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Since finishing my other journal, my wife, Martha, and my daughter Marva & I took our auto and went to Yellow Stone Park. We were joined by my son, Othello & family in their car. It was a most pleasant trip from start to finish. We left here last Sat. at 9:10 A.M. and went that day to within about 30 miles of the west entrance of the park. We visited Sun. all scenes from west entrance to Old Faithful. The wonderful landscapes, gysers, boiling pots, gushers, funeroles, gorges, rivers,-- Snake, & Fire Hole rivers with their falls & rapids were wonderful to behold. We stayed at Old Faithful inn or at least at one of their furnished cabins. The magnificent Inn was 123 ft. in height, and most uniquely built. It cost \$750,000. We saw the bears fed--black, cimimon or brown & grizzlies bears. It was a rare sight. We listened to an hr's. lecture on the animals of the Park. It was very instructive. We saw Old Faithful erupt 2 or 3 times. He erupts about every 63.3 min. The next day (Mon) we sped thru the Park along the south & East, visiting and viewing all the wonderous phenomena of West Thumb Lake; took a motor boat ride & caught 3 fish while out. The lake is a beautiful sight the water clear with an average depth of about 300 ft. We saw the paint pots, Dragon's Mouths, followed for many miles Yellow Stone River, viewing the falls and deep canyons & gorges. We were amazed at the wonderful scenes where nature was all a-throb with her life and action. We went as far as Mammoth Springs Mon. night. We stayed there. It rained hard that night. Tues. morning (is) was clear & calm. We visited the Terraces. They out-riveled any thing of the sort we had ever seen before. They were a riot of colors and gloriously artistic in forms. We then visited a few buffalo held in a pasture. There are about 1600 in the Park. There are also thousands of moose, elk, deer & antelope in the Park. We then passed down the west route of the Park to Norris Junction, then we went east to Yellow Stone river and back-tracted to West Thumb Lake (Lake) & stayed all night. The next morning (Wed) we took the southern route & made our exit out of the South gate of the Park down thru Jackson's Hole. The scene was beautiful. We passed east of the Teton Peaks. It was a sublime scene. There they were sterile & rugged, precipitous jagged, cut, worn, gorged, fissured by the denudating hand of time. The highest peak is over 13000 ft. high. We passed over Teton Pass to Teton Valley and on down into the Snake River basin and west to Idaho Falls & on home. We got home at 8:30 P.M. We had only two punctures on our route of 822 miles. We enjoyed every minute we were gone.

Juanita has returned from California.

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Martha (my wife), Juanita & Marva & my self all started south to visit Zion's Canyon, Bryce's Canyon & Grand Canyon (Canyon). We drove

the first day to St. George and visited Leon & family until Wed. morning when we with Leon wife & three children all started for the above scenes. We took one day for Zion's & Bryce's Canyons. On our return hurried trip, coming from Bryces Canyon, just as we reached the top of a raise in the canyon road we were struck in the face with a blinding setting sun with the air filled with white flying dust until for a moment we were completely blinded. I immediately applied my brakes but not soon enough for we ran head-on into a coming car. We greatly damaged our car & considerably so Mr Stratford's (He & family were from Ogden) They could drive on tho the fender & running board were demolished, but I had to remain there until Leon took our two families on into Panguitch and had two mechanics come to me & fix our car so it could be driven into Panguitch. They worked from 6 A.M. to 2 P.M. to put it into shape so we could finish our southern journey. It cost \$19.60 there & when we got home it cost me \$20.00 more for there were fixing of fender taking the dish out one wheel, & straightening the body of the car. It cost a little over \$40.00 but my car seems as good as new. I am to pay for the fixing of Stratiford's car (or I hope the auto insurance co. will, for I have full coverage on my car for all damages to mine & those I injure.)

This accident did not mar our trip much for we enjoyed every hour we were gone. Marva howeverly fainted & was almost hysterical for a short time over the accident but soon recovered and was her self again.

We left Panguitch about 2 P.M. & got to the "U.T. ranch" on Kiabab mountain (19 mi. from Bright Angel Point.) Kiabab is an Indian name meaning "a mountain lying down". The next day we visited Grand Canyon--Bright Angel Point & Mt. Empirial etc. Nature has silently chiselled out a chronological record on a gigantic scale until the tourist stands awe stricken before the only partially interpreted panorama. In fact most visitors are so absorbed over the grandure they seem little interested in having the geologist tell the story of the past.

The receding ages are grand in their silence; great rim & gorges lie thousands of feet below one; pinnacles & mountain buttes signal us from a far, while it is all mantled & filmy draped with the iridescence of ever changing colors so rich in their hues that the artist stands speechless before nature's canvas.

Tens of thousands of acres are covered with great forests. These great forest continue right up to the great gorge. Then for miles across the gorge there are few or no trees.

While there we met my nephew Bliss Finlayson (Josephines son). He was in the transportation department. He is studying medicine in the Jefferson Medical College of Penn. and works for the transportation R.R. Co.

Zion's Canyon is noted for its massive upstanding mountains and towering peaks. They are beautiful, or should I say grand, in their solemn majesty. The Great White Throne inspires one to the feeling of prayer. This is my second trip there.

Bryces Canyon is charming thru its wiered carvings or weatherings and the gorgeous colorings of the cliffs and turrets. I had visited

this scene once before. All these scenic spots make the desert glorious in its beauty. The world are turning their steps to this west land and leaving it, thrilled with its solemn beauty.

We parted ways with Leon & family Fri. after noon about 5 P.M. at LeVerken, he & family going to St. George and we headed toward Cedar City. We got there about 7 P.M. and took a hotel. I went out to see the wrestling & boxing contests that night for Cedar City was in the midst of a 3 days Rodeo. We left for home next morning. After leaving Nephi, Juanita was driving and we were going 50 miles an hr. the hind wheel went off the shoulder of the pavement. This threw the car into a terrific swaying throwing the hind wheels to the right & the left while she was desperately trying to steady the car, but it seemed we would be dashed to pieces. I grabbed the wheel & let the hind wheels swing around & we brought the car to a standstill with the car headed south down in the bar pit. I felt that God or our guardian angels put out their hands and saved us from a violent death. I felt the same in our collision at Bryce's Canyon. We were all reverentially grateful for our protection. We had to stop an hr. or so in S.L. to get our lights adjusted. So we were until 2 A.M. getting home. We were all happy but tired. We got up in time so I could go to S.School.

Since coming home, I have done little work. While on my south trip I was not well; I was bothered with the bleeding of my bladder, but I am better now. My health at times causes me to wonder if I will live to accomplish all I desire so much to do.

I was deeply saddened yesterday morning when my son Eugene called me from S. Lake saying "Lulu has just died here in the Hospital. She was taken there last Thurs for the birth of her child. On Fri. she underwent a Cesarian operation for the birth of her child. She gave to the world a 8 3/4 lbs. baby boy. I was at the hospital during the operation. She revived and did fairly well until about 12 M. mid-night. Mon. she began to have smothering spells. Do what they could the Drs seemed helpless & she died Tues. 7 A.M. Eugene is deeply grieved. This is the 2nd wife he has lost also three of his children. Misfortune has layed a heavy hand upon him. I can't help feeling that God is speaking if we can only interpret his divine language. Some time we will know the meaning of all our sorrows and their hidden griefs & gifts. God, My Father, speak to my son's soul and inspire him that he will understand and joyfully follow Thy guiding hand. Comfort him; bless his family. May their sorrows and misfortunes become a benediction to them all.

Martha & I went down to S.L. yesterday to comfort Eugene. We got back last night a few minutes before 8 P.M. The funeral is to be at 2 P.M. Fri. at the Deseret Mortuary parlors on 7th S. 32 E.

Othello has been doing well in insurance work. He is growing in his work & I feel he will do well while I am away in New York for I expect to leave about Oct. 1. I am intending to make a final study on Evidences of the Bk. of M. This is my object in going to N.Y.

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Martha, Juanita, Valko & I went to S.L. Fri. to Lulu's funeral. The funeral was held in the Deseret Mortuary. Many friends and relatives were present. Excellent music was furnished. Apostle Whitney and I were the speakers. An excellent spirit was there to comfort. It was hard for me to speak because of my emotions, yet the Lord was with me. Bro. Whitney spoke very well. Lulu was placed in one of the crypts of the mausoleum in S.L. for the time being at least. The crypt was sealed up. My heart is heavy over Lulu's death. O, Father, bless her baby that he may grow up to be a mighty man in Israel to repay for the mighty sacrifice of his mother for him. We came back that same evening. We got home at a few minutes of 8 P.M.

I feel good will come out of this to Eugene tho I do not know how. I pray that the Lord will let his spirit be with Eugene & his family that a newer light will come unto him & his. Time will heal the deep wounds and sweeten his sorrows; but Father, lead my son in to sweeter paths and thy spirit guide him & protect him & his.

It is Sun. night. I have given two addresses to day. One to the Seventies of this stake on my recent research of the keeping the word of Wisdom by the High Priests of five stakes. To night, by special request, I delivered a sermon in our ward (1st) on signs of the times and the prophecies which are about to burst upon the earth in their fulfillment. The Lord aided me very much. His spirit was upon the audience as well.

Since coming home I listened to Apostle Talmage's Radio address. It was very fine. I have listened to his addresses nearly every Sun. night for many weeks. He is making scripture thru his addresses which are very valuable to our people and to the world.

I recently read a work entitled "A Brass Hat in No Man's Land." by Brig. Gen. Crosier. It is a revelation of debauchery in the last war amidst the officers as well as with common soldiers. It shows that all Europe turned hoar during the world conflict. I learn that England attempted to suppress its sale, because of its terrible revelation & criticism of the debauchery of war.

We are having a fine monument made for father & mother. It and 7 markers cost \$525.00. I wrote him (Bott) \$5000 insurance with prem. \$176.20, & turned that on the monument. Then Laura, Leslie, Francis, Chas. & I divided the rest a midst our selves making \$76.81 each.

The monument when set upon its base will stand over 4 ft. high. It is the rose pink granit. It is an exceedingly hard granit. We are happy to do this for our beloved parents & dear brothers (3) and our sisters (2)--William Wallace; Elijah Mordicia, Thomas Jefferson, Rose Ella & Edna Estella. How happy I will be when I can meet them all again. They have been most dear to me.

I am trying to get enough money to go to N.Y. to do the research which I have long planned to do. O, Father, aid me to get money to go

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& stay until I have finished that for which I desire to do. O, Father, you have been kind to me & have aided me much. Now if it be thy will, aid me to go & finish the work which I trust will be a great blessing to Israel for generations to come. May my heart rejoice in the work. Preserve me in health; make my mind & brain most elert; quicken my mentality and strengthen my memory for this work and for all my life's work. Will you also bless my family while I am gone; preserve them in life and in righteousness. May my going, make them more thoughtful & blessed. May my life be an inspiration to them.

Oct. 15, 1930 Logan,

It has been over a mo. since my last writing. My life has been a busy one. I spent 5 days in S.L. on business and attendance at semi-annual conference. I attended all the sessions of conference except Sat. forenoon. Many excellent things were said. Some dwelt on our progress in the last 100 years and the great changes in the world's attitude toward us. We have great reason for rejoicing over our present condition; yet there are evils creeping into our church & we will be chastized unless our people repent & live the laws of God better. Some of the speakers fore cast judgments unless the world should repent. They expressed my feelings. If I were to give vent to my feelings, I would say that forces are already at work, events are marshalling themselves for great (great) & unexpected happenings, of famine, war, and other calamities, etc, etc. May Israel live more holy so we may stand in safeway places and be unharmed & unmoved while all the wicked may mourn. There has been a feeling on me for several years that I should and do pray: "O, God, may I or mine never want for bread."

While in S.L. I had very nice talks with Apostles R.R. Lyman, Ivins, & Whitney. I also had a long heart to heart talk with B. H. Roberts.

I am still trying to get my affairs adjusted so I can go east. It seems that my way threatens to be hedged up so I am delayed long past the time when I hoped to get away.

Kyrmel has quit school and gone to S.L. to get work. Gossip has it that he and his girl (Ruth Bennett) are married yet he has not told us so.

I have just completed reading the Bk. of M thru again. I have been reading it thru from time to time since I was a youth. This makes about the 12th or 15th time. Of course I taught it thru for several years. I have read it this time to see if there were any points I had overlooked or forgotten. There were a few. I also did so because I had all the H. Priests of our stake to read it thru in 6 mos. and I felt I should join them in the task.

I am a close student of the leading scientific journals and a few of the best bks.

Juanita is preparing to attend college in San Jose, Calif. this year. She will begin in a few weeks & go to next Sept. Thorval is

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doing well on his mission. Marva is doing well in her last yr. of H. School.

Last night I discussed in brief how to write a speech & how to deliver it. It was before the advance M.I.A. members. I even read the introductions & conclusions of two of my own speeches to show them the value of good beginnings & telling conclusions.

My son Dee had born to him an other baby boy. He wrote me & asked I add another twig to the family tree. The baby was born Oct. 5th.

Oct. 28-30 Logan.

Since I last wrote I have been to S.L. with Othello, my son, checking up with our co. & on commissions due us on sale of stock. We feel a little apprehensive about the sales corporation paying us.

I have made final arrangements with our co. for me to go to New York from 6 to 9 months. I expect it to improve my health; and while there I expect finish my research work on the external evidences of the Bk. of M. I have been gathering data for over 30 years along this line and I now hope to finish it up to date. I realize that new evidences are continually coming to light. I expect to write a book on this work if I can get the time & means.

Apostle Whitney gave me a blessing for my work. I am doing this for the church and I am paying all my own costs, but the Church authorities are getting me a clergyman's pass book for I am to hold my self in readiness to speak & lecture when ever I am called and do any other work desired. I pray to succeed. Things are and have been shaping them selves so I can go. I expect to leave here Fri. morning for S.L. & after getting my ticket I will leave for N.Y.

I am abstaining from all food for 3 days except orange juice. I take a glass of it every hour from morning till evening. I have completed two days and feel fine. At night I drink the juice of grape fruit. Some of the bold facts in the blessing I received from Apostle Whitney were: He petitioned our Father for my wellfare. God was pleased with my life. God knows my heart is pure. He asked & promised that angels would go before me & be my rearward and would be about me to aid & protect me and aid me. I should have influence with great men and I should be blessed in my mind & body to accomplish my work and that friends would be raised up unto me to aid & bless me. He said to go in peace. He prayed for my family--my wife & children & that nothing would mar or prevent my accomplishing my labor which I desired to do for God's cause.

I have made arrangements with our co. to pay Fonnesbeck for his success in getting back my stock which I turned over to the Southern Calif Investment Co. They got it thru intrigue. My stock is turned back to the Western Loan & Bldg. Co. I paid Fonnesbeck \$258.49 for his fee.

My son George W. called me up over the phone from Berkeley, Calif. & told me that he had telegraphed me \$25.00. He is to aid me \$25.00

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a mo. while I am gone on what he owes me on improving & redeeming his land. It is over \$100.00. I am happy for his aid. He tells me the Dr. says he will eventually have a good arm but he will have to keep it in the cast for quite a while yet.

Kyrmel came back home with us from S.L. He is having a hard time to make ends meet due to lack of work. I let him have \$16.50.

Nov. 10, 1930 New York City--521 W--123rd Street

At last I am here again which thing I never expected when I left here a little over 18 years ago. I have longed or wished for the last few years that I could return & do some independent research work on evidences which substantiates the story of the Bk. of M.

I left Salt Lake a wk. ago last Sat. a wk. ago, Nov. 1. I arrived here last Mon. evening about 5 P.M. I took a room on 41st st. & stayed all night. The next day I got in touch with Levar Cord, my neighbor who is here working in the Radio broad casting Co. He has a splendid position. Then I (then) went & saw J.W. Woolf & Son who are owners & promoters of the Amphion Radio Co. He tells me that they are having hard sledging & that it is sink or swim in the new future. I went to dinner with him & his son.

I have a room which costs me \$20.00 a mo just about 30 yards west of where I stayed when I was here before on 123rd st & 521 W.

I have been in the library 4 days searching for rare documents that have certain evidences I need. I am, for the time, working in the New York library. It is the collection or combining of the New York the Lenox & the Carnegie libraries. I expect to put most of my time in the Musium of American Indian. There are over 70,000 volumes on the American Indian. I will have to read like fury to get over the main volumes I desire to read. Many will be read by index to find out just what I want. I have gotten over 8 or 10 already.

I attended S.S. & meeting here in the New York branch. There were near 300 to both sessions. There were a number of Ph.D. men & a number of A.M.B.S. men & women, a large number of college students. The congregation was made up of Utah men & women & eastern converts. It was a most classical congregation from children to gray beards. The Drs. I knew were Calvin Fletcher, Iring, Coffin, Kirkham, Keller, Howard Driggs, and a few others. They are all faithful in the church. It is a case where they are keeping the knowledge of their gospel growing while they progressed in worldly learning. If all students did that, there would be few who would shrivel spiritually.

Yesterday Dr Coffin took a group of us to visit the Spanish museum. It was a rare & instructive survey.

To day I have spent the entire day after 10 A.M. in going to Brooklyn & visiting with the Elders & Pres. James H. Moyle. He is a charming to meet. He studied law in Uni. of M. in the early 80's. He practiced law for many years & was assistant sec. of the Treasury to

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McAdoo(?). In that position he had a wonderful experience.

He has been president of the Eastern States Mission for 2 or 3 years and he makes a splendid president. I am now back in my room at 10 P.M. I had a splendid supper at the mission head quarters with him & family. The cook was a darky girl plump and fat & a good cook she was.

I am hoping I can meet Dr Poffenberger to morrow. He is now acting president of the Psychological dept. of Columbia Uni. while Dr. Woodworth is away on his sabbatic leave.

Dr. Poffenberger took his Dr's degree the year I came up for my degree. His thesis was accepted while my was held in suspense for several months and was finally held in obeysance until I made an other list of a few wks work but I was not much interested in the experiment, but I wanted to perform one which would take from 3 to 5 years on various animals. I well remember Dr J McKeen Cottell pointed to Dr Poffenberger's thesis & said: Mr. Hickman, your thesis represents a broad research & just as critically work out as his. His goes thru with out a hesitency while we hesitate on yours. No one will read his except a few critical scientists, but the whole world will read yours because of its nature. If we accept yours, we will have to defend it & that is the thing we hesitate to do for your thesis over throws a theory of a life time which we did not believe existed. Dr. E.L. Thorndike who was one of the committee said to me: "Mr. Hickman, you have proved your thesis & it is only whining on our part to say it over throws our theories of a life time."

I have written home 3 times since coming also to Geo. & Thorval.

Nov. 19-30 521 W-123st New York

This is the second time I have written in my journal since I came. Well, I have recd. a letter from home and one from Lorea. The letter from home had a letter from Thorval included. He has been changed to another City and made a president of an entire district in cluding several towns and cities. He was much excited over his new honor.

I attended S.S. & meeting last Sun. & then went with J.W. Woolf & his wife to dinner at 177th St. It was a fine dinner.

