. He officers are trying to get hold of Levon & the Bateson boy. It seems that try as I will, I am chagrined by the acts of some of my children. My great worry is now over Reginald & Levon. I have prayed so earnestly that my children should be noble & live faithful lives. My love & hope in Levon are sorely tried. He has promised me many times to be true & honorable & each time he has lied to me. I am discouraged & shall trust God will protect & humble him until he will long to return to me and my teachings.

To day is the Sabbath. I attended High priest's meeting from 9 to 9:50 & discussed the lesson "The Call of the Shepherd.". I went from there (7th ward) to 2nd ward & talked on the temptation of Jesus to 60 students. I attended the tabernacle services at 2 p.m. Bro. B.H. Robers spoke on "Vocational Training, Marriage & Social Service." It was a splendid address. Bro. Robers still has his accustomed fire, but he is getting almost as white as snow. I attended evening services in the 7th ward. Bro. Cardon & I occupied the time. He read & commented from Allen's "Out from the Heart." I followed with the thought that this inner world of ours may become as large as the great outer world if we eternally progress. That as someone has said that we were born too late to see the beginning & to soon to see the end we were dependent upon history for the past & rev. prophecy, & vision for the great unwritten future. The scriptures reveal a great deal of the future of the earth while the patriarchs reveal our personal futures if we go to them in humility, etc. I, like wise Bro. Cordon, was inspired of the Lord's spirit while speaking. The audience were also deeply impressed.

We are to have the Ben Greet players tomorrow to render two of Shakespear's plays--As You Like It & The Twelfth Night. I am chairman of the two committees of B.Y.C. & A.C. We are doing all we can to get the house full in after noon & evening.

I have recd. a letter from Apostle Whitney. He is very friendly towards me--mostly for Laura's sake.

#### Jan. 17, 1915 Logan

We had the Ben Greet players. They were all we could hope for. They played Shakespeare as few companies play him. Nibley hall was crowded to its limit both afternoon & evening. Some were turned away. Tho we only charged students 10, 20, & 30¢ & the public 50 & 75¢ we took in \$483.35. We paid the company \$500.00. Every body seems satisfied over the performances. We have now decided to get a glee club & Helen Keller. Our president is very much elated over our financial success so far. We are yet to have Baumgardt on Ast. & the Shepherd brothers also.

My school work may be improved and I will try to do.

I delived my lecture on Ast. in the 4th ward last Thurs. We took in \$16.00 I discussed the lesson before the High Priest's Quorum to day; discussed the Temptation of Christ before the 2nd ward theological class composed of B.Y.C. & A.C. students. I attended Religion class

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convention discussed the subject matter on "Obedience" before 3 & 4 grades. I lectured on Faith to night before a large audience in the 2nd ward. Surely the Lord was with me & the audience. Their souls seemed fed by what I had to say for all sat like statues for over an hr. & a half.

The suspicion on Levon is true He has been brought from S.L. and confessed he & Russell Bateson stole \$14.50. They had their trial. They were sentenced to the Reform school but sentence was suspended during good behavior. Levon seems much humbled & says it will never occur again & solemnly promises to obey me in all things. If he does, then I shall acknowledge God's hand in this affair. I feel crushed over my humiliation thru this deed. How long will my children humiliate me & fail to take my advice? So far those who have made mistakes have deeply repented and are trying to live good lives. Most all of them (my children) are living noble lives. We had Joseph Hickman, wife, & children to dinner today also Alma Wilson.

I went to night & administered to Miss Maud Vanderhoof, uncle Wm Hickman's granddaughter. She is attending school here at the B.Y.C. She has been sick for a wk.

## Feb. 4, 1915, Provo.

A week ago last Sun. Othello, wife, & I had Earl Hickman, Jesse Vanderhoof wife & son Joseph to dinner. He (J.V.) is not a L.D.S. but believes some in its principles.

I lectured on Astronomy in the 7th ward & Hyde Park. I spoke in S.S. convention upon "the child and the nature of its mind & the way it learns easiest. & why."

I gave \$1.00 to the poor Saints' fund in Europe. Our ward (7th in Logan) raised about \$75.00.

