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From Salt Lake City

Theodore (Ted) F. Smith, son of Uncle Elias and Aunt Ernestine, was married in the Salt Lake Temple on June 7th to Inez Mackay, daughter of Mrs. Hyrum J. Mackay of Taylorsville, Utah. A reception was given at her home that evening with a large number of friends and well-wishers attending.

Uncle Elias and Aunt Ernestine were in the reception line as was also LeRoy Heaton, who acted as best man, and Margie Smith, who was one of the bridesmaids. Esther S. Heaton, wife of LeRoy, and Joel H. Smith, with his wife, Camilla, were also there to represent Uncle Elias' family. Joel is principal of the school in Thatcher, Arizona. Margie has been attending the A.C. in Logan. The Heaton's have their home in Kanab.

Both the bride and groom have completed missions in Northern California. Inez has attended the Brigham Young University, but has more recently been working at the Associated Food Stores in Salt Lake. The couple plan to make their home in Provo where Ted is employed at the Geneva Steel Plant.

Among those who were seen at the reception besides the family named above were: Aunt Margaret, Uncle Hyrum, J. Fish Smith, Fred Bushman and his wife, Florence B. Bobell, Emily Parker and husband, Mary S. Monson, J. Alvin Decker and wife, and Robert J. and Lola N. Smith.

Eldon S. Greaves, youngest son of Sadie S. and Harry, is to have his farewell testimonial on June 18th prior to his departure for a mission to the Near East. He will dock at Beirut, Lebanon.

Claire Gilchrist, daughter of Mary Bushman of Ontario, Oregon, is to leave soon for a mission.

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SMITH FAMILY REUNION

At the family reunion in Snowflake last year it was decided that we meet in Utah the next time, so we Smiths in this part of the country are happy to have the privilege of arranging our family get-together to be held in Salt Lake City this year. We are anticipating the presence of a large group of the descendants of Grandfather Jesse N. Smith from all sections of the country, and we certainly urge you to make a special effort to meet with us. We also wish to include the descendants of Uncle Silas Smith, and we extend a very welcome invitation to our cousins from our uncle's family.

The committee members appointed at Snowflake last year have been working hard, planning and making all the necessary arrangements for the two-day reunion which will be held on July 22nd and 23rd in Salt Lake City. They are now ready to announce the schedule of events which will take place, and which we hope will provide entertainment, historic and geographic interest, as well as an opportunity to visit and become better acquainted with each other.

A very full schedule has been planned with the purpose in mind to give to those who have never been in this area before the opportunity to sight-see and visit some of the prominent places of interest in and around Salt Lake and at the same time mingle with relatives. In order to accomplish all the things which have been planned it will be necessary to be at the appointed places at the appointed time.

It is desirable that housing be arranged for on Friday evening so that by the next morning everyone will be refreshed and rested from their trip to Salt Lake and ready to participate in the day's activities.

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Salt Lake News (con.)

Phill Smith's wife, Lavern, has been having extensive treatment in a Nevada hospital for a rare tropical disease. They live in American Fork, although Phill has been teaching in Nevada. Lavern is now on the road to recovery and has returned to American Fork for the summer.

Richard Larson Smith was born May 28 at Monticello to bring joy to his proud parents, Mons L. and Cora.

Marie Smith Merrill and husband, Al, of Orlando, Florida, have been in Salt Lake visiting with his relatives.

Ruel and Earl Randall were up from Monticello the last of May. Earl was best man at the wedding of one of his missionary companions. Ruel attended the B. Y. U. part time last year. He drops in most any time as he flies his own airplane. Recently he made a rush trip to bring one of the prominent men of Monticello, ex-Bishop Frank Redd, to Salt Lake for an emergency operation. The town's only doctor accompanied them. A quick return trip to Monticello was necessary in order to get the doctor back before the stork arrived ahead of him.

Alice S. Hansen, her husband, Delbert, and son, Ross, came to Salt Lake City with a load of young people from Joseph City, Arizona, to attend the M. I. A. conference.

Bits from Provo

A recent issue of the Desert News had a nice picture and a short article announcing the coming marriage of Jan Fenn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter C. Mason, to John L. Hilton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene C. Hilton, of Oakland, California. The couple are to be wed August 7 in the Mesa Temple. Jan has been a popular student at B. Y. U.