I have been putting in from 9 to 10 hrs a day in the City Library & here at home. I am reading Hyatt Verrill's "Old Civilization in the New World." It is a wonderful analysis of what has been discovered by the research of the Aborigines of America. His bk. does little else than vindicate the claims of the Bk. of M. tho Pres. Moyle says he does not believe in the Bk. of M. I expect to visit him at The Museum of American Indians in the near future. I am finding some good material for my thesis work. I have been reading Brinton, Hodge, Am. Indian Bourdinot's Star of the West, Dr Pratz's History of Louisiana & what he has to say about the American Indian. Calif. Series of American Authropotogy, Haines Am. Indian, etc, etc, aside from spending a half day trying to find the names Nephi & Sam in Egyptian history

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(literature). It is claimed they are Egyptian names I found Sam & Nehi, but not Nephi. I hope to find it before I am thru. I have found a number of Bk. of M. proper names amidst the American Indian names. I do not know how experts will look upon my finds but I shall find out.

I am writing to night to Bp. Harold Reynolds of S. Lake City concerning an article his father wrote on the Evidences of the Bk. of M. about the year 1895.

I am boarding my self. My food consists of bread, butter, milk & cream, bananas, eggs beat-up in orange juice, dried prunes, a taste of cippered salmon occasionally. Also lettuce & apples. Of course these are not all eaten at each meal but that is about the extremes of my diet. Once in a while I go & get a bowl of soup. Yes, I eat some honey or sugar occasionally. I am going light on sugar. My health is fairly good. My dropsical tendency is about the same.

I met my cousin Minnie Fairbank's youngest son the Dr. (M.D.). He is here doing special work on the eye. He has his family with him.

I met Dr. Poffenberger last week. I was most happy to see him. I find he is at the head of the Dept. of Psychology. He took Dr. Woodworth's place. He has held this position for several years. He looks fine. He tells me he hardly ever touches tobacco. The Dept. of Psychology has more than quadrupled in size since I was here. He has 65 coming up for the Dr's. degrees (Ph.D.) and more than 100 for their A.M. Degrees. He is the gentleman who got his degree the time I came up for mine. I mentioned him on p. 18. He is a splendid character.

Nov. 23, 1930 New York City.

I have spent the week researching in the city library. Amidst other bks. and magazine articles I have read (completed) Old Civilizations in the New World by A. Hyatt Verrill.

I attended the M.I.A. session Thurs. night. It was a splendid session. Dr. Howard Driggs gave the first of two lectures on the literature of the Bible. It was a very lucid discussion of the Bible, its mechanics, etc. He is a very effective speaker and is well versed in his subject.

Have written to Felton, Othello, Dee & Vivian, Pearl Hyde (my ½ cousin). I sent her some Hickman names which I found in the geneological library). I attended S.S. & meeting to day. The house (room) was literally packed with over 300 persons Dr Howard Driggs gave a Thanksgiving address. He reviewed the first Thanksgiving day in Am. & gave the settings & the conditions surrounding the colony, etc. Then he turned his attention to Our Pioneers of Utah and our first Thanksgiving day after the scourge of crickets. Then reviewed the progress in civilization, learning, comforts, etc etc. and showed the multitude of things (of things) we should be thankful for today. It was a splendid effort. I deeply appreciated the entire address. He is at the head of the English department here in the New York Uni. I spent the rest of the afternoon in reading the paper & Literary Digest and sleeping for an hr. I could easily be home-sick if I would let my mind dwell

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on that good woman who has sacrificed so much for me & mine. Then I would be doubly home sick if I would let my mind gather in the names & faces of my beloved children and what they are doing in the world. But I see them all in my mind's eye and say: "God bless you all" and turn my mind to other problems so I will not be wrecked in talking to those who do not hear me and so do not reply.

I met today some new faces of our people from the west--Dr Bowen & Edith Bowen my former students of yrs. ago. Edith was one of my training teachers in the B.Y.C. Dr. Bowen has asked me to dinner for next Sun.

I met Sister Eliza Stewart, my cousin's (Andrew) 2nd wife. She is here living with her daughters. She has three of them here. I had not seen her before for about 18 years. Time has chiseled a story of sorrows, misfortune, & varied experiences upon her face. Nor has time forgotten to chisel his marks of time. She looks hallowed with her long life of toil. Time had so carved his marks of age that it was hard for each of us to recognize the face of other days.

Nov. 28-30 New York

Yesterday was Thanksgiving and stayed in my room and wrote home and to Thorval and read Sec 76 D. & C. and uttered my gratitude in prayer. I sat and counted my "blessings one by one." Then at about 5 P.M. I went to a "25¢ talkie." It was real good. On my way home I went in and had a 60¢ turkey supper. It was turkey (not too much), dressing, bread & butter, sweet potatoe and appleauce.

This morning I got a letter from home and it made me sad because of the stringency of money matters due to taxes & other bills tho there were \$237.50 came into the home this month. It will be easier after this for a few months.

I recd. \$25.00 from Geo. this wk. This makes \$50.00 he has sent me --one \$25.00 was just before I left home. I will have enough to keep me going for 3 or 4 mos. more if all goes well with me.

Dec. 10, 1930 New York 521 W-123 st.

It has been nearly 2 wks. since I wrote. My daily grind is at New York City Library and here in my room. I have been reading School Craft on the Am. Indian also Bancroft on the Native Races, Adair, Priest, Baron Humboldt, "The Occident" on the Mose Stone; P de Roo, Sjodal, & others. I do not make the headway I should like. Have written home, Fonnesbeck, Lorea, Leon Dee & Vivian.

I have attended S.S. & meeting each Sun. Last Sun. I also attended conjoint meeting & heard Dr. Francis Kirkham lecture on "Our Ideals." It was a very fine analysis & sweet in spirit.

I attended two lectures given by Dr. Howard Driggs on the "Literature of the Bible." They were splendid addresses.

Have recd letters from Martha, Juanita, Dee & Vivian. I feel my health is better. I put in about 9 hrs. a day studying.

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Dec 14-30 New York.

Have written this wk to Martha, Juanita & George. Have recd three letters this wk. from Bp Harold Reynolds, Martha, my wife & Pearl Hyde, my cousin. It is the Sabbath. I attended S.S. over at Brooklyn today. Most of that branch are made up of Germans and most of them were born in Germany for most of them have pronounced dialects.

I addressed the Parents Class on the standard of Zion socially, educationally, morally, etc, and showed our place in the progress of the world. I was to a banquet given at the Men's Faculty Club at the Columbia University (Morning Side & 117th) last night given by Fred G. Taylor, the Branch Pres. of Manhattan Branch. This banquet was given to all returned missionaries who reside here in this branch. There were about 70 of us. There were a few others present some ladies making over 70 present. It was a most enjoyable evening. The supper was very good. We had some very witty speeches & some very sincere. We had some splendid singing from Margaret Taut Browning. Amidst those returned missionaries were big lawyers, medical men, bankers, business men, teachers, architects. One was a Bro. Horsely from Brigham City, Ut., a cousin of mine. He has been here for 10 or 12 yrs. in architectural work. Some were here attending universities. Pres. Jos H. Moyle & wife were with us. It was a most enjoyable night from 1:30 to after 11 P.M. In the hall where we had our banquet hung a life sized oil painting of Dr. Chas. Anthon Prof. of Greek, & Latin. It was he to whom Martin Harris took a copy of the characters of the Bk. of M. plates. If I had the time I would review that interview as well as the contrivarsity that followed for yrs. This may be read in John Henry Evans' "Hundred Yrs. of Mormonism."

Before leaving the subject of the banquet let me say that all were loud in their praise for the generosity of Pres. Taylor aside from being Pres. of the Manhattan Branch, he is a big sugar man for the Utah Sugar Co.

I visited last Fri the Heye Museum on 157th St. where there are displayed relics of the ancestry of the Indian as well as the present race from Mexico to Alaska. It was a most wonderful (the) collections of stone & other implements, basketry, woven fabrics, jars, mummies, etc. etc. I am to go back to morrow & finish the hurried survey.

I met at Brooklyn branch today Dr. Thatcher Jones who used to be one of my students in the B.Y. University. He is a PhD. man and a teacher in one of these universities.

Dec. 21, 1930 New York City.

This has been a sad week for me. I recd word that Louis S. Cardon died last Sun. about 4 P.M. of heart attack. He is the father of Rebecca, Valko's wife. It was a great shock to every one who knew him. He has lived a most splendid life of christian virtue. He has been most active in church & state affairs. He has held various offices of trust & prominence. I have written his wife Rebecca & family a letter of condolence. He was 61 yrs of age. He is well known in 2 or 3 of our western states. He has been so chaced, humble and yet incessantly active. He has left his family a rich name but few of worldly goods.

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God bless his name and his family. He and I have a grandson (Louis Cardon) & a grand daughter in common. My heart is sad over his death. But why mourn? Death is the triumphal reward of life. But we mourn for our selves forgetting or inspite of his reward. *See pp 63-66 for letter.

I visited again the "Museum of the American Indian Heye Foundation" and had long talks with Drs Seville & Bruno Otteking on the Am. Indian. Dr Oetteking gave me his Pamphlet "The Skeleton from Mesa House, A Physical Investigation." He is a professor in the Columbia Uni.

I quite enjoyed my visits with those professors also with Schelbach who is one of the researchers of that institution. He has done much work in Nev.--on the Lost City & else where. I have not gone as much work as I hoped to do this week.

I recd. a telegram from Martha asking if I would settle for about half what a widowman was owing me & I replied, "yes."

I wrote to George, Martha, Juanita & Thorval. Martha rec'd about \$400.00 last wk. to help settle up some of our accounts.

I am to speak at Brooklyn Branch to night. I am invited to take dinner at Fred G. Taylor's home Xmas day.

Dec. 26-30, New York

I delivered the address at Brooklyn branch. There was a fine house of most earnest listeners. Prof. Osmond was there also and Dr Thatcher Jones who is one of the Branch presidency. He married my Cousin's (Will Clark) daughter, Glenette. They have 3 children. I was happy to meet her. Dr Jones is a professor in the New York Uni.

I was invited to Pres. Fred G. Taylor's place for Xmas dinner by his wife.. I had a most enjoyable time. The dinner was a most delicious one with turkey, cranberry jelly, dressing, mushrooms gravy, etc. etc. I found the family a most loving & congenial one. It was so refreshing to meet so beautiful a family in spirit & love. A brother Jensen (an architect here in N.Y.) was a guest also. He is a fine young fellow.

My health has not been the best for the last few days. My pulse got down to about 44 beats a min. & it took two strychnine tablets & two cups of coffee to bring my pulse back to 50 a min. I have it back from 55 to 64 now by taking strychnine tablets. When my pulse get so low I am weak, logy, dull of thought & I feel I am nobody. I slept last night & to day over 12 hrs. I have not been out to work to day. I sayed in my room, read a little, wrote a little & feel well to night.

I got letters from home, Rebecca, Valko's wife. She sent me \$1.00 for an Xmas gift. She was heavy hearted over the death of her splendid father. I couldn't keep back the tears when I thought of her sorrow & the great loss of their home.

I rec'd presents from Radino, Leon, Juanita, & Martha. They sent me shirt, ties, handkerchiefs, silk socks, nuts, raisins, figs, candies,

etc. What a wonderful outpouring of gifts and what makes it like coals of fire on my head is that I sent them nothing. I felt I was so far away & did not know what they needed.

My sister Laura sent me \$5.00 for an Xmas gift. George just sent me another \$25.00 check. I do appreciate his aid.

I have not, as yet, gotten a letter from Thorval since I came here.

The want in this city is great yet hundreds of thousands, yes, millions are being raised to feed the hungry. Crime is terrific as never known before in this section. It is not only the racketeers, common holdup, etc. but they are finding robbery being carried on by judges, police & attorneys. Scores of them are being brought before the courts for trial. Crime has greatly increased the last yr. It looks as though the hour is already approaching when nations will be so full of crime & anarchy that the cry will go forth: "Come out of her, O, ye my people, that you be not partakers of her sins or receiver of her plagues."

I went again this week to "The Heye Foundation Museum of Am. Indian & studied the collections from South, Central & North American Indians. I had short talks with Dr. Oetteking & Schellback. I made Dr. O. a present of the Bk of M. which he is to read.

I spent 3 days in the City Library this wk. so far. Yes, I rec'd a nice letter from Othello.

January 1, 1931 New York (521 W-123 St.)

It is the New Year with hopes and fears; with her promises for something better for earth's children. I went down in the city on Broadway and Times Square after leaving the Library at 8 P.M. I attended a movie and was out at about 11 P.M. When I came out the side walks & streets were just one mass of seething mob of humanity going or coming. Horns were already in evidence by the thousand besides every thing that could aid in heightening the din. By 12 M. when there was flashed the great sign "1931" from the Time's Building or tower. Then the din took on added force and candimonium was turned loose. Every one was in good humor. Nearly every body seemed to have a squawk, a horn, a bell, a whistle, a rattle or some other "what-not" to add his might to the sea of commotion. The police--afoot or on horseback--did all they could to keep the people from being run-over by street car, auto, & large vans tho there were not many of these except on cross-streets. The autos were conjested half the time. The police tried hard to break-up serpentine dancing. At about 12:30 you could see some who were under the influence of liquor. By 1:30 A.M. there were many, including some women. I understood that thing would go on with increase until morning. I learned the hotels were full of guests more or less hilarious with drink. The city had passed a law that confetti could not be thrown & it was dangerous & spread disease & injury to eyes for when it got 3 or 4 in. deep on the street the crowds would grab it up by hands ful & throw into the faces of each other.

I decided that 1:30 A.M. was late enough for me, so I took the subway for home.

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I send Martha, yesterday, a painting--a crown of Thorns." It represented the head & face of the Savior. It was a wonderful view of the tragedy of by-gone ages. My heart ached at the sight of it.

I sent my little grand children at Logan some rubber balloons. They can be blown to 6 or 7 ft. in length & as large around as a large arm. I went this afternoon & saw the photo play of Geo. Arless in "Old English."

I sent some more Hickman names from North Carolina who were alive at 1790, home to Pearl Hickman Hyde.

I met by chance a Mr (Prof.) Chandler & wife at the City Library this week, one evening. They had some photos of Jos. & David Smith & they were uncertain as to just their identity & they had gone to the library to see if they could get any data which would help them in clearing up the identity of the photos. They had met Dr. Francis Kirkham a few minutes before. I, by accident, walked up to them. When Dr (Bro) Kirkham explained what they wanted they asked if we would go to their place, 59th St & look over their photos. So we did. They proved not to be the prophet Jos. but his two sons--Jos. & David. Bro. Kirkham could not stay long as he had to go to Long Island & it was then about 10:30 but by request I remained until about 11:30 and talked with them about the Bk. of Abraham for this Mr Henry Chandler was a descendant of the Chandler who sold the parchment & mummies to the prophet Joseph. It was a great joy to them to learn the whole history of that event. We may meet again. They are to look up the Pearl of G. Price & read the Bk. of Abraham & the Bk. of M. I sent them my Radio address on the Banishment of the Mormon People in as much as I had explained to them our history & expulsion.

Jan 11, 1931 N. York

I have spent the day attending S.S. & meeting. We had fairly good services. In S.S. we discussed the tobacco question." I find quite a spirit of liberalism concerning the use of tobacco by some few of our people. I took quite an opposite view. I said that tobacco has not been brought to the bar of justice & received its full condemnation.

This after noon I read & slept till about 9 P.M. Now I am writing in my journal and reading the scriptures. I feel in my soul the coming of calamitous events (coming). In fact, there are upon the nations even now in the form of want--dire want & increasing crime. Our nation seems to lead them all in crime. God is struggling for recognition & improvement while crime augmenting furiously. Pray God that heaven will aid the good & subdue the evil.

By special request I went to Brooklyn last Tuesday evening and discussed evidences of the Bk. of M. before the convention of the Eastern States mission. They were having a 3-day's convention. I was glad to aid them & went & discussed principally evidences of the Bk. of Ether. I talked 1 hr 10 min. Then President Jos H. Moyle threw the meeting open for questions. Then they quizzed me for 1½ hrs. as fast as I could ans. their questions. Pres. Moyle & the elders nearly wrung me dry on Bk of M. evidences. We were in session over 3 hrs. I got back to my room after 12 M.

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I got an appointment with J.E. Homans at his residence Fri. night. We talked for 2½ hrs. He is the Dr Webb (non-de-plume) who so valiently defend the Bk. of Abraham at the time Rev. Spaulding with 8 Egyptologists, made such an attack upon it. He has written two works in defense of Mormonism since then, viz. "The Real Mormonism," It is the finest learned desfense ever put forth as a complete survey of our beliefs & practices. His second work "The Case Against the Mormonism" I am just reading. I read it in part, but Mr. H. has made ma a present of a copy so I am finishing it. I read his larger work when it first came out. I enjoyed my night with him. I find him (him) a keen thinker with a most elert mind. I learn that he has said that he would join the church if he were good enough. I also learned from Pres. Jos. H. Moyle that Mr H. feels that the Mormons have neglected him after all that he did for them. Yet I think he was paid pretty well for what he did.

He knew of me thru my sister Laura whom he met when she was here studying about 7 yrs. ago. He also knew of me thru my writings in the Era. He has a high regard for our doctrines.

I am taking nearly all my meals here in my room. Occasionally the lady on the same floor cooks a vessel of rice, beans, spinich or a chicken for me. I am glad to pay her for her kindness. It is much cheaper than eating out. I live on less than 50¢ a day. I have plenty of bread milk, cream, butter, bananas, cellary, head-lettuce, oranges, grape fruit, apples, etc. I change or modify my diet when ever my appetite suggests. I have recd letters from home, Fern, Thorval (which his mother sent me), Vivian & Dee. I did not get so very much done on my research work this wk. I must do more next wk.

Jan. 19 1931 N. York.

I have been having some photo static work done in the City Library on the wanderings & origin of the Aztecs (Nahuans-Nephites). It is wonderful how two of those Codices agree with the account in I & II Nephi. I have been getting certain hierglyphs photostated as well as certain Indian legends or traditions of the Modocs & Indians of the great Lakes.

I received several letters from my children & Martha. I got two letters from Thorval, the first I had received since coming here: He is working hard to look after his district of 6 or 7 cities & towns. He is traveling most all his time.

I received a letter from Juanita written in Oakland, Calif. asking my consent to be married to Bro. Whitehead. He can't get his furlow until this spring or summer so they can't be married in the temple, but will be next summer. I telegraphed my answer of willingness. & followed it with a fine letter of love and best wishes. I hope she keeps the letter for future reference. It should be kept. I should have kept a copy my self.

Bro. Whitehead is president of the Roseville branch. I am happy she is married and pray eternal happiness and blessings for her & hers.

I went and visited John T. Hand who used to be an assistant teacher in the Emery Stake Ac. with my brother Francis.

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He has made a great success in vocal and instrument music. At one time he had the promise of A Caruso, but he forgot his covenants to his God & his growth did not fully materialize yet he is one of Utah's greatest singers & teachers of music. He has been married a little over two years to his second wife--a very fine girl formerly from Penn. She is a splendid pianoest herself. He is a teacher of vocal music & gets \$15.00 a lesson. He is working on an opera which gives big promise of a success. I had a splendid visit with him & wife from 8:30 to 2:10 A.M. I am to go back & spend an other evening with them & their friends. I have a feeling that if I could be with him I could awaken again that spiritual tone he once had.