This week is examination wk. in B.Y.C. and as I had my exam. ques. arranged for the Pres. gave me liberty to come home & visit family. I intended to go to Price & lecture in H.S. for \$25.00 but got telegram could not handle me this week & maby not at all as finances very low.

I have spent a quiet happy wk. here at home. I have read Dan Jones' "Forty Yrs. Among the Indians." I really enjoyed it from start to finish. It truly reflexes early pioneer life. He has been very faithful in church duties among the Indians, etc.

I sent Omni Porter \$50.00 & have \$20.00 more to send.

I began Jan 16 to teach again Carl Schaub, the imbicile whom I taught for several months last yr.

I had a long talk with Pres. Lyman last Sat. while coming from Logan. He tells me that there are many patriarchs who are making

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promises that are not inspired that he has had to stop some of the patriarchs from giving blessings & check others.

Sister Lawisch is about the same I have been reading to her today from Doc. & Cov. I also spent after noon with mother & read from Bk. of M. to her.

Martha is still in Relief Society Stake organizations.

Feb. 14, 1915, Logan.

I helped blessed four children last Sun. in the 6th ward. I was mouth in blessing Netta Daniels Parmer's baby. It was named..... I went to that ward by her request to bless the baby.

I fasted last Sun. I also fasted with Levon last Fri. that the spirit of the Lord would be with him. He has failed in every subject & only by the special action of the faculty was he permitted to remain in school. He is to make up back work & keep every rule of the school. If he fails he is to be excluded from the school. I am much distressed over his conduct. He has promise & ability but little principle or sense of honor. I trust he will out-grow this weakness.

This has been a strenuous week for Othello & me. The note we all signed 6 mos. ago fell dew Feb. 10, Prin. \$250 + \$11.25 interest = \$261.25 & we had no money to pay. I went & drew my month's check (\$160.00) two weeks before it was due & then borrowed \$25.00 from the S.&M. bank. Othello raised \$70.00 by borrowing \$50.00. By this means we paid the note. I have written to the other boys to send their dues. If they don't we will be in a bad way.

Geo. sent \$10.00. Leon said he couldn't send any just now.

I recd. a letter from Mrs. McCune in N.Y. in reply to my letter. She says that she is close run just now. I must raise the money some way to pay her. I am offered \$25.00 to go to Grantsville & lecture.

I am teaching the Schaub boy again. He is improving slowly. He has lost but little since last spring.

Pres. N.C. Jensen has gone to N.Y. state with wife & children.

I finished the discussion of of Jesus' temptation today before a class of about 90 S.S. students. I attended H. Priests' quorum to day and spoke at Wellsville to an audience of nearly 500 people. I reviewed the present war & its prophetic meaning. The audience was very attentive--old and young. I went to Bp. Maughn's place & spent nearly 2 hrs. there while waiting for car. I also took lunch there. I feel a splendid spirit upon on me & was wonderfully blessed in both my speaking today. Listeners were much impressed.

Have not heard from home this week.

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#### Feb. 28, 1915, Logan.

Last Sun. I attended High Priest's quorum as is usual. We are taking up the theological outline for the Melchizedek priesthood quorums. His outlines are "Natural Theology". It is a very comprehensive & clear-cut treatise. He bases his work primarily on the Doc. & Cov.

I also attended S.S. in the 2nd ward where I discussed the so called "sermon on the Mount" before about 90 theological students. I am trying to show that the sermon is for the want of a better term, a constitution of the Kingdom of Heaven or the constitution of the human soul. I am pointing out the characteristics of a constitution and showing that the sermon of the Mt. so called, filled the bill of a great constitution, tho it provides for a different system of gov. & behavior than any other known. I am spending three or four Sundays on this subject. It is causing considerable comment amidst the class. All seem to accept my interpretation as very reasonable yet new & novel to them. This is my own conception which dawned upon my about 10 or 12 years ago but I have never before discussed so completely before. I have mentioned my conception before a number of times for the last 12 yrs. to friends & especially historians & all seem to agree with the reasonableness of my conception.