We congratulate Ruth Benson on her graduation from the B. Y. U. on June 5th!

Marion and Wanda Smith, from Phoenix, were in Salt Lake at conference time, and also visited in Provo.

Mesa News

A reception was given for Preston Junior Bushman and his recent bride, Emogene, in the Joe Jarvis patio in Mesa. A large number of friends and relatives attended. A musical program was presented by the Leona Huber Ensemble and the Smith Decker family. Many lovely gifts were received by the happy couple.

Lon and Edith Bushman were recent visitors in Mesa. While there Edith underwent an operation for inward goiter. We trust that all is going well with her.

John and Myrtle Blocker spent a week-end in Snowflake visiting relatives.

The Smith Decker family are spending the summer in Salt Lake City and environs, visiting Helen's parents and attending school.

The Kent C. Shumway family recently moved into their lovely new home near the 5th Ward chapel in Mesa.

Mr. and Mrs. Ardith C. Shumway and daughters, Annette and Kathlene, recently returned from Pocatello, Idaho, where they attended graduation exercises at the Idaho State College. He received his B. S. degree in Pharmacy. Ardith finished his schooling in August, 1949, and moved to Mesa and has been employed by the Everybody's Drug Co. since then.

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New subscribers this month:

Joel H. Smith
Thatcher, Arizona

Melvin L. Smith
Shelley, Idaho

LeRoy C. Heaton
Kanab, Utah

Theodore F. Smith
172 W. 4th North
Provo, Utah

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We received word from Uncle Don that Justin M. Smith and family are to be added to the list of those who have paid their J.N. S. family dues.

REUNION (con.)

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

Saturday, July 22, 1950

- 8:00 a.m. Liberty Park - We will all meet at the Band Stand for registration. The tour in private cars will begin from there.
- 9:00 a.m. This is the Place Monument
- 10:00 a.m. Temple Square
- 11:00 a.m. Church Administration Building
- 12:00 noon State Capitol Building - We will have an educational tour of the building under the direction of a guide.
- 1:00 p.m. Lunch - The cafeteria in the Capitol Building has been reserved at this hour and we will be able to obtain a meal for 60¢ apiece.
- 2:00 p.m. We will all leave the capitol building together and go to the Bingham Copper Mines. This will be an enjoyable part of our activities. It is the largest open-cut mine in the world.
- 5:00 p.m. Black Rock - Enough time will be spent here on our way back from the mine to allow those who so desire to go bathing in the Great Salt Lake. This is a unique experience and those of you who have never been in the salt water are urged to take advantage of this opportunity. Bring your own bathing suit or rent one there.
- Between the time we leave Black Rock and 8:00 p.m. the time will be spent eating at any place of our own choice and in refreshing ourselves for the evening entertainment.
- 8:00 p.m. Forest Dale Recreation Center - 7th East on Ashton Ave. (23rd South). We will be entertained with a program, participate in group singing and enjoy ourselves dancing and visiting with each other for the remainder of the evening. This will conclude the day's activities.

Sunday, July 23, 1950

- 1:00 p.m. Box Elder Flats in Mill Creek Canyon - A business meeting will be held -- roll call by families -- reorganization of Reunion committee, etc. will be taken care of.
- The peaceful atmosphere of the canyon will be very inducive to visiting and general chit chat.
- 5:00 p.m. Pot Luck Meal - We will all bring something that can be shared in one big meal.

We are very eager to have as many as possible attend the reunion and urge you again to really plan to come. We are hopeful that we will all enjoy ourselves as much in Salt Lake as we have al-

ways done at the reunions in Arizona.

Will you please pass this news on to family members who are not present subscribers of The Kinsman.

News from Snowflake Way

The Hyrum Broadbent family have all been home together having a fine time. Smith and his family came from Provo, taking Emma and Karna with them. Francis and family are on their way to Ithaca, N. Y., where he is to teach at Cornell. Jesse recently graduated from Polytechnic at San Luis Obispo, Calif. and has employment in St. Johns where he and his family will make their home.

Aunt Sarah T. just accompanied Glen and Helen S. Heward on a nice trip to Salt Lake City. She is selling her home to Mr. Hakes, the seminary teacher, and will move to Holbrook where she is to build two rooms adjoining Effie's home.

Effie S. Tillman is spending a week or so in the valley visiting with folks and going to the temple.