Feb. 7-31. New York.

It is Sat. night and I haven't done much today. I had a half hour's conference with Dr J. McKeen Cottell at his office in the Grand Central Terminal Bldg. I phoned yesterday for an appointment with him. On meeting him he said: "Well, Dr Hickman, you look like you did when you were here before. How long has that been?" I replied that it had been 18 yrs. He could not realize that it had been so long ago. I had a most enjoyable visit with him. The entire time was a rapid fire of ques. & answers from both sides. He is editor of "Scientific Monthly," "Science," School and Society and, as I remember two other magazines. He is head of the largest Scientific publishing Co. in America. He seems to be in good health and quite talkative. He and Dr. Thorndike insist on calling me Dr. tho they never formerly voted it.

I went to the library for a 4 hr. study & then went to Mythus' home. I took two books to him as I had agreed.--One was a Bk. of M. which I made him & his wife (Anne) a present of and loaned them "The Old Civilization in the New World" by Virrill.

I must explain here that I met Myrthus (my son) & his wife last Sun. He had gotten my address from Felton & hastened to call me up. So last Sun. he met me at our church and I went to dinner with him & his wife. I was glad to meet him. He has improved in some ways tho he uses tobacco but I feel he will quit for his health isn't the best. He has a very fine wife. Her maiden name was Anne Brandreth. She is tall dark hair & eyes. She may be called pretty. She is refined and well educated & is an expert dress designer & makes splendid money at this profession. She designs the costumes & others make them up. She was born & raised here in the state of N.Y. I like her very much. She is pleasant to talk with & is refined in her manners. She & Myrthus seem to get along very well--they are congenial & happy. Myrthus is to play here soon. He had been in Chicago playing for several months. He makes from \$150.00 a wk to \$250.00 wk. He has been out of work for some little time. I am urged to take dinner with them tomorrow afternoon; so I shall.

I am reading in part or whole a number of bks. I went thru twenty five or thirty in the last two weeks. I am having a number of photo-static copies of cuts, designs, & tests made which is costing me quite heavily.

Pres. Moyle, wife, daughter & son came over last wk. and I showed them the evidences of the Bk. of M. thru the Codices of the Mexican

wanderings. I have been reading Bancroft's 5 vols. on the Native Races also his 1st vol. on Mexico, also School Craft, Shetrone, Annual Reports of Smithsonian Institution (17 of them) Journals on anthropology, C. Coltin, Fewkes, Hrdlicka, Earl Morris, Marsh on white Indians, Hewett & many others.

I rec'd \$25.00 from my son Geo. Jan. 2- & \$57.50 from Martha.

I have met Dr. Joshua Bloch, a noted scholar in Hebrew & Semetic languages. He is desirous of getting a few pages of Dr Miller's translation of the Bk. of M. into Hebrew to compare them with the English text. So I have sent to Apostle Jos. F. Smith to get a photostatic copy of a few pages.

Dr Bloch a monograh of his on "Josephus and Christian Origins." It is the most analytic and thorough going criticism I have ever read on the controversy over certain passages in Josephus concerning the Christ & the arguments pro & con concerning Josephus' being a christian.

Dr. Cottell gave me a pamphlet containing the history & growth of Psychology in America & Europe which he wrote & delivered before the The Congress of Science about 2 yrs. ago.

Juanita was married per program Jan. 17, and is very happy.

I have received letters from Vivian, Dee's wife, Eugene, Othello, Fern, Helen Marr, Martha (my wife) & others. I am losing some flesh. I now weigh 187 lbs. When I came I weighed 204 lbs. I think this is in my favor to weigh less.

Feb. 16-31 New York

Last week I spent nearly all my time in bed or on my bed. I was suffering some what with bladder-trouble or prostate inflammation. I am much better this week. I spent about 6½ hrs. in the library today getting evidence that the Indian tribes, north & south have similar customs & purposes in their modes of dances, rejoicings to that of the ancient Hebrews. It is phenominal how close they parallel each other, etc. I was asked yesterday morning (Sun) if I would speak at our mid-day meeting which I did. I took for my theme the the meaning of prophecy & the power it should have on the world. I pointed out that more than half of Isaiah's prophecies were in the course of fulfillment or some are about to burst upon the earth now. I reviewed the Roman Emperor's (Julian) effor to defeat and set a side the Savior's prophecy concerning the scattering of the Jews, etc. & his abject failure. I then reviewed two prophecies which had been or one which is about to be put in opperation, in fact the forces are already in operative. Though I only had 30 min. to unfold my theme & drive some salient points "home," Yet I am told that the audience was thrilled with what I said and greatly pleased.

I have rec'd letters from my dear wife Martha, also Marva my youngest daughter. She sent me her High School marks for the 4 years. She averages about 94 or 95% for the entire time. It is a splendid record for any one to make. She is very bright and an earnest worker. In my

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reply to her letter I said, "You are your mother's girl and your father's daughter--brilliancy from your mother and endurance from your father." I said: "God bless you my daughter, for ever & ever."

Martha let Kyrmel have money \$35.00 to go to Calif. to see if he could get work & be with his wife (at Visalia) at the approach of motherhood.

I learn that brother E.S. Hammond, one of our bishoprick has just died of pneumonia. He was a noble character. It was just before I came that he & I rode to S. Lake on the U.I.C.R.R. and had a long conversation on life & death. His health has been poorly for several years. At that time I told him that I appreciated his life & works. He has been one of the temple workers for several years.

I took Dr. J.E. Homans to dinner a wk. ago & had quite a talk with him on some of the data I am getting, specially on the Aztec maps portraying pictographically the origin & travels of the ancestry of the native races. In the evening I took supper with Myrthus & his wife. I am to take dinner with them tomorrow at 5:30 P.M.

Feb. 22, 1931 New York City.

It is Sun. evening and I am here alone. I went to our Branch conference today. It was a wonderful conference. A boy of about 12 or 14 years of age gave a 10 min. talk on Washington and applied his life to the 12 or 14 points of the life of a scout. It was phenomenally done. He showed that Washington's entire life filled the oath & life of a boy scout. I think the boy's name was Hagland. His mother sat on the stand as one of the ward's officers and her honest face fairly beamed with delight and well it might. We had some splendid music from a male chorus and from the Tauts--violin, piano & vocal solo. Bro. Wilkinson of the district presidency gave an almost classic review of the district, its growth, its present status and then gave some timely advice on the value of tithe paying & the attitude of some of our young people attending college & neglecting their church duties.

I did some very good work this week on my research work. I reviewed about a dozen bks--They were 2 Vols of Bureau of Ethnology Joyce on the Indian, Blumenthal "In Old America," Spinden, Mooney Saville and others. The claims of the Bk. of M. are being wonderfully vindicated by the accumulating evidence. I am completing F. Whitney's "Through Memories Halls," and also reading Pershings serial history of "My Experiences in the World War." He played a bold and a noble part in the war.

I took supper with Myrthus & wife & friend Tues. evening.

I rec'd my \$100.00 for Jan. It should have been sent to Martha. It has been held up due to a slight misunderstanding. It will not occur again. Recd letters from Martha & Lorea. I wrote letters to Martha & Lorea also to Pres. Marcusen, Morris, & Garnette. I wrote & complimented Dr. Cottell on his masterful address. I also sent him my Radio address on the Story of the Banishment of the Mormon People.

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Mar. 1, 1931 New York

I have not done much work this wk. I was layed up with bad cold which has left me degenerizied & spiritless. I went to see Myrthus in the play he was in entitled "Paging Danger." It ran only 5 or 6 nights & the play was so furiously criticised by theatre critics that it was closed last night. I thought it a good play. It was a bit wiered. The setting was a Russian queen or princess in disguise in this or some allied country with her aunt, uncle, & one of the men servants. She hired out as a servant & the others likewise. But the critics were unmerciful in their criticism so the managers closed the show at the end of the first week. Myrthus played his part well but I didn't like his part so well. He was one of the players that got no criticism. A show to pass the critics must be of high class or filling the bill well it represents and the players must well adapted for their parts.

I have spent most of my time this wk. on volumes of the Ethnological Bureau of Washington or other Ethological journals. I finished Blumenthal's "In Old America"

I got a nice letter from Juanita. She is very happy for which I am very grateful.

I have not heard from home, except a letter from Othello. He is doing well in his work. I wrote two letters home this last wk. but so far no reply or from a letter from wk. before.

Mar. 11-31 N.Y. City

It was the same grind last week at the Library. I went thru 15 or 20 volumes gisting that which is what I need. I reviewed mostly Bureau of American Ethnology. I am now nearly thru with all the volumes from 1878 to the last volume. I find that the work I am now doing dovetails in with most I have gone over showing I am completing a circle in my work. I am checking over Bancrofts History & Conquest of Mexico by Prescott also Spinden, Starr Biart, McClintock (Old Indian Trails); Six Monograms by Starr, Foundations of Old & New World by Zefia Nutall, etc.

I did not work two days last week due to inability. I feel fine this wk.

I took supper Mon. evening with Myrthus & wife & left \$5.00 to aid them. They are both out of work & are almost in want. George sent me \$25 Mar. 2.

I finished "Thru Memory's Halls"--An Autobiography of Apostle Whitney. It is an excellent review of his life. He has dwelt on the high spots of his life. I see that my name was mentioned twice in it (p 402 the last time). He says that none of his friends had been more helpful to him than my sister Laura & I had been.

I took charge of the S.S. class last Sun. for Dr. Harvy Fletcher.

Sister Taylor invited myself & 4 others to take dinner with her. So we all went & had a very fine dinner.

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I took Myrthus & his wife to supper last wk. I recd a letter from home and she (Martha) sent me Ky's & Thorval's letters as well. Ky. is still out of work but is hustling like fury in Calif. for work. Thorval has been given a new district to preside over. It is even larger than the one he had. He now leaves Frankfurt & goes to Zwicken district.

Othello is doing very well in insurance work. Last month only 3 surpassed him. He fell from his house two wks. ago & badly injured his feet. He will be some time getting over it. It could have been worse had he not landed on his feet.

Mar. 14, 1931 N.Y.

Have reviewed Peabody Museum of American Archaeology; one Vol. Bureau of Am. Ethnology on Mexican Antiquities; Still reviewing Prescott's conquest of Mexico (Edition of 1922, Edited by T.A. Joyce. He says Prescott most reliable & correct in his work. He had but few errors); Bancroft's Mexico Vol 9, also Atwater's "Antiquities" These are most of the works reviewed this wk.

I have been feeling very well this wk. I have begun to write my book or findings. I think I shall spend most of my time now writing my findings for I have reviewed some hundreds of volumes & find I have tapped all leading sources on the researches of the American Indians. I pray now to be guided in gisting, classify my data and put them into a clear & readable volume.

I have received letters from my daughter Juanita at Roseville, Vivian Hickman, Dee's wife at Koalin, Nev. Marva from home & Thorval from his mission. Juanita wants aid in writing & learning a speech for she has been chosen to be a home missionary for Apr. in all their district. Thorval wants some scriptural information and information on some theories of belief etc. So I am staying in my room today (Sat.) and answering their requests; also writing my wife Martha and comforting her over her worries, etc. I feel now I must hurry & return home for I feel I am needed there. Geo. has also written but I see I recorded it on p. 46.

Mar. 25, 1931 N.Y.

Have been busy in my research work. I am beginning to put my notes in shape writing them as a first draft.

I went last wk. & took supper (dinner) with Myrthus & Anne, his wife.

I attended S.S. & meeting and in the evening I addressed the German meeting by special request on the subject of prophecy. By their request I reviewed considerable of my former speech because quite a number of the Germans could not understand all I said in my first address. So Surr. evening at 6 P.M. about 60 Germans met at Steinway Hall to hear my views on prophecy. A German brother interpreted my speech as I went along. The meeting was 1 hr & 40 min & then they held me there nearly an other hour asking me questions. They were so grateful to hear me & learn as they said, so much about prophecy and its great value in the earth.

I have written 3 or 4 letters but have rec'd none except one from my nephew, Bliss Finlayson, my sister's son who is studying medicine in Philadelphia, Penn. He asks I come & visit him & speak to their meeting any Sunday I can get away. The president of the branch, Homer, asked Bliss to get me. I may go later, can't tell just yet.

My health is very good of late. I attended two picture shows in the last two weeks.

I completed Bro Whitney's autobiography. It is a very brilliant work. I so wrote him, I have followed Prshing thru the world War or at least to Oct. 28. He is nearly thru his publications. It is a master analysis of those trying times. It is an almost a super-human task he performed. He not only had to build & largely train a nearly 2,000,000 American Army and break down Germany's world fighting machine, but he had to fight the French & English officers & their statesmen who were determined to divide up our army with theirs and destroy the possibility of building an American Army of our own. His methods of training an army was superior to theirs & the power & daring of our men astonished the European Generals. The allies would nor could have won the war had we not gone to their aid. Germany felt our power was the greatest force opposing them. General Pershing is one of the greatest generals of the ages.

I went & visited for an hr., J.E. Homans & took him my Dr. Thesis. He desires to review it for for certain data I have in it.

I sent to see Dr. Pupin, author of "From Immigrant to Inventor" last Sat. but he was ill and he asked that I leave my name & address & he would write me when he was well enough to receive visitors. So I did.

I had quite a nice visit with Dr Davis the Physicist of Columbia for half an hr. I was seeking some knowledge concerning the exact facts of what had been done in causing stones to glow thru radio or X-ray activity etc.

Apr. 5, 1931 N. York

It is Sun. night and I have just finished J.E. Homans, elias Rbt. C. Webb book entitled "The Case Against Mormonism." For being a non-Mormon, he has builded a strong defense for the church.

I attended Sun. School & meeting to day. It was an excellent gathering. It was fast day and Easter Sun. We had excellent music and a splendid address by Dr. Howard Driggs. It was deeply appreciated by the audience. He is a splendid god-fearing man. The Lord has let some of his mantle of glory rest upon him and I so expressed this in my complimenting him on his excellent sermon. He deeply appreciated my kind expression of him. I went and saw a very good photo-play this after noon.

I am to go with Anne, Myrthus' wife tomorrow evening and see Green Pastures. Myrthus got us complimentary tickets.

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Anne & Mrs Revier came to our S.S. meeting to-day. They very much enjoyed it.

I have been writing most of the wk. on my research. I have a few Chapters written out in the rough. I also reviewed a few bks viz. Wissler's American Indian; J.T. Williams "The Well of the Sacred City" which he wrote mostly from the research of Edward H. Thompson's 30 years research in the Maya land especially in the ruins of Chi-Chew Itza and the "Sacred Well.", where the ancestors of the Maya offered the sacrifice of beautiful maidens & threw them in that mighty well of 200 ft across one way & 185 ft. the other. It was 70 ft. to the water & the water was 60 ft. deep. Dr. Thompson was the first man to search this well thru dredges, & diving suits. The finds revealed one of the most gruesome stories of human sacrifice and also the endless articles of fine pottery, innumerable ornaments of copper, gold, silver, jade, etc. worth many millions of dollars; also great polished stones covered with hieroglyphics and master carvings.

I also reviewed some Geological records in which they found the ancient horse, camel, buffalo & cow.

I rec'd letters from Martha, Juanita, Leon, my son, & Luella, Geo's wife.

I expect to leave for Washington D.C. next Tues. where I expect to get some data for my work. I expect on that trip to see Bliss, Josephine's son who is studying medicine in Uni. of Penn. I am asked to speak there. I am also asked by Pres. Taylor of our branch to give one more address before I leave for home which will be about a month from today.

Apr. 10 1931 Washington D.C.

I am here at the depot to take train for Philadelphia. I came here Tues. evening. I came to hunt up some data at the Smithsonian Institution. I wished to know what data they had on the Native horse of America. I could not find what Dr Robt T Hill of the S. Inst. told me 18 yrs. ago, yet Dr Gridley had a feeling that there was a living horse of Patagonia when we discovered Am. just as Hill had told me.

I could find no trace of iron at this Inst.

I had the honor of meeting Dr. C.G. Abbot, Sec. of the S. Inst. He is a brilliant character in Astronomy and other fields of science. He is looking up some data for me on an astronomical subject which may go a long way to aid me in my theory concerning the time of the year that the Pleiades would have been on the meridian at 12 M. night 2000 yrs. ago. For this full meaning see my chapter on the New Fire by the Aztecs at the Cycle of each 52 years.

I met Dr R.S. Bassler and J.W. Gridley who are specialists on the fossil horse of Am. and well as other vertebrates. They have the skeleton of the *Equus Occidentalis*. Gridley believes that the horse & man were here at the same time. Gridley believes that the Patagonia wild horse was a native of Am. as does Dr. R.T. Hill.

I also met Dr. W.H. Holmes who used to be sec, of the Smith. Inst. 18 yrs. ago. I have known of him for 39 or 40 yrs. on his work of the Neolithic & Palaeolithic man.

I also met Dr Hough (Húff) and Dr Alis Hrdlicka pronounced Hrdlish'ka. He is a Czechoslovakian I prize my interview with him probably more than almost any other man there. He is author of over 200 bks and Bulletins. He is a specialist in physiological anthropology yet an authority on all fields of anthropology & kindred sciences. He holds the titles of M.D. Sc.D, D.Sc.Nat. No higher titles can be conferred on any one. He, perhaps, is easily the world's greatest physical anthropologist.

He tells me that the anthropologists & palaentologists are wild in their dates of placing man on this continent to 15,000 & 20,000 years ago, and upwards. He says there is no proof that man has been here over 4000 or 5000 years, tho there is no proof we may give him 2 or 3000 yrs. more. Then he gave me the reasons for his convictions & the source of error by those who are wild in their dates. I had an hour or so with him in his office. He has a large head with a broad & high forehead. He must have a 23 in. head. He is 61 years of age & seems well preserved. In his recent study of the Esquimaux he finds them & the Indian of the same class & not two different peoples & have been so long held by scientists. He says that the Indian, Esquimaux & Pacific Islanders are of the same tribe or origin. These are the ideas held by our people.

I left Washington after 3 days & went to Philadelphia to visit the museum of the Uni. of Penn. and also fill an appointment to speak Sun. at the Branch of our church. Elder Homer is presiding elder there. We have a meeting house of our own & it was well filled. I gave two addresses and the Lord poured out his spirit upon me & the audience to a wonderful degree. I arrived there Fri. evening & left Sun. night. Bliss Finlayson, my sister Josephine's son is there studying medicine. This is his second year. He is doing exceedingly well in his studies and is most faithful in his religion. The pres. of the Branch says he is a charming young man and most faithful in his church work. He is choir leader for the S.S. and handles his work splendidly. We went out sight seeing for 2 hrs. Sat. & Sun. evening we took supper with Pres. Homer & family & friends. He got a number of the Medical students to come out & hear me Sun. They were very complimentary. Bro Minor & wife took me in their car 3 hrs. sightseeing trip. We visited Independence Hall & many other most interesting scenes including the \$35,000,000 art gallery building. Bliss tells me he is to be married this summer. We left each other at 8:15 P.M. with a God bless you. I headed for New York & he for his home.

While in Washington D.C. I visited the Publishing co. of the Journal of Heredity. Mr. Cook the Editor took me to dinner. He asked that I return my thesis for publication.