I have discussed this subject two Sundays. Today I had about 100 students. I hope to get thru next Sun. Last Sun. evening I went to Smithfield as a special request from S.S. and attend religious class meeting I was asked to go to two towns in Benson Stake to day but I couldn't go as I had appointments here. Have attended 3 meetings I spoke in the tabernacle this afternoon by special request today. from Pres. Balliff.on "The Sabbath." There was a large audience of nearly 1000 people. The spirit of the Lord was upon me & the audience. Wrapped attention was upon the audience from start to finish. I read scripture to show that the Sabbath was a command from God to ancient & modern Israel and he gave it that men & animals might rest & men worship him. He promised blessings upon those who obeyed; & he gave it as a covenant & a means thru which Israel could know that He was the Lord God of them. I pointed out that great thoughts came thru quiet & solemnity. The spirit of God is the most subtle force in the universe & for man to feel it he had to prepare himself to receive it thru the quiet & contemplation of the Sabbath. I gave historic allusions of great discoveries of Newton, Kepler, Edison, etc. & that their great discoveries came thru quiet & contemplation. The Sabbath rightly kept shuts one out from hustle, bustle, clamoring of vehicles, & surging humanity, etc. so man could withdraw within in him self & come in communion with the great unseen forces about him that he might know more of those forces & intelligences that formed worlds closed mouths of lions, shut up the heavens, forced water from the sterile rocks of the desert, & raised the dead from the tombs. The Sabbath was for man, & a gift at that, that man could contemplate God, his highest ideal. If man loses his ideal then he fails to progress, etc. These were a few of the thoughts I brought out under the spirit of God in my hours' special. I now feel strongly impressed that at the first liesure moment I shall imbody my speech in a written speech or article & have it published.

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Levon has begun to work of nights as "bell-hop" at the new hotel from 7 P.M. to 7 A.M. He expects to continue his studies in school.

Georgie sent \$50.00 & Leon \$10.00 Dee couldn't pay any thing as he has been out of work most of time since last fall.

I have sent for him to raise enough money to get to Provo so he can go south about Apr. 1. The bank will loan us from \$500.00 to \$1000.00 to get our teams, etc.

I sent Martha \$60.00 for expenses.

I read "The Next Generation" by Frances Gulick Jewett. It is an excellent little work on Eugenics.

Mar. 8, 1915, Logan

School went smoothly. My class in Prin. of Ed. has taken place of Gen. Psyc. for rest of yr. My class of 80 to 90 seem to appreciate my interpretation of the so-called Sermon on the Mt. very much. Some say that it the most far-reaching idea along that line they had ever heard & are much awed to the new idea. If it is a constitution then every man or woman must subscribe to & live it or they can't enter the kingdom of God. Spiritual treason will be to go knowingly against this "Constitution of the Kingdom of God." My sermon on the Sabbath a wk ago is causing much favorable comment & persons whom I never spoke to before have talked to me about it saying that it gave to them a new conception of the Sabbath, etc. I am reverentially grateful to think the Lord aided for some things I said were new in a way to myself.

My classes in Genetics & Prin. of Education have various problems or experiments to work out this Semester. They are testing the mental & phys. abilities of children in the grades.

Our Basketball team beat the U. of U. team 23 to 17 last Sat. night.

I did not go to Benson stake yesterday as expected.

Geo's school is liable to be closed on account of sickness. If so he will soon be back.

Considerable disturbance & change of teachers are taking place at U. of U. & the L.D.S. Uni.

Prohibition bill passed both houses & is waiting for signature of Gov. Spry.

I have recd & written many letters. My incoming mail often = 15 to 20 & as high as 25 letters a wk. I minimize as much as possible my answers I try not to write over 8 or 10 a wk. tho some times more.

Francis has bought one black 1600 lb. horse for us & will try to get other three.

Mar. 16, 1915, Logan, Ut.