Ted and Sylvia Smith, grandchildren of Aunt Sarah, are staying with her for a few days while their parents are attending the Square Dance Festival in Prescott.

Norma Tillman (d. Effie) was chosen from Holbrook schools to attend Girls' State. The Holbrook Rotary is sponsoring her and defraying all the expenses. This is quite an honor for any girl to have.

At the recent stake conference, presided over by Elder Joseph Fielding Smith, accompanied by Pres. Bruce R. McConkie, Jesse M. Smith was sustained as president of the Snowflake Stake. His counselors are Hyrum A. Hendrickson and LeRoy A. Palmer. J. Lester Shumway continues as Stake Clerk. Congratulations, Jesse M. and Hy, and best wishes from all of us!

Among those home for the summer from college are Connie, Janet, Herbst and Rey Decker; Rolfe, Dean, and Evelyn Flake; Emma Broadbent, Alice Bushman, and Dorothy Heward.

Aunt Natalia Farr recently made a visit in Snowflake with her sisters. She is County Recorder in Apache County at St. Johns. Most of her family have been home for a visit with her recently.

In a recent baby contest with 140 baby pictures entered, J.N.S. descendants came off with a few honors out of five prizes awarded. Venola Decker Lancaster's twins received one prize, Nan Frost Peterson's (d. Austin) baby received another prize, and Nell Rogers Hansen's (d. Wilford) son, David, also received a prize.

Glen Flake (s. Eugene) and Janet Schnieder are to be married in the Mesa Temple at the close of June and will reside in Snowflake, where Glen will continue his work as a cattleman.

Bernice S. Bowers (d. Elias) and children spent some time in and around Snowflake visiting while her husband attended to business as traveling optometrist. His office is in Mesa, where they make their home.

Howard and Ida S. Church and their family had a wonderful ten-day vacation in Southern Utah visiting with Howard's relatives and viewing the Parks again.

The Ladies Civic Club in Snowflake has been busy the past three years. They have sponsored a fly campaign that has practically eradicated the pest in Snowflake, making it quite a desirable place in which to live in the summer. This year they have put a new coat of acqua paint on the town swimming pool, which is to open right away, and have put up new dressing rooms and other improvements.

The recently completed census shows that the population of Snowflake is now over 1,000. Seems to be growing!

We acknowledge receipt of letters from Uncle Hyrum, Jesse Broadbent and Fern S. Mason, and we take this means of thanking them for writing.

We are always glad to receive letters and bits of news and have appreciated the encouragement given us by those who have taken time to drop a line.

Our special thanks also goes to the faithful service of our regular reporters.

Again, we remind you that we would be glad to hear of any family members to whom you think a sample copy of The Kinsman should be sent. We are anxious to reach as many members of the family as possible.

We received a very interesting letter from Clarinda Knight Sewell from Monte Vista, Colorado. We are glad to see the interest in our paper of our cousins of the Silas S. Smith family.

She tells us of the birth of her son, Lynn Sanford, the only child of the fifth generation in the S.S.S. Sr. line to be named for this illustrious forefather.

On May 24th she also became a great-grandmother when Rickey Dean Sewell was born. This makes her son, Lynn, a great-uncle at the age of 3 months and 12 days.

Another interesting thing is that Rickey Dean is the oldest son of the oldest son of the oldest son of William H. Sewell (Clarinda's husband), who was also an oldest son, as was his father.

Clarinda was not the mother of her husband's oldest son, so technically she is not a great-grandmother, although her son is a great-uncle. (Are you confused?) We congratulate her on her achievement of becoming a new mother at the age of 46.

Clarinda also sent a copy of a blessing given by John Smith, the Patriarch, to her grandfather, Silas S. Smith, Jr. (nephew of Jesse N.) dated Feb. 11, 1854, at Salt Lake City, which shows that he was ordained a High Priest in infancy, substantiating the family tradition to this effect. When he became a counselor to the Bishop in Manassa, he served for several months without further ordination and was then ordained to avoid question as to his authority.

News from Phoenix

Lapriel Smith (wife of Rudger) and children have gone to the cooler climes of Northern Arizona for the summer.