I believe this is a gist of my itinery for the last week. My trip cost me \$25.00. Cheap, you say, well that is my second nature I couldn't do other wise if I wished.

Geo. has sent me \$75.00 as the final amount he needs to send me. He has been fine with me these months in N.Y. He has sent me \$175.00.

Apr. 19, 1931, New York

Sun. night I went to Bayride Branch today and spoke in their meeting. Bro Jno. Peterson, my friend, is the presiding elder. They have about 80 members in their branch & had 45 present in meeting & about 60 in S.S.

I came home & read & slept for an hour & went out to supper at a restaurant. I have been writing to Washington D.C. to one of the astronomers (Aldrich) to give me a little more definite information on when (month & day) the Pleiades will be on the 30⁰ meridian at midnight. That is about the meridian of Yucatan.

I have written home tonight to Marva & my wife, Martha, Marva was 18 years old Apr. 13. I have written her a beautiful letter of her splendid life & my love for her and a wish & hope for the future.

Martha sent me \$50.00 to come home on. I have gotten along along better financially than I expected so did the folks at home & Thorval had plenty as well.

I got a letter from Kyrmel telling me Bro Geo. Bennett, his wife's father, would be in N.Y. to a wk's convention where all the Metropolitan Life Ins. agents met for an annual convention. I phoned Bro. Bennett & he came to the New York Library & visited me about a half hour. Kyrmel has work in Oakland at Cresse's Store. I have written Vivian, Dee's wife, Martha, Leon.

Pres. James H. Moyle came to the New York Library last Thursday and talked with me for an hour on my findings, etc. He has recently returned from the ruins of Chichen Itza in Mexico. Pres. Ray L. Pratt died as a result of an operation for hernia. He is a great loss to our church. He has been president of the Mexican mission for over 1/2 of a century as I remember. I have felt that he is one of our most spiritual minded men in the church.

I am slowly writing up my notes on the evidences of the Bk. of M. claims. I feel I have some very valuable data. It will be a surprise to most of our people when it is put before them.

Myrthus has gone to Detroit to play for 5 or 6 wks. I wanted to see him again before I leave. I am happy I have had a chance to meet him again. I feel much better about him & hopes for the future.

Apr. 27, 1931. New York

Have been busy classifying my notes and writing first draft on my research work. I feel that I am collecting some very unique data which goes to vindicate the claims of the B. of M.

Last Thurs. evening I took supper with Anne, Myrthus' wife and Mrs Revier.

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Yesterday was Sun. and I gave the address to the Saints and visitors on the proofs of the truthfulness of the Bk. of Abraham. It was a refutation to the claims made against it by Rev. Spaulding of S. Lake City some 15 or 16 yrs. ago.

I attended the quarterly conference held in the Engineers Union bldg. at 25 W & 39th St. The house was full.

Instead of having a Manhattan district as before, Pres Moyle had all this division in N.Y. Brooklyn & Newark, New Jersey & surrounding region made into one district. Pres. Fred G. Taylor was taken out of the Manhattan district & made a district president over the entire above division of this mission. Bro. Wilkinson his first councillor was made pres. of the Manhattan district with councillors. Then three high councillors were chosen as a beginning of a complete high council. Bro Harry Fletcher was chosen president of the High Council. It is really the beginning or first steps toward forming a complete stake of Zion here in N.York and surrounding regions. It was announced that Pres. Rudger Clawson would be here at the next conference (June 21). It is strongly believed at that time that a new stake will be formed. It has been talked of before I am told.

Surely Zion is growing. Her stakes are increasing with added members. I rejoice at Zion's growth. It is forming safely zones for the Saints of God when destruction is to sweep over the earth.

To night I had a 2½ hrs. interview with Hyatt Verrill the author of "The Old Civilization in the New World." He has written a number of bks. & pamphlets. He made me a present of two of them. He gave me photos of the machless fabrics, lace, etc. of the Peruvians. They are made of wool fiber as fine almost as silk. In some fabrics there are 300 fibers to the inch--fine as silk fiber.

I paid him \$5.00 for the photo of the bearded god-man (Wirakocha) of the Peruvians. It is a Hebrew white man who came with (the or) a colony of white men to Lake Titicaca. I wish to place it in my bk.

I am to make him a present of Bk. of M. He is to read it.

I have rec'd letters from Thorval, Martha, my wife, and my sister Laura. They are good letters. Myrthus has returned from Detroit. The Co. broke up in discord so he played about a wk. I am to take supper with him & family tomorrow night (Tues.)

May 17, 1931 Logan, Ut.

I arrived home Tues. May 13th. I left N.Y. May 8. I went to Cincinnati, O. & stopped over there Sat. till Sun. morning. I went there to visit the museums, but I didn't find a thing there I went to see. I was heartily disappointed over my trip.

The last ten days before leaving N.Y. I finished my research. The last bk. reviewed was by Dr P.A. Means, "Ancient Civilizations of the Andes. It is a very comprehensive work and I got a few new ideas from it.

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I spent 3 evenings (two of them till about 11:30 P.M.) at the homes of friends. They principally wanted to hear me talk & ask me questions on the scriptures, etc. The last night there was at Pres. Jas. H. Moyle's, the President of the Eastern States Mission. He wanted to talk Bk. of M. with me. He is interested in the anthropological discoveries & the evidences which verify the Bk. of M. I took supper with him. The other places I was to had supper also.

I had one supper with Myrthus & family one evening.

He, his wife Anne, & Mrs Revier were most faithful in typewriting my chapters on the Bk. of M. They all went to the depot with me & were all sad to see me leave. They all kissed me goodbye. I got (or made) the acquaintance of many fine friends in N.York & Brooklyn.

Myrthus said that I had given him a new vision of life & new hope. He, Anne & Mrs. Revier gave me two volumes on philosophy by Keyserling. They were tokens of appreciation to me.

I was met by my wife, Martha, & my daughter, Marva, at Ogden Tues. after noon with our car. I was happy to return home and to find all well. My prayers had been answered.

My heart has been made very heavy over the death of my great friend Apostle C.F. Whitney. He had blessed me for my trip & made me promises which were fulfilled. He died Sat. 5:59 A.M. & buried to day, Sun. (May 17). I did not go to the funeral as I could not find any one who was going, but the funeral services were broadcast from the tabernacle so I heard every thing said or sung. Wonderful things were said of him. My heart has been most sad for he had been my beloved friend for years. But my sadness for self for he has gone to a well earned reward. He has finished a great life filled with usefulness & great deeds. He had even finished his Memoirs--"Thru Memory's Hall." We all mourn & yet rejoice at his great life. He & I have confided many sacred things to each other. I made him a promise (to him) which I will fulfil if the Lord is willing.

I have done very little since returning home. I have had a bad toe, but it is better today. My health is not the most robust.

I failed to record the letter I wrote to Sister Cardon & her family over the death of Bro. Cardon last Dec. (See p. 26). I here copy it:

May 22, 1931

New York Dec. 20, 1930
521 W--123 St.

Dear Sister Cardon & family,

I am trying to say something that may soften the grief of your souls, but my pen lies helpless and paralyzed in my hand for I just can't write what my heart feels. If I could, I would send tears in every word and sobs in every phrase, but that can not sweeten your grief, yet I can send my heart-felt sorrow to you because of

the death of your dear husband & father. How stunned I was when I read the line in Martha's letter: "The shock has completely unnerved me for brother Cardon died this after noon." I stood like one struck with a bludgeon for I was dazed with the awful news which grieved me as tho it had come from my own home. Can it be that Bro. Cardon's work is done and taking his burden for a pillow he has lain down to rest! Surely your thousand hallowed memories of him will sweeten your grief for you will not relinquish the soothing voice of memory to still the cry of pain. I say memory will not relinquish her sacred treasure of the glorious past for there has been for you, aye, nearly a third of a century, of priceless joys more sacred than life's golden dreams.

I keenly realize how ineffectual words are when fate has pushed a woman out into the night of widowhood where stars are dead, the moon doesn't shine, look whichever way she will, desolation stares her in the face tho she may sit at the banquet of kings. Yet death in this case, shall not still that converse between you for he will speak to you in voiceless messages and you shall hear and be comforted. For a time you will walk with heavy feet and bitter will be the bread you eat; but when the sun of a newer hope shall come again to enlighten your soul, you will walk with lighter step for limitless will be your joy ahead. You can bear your grief if God will not take from you the priceless memories of your yester-years. They are the diamonds which comfort and pay you for your night of sorrow.

It is said that the pearl is the malady of the oyster. Out of your grief will burst radiant hopes and possibilities. Your sorrows will hallow your life; home will be sweeter to you for it shall stand for his life's work and shall be made sacred thru his splendid life and works, for he has lived a wonderful life of ceaseless toil, sincere integrity, and God-fearing devotion. No one can ever say that he lived in vain, for he has been the salt of the earth and one of God's noblemen. His life has helped to prepare the earth for his Redeemer's coming. Yes, I predict he will come with the 144,000 elders who shall return with the Savior of the world to judge the inhabitants of the earth.

Brother Cardon is not dead; he has only laid off the regal robes of mortality that he may advance his course and yours in the resurrection and immortality of his unnumbered kindred.

Sister Cardon, I humbly pray for you and yours. Peace will come; God's spirit will hover about and comfort your wounded souls. Tho you can't see now, your rewards shall be greater than your sacrifice. Grief shall be

swallowed up in joy and your misfortune shall be greatly rewarded.

Love to you all and blessings be yours forever and forever.
Your friend and brother.

June 3, 1931 Logan, Ut.

Since returning home I have been trying to adjust my self to my work & check upon the condition of our insurance work. Most of my time has been spent visiting those who have let their policies drop for a large per cent have done so. I have had some success in getting lapses renewed. Othello has done well in selling of insurance since I have been gone. He has rather out done all the other Hickmans now writing viz.; my brothers Leslie & Geo. F. and my son Eugene. I have been two days this week in Idaho. I was in Preston & Mink Creek.

A week ago last Sun. I gave an address in our ward on "The Tobacco Problem." A great effort has been put forth by our church of late due to the great increased in the use of tobacco amidst the young & especially the young women. It is appalling and the Church is a wake at the increasing evil. The entire church has been putting forth a great effort to stem this evil.

I delivered the address in the 9th ward last Sun. (May 31) on some of my new finds in my research work in the east. My address was much appreciated, so I learn.

Arthur Dalley & his wife were in Logan from Abderine, Ida. & came visited me & went to meeting with me.

I just learn thru the papers that my son Eugene got a divorce from his wife, Lita, due to her accepting attentions from other men. How serious it was I can't say. Martha has been ill but better again.

I rec'd an invitation to my nephew Bliss Finlayson's wedding. They (he & wife) are married today in S.L. temple. I wrote him a letter of congratulation. The following two paragraphs are part of the letter:

Dear Bliss, I rec'd your card of marriage announcement. Hurrah for you! I rejoice in your triumph, for I just learned from St. George that you are getting a girl worth her weight in gold, plus a diamond or two.

May your sea of life be as calm as the Pacific, where there will never be a storm nor a Simoom to wreck your barge of life. May God and Nature temper your trials that when they have come and gone, you will be more hallowed for them, and may they be like a benediction to your future efforts. May the heavens bow down to your wants and rejoice over your triumph; and when you are reaching the far-off shore of life's ocean, may your setting sun linger long upon the horizon of a cloudless sky until your bark is safely moored in the peaceful harbor of your envisioned life. May your home be

to you a a hallowed temple where you may commune with your God and bless your fellowmen.

June 7, 1931 Logan.

I wrote only a very little ins. this last wk. Martha, my wife, Marva, Valko & Rebecca, also Othello & family and Helen's sister & baby and myself all went up to Rockport to day to visit Lorea & husband. We took all the food we were to eat except the chicken which Lorea furnished. It was a fine dinner of bread, butter, salad, mashed potatoes, gravy, chicken, cake, strawberries & cream. We left at 6:30 A.M. & returned at 8:15 P.M. we made the round trip in less than 6 hrs. a distance of about 220 miles. We had two car-loads, fourteen in all.

I read, yesterday afternoon & evening, a novel based on the Mormon mobbings drivings, banishment, etc. written by Norton S. Parker entitled "Hell & Hallelujah." It is clearly written, true to history and virtually all characters. He has woven some incidental fiction to make it read a little smoother. It is surprising how accurate that a non-Mormon could have entered into the spirit & accuracy of our history as the writer has done. He has included many of the incidental facts of history with faithful accuracy.

June 21, 1931--Longest day of yr. today & tomorrow.

Luella Anderson Hickman, my son Geo's wife came from Calif. a wk. ago Fri. with her 3 children to visit her folks & us. She was operated on a week to day for appendicitis. She is getting along very well. I was with her at the time of the operation. Drs. Budge & Hayward did the operating. It was neat & skillfully done.

I have been rather busy writing up my notes on the traditions & history of the American Aborigenes. I write rather slowly because it takes considerable time to classify notes. I feel I have some excellent data which go to prove the claims of the Bk. of M. My time is divided between this work and insurance work. This coming week I am going to put all my time on insurance.

Last Tues. Bro. J. Z. Stewart dropped dead at his home here at age 87. His patriarchal blessing promised that he should not taste of death, but should be changed in the twinkling of an eye. So it was, for he was conversing with his wife standing erect in the floor. She turned to go about her work, took 3 steps away, & looked back at him & noticed such a peculiar expression upon his face that she was astonished. It was not a look of pain or distortion but one of radiant splendor. She took one step toward him, saying, "What is the matter?" No sooner had she said this than he was gone & looking down he was lying on the floor near her ft. He had slumped to the floor as silent as a silk garment--no thud or sound and that in the brief interval of 2 secs. It was his spirit standing erect while his mortal body lay silent upon the floor. No life, no tremor. He had changed from mortality to immortality in 2 seconds of time. It was a phenomenal passing. His funeral was held here in the stake tabernacle Fri. at 2 P.M. I was one of the speakers. The others were Dr. Geo. Thomas of U. of U. Pres. J.E. Cardon, & Bp. Satterthwaite. The body

of the tabernacle was full. Bro. Stewart had lived a wonderful life of useful activity. I referred to the useful life of Bro Stewart and his spiritual influence in teaching. He was president of the B.Y. College for 4 yrs. (1884-88)

I spoke of this earth-life being a place where Gods who come to dwell in the flesh, are submerged to superior men--wonder men, with Godlike endowments. It is a place where we can never attain here the powers, knowledge,--vision,--we had yonder. Our Redeemer was no exception. We hear him say just a few weeks before his death: "O, Father, glorify Thou me with the glory I had with Thee before the world was." We hear the voice of Eloheim replying that He had & would glorify him. A few days after his resurrection, we hear him say that all power in heaven & earth had then been placed in his hands.

Adam, a god & creator, was so submerged in the deep sleep of mortality that his divine awakening, with knowledge & power, the vision of his greatness had not fully been recognized by him or by his holy descendants. When the Lord appeared in their midst, at a time when Adam had called together the holy high priests with others of his descendants, He must have revealed to that congregation who Adam was for they arose & blessed & worshiped Adam, calling him "Michael, the prince, the Archangel." Then the glory of it all awakened Adam to a fuller statue of his divine powers & greatness & he arose and revealed all that should take place in his race. (D.&C. Sec. 107:53-57) to the end of time. Earth is a place where near Gods are submerged into prophets & seers and wise men, and they never awaken to the greatness & powers they once possessed by them. Every man & every woman could, in the humbleness of their souls, cry out, "O Father, glorify Thou me with the knowledge & vision I once had with Thee." Abraham, Isaac, & Jacob were prophets and Abraham was a seer, yet they were more or less wanderers in the earth with sorrows & misfortunes not knowing in full who they were, but we now near God say Abraham Isaac, & Jacob have entered into their exaltations and sit upon thrones & are not angels but are Gods.

I said that brother Stewart was greater than he knew & greater than any of us realized. He has now gone to his well earned reward. God bless his memory!

What a mighty transition it is to awaken this body of clay and make it think and feel! What a triumph it is to inspire this body of clay and divinity incased in it, to the recognition of our divinity and our relationship to God, our Father. Everything else being equal this divinity within us tends to cause us to long for an do here what we did & prepared for in our previous life. For we lived yonder thru eternities of thoughts and deeds with a view of earth life & eternal progression. It is impossible for us here in a few short years, to awaken this soul of clay to the infinite knowledge and powers that were once ours. I quoted from D.&C. Sec 76 & 132 showing that God had said that we are gods, even the sons of God.

A number have approached me with appreciation saying my talk gave them a new conception of life, etc. Thru my talk or rather as a result

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of it, Dr H.K. Merrill has asked I be one of the speakers at his funeral.

My son George called me up from Oakland, Calif. last night at 12:30 A.M. to enquire about Luella as he had learned she was not doing so well at the hospital. Her leg has been swelling but much better now. After calling up the Dr. (S.M. Budge) I phoned back to George & reported interview with the Dr. Our conversation was as clear & distinct as tho we stood in each other's presence. Time was eliminated & I talked at 12:30 A.M. & he replied at 11:30 P.M. The anomaly is, he heard me an hr. before I spoke & I heard him an hr. after he spoke & yet we each heard the other the instant we spoke.

We had a S. School jubilee of our Stake last Sun. Apostle McKay was present. It was a splendid representation of what our S.S. are doing. It is a wonderful, yes, a marvelous growth since Bro. Balentine held the first S.S. in 1849. Now there are 285,000 attending S.S. In another 82 years there will probably be millions attending our S.S.'s.

I have begun to build a savings account in the Cache Valley Bank. In a mo. I have put away \$65.00. This is the first time I have ever attempted such a move.

I am in debt \$3000 & \$180 interest on my land at Monticello. I can't see just now how I can ever meet it, but I feel some way can be worked out.

June 28, 1931 Logan.--Weather very warm.

The heat wave in the U.S. very great in most of U.S. Of course in our high dry atmosphere we do not suffer much tho the temperature runs to 99%. The crops are sufering more or less thru-out the nation due to this heat wave & lack of mosture. We can't yet tell what will be the final results.

There is a psychological wave sweeping over the nation--yes, more or less thru out all nations. It is a feeling of unrest--fear--failure of courage and hope. I feel it my self and have done so for some time. Every one is asking: "What does it all mean" What impending events are threatening to produce this unrest?

This week I have been writing a little ins. I spent 2½ days in Preston & Treasureton. Bro Willard Larsen and I wrote \$3500 while I was north.

I recd letters from Juanita & Lorea for "Father's day." Juanita sent me a pair of silk hoes.

Luella is some better. She has had a blood clot in her leg which is holding her in the hospital several days longer than would have been necessary. She has been in there 13 days already & will be there a few days long it seems.

Radino has been chosen by his co. (Sperry Co.) to come to Ogden and be the head man in their big mills & elevators.

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The Ins. Co. is closing our office here for the present at least as we have not put over \$200,000 from Idaho this last yr. due to my being away.

I leave for Treasureton & Gentile Valley in the morning. I am going with Mr. West, one of our agents.

I attended S.S. & meeting today. We (Marva, Martha & I) took dinner with Othello & family today. It was a fine dinner.

Aug. 2 1931 Logan.