Busy, busy is the best way to express the situation. It has

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almost an unbroken struggle for knowledge & service for others for many years. I almost get "brain fag" at times. Up from 11 or 12 M. at night & up at 6 A.M. five days in the week with constant application at work or study, often produces a weariness which makes me, at times, discouraged. Yet let me have a good sleep for an hr. or so & I feel much rested & hungry for more knowledge. It is a literal hungering & thirsting after truth & righteousness with me & has been so for many Christ has said: "Blessed are those who hunger & thirst after yrs. righteousness for they shall be filled with the Holy Ghost." My daily prayer is that I may be filled with God's spirit & that I may be of great service to my fellow; that others seeing my good work may be lead to glorify my "father who is in heaven. I long also for the love of my fellow men. I feel I am of no worth to myself unless I am worth something to others. Surely the Lord sent me here to aid my fellow men. All my days from youth I have aided rather than being I have never recd. but have always tried to give time & means. aided. I am most happy in my life's work. I have often said that it is almost a sin to take money for my teaching for I have so great a joy in my work. I would give my life's labor free if I were able. But as it is I get \$1600.00 from the school & from \$100 to \$300.00 from lecture work on the side.

I went to Providence last Thurs. and delivered my lecture on Astronomy to a large house.

I am still handling the "Constitution of the Kingdom of God" (Sermon on the Mt.).

I am reviewing a number of good bks. on psyc. & education. I am perusion a no. of our best magazines. In the Dec. no. of the Forum is an article on "Polygamy & Fervanism." He (Walker) defends polygamy from a moral, economical & social stand point.

My classes in Prin of Ed. & genetic Psychology are working out a number of experiments. Some of them are the relation of physical condition to mental standing in school; The advantages or disadvantages of starting children to school at 6, 7, or 8 yrs. of age; Retation of bad spelling to physical defects of eyes, ears, etc.; The relationship between bodily defects to dullness, the unawakened, disobedient, & truants; The best method of learning whether line by line, paragraph by paragraph or learn as a whole. etc.; The best methods of teaching of spelling (Othello & Miss Huffacker are working this out); the size & spacing of print which can be read fastest & with greatest ease; children's attitude towards corporal punishment from 1st to 8th grades; Children's ideas of heaven. These are some of the problems they are working out. Some very interesting results are being obtained. They go all of the county to different schools to get the data desired.

I have sent Francis \$320.00 to buy a span of horses & harness.

Sister Caroline Daniels Smoot has just died in S.L. She is Ella's halfusister. She was born in Dunkirk, N.Y. March 20, 1827 She is 88 yrs of age. Her father David White Rogers (my father in law) is a lineal descendant of John Rogers of Smithfield, England in 1554, being

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among the first martyrs to religion in Eng. Her mother was Martha Collins of Mass. Sister Smoot was in Nauvoo when the prophet was killed & attended his funeral. She was then 17 yrs. of age. She has spent many years in temple work at Logan, Manti & Salt Lake temples.

Mar. 21, 1915, Logan,

Since last writing Bro. Fred Turner of the 7th ward died. He is to be buried tomorrow at 1 P.M.

I learn Mother has been ill again but better now.

Martha & the children are well.

I got letters from Francis, Warren Hickman & Lorea.

I attended the Hellewell concert last Wed. It was a musical treat with a soloist, a violinist, a claranetist, & a flutist also a harpist. They were all artists.

I, with Othello & Helen, attended two picture shows this wk.

I attended the High Priest's quorum this morning & then S.S. This afternoon I attended our religion class convention. Miss Huffacker & I explained to the teachers how they could have outdoor lessons the remainder of the yr. (especially if good) and also how to dramatize a number of their lessons of various bible scenes also those of our own history. The plan seemed to meet with immediate favor from all.

Did I say that the boys & I are borrowing \$1000.00 to begin work on our farm? I have sent money for Francis to buy one team & harness: I got a letter from Dr. Talmage saying the brethren did not desire any more publications on the controvercy Bk. of Abraham so my article will not be published now. I doubt the full accuracy of his statement for both B.H. Roberts & O.F. Whitner told me it should be published.

There is a terrific upheaval among the faculty of the U. of U. over dismissing of four professors. As a result 15 or more of their profs. have resigned. Much public discission and various mass meetings are being carried on. It will probably be the means of the change of president of the U. tho so far the Board of Regents are behind the President in his actions. Even most of the students are in rebellion over the dismissal & resignation of so many profs.

#### Apr. 1, 1915, Logan.

School work is a little irksome at times. When I feel it so the students are sure to.

A wk. ago to night I delivered my lecture on Ast. in the 2nd ward. The paper was complimentary of my lecture.