Aunt Leah had a large gathering of Aunt Janet's descendants in for a visit and quilting session recently. Among those present were: Aunt Priscilla, Priscilla S. Richins (d. Aunt Priscilla), Albert Frost and wife (Aunt Editha), Ret Ballard Thomas (d. Aunt Julia), Aunt Susie and Uncle Heber Jarvis with daughter Margaret Black.

Catherine Jarvis Brimhall, grand-daughter of Aunt Susie, now resides in the Phoenix area with her husband, Logan, and four children.

Claine Black, son of Margaret, is professor of English in a Tonga Islands college, and is also an L. D. S. missionary in the South Pacific.

Pauline Udall, Aunt Leah's youngest child, was recently elected vice-president of her class at Phoenix High School.

Aunt Pauline U. Smith has just completed her new residence in Mesa and is now comfortably located there.

Naomi Tew Udall recently graduated with distinction from the Arizona State Teacher's College at Tempe.

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With permission of Virgil Smith, we publish his poem "Revelation" which appeared in the B. Y. U.'s Wye magazine.

Beyond winter's smog, the shroud
of ignorance...
Above dark alleys cramped with
greed,
A white peak held bright twilight,
like intelligence
And good will -- answering
earth's need.

Barry Avery (s. of Sadie and Floyd) is having a wonderful experience. He is traveling from his place of missionary labor in Holland to Oberammergau, Germany, to attend the performance of the Passion Play. This play is usually presented every ten years, but has been delayed a number of years this time on account of the war. Enroute he will visit Paris, Frankfurt, and other places of interest.

1883 Sun. Apr. 1 (con.) Peter said, "Is it better to obey God, or man?" They were forbidden to preach the Gospel. Our case now is similar. Deprive us of this principle and what have we left? What kind of people are those who have proved recreant to this principle? If you wish to sink to the most degraded thing on earth deny this principle.

Joseph Fish exhorted the Saints to heed these instructions, to obey the law of the Lord and obtain the spirit of the Gospel and to bind themselves to the cause by observing the laws of God. Adjourned for three months to meet in Omer Ward.

Mon. Apr. 2. Meadow. Meeting at 2:30 p.m. I presented the subject for consideration of a Ward organization for the place. Bros. B. Young and H. J. Grant were present, also Bishop Udall of St. Johns. The idea was approved. I called for a nomination for the office of Bishop. Apples Lambson nominated Peter Isaacson. After remarks by several the vote to sustain him as Bishop was unanimous. Bro. Young explained to me afterwards that Lambson was wrong in making the nomination as he ought to have known that he was not the man to nominate as Bishop. B. Young spoke encouragingly to the Saints. The very existence of our people demands that this mission to the Lamanites shall be fulfilled, and in laboring among them for their welfare we also labor for ourselves and for our protection. When the ten tribes come in from the north country they will receive their blessings in the temples that we shall have erected.

H. J. Grant saw the necessity of our labors and good examples among the Lamanites. Exhorted to temperance. Bishop Peter Isaacson was ordained and set apart as Bishop of the Meadow Ward under the hands of B. Young, H. J. Grant and Jesse N. Smith.

Bro. Young's party, of which I was a member, proceeded on to Navajo Ward, Valencia County, New Mexico, where, at a meeting on April 8th I nominated E. A. Tietjen for Bishop of that Ward, seconded and carried unanimously. Remarks were also made by Bros. I. Turley, John Kartchner and R. Gibbons.

Bro. Young spoke of the few, compared to the number in the world, who could testify of Jesus

and of Joseph, and of the excellence of the Gospel. You are here among the Lamanites, but they will watch you closely and you must be exemplary. We must first teach the Lamanites cleanliness. They must find the same principles carried out by the Saints in their homes, also the Word of Wisdom. I believe they will become convinced of the truth of the Gospel before they go through among the Gentiles and destroy them. The Word of Wisdom comes to us now by commandment and constraint and has done so for some years past.

Afternoon. H. J. Grant said, "I believe the Saints in Arizona keep the Word of Wisdom better than they do in Utah. No matter how much we may be misjudged in this world we shall receive the fullest reward in the next. It will not be the position that any of us may occupy that will benefit us, though I will say that the lay member must keep the commandments or he cannot hope to rise any higher. It is my belief that if the Saints here will divide their lands with the Lamanites, they will increase in means and prosperity, even if they have to give up their stock. Great treasures of wisdom and knowledge will be given to those who keep the Word of Wisdom. When we go hence those who have these gifts will have a great advantage."