I have not written for a mo. Since then Radino & family have come from Calif. They are located in Ogden. George has come from Calif. & returned to Calif. & to night he has called me up from S.L. He has just arrived from Calif. again. He is to take Luella back with him next Fri. I am to meet him in S.L. tomorrow and we will go on to Provo & Benjamin to visit my brother Chas. Eunice & Josephine. I spoke in the 9th ward on one phase of the Bk. of M.

I spoke a wk. ago last Sun. night in Benson ward on the theme of our advent into Utah.

Juanita came from Calif. & made us a 10 days' visit. She has returned again. We (Martha, Marva, Valko, Rebecca & I) took her to Ogden Thurs. evening. She left Fri. for Roseville & got there Sat. at 1 P.M. Lorea & Ted came from Rockport to meet us in Ogden.

Felton, Eloise & children (Jacqueline & Elain) came & visited us for 3 days. He attended S. School in Provo. I sent him \$10.00. He & Eloise went with me to Benson ward also Othello, Helen & her father & mother.

I have written only a few thousand ins. of late.

Martha has been ill again but is better again. I am worried to see her beginning to get ill.

I taught our S.S. class last Sun.--subject--The scientific aspects of Word of Wisdom & the terrible increase of use of tobacco, etc.

I attended S.S. & fast meeting to day. Spoke about 10 or 15 min. & bore my testimony.

I reiterated today what I told farmers when they complained of the wretched low price of wheat at 30¢ a bu. I said that we would see a time when we would be offered so much for our wheat & food stuffs we would be ashamed to take it. If we kept God's commandments, we would feed untold thousands who would come to us for bread. If we fail to do so (keep commandments), the desert would frown upon us & fail to give us bread. God is asking us to redeem a desert & our selves. Happy will we be when we can say: "Dear Father, we have redeemed the desert & our selves which we offer to Thee for salvation." I reviewed too, Isaiah 35 chap. & Jos. Smith's so called unwritten rev.

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My health has not been the best. I am bothered at times with bladder & glandular trouble. I also have a very slow heart. Unless I take a stimulant--strychnine or coffee my pulse goes down at times, to 46 beats a min. when it should be 70 or more. When my pulse gets so slow I nearly yawn my head off & I am much exhausted. My blood pressure is only 115 when it should be about 168.

I feel ashamed to take coffee, but the Dr. urges it for he says it is a needed medicine & not a beverage. This is only at times I take it.

I read, the other afternoon, "The Man Whom No One Knows" by Bruce Barton. It has many good ideas concerning our Savior. He is largely right in saying he is not known. Yet I feel I see him & know him as few persons know him. I have beheld him in visions two or three times. My heart is glad for this.

I am writing a very little on my work of the Bk. of M.

Aug. 9, 1931 Logan Ut

This last week I went to S.L. & picked up my son, Judge Geo. W. Hickman, who had just returned from Calif. We went from there to Provo & Benjamin to visit Josephine & Eunice. Chas. was away on a fishing trip. We found my sisters well. Josephine went to Benjamin with Geo. & me. We went to visit the graves of father & mother and also my bros. & sisters. We have a fine monument & markers for them all--father & mother, Ella, Edna, Wallace, Mordicia, & Thos. Jefferson, all who died in childhood of a yr. to 6 yrs. of age except Edna who died at age 16 yrs, while she and I were attending the B.Y. Academy at Provo. The monument & markers cost \$525.00. So far I have paid most the \$525.00. It produces a hallowed solemnity to stand at the graves of parents, brothers, & sisters. We brought back with us Sister Simons of Provo who was our closest neighbor at our home in Provo. She stayed with us here 3 days & we had a very nice visit. I sent her back on the Interurban.

Geo. & wife & children left yesterday for Calif. He is doing well in his law practice & making about \$15,000 a year. His long misfortune, due to accident, nearly ruined his increasing practice, but it is now returning to him.

Martha has been ill for nearly a wk, but some better today.

I spent the wk. in visiting & writing.

I went and discussed today in S.S. 11th ward) the subject of "tithing." Zion is to be redeemed & sanctified & made holy thru tithing (D & Cov. Sec. 119:6) or it shall not be made holy or be redeemed. God promises three blessings; 1 temporal abundance 2nd We shall be called blessed by nations; 3 We shall be preserved against the day of burning and violence at his coming.

We have (recd) received letters from Thorval, Kyrmel & family, also from Juanita & Leon. Thorval was released from his mission July

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eighth or 10th. He is to stay & perfect himself in German & French. He will be gone about 9 more mos. Leon sent me a tie & silk hoes for birthday present; Juanita sent a tie; Radino a pair of hoes; Lorea gave me shaving cream & face dressing. Marva gave me a box of candy besides cards of greetings.

I was 69 yrs. of age Aug. 3.--Old in years but young in feelings & hopes, and mental activity. Age has been piling up her years on my shoulders, but youth seems to walk by my side with buoyant feelings. However I would wish to have my remaining years to my self--free from daily toil for bread, to study, write, & lecture, so I can give my remaining years to the public or for the benefit of my fellow men. I am by nature primarily a teacher--was so in heaven & so here.

I see I have failed to record the death of Pres. Newal Kimball. He was my near and dear friend & neighbor. He died July 24 at 1:30 P.M. at the age of 79 years. He is a son of Heber C. Kimball. He loved & idolized his father. Many are the times when he & I discussed his father's prophecies and coming events. The speakers at the funeral were Pres. Jos. Cardon Pres. Jos. Quinny, Jonathan Golden Kimball, myself & Bp. Worley.

When I was thru my 15 min. address J. Golden Kimball said, "brother Hickman, you have the spirit of the Kimballs." for I had said that Heber C Kimball was the greatest seer since the Prophet Joseph Smith & that Jonathan Golden was more like his father in prophetic power than any other of his sons. He thanked me for the kindly things I said of him & his father. While speaking I remarked that J.G's prophecies would fill a volume. I often said to Pres. Newal Kimball when he was in ill health & dispondent: "Bro Kimball, be of good cheer for you are a son of a mighty prophet in whose veins flowed the blood of the Savior of the world." The prophet Jos. S. once told Heber C. that he was the literal descendent of the flesh & blood of Jesus Christ. Our meeting house was full to the doors at the funeral.

I recd. a nice letter from Anne, Myrthus' wife. They are at Land's End, Mass. just now working out a play.

Aug. 16, 1931 Logan Ut

This last wk. I was with P.D. West, one of our agents in Weber, Morgan, & S.L. Cos. selling insurance. We only sold \$6500 in insurance. We however got some good prospects whom we are to go back to in 2 wks.

We went to the funeral of Pres. Daniel Heimer (funeral). He has been one of Israel's leaders & was well thought of. Apostle Geo. S. Richards likened him to an Abraham & said he was among those noble spirits whom God showed to Abraham. A patriarch told me I was one of that group. (Patriarch Larsen)

I visited our Insurance office & got an advance of \$100.00 to meet my extra expenses for Thorval & for Marva who starts to take training in the L.D.S. Hospital Sept. 7

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I got to visit a short time with my son Eugene & my brother Francis. We got home last night at 9 P.M.

I am not in the best of health due to bleeding of the neck of my bladder. Martha's health is not good due to liver or gall-bladder trouble.

Have recd. letters from Vivian, Dee's wife & Juanita. She is worried over her mother's health.

Mrs Julia M.S. Greene wrote a letter to Pres. Rudgar Clawson concerning a lecture (a lecture) I gave in the 11th ward before the Relief Society of that ward. There were about 70 present. Some of the brethren came also. My address was: "Some of the Prophecies of the Bk of M. that Had Been or Were Being Fulfilled and Those about to Burst upon the Earth." The impression upon the audience was profound for they seemed unaware that the Bk. of M. held so many prophecies that applied to our day. Many kind things were said concerning my address, some saying that it was the greatest address they ever heard. Of course we feel that the last one (if we are deeply impressed) is the greatest we ever heard. This is a tendency most of us have. If you wish to see Mrs Greene's letter, see "Journal of Clippings." She sent me a copy of the letter she sent to Pres. Clawson.

Aug. 23, 1931 Logan, Ut.

I have been home nearly the entire wk. I have not been feeling well.

I wrote \$2000.00 insurance yesterday--prem. \$116.44. Some of our insurance is being turned down from the office or rated up so that our production is somewhat reduced.

I attended S.S. & evening meeting. Elder Humphries, a recent returned missionary from Germany spoke in our ward to night. He went on a mission with Thorval & was in touch with him their entire mission. Elder Christensen was also here & spoke. He went on a mission the same time Thorval & Humphry did. The meeting was a good meeting.

I made a mistake & went clear to Richmond today to speak to the Relief Societies of the Benson Stake. Next Sun. is the date. It was my error I was under the impression that it was the 4th Sun. but was the 5th Sun. I was irritated at my self for such a blunder.

Juanita & Orral Whitehead came from Calif. to attend the funeral of his father and asked we send or take our car to meet them at Ogden. We sent Valko & Rebecca to take it. They returned on the bus while Orral & Juanita took my car clear to Richfield to attend the funeral.

Martha has not been well this wk, but better today.

We got a letter from Thorval yesterday. He has been visiting scenes & cities & is now ready to begin his studies. I sent him \$50.00 & am to day sending him \$60.00. It will be quite hard to keep him going.

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We got a letter from sister Simmons & a painting of Mt Timpanogas as done by her husband (Art).

Sept. 2, 1931 Logan, Ut.

Juanita & Orral were gone a wk. & made about 800 or 900 mile trip. They came here & stayed 2 days & then returned home to Calif.

We have recd. letter from Thorval. He has been to visit Martha's folks & was to visit some more. He is to begin to study either at Dresden or Leipsig for a few months to more completely perfect his German along with a better pronunciation, etc. Then he expects to go to France for a few months to read & talk French.

I went to Richmond to discuss the prophecies of the Bk. of M. which had been fulfilled since the Bk. was published or were being fulfilled or those about to burst upon the earth. My listeners were very interested. I find that few of our people are cognizant of the great prophecies of the Bk. of M. But talks greatly increase their desire to know them & their fulfillments. If we judge the tree by its fruits, the Bk. of M. can be proved by the fulfillment of its many & world wide prophecies.

Eugene & his wife & her two children came to see us last Sun. He stayed all day with us but she went to Pocatello to see her married daughter, but got back at dusk. They took supper before they left for S.L. that night.

I am worried over my brother Leslie for he is in trouble over finances.

I have done little of any thing this week. Marva leaves Mon. for S.L. where she is to begin her study as a nurse in the L.D.S. Hospital.

Never in the history of the earth before has she faced such a threatened trouble. **All nations are in threatened want unless it is Fr.** All nations tremble at the coming of seeming threatening events.--commotion, famine, rebellions, unemployment, nation suspicioning nation, want seems every where, forbodings of greater distress & disaster. The statesmen of nations are exchanging every conceivable resource, following every suggestive lead to something better. Our nation has the wealth of the earth--good crops, 59% of the gold of the world, yet all available influence is put forth to feed our hungry millions who will greatly increase as winter comes. Plenty every where yet millions idle hunting for work.

It is a machine age & to meet the havoc it is causing we must change the basis of finance. The world is not prepared for this so destruction must follow until a new conception of life is grasped and then all men will toil in common, no one having that which is above another in temporal things.

Utter starvation of 30,000,000 Chinese unless aid comes from outside sources. We are sending 30¢ wheat to that nation. Most all men seem to be in financial distress. The mental distress seems even

greater than the physical, but it is the forebodings that add to the real situation. Doc. & Cov. says all men's hearts shall fail them; but this is only the beginning of distress, fear, desolation. May Zion's children understand and obey.

The way it looks now, tho every state & every community, is preparing for the worse, there will be millions this winter who must be fed. Holy Father, may Zion not lack for seed time & harvest. May we walk in Thy paths so we will be not troubled, but have plenty to feed the hungry who cry for bread at our door. Let our souls be alert and envisioned but not unduly troubled.

Most all farmers are burdened with debts and mortgages. If creditors were to crowd settlements, it would cause most men to lose their farms & homes.

I am asking the state to take my 314 acres in San Juan Co. to pay \$3,000 I owe them but they will only agree to sell it at auction & come on to me for the rest. This land was given as security for the loan. Out side of this debt I only owe a little over \$200.00.

Sept. 27, 1931 Logan

This last week I have remained home & wrote on my book. I am getting a little nearer to the end. It is interesting to me but I am slow in getting it into shape. If I had a stenographer it would go much faster but to sift notes, classify, delete, etc. and then write every thing in long hand is extremely slow.

I feel that my gisting of the body of discoveries, etc. will be a sort of revelation to most of our people. I would like some one to check over my English & tone up my work. One never feels quite safe without having someone to check with him. I only wrote \$1000 this week for I didn't take time to go out.

I am having my car over halled & repainted. It will be almost as good as new when they are thru. Valko has done the grinding of valves, replacing coupling rods, etc, & Clarks are doing the painting.

Radino & family came (came) & visited us yesterday & today (Sun.). He went out twice fishing & got 12 or 14 trout. One about 15 in. long. They went home this evening.

Marva came from S.L. yesterday & visited us till late this afternoon. Jas. Maughn, her young lover took her back to S.L. this afternoon. This is the first time Marva has been home since she started her course three weeks ago. She is thrilled with her work and is happy of choice.

Our home has been redolent with joy but now we have lapsed into the somber and silence, tho we are not sad, but joyful over many pleasant memories. May our home be blessed over the joys & sacred memories. One by one they have left us for the broader life. We hold them all in tender memory tho two or three are not yet lifting their full weight in religious duties of our church. We are prayerfully awaiting that hour. Some time we will claim & draw every one

into our kingdom. We will pay the price for their redemption. There is not a one but what wants a better life and is slowly turning toward it.

I went to Morgan, Morgan Co. and delivered two addresses per agreement. The meetings were held in the north ward. Two of the Stake presidency came to this ward to hear me and were kindly in expressions of deep appresion. It was two weeks ago today.

Bro. P.D. West and I spent a wk. in selling insurance in Weber, Morgan, L.S. & Boxelder Cos. We sold about \$9000 but only part will go thru.

The status of the world is in a strained & threatening condition concerning threatened war between China & Japan and uprisings in other countries also the political and financial problems which threaten all nations with starvation conditions. Never in the history of the earth has there been such universal distress. Mahatma Ghandi of India is now in England demanding independence for his nation. He says if England will not grant it India will return to non-resistant rebellion, a boycott of all English products, etc. He pleads in that soft silken voice & phraesology for peace & brotherly friendship--a friendship of liberty & justice. If England can't grant it, then he fears that passive non-resistance cannot always be promised.

It looks as thou the hour is approaching when the four angels will be or are turned loose who are to reap down (or slay) one third part of men. I have felt this for several years and have said in my public addresses that I felt this coming woe will start in the Orient & probably in that region of India. In this woe the entire earth will be engulfed for there will be 200,000,000 men--even horse men--riding on that ominous beast called a horse with a head of a lion belching fire, smoke, & brimstone from his mouth, with breast plates of fire & tails like serpents. Can one imagine a more wiered looking thing. Yet it is only an armord or specially prepared automobile. They, riding upon these beasts or armored tanks or war constructed autos, they will slay 1/3 part of men. Two hundred million soldiers drawn from a world of 1,600,000,000 people would take every 8th person of men, women, & children to equip such an army. It means the engulfing of the entire earth. I see it coming. I know largely the future & dread the hour. My God, can Israel escape? I do not know the day or the hour of its coming, but I feel that it is near to our doors. The world in spite of her self, is being engulfed. There is no halting it only thru turning from sin. This seems impossible unless a new conception of life suddenly comes upon nations. Nations have chosen men's conceptions of philosophy and life rather than God's. The hour is coming when God must be obeyed or life is a failure and the earth doomed from attaining her glory. The earth cannot be celestialized unless the inhabitants that grace her surface are celestialized. The earth's glory and man's are inseparably bound together--both exhalted or both destroyed. God is to prevail hence the earth is to be swept of wickedness tho it will not fully come until the second advent of our Redeemer.

Israel, tell me the signs of the times. Watchman, what is the hour?

Oct. 11 1931 Logan, Ut.

I have spent the wk. in writing on my bk. and about 2 days on insurance. I hope to take time out until I finish my work of writing my bk. My health is not the best so probably I can rest & finish writing my findings. I hope to succeed.

I spoke to night in the 12th ward on the Evidences of the claims of the Bk. of Ether, The Evidence is startling in defense of that Bk. The audience was surprised and much impressed over the evidences in defense of the Bk. of Ether. They rejoiced greatly over what they had heard.

I finished this wk. "The Indian To-day" by Dr. Chas A. Eastman (Ohiyesa) a full blood Sioux. He clearly reveals the progress of the Indian his treatment by the government and the cruelty heaped upon him by gov. officials & designing men. He tells of what the Indian has given civilization & the inherent power which lies within the Indian and which waits a chance for its full development to its full fruition. The Indian is coming to his own. It seems that indications are already in budding evidence that he will yet compete for the leadership for all that is good, progress, & holy within the nation. This is the promise of the Bk. of M. It will come. The book is pregnant with facts which our people should know.

We have recd. letters this wk. from Marva, Juanita, Leon, Thorval, Vivian, and Reginald. Thorval feels that the threatened anarchy of Germany may force him to return home sooner than he expected. I learn that the missionaries are told to be prepared to leave at a moment's notice. The peace of the world is threatened thru the conditions in Japan, China, India, Germany, England & others. Peace is to eventually be taken from the earth; the Devil shall have power over his own, & God will have power Zion & will come down from heaven & dwell with us & protect us, so says D.&C. Sec 1:35, 36.

I attended S.S. fast meeting, & spoke this evening. Peace is in our home & may it always remain so. We (Martha & I) are at last alone as it was in the beginning of our married life. Our children are solicitous of our welfare. It was Valko's birth-day yesterday (Oct 10) and he brought his mother a fine box of candy in honor of his birth. Othello & Helen brought us a fine cream pie for dinner.

I attended the boxing contests Thurs. night and the football contest between the A.C. & a Colorado team--result 38 to 20 our favor.

Thorval is attending school in Berlin & is enjoying it very much. His course in German--syntax, literature, drama, history, etc. also music are taking his full time.

Oct. 18 1931 Logan, Ut.

Thorval left for his mission 3 yrs. from today. He probably will be gone about 6 mos. more.

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We sent him \$50.00 day before yesterday. We sent him \$50.00 Sept. 16. In fact we send him \$50.00 monthly sometimes more.

I spent most of the wk. in classifying my notes on research work and writing them up. It goes fearfully slow.

Martha & I attended 3 sessions of our Quarterly conference. Apostles G.F. Richards was here. The conference emphasized priesthood work. We are trying to make the priesthood activities the great theme of our church. If possible, we will help God to write his law on our inner parts as Jeremiah said he would in the last days. (31:33)

Valko has resigned the Supt. of 1st ward S.S. I am troubled over him for the course he is taking for he is becoming indifferent to his duties. I trust it is only a passive moment for him.

We got letters from Juanita, Felton, Anne, Myrthus' wife, George W, Leon, Lorea & Marva. She is finding her studies very hard & is quite discouraged.