Last Sun. I was to have gone to Lewiston to talk to Parents' class, but I was given the wrong time for the departure of the train.

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I spoke to the S.S. teachers on the nature of early youth & methods of teaching them.

Pres. Jensen took dinner with us yesterday.

My students in Prin. of Ed. also those in Genetics psyc. are doing some good research work. The problems are such that they can generally work them out in form one to two weeks.

Dee & wife are to be up soon from Overton. Vivian will remain here with Helen. Dee & Othello will work on our farm at Monticello. We have signed an other \$500.00 note & will get money to morrow. I am to go home tomorrow afternoon & remain for a few days.

The B.Y.C. under the direction of Bro. Robinson, put on an opera (Florodora") It was most excellent, the best I ever saw by amatures.

#### Apr. 18, 1915. Provo.

I went to Lewiston last Sun and addressed the S.S. as a whole on the meaning of the Sacrament: I spoke to the Parents & theological classes from 11 to 12:50 then in after noon I spoke the various degrees of faith that the saints had & the different degrees of faith to receive different blessings e.g. it takes more faith to restore those suffering with tuberculosis & heart trouble than it does to heal the common ailments. I pointed out that the Saints should have greater faith or we would stand helpless before many of the grievous diseases. In the evening I spoke to the conjoint associations. For favorable comments see journal of clippings.

Last Wed. night Helen Keller & her teacher appeared before a vast audience in the tabernacle at Logan. There were present about 2000 people. She is is a marvel & a wonder. I had the pleasure of speaking with her. By holding her hand on my lips, throat, & nostril she could tell what I said to her. After the lecture I said to her, "The Lord bless you forever." She readily understood what I said & said, "O thank you, thank you." When her teacher (Mrs Macy) introduced her to me thru strimming into Miss K's hand she reacher forth her hand & said: "Good evening Mr. Hickman." True her voice is not natural nor is it monotenous as most deaf person's voices are.

I came south the next morning & rode with Mrs. M. & her party for Mrs. Keller & their secretary & business manager were accompanying Mrs. M. & Miss K.

I came home Thurs & went to Tooele Fri.; met cousin James B. Hickman (whom I had not seen for 20 yrs). He took me to Grantsville where I lectured before a small audience. Admission was charged was partly the cause of the slim attendance. I was given \$25.00 the lecture. Subject: "The Problems of you." James B. came & took me back to Tooele the next morning in his auto. He is 50 yrs old & has a wife & three children living--two are dead. His mother is still living. She is getting quite aged & feeble. Her maiden name was Jane Heatherington She came from Mosco, Michigan. She is the last of her mother's family living. James, or none of his family belong to the church.

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I got back home here yesterday at 2:30 P.M. I leave for Logan at 12:45 P.M.

I took Apostle Whitney to dinner last Fri. & Supt H.H. Cummings took me to lunch last Thurs.

I paid \$18+ on bks. I sold of Whitney's poems to Cummings.

Dee & wife: came last Mon. morning & went to Logan last Thurs. & I missed him on the road. I will see him to night & fix matters so he can start immediately for San Juan Co.

I went to Richmond a week ago yesterday & adjudicated in the contest of re-told stories & oratory for the Benson Stake.

I visited Mother last night.

Our land in Monticello will be thrown open May 20. My family are all well & I am extremely happy to know all is so well.

I feel that I should give a hint as to some of my personal characteristics so generations (my) to come may know something of my personality:

I am 5 ft.ll 3/4 in. tall. I weight from 193 to 202 lbs for the last 20 yrs. or more. I am blue eyed & light complexioned. The pupils of my eyes are not always quite round especially when they contract. This is probably due to a disease of iritis which I had when I was about 12 yrs. of age. Yet my eyes have been weak from infancy especially so when a babe & in childhood. They are now fairly good. I didn't need glasses until I was 33 yrs old. I am rather of a humerous turn of mind enjoying hugely good jokes. A humerous joke scarcely fades from my memory. Yet I am extremely earnest on all sacred matters. I look at life from an exalted point of view.