E. A. Tietjen was ordained and set apart as Bishop of the Navajo Ward under the hands of B. Young, H. J. Grant and Jesse N. Smith.

Mon. Apr. 9. B. Young, H. J. Grant and myself addressed a letter to Mr. Teller, Secretary of the Interior, remonstrating against the action of the Senator Logan in trying to get away a part of the reservation of the Zuni Indians, situated at Nutria in this county.

Thurs. Apr. 12. With Bro. Young's party reached Manuelito's camp some 35 miles north of Fort Wingate. Found him to be a large heavily formed man about six feet high. He talked with the party, by the aid of Bro. Tietjen as interpreter, very kindly and intelligently during the evening. Understood that he was addicted to drinking ardent spirits. Upon our return Bros. Young and Grant took the train at Fort Wingate station. The latter gave me for a present a small revolver of the Smith & Wesson pattern. At Navajo meeting

was held and the organization of the ward completed by setting apart Samuel Edward Lewis as first counselor to the Bishop, Ira Hatch as second counselor and James R. McNeil as ward clerk, all by vote of the people. At this place they depend entirely upon reservoirs of water for irrigation. Some of the land seems to require but little water.

Sat. June 30. Conference at Omer. At the opening I expressed myself as having a greater desire for the moral than the temporal welfare of the Saints. Greatly desired that our children might have the benefit of schools. We should not give way to covetousness, but have the Lord supremely in our hearts. In the afternoon I recommended the Saints to take the "Deseret News" and "Juvenile Instructor," and generally to sustain our own institutions. Some brethren said they were willing to do all they could for the cause of Zion, but would still give their trade to outsiders. Solomon prayed that he might have neither poverty nor riches. If we go away freighted it will be difficult for our boys to understand that it is not good for them to go freighted too. If we use tobacco our boys will say if that is good for the old, it will be good for the young ones likewise. We should understand that all our acts and all our words have their weight and influence. When we allow ourselves to oppose every plan proposed for the people's welfare, and then say we are doing the best we can, we are simply lying. Some have not yet learned how to use their influence for the best good. The great trials are not dangerous to the masses. It is the every day duties that require our attention. If we build up the Kingdom of God at all, it will be through being good citizens thereof, practically as well as theoretically. No one has a right to have dancing in his house without the sanction of his Bishop. Dancing is permitted as a recreation, but is not a part of our religion.

Priesthood meeting. There being two vacancies in the High Council, I mentioned Bro. E. Snow's advice, upon which we have heretofore acted of having them reside as near together as convenient, but this not having given universal satisfaction thought it advisable to fill the vacancies

from St. Johns and this valley (Round Valley). After some remarks pro and con, on motion it was unanimously carried to sustain Andrew S. Gibbons of St. Johns and Warren R. Tenney of Amity as High Councilors. A vacancy existed in the office of stake president of Relief Societies. On motion of Samuel H. Rogers, Emma S. Smith was chosen for that position. I stated that the Elders should receive the Priesthood on their merits, having the cause of God at heart. Advised the Bishops to meet with all the organizations in their wards and see that all were united according to the late revelation. Bro. S. H. Rogers pointed out the necessity of observing the revelation of last Oct. 13th. In order that we may prosper it is necessary to rectify all the evils that may exist. Bro. Joseph Fish spoke about the good resulting from a thorough investigation of our conduct, also to meet with our quorums and see that we are in unison with our brethren. I advised all who had been called as Indian missionaries to go out, as it was a dangerous thing to accept a mission and not try to fulfil it, though preaching to the Lamanites was different from preaching to the Anglo-Saxon races. In answer to a question, I stated that I never understood that it was wrong to lay on hands for the healing of the sick when the sick person was not in the Church, though an Elder had a right to decline to officiate in any case where he felt to decline.

Sun. July 1. George C. Williams spoke well upon the necessity of surrounding our children with good society and good examples. We have but a short time to work and should improve the time. The people of God have always been persecuted.

I referred to the disposition to move from place to place existing in the stake. If we are always moving the Lord will not know where to find us. Would be glad to have the people go ahead and complete the ditches and other work that we have laid out. We have been told by Bro. Young that we were not sent out here to get rich. We should all feel that we are here as missionaries to the Lamanites, and we should sustain those who go out among that people. We should set our houses in order.