To night my heart is glad & sad,--glad for the glory of truth & progress; for God & his church--sad because of sin in Zion & the world--sad for my own inability. My prayer is daily that I may live to do all my Father sent me to do. I feel I have not done half my work, even fully realized half my mission; my day's sun may set, but my mission is not finished. I feel the urge of many unaccomplished deeds & trusts. I feel the thrill of prophecy within (in) me. I have taught much, lectured it seems a thousand times, written some; but I feel the unfinished task before me looming larger than all I have done. I feel the surge of greatness within me an hundred times greater than I have attained. This gives me sadness lest I shall go out of the world as an unfinished dream. I am willing, if it please my Maker, to remain on this earth across the millenium, to do His will and fulfill my mission for which I toiled & prepared for, aye, these aeons! My head grows dizzy as my thoughts span the eternities that have come and gone thru which I toiled and prayed and watched and wept that I might realize the far-flung promise of mortality. Now I am here and the sands of life are running low. I would bid time (would) be lengthened for me. I feel the sting of wasted hours; I feel the slowness of plodding feet; I feel the narrowness of my vision; yet thousands have thanked their God and glorified his name for my knowledge and my deeds and that they have known me. Father, I come this way but once, so prolong my stay until at least the promises of the patriarchs and inspired men have been fulfilled. Yes, let me live to complete my covenants and fordinations made centuries before I was born. Then I will feel such a happiness to meet you in your royal courts on high.

Yes, I come this way but once; fill me, O God, with the glory of the meaning of this existance. May I stand on the high mountains of vision and revelation to behold the glories of the two eternities. O, that I can live to lift-up, to bless and gladden the hearts of hundreds of thousands that live and millions yet unborn.

Victor Hugo once said just before his death: "The nearer I approach the end, the plainer I hear around me the immortal symphonies

of the world which invite me. It is marvelous, and yet simple. For a half century I have been writing my thoughts in prose, verse, history, drama, romance, tradition, satire, ode, and song. I have tried all but I feel I have not said a thousand's part of that which is in me. When I go down to the grave I can say, like many others, 'I have finished my day's work?; but I cannot say I have finished my life's work. My day's work will begin the next morning. The tomb is not a blind alley. It is an open thoroughfare. It closes in the twilight to open in the dawn. The thirst for the infinite proves infinity."

Martha's health is not the best for that reason she is resigning her presidency of the Relief Society of this (1st) ward. I trust her health will much improve so she can read & study to her heart's content. - May our years be useful & happy. May our joys reach the greatest happiness with each other. Thru her great toil and sacrifice she merits a great reward.

Oct. 26, 1931, Logan

Valko went hunting and killed a 7 pronged buck. After viscera was removed the deer weighed 235 lbs.

The wk. passed with little accomplished. I am re reading my first draft and finishing some of my last chapters of my bk. It is a slow process.

I attended three meetings yesterday and spoke and bore my testimony in the Stake H. Priests' quorum. We had about 200 present. The Relief Society had their annual conference last night and Martha & her counsellors went out thru their special request. Martha's health has been poor & she felt she could not go on. New pres. & counsellors were voted in.

Pres. Ed. Anderson said Martha was the best Relief Society president he had ever known.

Have rec'd letters from (from), Juanita, Marva, Leon, Thorval & Lorea--all well, Marva is discouraged over her work. It is not proving satisfactory.

Leon met a Dr Le Baron, anthropologist, who claims that he is the first Scientist (Anthro) to acknowledge that the Bk. of M. is true. I would like so much to meet him.

I am to speak in the 1st ward conjoint next Sun. evening on "our pre-existence." I hope to bring out something new in my address.

I wrote Marva, Thorval, Leon, & Anne, Myrthus' wife. She wrote me a very nice letter! Myrthus has gone to England to fill a contract with some dramatic co. He, it seems, has been offered a very handsome price for his playing.

Nov. 11, 1931 Kaolin, Nev.

Othello and I left Logan Nov. 2. We were two days getting to S.

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Lake. We stayed all night in Provo. We took breakfast with my brother Chas. & family and then we came on to St. Geo. that evening. We found Leon & family well & happy. We left the next day at about 3:30 P.M. for Kaolin, Nev. and arrived 6 P.M. We were (are) all happy. The children were most happy at our coming. They were all well except sore fingers & sprains. The first two days we (Dee, Othello Bro. Martin Bunke, O's father-in-law & I) (we) spent visiting the hieroglyphics in "The Valley of Fire," Mouse's pockets & Arrow canyon. We found many rare characters, even unmistakable cuts of the wheel. I expect to include them in my work. We got many characters virtually identical or closely similar to those given to the world by Jos. Smith. I cut up my tires going to Arrow Canyon. It is about 30 miles north from Kaolin. Sun. afternoon I spoke to a large audience in Overton at 2 P.M. on to 3:30. My theme was my research work in N.Y. & Washington D.C. --I reviewed--Evidences of the claims of the Bk of Ether as to animals & plants also the legends of a God who came to the ancestors of the Indians. After meeting O., Bro. Bunker, & I went to Las Vegas & Othello & spoke there that night to a full house. He & Bro. B. spoke also in the afternoon at Overton. They both spoke well.

At Las Vegas I took for my theme the defense of the Bk. of Abraham against the attack of Rev. Spalding. Many felt it was the greatest discussion they ever heard. This confession is not for public consumption but for private observation.

We returned here Tues. evening. While in Las Vegas I was off color physically so I did nothing in insurance but Othello wrote 2000. In Overton & Kaolin we wrote a few thousand. Then at La Verkin & Cedar we wrote \$7000 more, making 19,000 in all.

I spoke in Overton on my return trip from Vegas to the H.S. on "The Moral Phase of Education and Life's Greatest endowment."

In the afternoon at 4 P.M. I discussed before the Relief Society at their request my photostatic copies from the Codices of the Aztecs. These briefly show the travels of Nephites to this continent.

We went to St. Geo. again & stayed with Leon & family Sat. & Sun. We went to the big well being bored for oil 7 or 8 mi south of St. G. They are down over 3000 ft.

I attended S.S. & spoke to advance class on W. of W. more especially my research on that line. We left Mon. for north & got to Beaver that evening. We left a little before 6 A.M. for S.L. We stopped a short time in Fillmore for breakfast & to visit the Relics Hall in the Old State House at Fillmore. Lillie P. Rogers showed us thru. We drove by the two homes in which O. & Eugene were born.

Many pleasant memories ran thru my mind of my experiences there long ago. It was there I think I grew the fastest intellectually, morally, & spiritually of any 4 years of my life. It was there my career was largely forged.

We stopped an hr. at our Ins. Office in S.L. & checked over matters & made our report. Then we sped on to Ogden & picked up Martha,

my wife, at Radino's and then on home that night, reaching here about 9:45. We traveled on that southern trip over 1600 miles. All in all our trip was very beneficial, socially, spiritually & business.

I wish to record here the names of Dee's children: Verl, Genevieve, Ella Remona, Alice (dead) Erwin, Levon, Raymond, & Marvin Brent.

Nov. 22, 1931, Logan, Ut.

Today is Eugene's birth day; today is the date of dear Levon's death. How time changes! Time will see the change of us all. Today is the Sabbath. I was asked to speak in Trenton on some phase of genealogical work which I did. My son Valko went with me to drive & for company. I tried to get him to speak for a short time but he preferred not. I discussed genealogy from rather a new angle. This is the first time I ever spoke in Trenton tho they had tried to get me times before but it seemed I could not go.

I am to leave for S.L. tomorrow on business & will return to Ogden for Thurs. Thanksgiving dinner at Radino's. I will meet there Martha, Valko & family, Lorea & family, Othello & family also Marva who is taking training at the L.D.S. hospital. It will be a great gathering.

I have done little since I returned home from the south.

We got a letter from Thorval saying he could start for home in Dec. due to a letter he had gotten from Juanita saying "mother's health is very poor." But we have written for him to stay & complete his work which will take till about May or June.

I sent my photo to Myrthus & Anne, his wife. He has returned from England where he went and played for 4 wks.

I am very well but Martha is not in the best of health today. Valko & family (wife and baby girl of 6 yrs.) took dinner with us today. He, Othello & I went to see the Football game yesterday between Logan & Toole H. Schools. A blizzard was on from the east & north. The audience had to largely leave before the game was thru because of the terrific cold. The players could not keep warm in the swerling snow & wind, Logan beat 20 to 0.

The war between Japan & China seems to be growing more grievous & nations look on with great apprehension. The League of Nations seems to be helpless so far. They have shown extreme weakness also our own nation. The League is weak because we did not enter it. Japan has given our nation as well as the league orders to keep their hands off. Pres. Wilson is dead who gave the brains to forge the League. Rotten politics destroyed the great possibility of the League's divine power. It may be we will be forced in to this League yet; If not, there is brewing the greatest world conflict this earth has ever seen or ever will see again (See Rev. last half of ch. 9.)

Our nation has warned Japan of the great danger of her occupying Tsitsihar. But so far Japan holds the conquered city without reply.

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The next world war will be largely the Orient against the Occident. The 4 angels bound on the Euphrates River from time immemorial have been unleashed to reap down the world. Watch the future.

Nov. 29, 1931, Logan, Ut.

It is the Sabbath. I went to Providence 2nd ward & spoke to the New Test. class in S.S. on a phase of the Christ child & his problematic growth--mental--spiritual, etc.

Martha & I, Othello & family, Valko & family, all took Thanks-giving dinner at Radino's in Ogden last Thurs. It was an excellent dinner & all were happy. Lorea, husband (Ted), & baby came toward evening but couldn't be there for dinner. We all came back the same evening.

I had been to S.L. since Mon. noon trying to settle up some business with our co. I only got an advancement of \$50.00 on the M. Wilson business (sale of stock) I loaned Geo. O. Gunnell \$200 for five mos. & he took \$1000 ins. with us for the favor.

Insurance is slow just now. Our agency has written about \$400,-000 so far this yr.

My son Geo. writes me from Calif. that my sister Laura was struck by a train and badly bruised but no bones broken! Lorea & her little girl (Neta Lea) came back with us for a few day's visit. Her little girl is most interesting. She favors her mother & her grandmother. She is intelligent and attractive.

Dec. 13, 1931, Logan, Ut.

Lorea & baby are gone. Ted, her husband came up a wk. ago last Thurs. Valko did two days' work on Ted's car. It was a fine piece of work & his car runs almost as new again. Ted went to S.S. with me.

I went to River Heights and gave an address on the temptations of Christ also the unmistakable signs on the coming of the Savior. The spirit of the Lord was poured out upon me and the audience.

I have been home working on my thesis all week with exception of one day and I went out & talked insurance. I am getting a little nearer the end of my task. I hope to finish by the end of the month.

I have recd letters from Thorval, Kyrmel & Myrthus, Vivian, and her daughter Genevieve.

Pres. Chas. W. Nibbly died and was buried today. I stayed home from S.S. and listened in to his funeral services held in the Tabernacle S.L. The speakers were Pres. Ivins, Grant, & Arthur Winters. Most excellent things were said of him & the life he lived. He was born in poverty, rose to affluence thru his own thrift and amassed millions of wealth and lived to see it melt away like boor frost and died a comparatively poor man. Thru it all, he was most valient to God and his work here on earth. He was pishop of our church for years and for the last 5 or 6 yrs. he has been 2nd councillor to Pres. Heber

J. Grant. Pres Grant said to-day that there had never been a discord between them. He was cheerful, kindly & a friend of man. The hymns sang were: "An Angel from on High, the Long, Long Silence Broke." "O My Father Thou That Dweldest & ... His body was brought here & buried this afternoon by his first wife. Pres. Nibbly was a wise financial counsellor as well as spiritual. His sermons were always short and to the point. He never rehashed, his subjects were tersely handled. His treatment of his subjects were always his own and characteristically handled. He and I were quite well acquainted, yet seldom in each other's company. His 2nd & 3rd wives were our neighbors just a half block from our home for a number of years.

Marva has returned home from her nursing course. The Supt. of Nurses-advised & told Marva she was not destined for a nurse for she was too intellectual and initiative for such work and that she was destined for a greater mission, & advised her to push on to college for that was her field. She classed Marva as an "A" student. She said that Marva would some day thank her for this advise and turn of things. I do not feel badly over this for I had always told Marva I felt she was ordained for a bigger field of usefulness.

Myrthus has returned from England to N. York. The play only run for 4 wks. He got all traveling expenses pd. & \$150.00 a wk while playing.

I am now writing and analyzing the photo static copies of the Aztec Codices, pointing out the parallism between them and migration of the Nephite colony from their beginning to their settlement on this continent. To one who knows the Bk. of M. the similarity is most striking. I hope I can get my readers to see it as I do.

Martha's health is better since she resigned from her arduous Relief Society work. My health is real good and my heart is kept up very well thru a little stimulent.

I am asked by Bp. Barnes of the Wasach Stake in S.L. if I will come & give an other sermon in their ward. I will probably do so in Jan.

I attended our evening meeting and six returned missionaries furnished the program. The returned missionaries attending the A.C. have organized themselves into a society to keep alive their missionary spirit and they hold meetings in various wards & Stakes, furnishing the entire program of songs, addresses & praying. It was a very creditable meeting & program. I learn Pres. Jno. A. Widtsoe in 1921 while Pres. of the U of U, started the movement there. It has now spread to four institutions in Utah & one in Southern Calif. where our boys are attending.

Jan. 7, 1932 Logan.

I have woefully neglected my journal for the last 3 wks.

Lorea, Ted & Juanita Lee (baby) have been to visit us. Lorea & baby were with us 10 days. We had a great time. The baby and I

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became great "pals." I pulled oranges from her ears & other tricky stunts much to her delight. When they went home & they could not pull oranges from her ears she was much disappointed & urged for days that they do what I had done. She made her protests mostly in signs. I met them again in S.L. last wk. & renewed my legerdemain much to the baby's delight.

Radino & family visited us a day or so during holidays. We love to have our children come. He is a prince of a man & his wife is a splendid character and I have praise for their children.

I spent most of the holidays with my sister Laura from Calif. criticising and toning up my first draft on my book. She has an excellent technique and is a great help to me. I paid her \$100.00 to come & read & check up with me for a wk. She has taken the manuscript back with her to Calif. (Berkeley) and will give it an other revision for I can't spend more time on it for several months because I have to turn to insurance or cancel my contract. So I am giving her \$5.00 a day for the time she puts on it to bring it to the point we think it will pass the publishing critic. She is astounded that I could discover & compile such a mass of excellent data in defense of the Bk. of M. She feels that my data & argument is a very strong proof of the claims of the Bk. of M.

An the 2nd of Jan. I took her to S.L. & Benjamin to visit our brothers & sisters. I took her to the train in Ogden for her return trip to Berkeley Mon. afternoon. On our trip south we ran off in the bar-pit near Logan & it took 5 or 6 men & an auto to get us out. The reason we ran off was that the snow was so level & white on that misty day we could not see the line of safely. On our way back from Benjamin in S.L. we struck a man with the fender of my car & hurt him quite badly, but he was soon himself again and would not permit us to take him to the emergency hospital. So we took him home. I deeply regretted the the accident. It was the first time I ever hit any one after 13 or 14 years of driving.

Santa Claus was very good to us. We had a nice Xmas tree. We rec'd many cards of remembrance etc.

I delivered an address in River Heights on the "Temptations of Christ." I also spoke in the 3rd ward on "the Christ." An address in the 7th ward on "The Word of Wisdom" I went & gave a lecture before the Scouts & Van Guards of the young men of the 7th ward on Astronomy. I reviewed the recent discoveries of the vastness of the universe as size, stellar universes, etc, etc. I gave a short address again in 7th ward by appointment from the stake president. I gave an other address in the II ward before the Relief Society yesterday (also a number of visitors, some men) on the Internal & External evidences of Bk. of M.

We have rec'd a number of letters from Vivian, Juanita, Fern, Lorea, Reginald, Thorval, Francis, etc. We have been fairly well at home. Martha was down with gall attack but better again.

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My Life Ins. Co. sent me a fine fat turkey for Xmas. Valko & Othello with families live here and we often visit together. I have been busy at odd hours reading the Lit. Digest, Science Monthly; Journal of Heredity, Era; Science-Weekly-News and Nat. Geographic Magazine. Of course I wring the main news from two news papers each day. Of course this must be done in at least 30 min.

I am much concerned over the grip of famine & want; world financial crash; war of Japan & China; threatened events in India. The great "Woe" (Rev ch. 9) just a head is to begin in Asia--I think in India or thereabouts. The 2nd woe (Rev. 9 ch 2nd half) said that 4 angels were to be turned loose from the Euphrates River to reap down the 1/3 part of men. I feel that hour is nearing.

Marva has started to U.A.C! She likes her school and is much enthused over prospects.

I had a long talk with apostle Jos. Merrill. He & I were in Uni. of M. at the same time. I met Apostles Lyman & McKay & Jos. F. Smith. Apostle Smith & I discussed the Hebrew translation of the Bk. of M. & the advisability of having other Hebrew scholars criticise it. I suggested that he get in touch with Dr Bloch of N. York for he is an expert in the Hebrew & Semetic languages. I had an hr. and a half with Jonathan G. Kimball in his office. We talked over the present situation and then turned to the life of his father. He read me some of his father's prophecies which have never been published. He promised that when I come again he would let me read the rest of them. Some have already been fulfilled. He was blessed with a seership that few ever possessed.

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We rec'd an other letter today from Thorval. He is still visiting his kindred. He has been with them for 3 or 4 wks. We also got a letter from Leon at St. George. He & family are well.

I have been made happy for I have two enlarged crayon pictures of father and mother. They look fine. I love them. I feel inspired to be near them. I am having Henri Moser touch them up & repaint the frames.

I have written Kyrmel & Thorval today. I am sending Thorval \$40.00.

Jan 17 1932 Logan.

A wk. has passed and I did not sell any insurance tho I was out part of the time each day tho I have a few prospects. Othello & I have been invited to attend our Co's. convention in S.L. Jan 22 & 23. We will go.

I fasted 3½ days excepting drinking some orange juice twice a day. I am feeling much better since then. I do not need to take any stimulant now, either coffee or strychnine. I hope I will never need them again.

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We have rec'd 3 letters from Thorval in the last two wks. He spent 4 wks. visiting his mother's kindred in Germany. They loved him very dearly for his manly beauty and his splendid outlook on life. He has now returned to Berlin Uni. for a few month's more of study there. He has been gone 40 months.

I attended quarterly conference last night with Martha. I attended this forenoon also but stayed home this after noon for Martha took ill in the night with her liver or bile trouble. She is better tonight.

I have paid off all I owe to the Bank except \$100.00. If I can get the State to take over my land for the \$3000 I owe them, for they have a mortgage on my 314 acres, then I will be virtually free from the bondage of debt.

We have had more than 12 in. of snow these last 3 or 4 days but some of it has melted & yet over 16 in. deep as it is. It gives promise of plenty of water for the coming summer. If we keep our Father's commandments we shall not want for seed time nor harvest. The woes I feel are coming deeply distress me. Men (world renowned scholars, financiers, statesmen all cry peace, and return of prosperity but they fail to come. O, God, may Israel hear and obey thy voice!