I had a serious accident when a child of 7 yrs. of age. I had my front finger, middle finger & thumb of my left hand ground in the cogs of a molases mill. My front finger was amputated at the second joint from the end. My middle finger & thumb were saved but somewhat disfigured. The end of my middle finger was cut off with an ax when I was 5 or 6 yrs. old. The patriarch told me when he blessed me (at 19 yrs. of age) that Lucifer had tried to destry me from my infancy. Ι suppose this is true for accidents & grave dangers have followed me from infancy to manhood. I feel I am very kind of heart. I sometimes corrected my first children with the rod (very seldom) but I couldn't endure the thoughts & quit it. I have a number of children whom I have not touched & some whom I have merely given a slap of the I have been urging for yrs that parents cease to whip their hand. children, but rule by their superior intelligence. I think that most people love or respect me yet am persuaded that I have a few carping critics (whether prejudice or just criticism) I am not always able to tell. Yet I think than very few. All seem to be my friends. Tho 52 yrs. of age I am quite athletic, out running & out jumping any one of my age I have ever contested with & as a rule I can beat most o'f those many yrs. younger. . In a ½ mile race the other day I out-ran

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three of the B.Y.C. profs. who were from 15 to 20 yrs. younger than I. I think I can still beat most of my sons in jumping or running. Until I was 44 I turned hand springs & somersaults. My head is between 22.5 & 23 inches in circumferance. If my hair were thick it would measure fully 23 inches.

I have always had my jovial & serious side of life.

I am very tender hearted & spare not effort to aid those in need. I am wonderfully distressed if I feel I have ever injured or been harsh with any one especially my children. I never hit one of my children that I did not pray about it & ask the Lord to give me power to control my children without harshness.

May 15, 1915, Logan.

I went to Richmond & spoke to the graduating pupils of the 8th grade. I there saw a boy (Hurdricks) of 13 yrs old who gives promise of becoming a Whittier or a Longfellow. It is a burning inspiration of his childhood to become a poet.

I went home May 1 and filed on my land (320 acres), Leon & Laura did the same on that day. I spent two nights home with dear Martha & the children. All were well. Sister Lawisch is no better.

I am to teach in the B.Y.U. summer school for 12 weeks for \$250.00

I went to Newton last Sun. & spoke to Parent's class and at the meeting in the afternoon. The occasion was mother's day. It was an excellent meeting. The Lord blessed me & the audience. The occasion was pathetic as I portrayed the lives of mothers & the ingratitude of sons & daughters.

I took dinner with my cousins--Jas. Haskel, wife (Rosie), their daughter & family.

I was called back to Newton Thurs. night to give the graduation address to the graduates of the public schools. I had splendid freedom & many were the kindly expressions of appreciation of my remarks. (see journal of clippings).

I forgot to say I sent Dee & Reginald to Monticello to work on the farm--put in the 103 acres (summerfallowed last yr.) in oats, fence, etc also summerfallow a 100 or so more acres. They are there & work begun. I paid Reg's fare to Moab (\$14.50)

Vivian, Dee's wife & babe are living here this summer. They (D. & R.) have Bro. Snow to aid them put in grain & then they help him or their uncle Francis in return. They have 9 head of horses. Dee has filed on his land & sent the papers here for me to pay fee (\$22.00).

Jas. Haskel asked that I preach his funeral sermon if he dies before I do. I promised him I would if I were within 200 miles of him.

Bro. Johnson brought me back the next morning from Newton in an auto so was in time for my class at the A.C. (7:30 A.M.) I was an

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official last Sat. between U.A.C. & the U. of U. Today I was an official for the state track meet between U. of U.; U.A.C.; B.Y.U. & B.Y.C. Our school hardly got a look-in U. of U. won the meet by 10 points. Two state records were broken & one record tied the word record (220.5 yds. in 21.2 sec by Haymond from the U. of U. The Murdock Ac. athletes beat in the H.S. track meet again again yesterday. This makes the 5th yr. they have won the state meet. The students who have been to the Murdock Ac. can beat the rest of the state if they were to all come together again.

I have spoken twice in the last 3 weeks to the daughters of the Pioneers. I spoke on the heroism of Pioneer women. The theme was so touching nearly all the women wept when I narrated what they (the pioneer women) had done & suffered yet I told it in simplest narrative form.