I would like to cry to all Israel what I feel is coming. My soul burns with coming events. I feel Israel is growing better in some ways. If the youth could live as most of the parents, then I feel all would be happifying in Zion.

Jan. 24, 1932 Logan, Ut. Deep snows & cold weather.

Othello & I went to S.L. Thurs. noon 21st to attend an annual convention. The Pres. (Marcusen), Nephi S. Morris, & Ray Peterson gave very fine addresses on insurance & problems of the agency forces. We had 3 banquets for those present. All the agency forces of Montana, Calif, Idaho, Nevada, Wyoming & Utah were present i.e. the general agencies were present. The common writers are to have their convention in Mar. Oregon & Arizona had no representatives present.

I was asked to give a 5 or 10 min. response to the thought "Utah pioneers & their problems," etc. I did so at our last banquet yesterday after noon (at our banquet). I received almost an ovation of applause after. Many were the compliments showered on me and requests for a copy of my speech, but I had none for my address was given after 20 min of thought & mental adjust of my thoughts. But I have agreed to send two Californians my Radio address & Mr Head at Ogden on this great theme which would give them a broader view of the brief theme of yesterday.

Othello was given \$50.00 bonus & special banquet with a few others for reaching the Hundred Thousand Dollar Club. The Co. gave him a \$25.00 necklace for his wife, Helen. I only got credit for selling \$64,000 ins. since returning home (May). I only wrote a part of this as Othello divided with me for I paid him for this while I was recuperating & finishing the first draft of my bk. I intend to put in almost my entire time on insurance this year. We left for home at 5:25 last evening & got here at 9 P.M. We took with us Mrs. Jensen &

daughter of Hyrum. She bought an other share of stock thru us & took \$1000 insurance from us while at S.L.

Dear Martha has been ill again but is better now. I am worried over recurring illness.

I gave a sermon on the Bk. of Ether and Ex. Evidences of its claims in Smithfield 2nd ward yesterday (Sun.) The audience was much impressed over the new proofs which verified the claims of the Bk. of M.

Last night I spoke in the 7th ward here in Logan by request of the Bp. Rick. on the Temptation of the Christ as presented by the Devil. The cunning of those temptations--their meaning with special emphasis on the diplomacy and tragedy of the 3rd temptation.

Logan, Ut, Feb. 14-32.

We have had deep snows this winter. A wk. ago the snow lay 33 inches deep all over this valley--the deepest known in the history of this valley since the coming of the Saints.

This last wk. I have been in S.L. 3 days on business with our & California Ins Cos. Othello finished paying what he was owing the Calif. Co (\$41.97) and they are to turn over to us all the notes they held of ours for collection. The Seagull Co. (collection agency) collected a long past due note for us. My share was \$43.84. I have finished paying my Insurance Stock of \$1250.00. My debts are getting smaller. If the State will take my land for the amt (\$3000) I owe them then a hundred dollars would about square me.

Pres. Nephi L. Morris was asked to deliver an address in the S.L. tabernacle to-day. He asked me for some thoughts. We talked over some points and he imbodyed them in his speech. It was an eloquent address. Powerful in thought and language & delivery.

The following short letter is a copy of the one I sent him today in deep appreciation for the address:

Dear Pres. Nephi L. Morris,

I listened in to your 55 min address with rapt interest. It was freighted with great moral and scientific truths. You were eloquent in handling your human and far-flung astronomical truths. Eloquence is logic set on fire and I warmed in the conflagration of your logic. I trust a million people may have heard your address. It was worthy of a greater wish.

I am proud to be your friend.

J.E.Hickman

While in S.L. I stayed with Eugene & wife. I went & took supper with my daughter Fern & her children. I left a \$4.00 check for her daughter, Fern ("Curly Locks" for that is what I call her for she has always worn her hair in long curly locks) to come up Fri. evening

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& stay till Sun. I am to aid her in a 6 min. oration. She is quite talented in her school work especially in reading, reciting, & physical culture work, etc. Her (Fern's girl) daughter has her second child. This makes 6 great grand children for me.

Due to my trip to S.L. I had to cancel two requests to speak here in Logan today. I went with Martha to see the Primary pageant of the Cache Valley Stake to night. It was well acted out. The scene was largely from the Bk. of M.--the birth & crucifixion of the Savior--our day, etc.

I have written Thorval again & am to send him \$40.00 to morrow. We have rec'd several letters from our children the last two weeks.

I delivered an address to the Relief Society of our ward (1st) a wk ago last Thurs. on the great revelations contained in the P. of Great Price. I pointed out that it held its more fundamental truths according to the size than any other bk. in the world. When I was thru the sisters gathered about me and quizzed me for half an hour after meeting. It is wonderful how pure & spiritual minded most of our Relief Society sisters are. It is a pleasure to talk before & to them. I have delivered many talks to many Relief Societies.

Feb. 28, 1932 Logan,

The 3 ft. of heavy snow rapidly melting under the genial rays of the sun, yet the snow is so packed that it is half ice & in the streets solid as ice. Cars have hard time to get out of the ruts of ice & snow. In an other wk. with such warmth most of the snow will be gone. It is the deepest & lest drift than ever fell here before since the advent of the pioneers. There has been more moisture (has) fallen in this desert this last 5 mos. than has fallen in the last two years. Everything seems to bid fair for good crops. The farmers need it. The nation needs some change. Never before has this nation been overstocked with every kind of food & yet the people would starve, were not millions fed. Over production in every kind of clothing & the people in dire want for clothes & the bare necessities. In fact Will Rogers, the humorist, says the nation is going to the poor house in automobiles.--good humor & grim truth.

A wk. ago last Mon. I delivered an address before the wkly. meeting of the Stake & ward officers in the Stake building on the Astronomy of the Bk. of Abraham and Rev. Spaulding's attack.

By special request I delivered the same address before the 1st ward of Providence to night. Bro. Zollinger came & got me & brought me back. The people wondered over the vastness of truths of ast. in Bk. of Ab. and great failure of Rev. Spaulding's attack.

By special request I conducted the advanced theological class in S.S. to day & discussed spirit, ego--intelligence--spiritual & temporal matter and their far-flung meaning, etc.

I went in Boxelder Co. this last wk. on ins. business. I was gone 2 days. We are doing almost nothing in insurance. It seems almost

impossible to sell now for the want of money.

Fern, my grand daughter, came up from S.L. a wk. ago Fri. evening. We worked out a very fine 6 min speech on "Youth & the Constitution. She went back home Mon. afternoon rejoicing over her speech & her possibilities. We will know later how she comes out.

I wrote to Columbia Uni. to see if there would be a chance for Thorval to teach German there on the side & make his way thru college. The reply is not very encouraging, but it may be possible if he can have enough to see him self thru for one semester.

I shall now write to Senators Smoot, & King & see what chance he may have in getting to be an interpreter in some embassy.

Helen is virtually well again. Othello is having a hard time to meet his heavy expenses--hospital--enstallments on home, etc.

Have recd letter from my sister Laura. Her health is very poor.

The Seno-Japanese war is taken on greater proportions. Unless it can be squelched, I fear other nations will be sucked in this threatening world conflict. The hour is approaching when the second woe (ch. nine last half, of Revelations) is about to burst upon the earth which will drag in the whole earth.

We have recd. several letters from our children. Thorval expects to be thru with Germany & then will go to France for 2 or 3 mos.

Peace is on our home. It has been our prevailing asset these many years. My home has been a place of peace as the patriarch promised many yrs. ago.

Mar 15, 1932 Logan.

I got my ans. from the Columbia Uni. concerning Thorval's possibility of working his way thru. The letter was earnest but not very encouraging if he could get a chance.

I have been busy trying to sell ins. but have sold only a few thousand. Othello & I went to S.L. a wk. ago last Sat. to agents' annual convention. We got expenses pd. and a bonus of \$10.00 apiece for ins. written.

We called to see Lorea & babies at the hospital in Ogden. She has her second baby (girl) It is a very pretty baby--dark curly hair. It pleased Lorea very much to hear the nurses say that her baby was the prettiest of the dozen babes in the nursery at the hospital. Little Nita Lea is very sweet. She is such a cute little soul.

I wrote Senator Smoot to see if he could get Thorval a position in Washington D.C. to work & go to school. He desires medicine

I bot the Bk. "The City of the Sacred Well." I read it in N.Y. but desired to have it in my library. It holds some very astounding knowledge.

Myrthus & his wife Anne passed thru S.L. a wk. ago last Sat. I just missed seeing them when I was there. So when I got home here I phoned to S.L. to them. I was happy to hear them. Anne has written me since they arrived in Holly Wood. Myrthus has a six mo. contract to play in the Paramount picture Co.

I discussed the Life of Pres. Woodruff before the High Priests of Logan Stake last Sun at 2 P.M. I felt the sacredness of that great man as I reviewed his earthly life.

I went to the 2nd ward tonight and spoke on Ephraim--who was he? Traced his history accross the ages.--How came him (descendants) to be scattered all over the earth? Prophecies concerning him & his descendants & their fulfillments. What is the work of Ephraim in modern times? I followed him thru history--prophecy in the Bible, Bk of M. & Doc & Cov. I showed his fulfilling the prophecies & blessings made of him.

To day he has the work of re-establishing God's work in the earth again. He stands at head of all Israel & will do so to end of time. It is Ephraim who is to proselyte the world & "preach the gospel to every nation kindred, tongue & people in their own land and in their own tongue." To Ephraim is given the keys of salvation--temporal & spiritual. To Ephraim is given the keys of all former dispensations. Ephraim is to give the laws to nations; rebuke nations from afar; bring the Jew to the knowledge & love of the Savior. It is Ephraim who will and are discovering the deep & hidden mysteries of science & invention. He will rebuke nations from a far and extend freedom thru life & law to all nations. Ephraim is the temple builders of this dispensation; he is to lead the 10 tribes from the north & crown them with their long desired blessings: Thru him the patriarch shall ever hold that right & blessing. Thru him & his seed the work of Elijah shall be carried out.

This is the first time I ever discussed Ephraim & his descendants. I had never fully before crystalized his mighty life & the drama that he & his descendants should play.

I taught the Gospel Doctrine Class a wk. ago last Sun. "on our former existance--length of time we existed before--preparation--its effect on this life, etc.

Have rec'd two letters from Thorval also letters from Lorea, Juanita, Kyrmel & Winnie & Leon.

Have made out my income tax for gov. & State. I do not have to pay income tax this year.

I went to the temple a wk. ago last Wednesday and did the work for one of my kindred of the Hickman blood. His name is Samuel Duncan.

Apr. 1, 1932, Logan, Ut

Since writing I have been with Eugene my son, to Moapa country, Overton etc. Nev. We went to write insurance and visit Leon & family

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at St George & Dee & family at Kaolin, Nev.

In Nevada we wrote \$18,000 ins. besides having 3 or 4 days visit with my son & family. He has a very nice family. His children to date are Edwin Virl, Genevieve, Ella Ramona, Alice Vivian (she died in 1927) Erwin, Clayton Lavon, Raymond Dee, & Marvan Brent;

While there I spoke in Overton Sun. in S.S. I taught or lectured to a class on the Bk of M., then I spoke to the entire S.S. for a few min. In the Evening I spoke to the general meeting. It was a large audience. I spoke on Joseph Smith the Seer and reviewed my reply to a gentle man on the Streets of Oakland.

Dee had his hand mashed Mar. 28 & the Dr. took off his 1st finger at the nuckle.

While there at Kaolin Dee & Eugene went to Boulder Dam & saw the marvels of the great construction. Eugene and I then went to St. George & stayed over night with Leon & family; then we started back home.

While in St. George I had a short visit with Dr McGregor. He is one of God's noble men.

Eugene & I stayed over night in Cedar. We saw two or three parties but sold no insurance tho we saw some who may take. The next day we stopped in Beaver an hr or so seeing 2 or 3 prospects but sold none. We then sped on to S.L. arriving there about 8 or 9 o'clock.

The next day I returned home. The law says "home is a place to which you return when you go hence." But home is more to me than that. It is a place where loved ones dwell and where a thousand memories cluster and like loadstone it draws you back with gladness.

Since returning home I have done little in insurance work tho I have tried. This terrible financial condition paralyzes all enterprises. I have been home two or more weeks. Since returning we have recd. letters from Juanita George, Thorval, Kyrmel, & Lorea.

Thorval left for France Apr. 1 and is into his work of learning the language. I have sent him since Mar 1, \$50.00+\$50.00+\$60.00=\$160. I hope to be able to keep him there until about July 1.

Our Bp. has been operated on again for an abcess of the abdomen, but is recovering. While in the hospital his brother George died & was buried & the Bp. couldn't go. He felt deeply over the loss of this brother; he was the last of his father's family except him self. Bro Geo. Worley was 84 yrs. old. We held Geo's funeral last Sun. The house was crowded and a cortage $\frac{1}{4}$ of a mi. long.

I have been appointed to teach the Old Testament Class in S.S. I have seldom ever been appointed to take a class in S.S. tho I often aid in cases where teachers are absent. I have been too busy to take

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a class; for many years I have been sought for to fill public lectures for and near & hence it was felt I should not be tied down to one place or one class. In the past, protests were made against one organization monopolizing my time, hence I have seldom been requested to tie my self to one class. My Sundays are generally busy days in giving addresses at home or abroad i.e. out side of my own ward. I am to deliver two Mother day addresses next Sun. Othello is to go to Cleveland, Idaho, to deliver a Mother's day address. He has a very fine speech prepared.

The California Life Ins. Co. has paid my brother Geo. F. and me the back payments on our agents' over writing who quit the company's services before we did. They had failed to do this so we protested to the Ins. Commissioner Jno. G. McQuarrie and he asked the Co. to make good their written contract with us. As a result we got \$750.00 each as back payments. I pd. \$75.00 tithing on same.

I find my health is rather poorly and I find my self longing for rest from my work! If I had the money, I would with draw from insurance. I would like to write and pursue the acquirement of knowledge even to do research work. I am hungry for knowledge of earth and heaven, yet I find my memory slowly failing me, yet my friends think I have an unforgetting memory.

May 9 1932, Logan--Beautiful weather!

Dee and Vivian with their two little boys (Raymond & Brent), and paid us a two days visit and returned to Kaolin, Nev. We were most happy to see them here!

Last week I did no insurance work with the exception of one day with little or no results.

Mother's day was fittingly observed through out the land. My wife, Martha, received letters, tokens of remembrances and telegram expressing love for her.

I delivered two addresses Sun. in honor of Mother's day, one in 7th ward and one in 12th ward. It made the day a busy one for me.

We rec'd letters from Thorval, Kyrmel, Juanita, & Lorea. Thorval is now in Glenoble, Fr. hard at work on the Fr. language. He will probably be there 2 or 3 more months. He writes that he doesn't want money or property when I die, but asks that he may have my scrap bks, journals of clippings and the journals of my life. So far I can't make up my mind where or how to place my journals & news paper & magazine clippings which I have kept for about 37 yrs and my journals for over 42 yrs. But I want them preserved so at least one of the Hickman race will leave a fragmentary record of his life. So far it seems almost impossible to get any written records of the Hickman ancestry! The past is almost as unrelenting as the future. It is a crime that the past closes up like a vault & those who have lived, have gone out in the quiet silence unsung, un honored, except by their generation.

May 24, 1932 Logan

Since last writing I have delivered two Mothers day addresses, one in 7th ward & the other in the 12th ward on May 15--one in fore noon & one in the evening.

Have written some insurance. It is twice as hard to write ins. in this great depression. Most agents are doing little or nothing.

I have said little of this world depression where in millions in our own nation are being fed by the hand of charity or they would starve or rob. It is largely so with most nations. Probably such a condition was never known before. In our nation we have raised much more than we can eat, but millions are starving; we have almost enough to clothe two such nations as our, and yet people (millions) are half naked. We have 59% of the gold in our vaults, yet millions are penniless. Millions are idle for the want of labor, yet the nation is filled with automobiles. There are nough to haul out of the nation every man, woman, & child in one haul with an average load of about 5 to the auto. It looks as though we are all headed for the poor house in our autos. The statement of the situation sounds half ludricous, but it is solemnly tragic. Men and nations are in deep and solemn counsel. God says that events shall become so terrible that all men shall lose heart. The awful tragedy of kidnapping of Chas. Lindberg baby & then killing it has almost convulsed our & other nations with unspeakable grief. That baby is the most renowned thru its life & tragic death than any other baby in the world. The nation feels they have individually lost a child. It is taken so grievously that it is impossible to express our grief. I fear that such things are only the beginning other crimes that may engulf our nation. I fear the future. I dare not express what I feel is coming.

May 29, 1932

I was not very well this last wk. I am not sick but weakness seems to come upon me that incapacitates me mentally & physically. I have to take medicines--stinulants to bolster me up; then I am alright again.

This wk. I have only made some collections & renewals. Garnette from the office has been up most the wk. helping to make collections on the Skabelund's business. He has not been honest with the Co. and they are threatening to turn him over to his bonds' men.

Have written \$9000.00 insurance the last two wks.

I have been chosen & set apart to be a teacher in the Old Test. class. It has been years since I was a S.S. teachers. I have not taught in S.S. because my time was taken up in broader fields. I have often substituted for teachers, but not to tie my self down. I am trying this now for the time at least. We are discussing since I took hold the class, Elijah, Elisha, Hosea, & Amos. We are analyzing the men & their works & prophecies.

Last Sun. and this Sun. I discussed before the teachers of the S. School for a few minutes the Subject of tithing. I am to take two more Sun. to discuss the United Order before the S.S. teachers.

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To night I discussed the Ten Commandments in the 9th ward. I handled them from a new angle and the audience seemed much pleased over my analysis, etc. also their relation to the so called Sermon on the Mt. The 10 com. form the warp & woof of the Constitution (Sermon on the Mt.) The nation that does not live the Ten Commandments is debased & barbarous, but the nation that does, is an honored nation, but the nation that keeps (lives) the "Constitution of the human race" (Sermon on the Mt.) is glorified. One lady came up at conclusion of meeting & said, "Bro Hickman, I could have sat & listened with joy all night." My audience was sprinkled with Lawyers, bankers, & Ph.D. men, teachers, as well as the good common folk.

Laura (in Calif.) has begun to criticise my manuscript. I hope her health continues to improve.

Hyrum Nielson of Preston died this last wk. & was buried Thurs. I went to his funeral & opened the meeting with prayer. The family asked I speak at the funeral but I begged off saying that he has so many friends there who would be pleased to speak. I have known him & family for 35 yrs. He was a good citizen & had been on two missions. He had been a great giver for our church schools, etc.

Have rec'd letters from Thorval, Leon, Kyrmel, and my sister, Laura.

June 14 1932 Logan. Beautiful weather--plenty rain for spring and crops bid fair for bounteous harvest.

Acted as one of the judges in the Stake Relief Society contest on thesis of Bk. of M. covering 46 questions.

I went to Benjamin's Home Coming held last Sat. There were between 400 & 500 present. Martha (my wife) Marva, my youngest daughter tho 19 yrs. old, & I all went to celebration. I was scheduled for an address replying to the address of welcome. I reviewed some of the earliest scenes for I had been there from a child of 3½ yrs. I pointed out the contributions that each of the early families made to Benj's growth & worth. Benj. had furnished over 40 teachers to the Public, High Schools & colleges as well as young men who had distinguished them selves.