We had our last number on our Lyceum course. It consisted of a mixed quartet (Graham, Ensign, Ingrham & Dwyer), Miss Romania Hyde (violinist) & pianaist. The concert was excellent.

This awful war is terrible. It is the war of prophecy. Read III Nephi chaps. 20, & 21 also D.&C. 112. Isaiah chaps 12 & 24. The end isn't yet. Not all nations are in who will be dragged in. Our own nation is close to being drawn in. This is surely the war that the messanger showed me some 14 yrs. ago.

## May 24. (Mon.) Logan.

I am thru with most of my term examinations. I am opposed to so many examinations. When an exam. is taken the pupil is no wiser & the teacher is little or no wiser. Themes, bk. reports experiments, etc. wrought out are far more benificial. Some hold the exam. over students to get them to work. It is a form of slave or forced labor. Education should have a higher incentive to inspire students to work. Each of my students in Principles of Education (about 65 in all) have prepared two bk. reports aside from the knowing & discussion of our text (Strayer's Brief Course in the Teaching Process). About 12 or 15 different authors have been reviewed & reported on in the class.

I went to Preston last Thurs. and delivered address to graduates of the public schools.

I finished my work on the life of Christ yesterday in the 2nd ward S.S. I finished discussing the trial & crucifixion of Our Savior.

Last night I went to Hyrum & spoke on this war & the prophetic element in it. Italy has now begun war against Germany & Austra, Hungary and the end is not yet. Francis is here & went with me to Hyrum & spoke part of the time. He is going to Berkley Uni. this summer. He will remain here for a wk. or 10 days. It has been 20 yrs. since he was here before.

I am to go to Fielding Academy & deliver commencement address on Fri. forenoon & the address to co. graduates in the <u>aft</u>ernoon. I went

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to Bear Lake co. and delivered the graduation address to the H.S. graduates at Montplier Thurs. night; on Fri. forenoon I went to Paris & delivered the commencement address to the four yr. graduates (17) from Fielding Ac. In the after noon I gave the address to the co. graduates (170). At night I went back to Montpelier and gave the address to the 8th grade graduates. The Lord was with me in all my speaking. My address to the H.S. graduates Thurs. night was very much appreciated. The opera house was crowded. One prominent gentile & also a minister) was heard to say that the address was the best he had ever heard. The Saints at Paris said my address on Faith (its broad psychological as well as theological meaning) was the best they had ever heard. Some thought I must have been inspired to choose that subject. I also felt I was inspired.

I had much freedom in addressing the co. graduates & Montpelier 8th grade graduates. I felt quite exausted when I was thru. I got home here last night. I was booked to give the Memorial address in the tabernacle this after noon I spoke 40 min. The song service was very good. For comments of speeches see clippings. I spoke this evening in the ward & the Lord was with me again. Surely the Lord has been good to me in my speaking as in many other ways.

My aunt Lois Clark was buried to day. The services were in the 3rd ward Provo at 12 M. I did not learn of her death until too late to take train for funeral. I was desired there to speak at her funeral. I regret I could not go. Mother & uncle Wm are the only two left of grandmother & grandfather Haws' children.

Geo. & Levon have gone to Monticello to work--Levon on the farm & Geo. for wages to help keep them. I had to take Levon from the hotel as he was falling into error & sin by use of tobacco & out of nights.

I talked with my dear wife in Provo this morning also with Levon. It cost 86¢.

We had our baccaleaureate services this morning at 11 A.M. Dr. Widtsoe gave the address. It was very good. He is a good clear logical speaker.

Reg. has filed on 320 acres & I paid \$22.00 for the filings. Up to the present Dee, Othello, Leon, Geo. & Reg. have filed on land we now have 3 sq. miles = 1920 acres. My, what a vast tract of land. Dear Father, I earnestly pray we can secure & retain it & do the required work to hold it & raise grain to pay our expenses & live at the same time. I pray we can redeem every ft. of it and it may be a heritage for us for hundreds of yrs. to come if we so desire.