June 28, 1932, Logan.

Weather very warm for a few days it reached over 93°. Splendid crops seem to be insured in most of Utah & Idaho.

For the last 2 wks., I have done little about ins. for I have only written \$4500. It is very hard to write due to lack of money. I turned my S.S. class over to Prof Passey again last Sun. for Martha, Marva & I went to visit Lorea my daughter & family at Rockport, Summit Co. With us went Valko & family (3), Othello & family (6), also Othello's sister-in-law & 4 yr. old daughter & Radino & family (4). There were 18 in all. We wrote Lorea that we were bring every thing cooked with us but when we got there she had cooked 8 chickens--some dinner. We left early Sun. morning and got back 9:45 P.M. Valko &

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Radino did some fishing. Lorea has two nice girl babies--Juanita Lee & Geraldine.

I was asked to perform the marriage ceremony for Ferron Hickman (Leslie's son) & Marjorie Anderson, his fiancée, but the rule of the church will not allow it for it has been ruled that only Stake presidencies & Bps. & councellors can perform marriage ceremonies.

My health has not been very good of late and I have lounged around the house most of the time. I have the bleeding of my bladder again for a few days. It leaves me quite discouraged & de-energised.

I have received 2 more chaps. from Laura. She has offered a number of good criticisms. Her health is better & I hope she can finish.

Martha's health isn't the best. I am not reading as much in my journals as I desire due to lack of energy. The journals I take & pretty well read are: Literary Digest, Journal of Heredity, Nat. Geog. Magazine, Journal of Anthropology, The Scientific Monthly, Science-Weekly New Letters. We take 3 or 4 other journals but they are mostly read by Martha & Marva.

I have been trying to interpret Isaiah to my class (S.S.)--Some of them are returned missionaries. I am trying to make my class see & feel this mighty seer. I am trying to bring him out of the ancient past and interpret him in terms of the present. I am trying to modernize him & paraphrase his archaic style to modern English. I have been showing that most of Isaiah was fulfilled from Christ's time down to the present & on. Probably $\frac{1}{2}$ of Isaiah deals from 1800 A.D. on down and it will take a 1000 or more years to fulfill his prophecies. We are fulfilling much of his writings--more than most of us know. The prophet Jos. once said that he & Isaiah were the only two seers who had the power or vision to know the time of the fulfillment of their prophecies.

July 4 1932, Logan,

Did almost nothing last wk in ins. Part I did write was rejected.

My health has been rather poor. My pulse are very slow, going from 46 beats to 55 beats per minutes, and in as much as the systolic beat is so weak it does not completely expel the blood from the ventricles. So I have to take digitalis as well as take heart stimulents. I feel well other than being exhausted at times.

We have been a loan here for a wk. as Marva stayed with Lorea. We have recd letters from Kyrmel, Juanita & Thorval. I sent Thorval his \$50.00 monthly allowance. I am to send him one more installment of \$100 Aug 1 & that will be last for he is to leave for home Sept 1.

Ferron & Majoire Anderson were married last Thursday (July 30). We went to the wedding & also the reception at the Hotel Eccles. His father (Leslie wife & 2 daughters) Geo. F. my bro., son & daughter also Lislle Graham, my sister Annie & her daughter, LaPreal were there.

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We attended Logan Stake conference (our Stake) yesterday (Sun.). Apostle McKay was the visiting brother & gave excellent instructions on prohibition & the threatening events & troubles ahead.

Aug. 2, 1932 Logan. Fine weather, not very hot.

I have been so busy with work and lying around for I have been off color part of the time. Have been to S.L. on insurance work & business.

On July 24 I went to Wellsville and delivered the Oration on that occasion. There were 26 who were 80 yrs. and over, in that town. The people nearly filled the meeting house. I reviewed many events that stand out in that great event wherein men & women were banished with the constitution in their hands. Reviewed the banishment from Nauvoo. Colonel Kane's description of the scene in Nauvoo & the last who left there, a little of the exodus & their entry into valley & what B Young said; 'if the mobs would leave us alone for 10 yrs., we would ask no odds of them' I then reviewed the coming of Johnson's army, etc.

I have been asked to teach a class in S.S. I accepted. This yr's subjects are Old Test. prophets. We began with Elijah, Elisha, Amos, Hosea, Isaiah and now are completing Naham.

It is very seldom I have ever been a teacher in any quorum or S.S. Have often been asked but complaints would be made that I should not be tied up to any one class for I belonged to the public & then I would be released.

We (my sons Valko & Othello & families, Marva & Martha) all went & visited Lorea & family at Rockport.

Martha, my wife, Marva & I went to Benjamin's Homecoming June 21 (I see I have written all this pr. before.)

My health is rather on the decline. I need to take stimulants to keep up my heart beat to 50 & above. Part of the time I take coffee until I am nauciated, then I take strychnine, iron, also digitalis (for strength of heart beat). Then I go for a short time without any.

All my life I have kept the word of wisdom & now have to take it (tea or coffee) even as medicine is humilitating to me.

My children are coming home for my 70th birth day. Judge George & family (wife & 3 children) are here from Calif. also Kyrmel & family (wife & babe) from Calif.; Dee & wife & two of their children (Ella & Levon) came this morning from Overton, Nev.; Radino & family (wife & 2 children) are coming from Ogden; Eugene & Lorea & her 2 babies will be here to morrow, also Leon & family (wife & 3 children) will be here tomorrow from St Geo. We are looking also for Felton & family (wife & 2 babies). I can't tell if Myrthus & wife will be here as yet. Juanita & husband can't come due to her health. Probably Reginald & wife can't come, neither can Fern come, tho she has sent Wendall her small son of about 9 yrs of age.

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To date I have 68 grand children & 7 great grand children & before long we can count one more. To date 16 of my 18 children are alive--Reinna & Levon are gone.

I went to S.L. this wk. on business at our office.

Two wks. ago I went for the first time to Snowville with Pearl Hickman Hyde, my second cousin, to see relatives & get some geneological data.

Aug. 10, 1932. Logan. The weather quite warm about 85°.

Tho it is Aug. we have had a few sprinkles of rain. As far as I know it is the only yr. where we have had rain every mo. in the yr. If this a sample of a new era in the desert, then Zion & the desert will be glorious.

Aug. 3 I was 70 years old (young). Eleven of my 16 children came to celebrate my natal day. Juanita, Reginald, Myrthus, Felton, & Thorval could not well be here. Felton & family were in Los Angeles, Juanita was in Roseville, Calif & expects mother hood in the near future. Reginald has not been to see us for about 8 or 9 yrs. Thorval is still in France. He expects to start for home about the last of Aug. or 1st of Sept.

Those of my children who were here are: Dee & his wife Vivian & two of their children (Ella & LeVon); Fern & two of her children (Wendall & LaRue); Othello & wife Helen & their 4 children; Eugene was here but none of his children; Leon & wife (Winnie) & their three children--Rene, Buddie (Winston) & Mary; George & wife (Luella) & their 3 children--Geo. Richard & Joan, Lorea & her two babies (Juanita Lee & Geraldine) Radino, (his family were away in Ida) Valko & wife (Rebecca) & their daughter Joyce also Margaret (Myrthus's wife) & her son Louis, Kyrmel & wife (Ruth) & baby (Kyrma-Ruth) and Marva. This makes 11 children out of 16 present. Fifteen of my 48 grand children were present but none of my great grand children were present.

We had a splendid birth day dinner. My sister Anna & her daughter were present, also my brother Geo. F. & wife (Zina). There were 28 who sat down to the dinner. Helen's father, mother & her sister were also present. We fed the children at our place at 6 P.M. & the 28 adults ate at Othello's home. They began coming from their far off homes in Calif. & Nev. the latter part of July & the last left yesterday (Geo. W. & family also Lorea & babies)

Valko & his wife took Lorea & her babies home to Rockport, Summit Co. On their way back Valko had quite a wreck with my car. A man who was pulling a car ran into Valko & wrecked my car. It will cost \$140.00 to rebuild & adjust my car. I had had coverage on my car so it will not cost me any thing.

My son Judge Geo. W. while here went to Texas on a heritage case where a Mr Slaughter is reputed to have left \$28,000,000 estate & 2 or

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3 of the heirs have asked Geo. to settle the estate which he has promised to do for 33 1/3% but he stands all the expenses of the settlement. It may be quite a fortune to him.

These last 10 or 12 days has been quite hard on my wife Martha for she was over worked.

I taught my class last Sun. and took part of the time reviewing the life of Cyrus the Great--its tragedy, & triumph and what he did for the House of Israel.

I bore my testimony in fast meeting Sun. Today I went to Franklin, Ida. and spoke to the funeral of Bro. Mario Neeley's little daughter of 8 yrs. who died as a result of an operation. She suffered much for 3 or 4 wks. before death claimed the suffering child. Bro. Neeley is one of our insurance agents.

Othello & I gave sister Neeley \$5.00 instead of spending it for flowers.

Logan, Aug. 28-32

Have been a little indisposed of late and I have done little of any thing. Othello has done all the work in insurance worth mentioning. Insurance is extremely hard to write now.

Valko & Rebecca to Lorea & children home & had a wreck. I have just gotten it rebuilt. It runs fine. It cost about \$137.00 but is better than it was before.

We have heard from all the children since my birth day celebration. Valko went back to Calif. with Geo. W. & family. Valko is hunting work but the last we heard he had failed but hopeful.

Thorval is supposedly to have started for home. We are happy to know he is returning. Times are very hard over many nations. This nation has about 11,000,000 who are in dire want. The nation is struggling desperately to feed our millions and give employment to our idle hungry.

China, India, Germany, & Russia are in great want. England & other European nations are also greatly distressed. Our people are better situated as to food & aid than any others. Our tithing, if faithfully pd., will supply all our wants.

Pres. Hoover says we are passing thru the greatest crisis of want--financial and social--the world ever knew.

We have, for ages, boosted:--"Live & let live" was our motto, but we must reconstruct our life's ideas so they will read: "Live & help live." This motto will yet be worked to its utmost.

My sister Laura has come from Calif. at my request, to work over the manuscript of mine for the final touches. She is a good critic and is giving me much aid.

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It is the Sabbath. I taught my S.S. class, but I think I shot over their heads. I attended our brief High Priests Quorum & am going to attend this evening's meeting.

I find I am neglecting reading as much as I should (of my five scientific journals).

I went up Logan canyon at the Girls' Camp and gave an address to the monument men of Wy, Ida, & Ut. It was a new departure for me. I had many years ago promised my self that I would never refuse to give aid when asked no matter what it was if honorable, but the hardest thing I could think of was to be asked to give an address on "Dress Reform" (tho it might prove to be my last) but I had never conceived that I would be asked to speak to such a convention (Monument), but I found I got thru very well.

In our ward to night we voted in the 2nd councillor to fill the place of Bro. Hatch who had been called to Ogden by his Co. so a vacancy was left in the Bp.rick. We voted brother Sutton in as the 2nd councillor in the Bp.rick. He had, in Idaho, been 2nd councillor twice; 1st C. twice & Bp. twice.

Sept 10, 1932 Logan, Ut.

The wk. has passed with toil, but little results. Better prospects ahead.

My health is better & I feel fine. I filled my appointment in 12th ward last Sun. evening. We had 49% of the ward present and the Spirit of the Lord was with us. Many expressed gratitude for the privilege of hearing "Why can't the world believe Joseph was a Seer of God?" The spirit of the Lord rested greatly upon myself & the audience. How reverentially grateful I always am when the Lord sustains me in defending & advancing his cause.

The 5th ward also asked that I speak in their ward last Sun. but couldn't.

We have rec'd a telegram that Thorval will arrive in S.L. Mon. 8:30 A.M. We go to meet him there. We are most happy to know he is to come. He will have been gone 4 yrs. lacking 38 days. It is a long time to be away from home. Nearly 3 yrs. were given for the church & the rest has been in studying in Germany & Grenoble, Fr. He has filled a good mission. It has cost me about \$2600.00 or \$2700.00.

We have had two of our young people (Miss Boyle & J. Smith) killed in an auto accident. The town is greatly grieved over it. It just seems that it is almost impossible to teach wisdom to the living thru calamities of others.

Sept. 25, 1932 Logan, Ut.

Thorval is home and our hearts are made glad thru his return & find that he has spent these years in God's service and returned home full of faith. He reached S.L. on 2 P.M. (Sept 12) train rather than 8:30 A.M. as we expected. He was gone 4 yrs. lacking about 36 days.

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We have done much visiting since his return. He is preparing to attend the A.C. this yr. though it will cramp us much for money. He will have a little work at the Piggly Wiggley Store for a day or so a wk. Money matters are growing worse with us for it is almost impossible to write ins. now. I have only written \$4500 in two wks.

Thorval spoke last Sun. night in sacrament meeting, reporting his mission, etc.

Valko returned from Calif. after being there about 4 wks. trying to find work but failed! While there he had a severe attack of hay-fever & was half-sick while there. He desires to attend school this year, but so far we can't see the way.

My sister Laura went to visit her brothers & sister at Benjamin & S.L. She has returned to continue her work with me on my manuscript work.

I am teaching an Old Test Class in S.S. in our ward. It is interesting & yet hard to translate an ancient prophet in terms of a living prophet & seer so that he appears to live in our midst & tells of our day & great events that even sweep past us in the future in many instances. Yes, to put his archaic phraesology in to our modern language is also a difficult problem. We are succeeding fairly well. We have been discussing the minor prophets for the last 3 mos. It is pitiable our young people--and may I say the old--know so little about the Old Test. To realize they predicted events which reveal our time and give us new hope & new energy & gratitude. When God said to Jeremiah (ch. 31:33) speaking of our day) He said: "After those days saith God, I will put my law in their inward parts and I will write it in their hearts; and (I) will be their God and they shall be my people." How glorious and thrilling such a promise is to me. I cry out in my soul "O'God, eternal & merciful; how glorious is thy work and how happy I am that I can live to see this day of fulfillment" I have longed & prayed for years that I could have the spirit of a prophet & seer that when I read or heard them I should be filled with the spirit which gave them utterance; I have been happy so far in my understanding of the prophets. They have not been a sealed book to me for many years. It seems I was the first to be able to translate the meaning of IX chap. of Rev. and point out to the world that the world war was fulfilling the 1st $\frac{1}{2}$ of that chap. I see the (the) coming of the fulfillment of the 2nd "woe" spoken of in the same chap. My soul is obsessed & troubled over its approach & also the fulfillment of 12 ch. of Daniel. I see the factors already at work which will eventually drag down upon the world the most terrible destruction the earth has ever known.

Oct. 29, 1932 Logan, Ut.

It has been a month since I last wrote. How time does fly! The fall has been ideal for all. The crops are very good but the price is very low--wheat from 28 to 30¢ a bu.; potatoes 17¢ a hundred (A grade); butter 25¢ a lb.; eggs from 17 to 24¢ a doz.; milk brought to one's door 7 to 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ a qt. All other products proportionately; May fine alfalfa has \$4.00 & 5.00 in the stack. Money is extremely hard to get.

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There are institutions or stores being opened up in Utah, Idaho & other states called "Natural Development Association. They buy or trade for any thing you have. Script is issued for payment. This script is called "valorum." A man is offered 55 & 60¢ a bu. (when market price is 30¢) & you can get any thing the stores have for your script. As a rule these stores take your products at considerably above par. The thought is that all things may be gotten without money. If it works, it is going to supply the wants of the people in a remarkable way and it seems to be most successful so far.

I have been to S.L. on business & visiting my daughter Fern & family.

My sister Laura from Calif. has been here for about 2 mos. She has helped me some with my manuscript. We have gone over 5 or 6 chaps. but she will not aid more from present indications.

My sister Anna & daughter are almost in want due to no work. I am trying to aid her a little tho she is loath to take any thing from me.

I have just finished Edward Thompson's work "The People of the Serpent." An excellent work on the peoples (Mayas) of Yucatan. I have gotten 3 or 4 points which will aid my work.

Valko has killed some ducks & two deer the last few days--one about 265 lbs. It is excellent meat. He is a wonderful shot--probably better than father or my brother Charles. On a rabbit hunt he can use a riffle & kill more rabbits than most any one in hunt who use shotguns.

Thorval & Marva are hard at work in college. He is a councillor in the M.I.A. of the ward.

I am teaching in S.S. & also teaching the advance class in the M.I.A. The subject is "Rational Theology." The work is written by Dr Widtsoe. It is rather a new departure in thought to my class.

I have been in correspondence with Dr Robt. T. Hill of Dallas, Texas. I met him 20 yrs. ago in N.Y. He is classed as one of the 2000 famous Scientists of America. I am in hopes of meeting him in the near future.

We are all well at home and as far as I know all my family & kindred are well.

Nov. 7, 1932, Logan, Ut.

I now come to the end of an other journal of my life which I began Aug. 20, 1930. Since then I have done much study and research work along the anthropological & archaeological lines. I spent between 7 & 8 months in the east along this line of work. I am at present trying to whip into line and final complement of my research work. My sister Laura is giving me valuable assistance.

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My life has been too busy to adequately record my acts, thoughts, modes, etc. My family, noble, beautiful, and beloved deserve a prominent place in my journals; they have been only scantily mentioned here and there.

When I come to the end of a journal I am filled with deep and sacred emotions much as one feels when he leaves home and loved ones. My soul is full of prayer and devotion. I feel to ask my Father to sanctify my life and all I have done for His cause and guide me and my loved ones in the on-coming future. Father, forgive errors, and up lift us with a greater comprehension of Thee and Thy work. May our lives be preserved until we have done all Thou didst send us to do. We waited, watched, prayed, toiled, eternities for this privilege to dwell in this mortal world, for great is its meaning and power to us--great in its potential power; great in its up-lift to us if we can be awakened from the deep sleep of mortality which veiled our eternity-old radiant spirits. I say if we can be awakened. It is the miracle of miracles for our spirits to wrap our divine souls in this lump of mortal clay and make it breathe, feel, think and awaken it so that it & we can again comprehend our Father & God who stands within the shadow watching our awakening. We can't hope to awaken to our once full blown intelligence or have given to us the power that was once ours. What is true with us, is true with the Gods while they too dwelt in mortality. Adam, Gabriel, Jehovah were no exceptions. We hear the prayer from the lips of our Redeemer saying: "O Father, glorify thou me with the glory which I had with thee before the world was." (St. Jno 17:5). Are we too not struggling that our Father will also give to us again the glory, power, intelligence and vision we once had before we left our home on high? Can we not earnestly & devotedly pray to be lifted up to power that was once ours? Aye, verily!

Dear Father, may I and mine--all of them--be saved in thy Celestial Kingdom? May my life be an inspiration to my children and my children's children to the end of time! Father, I feel the urge of unfinished trusts and promises. May my life be spared and thy spirit guide me until the work is done. May I be magnified in righteousness so that men, seeing my good works, may glorify thy name. In turn may the greatness and divinity of my fellow men be magnified in my eyes and understanding until I will glorify thy name thru them.

O Father, hallowed be thy name forever and ever! May I yet come to Thee? Not I alone, but all my father's and mother's house hold, aye, yes, the earth and her children--thy children--sons and daughters and Thine be the glory forever. Amen.

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