## June 4, 1915, Provo, Ut.

We had splendid commencement exercises. Apostle McKay delivered the address. It was an excellent effort & produced a profound impression on the audience. It was on June 3 We had 23 Normal graduates from the 6 yr normal course & over 40 four year & normal graduates. Miss Hendricks gave the address for the fourth yr. graduates & Miss

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Lucile Burgoyne gave the oration for college graduates. Their efforts were splendid. I came home the same evening of our exercises.

## June 27, 1915, Provo.

I attended our church school convention held in S.L. June 5, 6, & 7. I gave a 20 min. address upon "Testimony Bearing" on Sun. Our committee on uniform examinations made report on Mon. but I was not there as I had to be in Provo to begin summer school. I am teaching Gen. Psyc.; History of Ed. & Educational Psyc. (I am emphasizing the genetic side of Education psyc.

I am liking my work here very well. We have a few over 200 students and I have over 125 of them in my classes.

Juanita has been very bad with inflammatory rhumatism, but better. Sister Lawisch is growing weaker. I gave the address before the Parents Class today in our ward on the martyrdom of the Prophet Joseph, as it is the 71 anniversary of his death. Dr. Strayer of Columbia Uni has been here & given 10 lectures on prin. of Ed. I liked him very well. Prof. Trueblood has also given two lectures (one Hamlet & the other on making a speech. He paid me a high compliment in Logan, S.L. & here on my oration delivered in Mich. Uni. He said that had it not been for one prejudiced judge I would have carried off the honors. (See his comment in Journal of Clippings).

Melvina Durfey & husband (she is uncle Jason's oldest daughter) are here in Provo for a visit. I had seen her but once before in 36 yrs.

Levon disagreed with Dee, Reg. & Geo. & has left them. They have the grain in (little over 100 acres). Dee was ill but better now. Later: Levon returned to the boys & is doing well.

I am now finishing the 7th Journal of my life. I am many times thankful that I have kept them. They are a source of joy to me tho I scarCely ever refer to any of their contents. They are a joy to think I have preserved much of my life's deeds & thoughts. Yet as I look back thru my records I find I have recorded but one phase of my life. Nearly all my life of counsel with my brethren & sisters is unrecorded. I see I have hardly mentioned my yrs. of labor with young men to reform them & thousands of deeds of charitable acts & duties. My conceptions of philosophy and government are unwritten. My journal hides as well as reveals my life. My life has been one of charity & labor for others. I scarcely ever hold feelings towards others; in fact, I have lived above contention with my fellow men with the rarest exceptions. I can't afford to hold feelings towards any one for it injures me more than it does them. He who hates is generally worse than the one hated.

I am greatly desirous of fulfilling all my Father sent me to do on this earth. One patriarch said I should live until I had done all I was sent to do. I hope I may live to do all I have laid out for myself and long to attain to.

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All is pleasant at our home and happiness reigns. The Lord so far has made me equal to all emergencies & over-ruled things for my I pray He shall not permit me to fail in my labors or in my qood. I long to do much more in my remaining life than I life's mission. have already done. I pray that faith & power shall come to me that my life may broaden & deepen with every yr. I attain. Where I have seen facts & truths may I now see principles & laws. May I be able to comprehend far reaching relationships. May my mind discover new truths & organize them into systems of greater truths. O Father, strengthen every power of my mind that my soul may be a fountain of living truths -- new told as one patriarch has promised me. I want my life to be of mighty service to my fellow men. I feel my life has failed when I have ceased to be of worth to my fellow-men. I have little interest in working for my self wherein I cannot in turn benefit others thru my acquirement. I desire to be a mental, mgral, & spiritual philanthropist to the race.

May the Lord protect me & mine. O Father, preserve my children from sin. Give me power to keep them in purity. May my life be an inspiration for them to follow. May they love me and cleave unto righteousness. O Father, hear my desires for they are daily prayers ascending unto Thee. I feel that fail wherein I fail in turning my children unto Thee. Inspire them & let not sin drag them from paths of purity. O Father, I am troubled over Reginald & Levon. Let their guardian angels hedge them about & preserve them, O My Father. Your patriarchs have promised that no good thing would be denied me worlds without end. Surely my desires are good. May I yet look back upon these longings & prayers and know they have been richly fulfilled upon my head.

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