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OFFICERS FOR 1951

With the beginning of this year, the new officers which were elected at the family reunion last summer, automatically went into office. We print again the list of those guiding the family organization during this year:

George A. Smith, President
Silas S. Decker, Vice-President
Edith S. Bushman, Vice-President
Ruth S. Shumway, Vice-President
Rudger G. Smith, Vice-President
(appointed in Andrew's place)
Silas D. Smith, Secretary and
Historian, 44 South Udall,
Mesa, Arizona
Don C. Smith, Treasurer, 445 East
1st Ave., Mesa, Arizona

From Salt Lake City

Ellen S. Lyon, star reporter from Salt Lake City, requests that the following poem be printed as a tribute to her mother, Aunt Ellen, who was 82 on Jan. 16th, and to all our mothers to whom it is so difficult to tell what their lives mean to us:

Prayer for Mother by James J. Metcalfe

Dear God, be good to mother dear
And bless her heart today.
For she has been so good to me
And kind in every way.

Remove the wrinkles from her brow,
Dispel her every care
And let the stardust mingle with
The silver in her hair.

Give her the comfort she deserves,
And make her dream come true
By helping me to give the best
That I could offer you.

Be good to mother dear, O God.
Reward her wondrous worth,
And multiply by many years
The time she has on earth.

For she has done so much for You
If only by the way
She has inspired me to live
A better life today.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

January 1, 1951

Howdy folks! Yesterday I was just a member of the Jesse N. Smith family organization; today I am the President of that same Jesse N. Smith family organization. You little know what strings are pulled and politics brewed to gain this position. But by whatever means and devices it was obtained, I am proud of it.

As I wander thither and yon in this delightful old land I meet my kinsmen. Many I do not recognize by name, but there is a look in the eye, a smirk on the physiognomy that indefinably betrays our common ancestry. Perhaps some of us think we are an improvement on the stock, but if Jesse N.'s attention were brought to this fact, his reply would be, "That is as it should be."

Indubitably the 39th
(That's George A. in
case you don't know)

Financial Report

Following is a report of the Genealogical Fund with receipts and disbursements as submitted by the Treasurer, Don C. Smith:

Cash in bank Dec. 31, 1949--	\$306.96
Dues paid in 1950	64.50
Interest	4.60
	<u>\$376.06</u>
Reunion expenses, 1950	59.49
Balance Dec. 31, 1950	<u>\$316.57</u>

News from Phoenix

A new arrival in Chandler is a baby daughter of Lenore and J. Buren Carpenter. She was born Jan. 2nd.

Josephine Udall, daughter of Uncle John H. and Aunt Leah, was married to Lloyd E. Webster in the Arizona Temple on Dec. 22nd. The couple were honored at a reception in Phoenix on the 29th. They now reside in Provo where Lloyd is attending the B.Y.U.

Snowflake Area News

Virginia and Denny Acheson (d. Preston A. Bushman) were surprise visitors in Snowflake on Jan. 7th on their way home to San Diego. They left their three children; Neal, Lynnette and Ronnie, with Georgiana Spurlock in Holbrook while they attended a convention in Fort Worth. They came by way of Albuquerque for a visit with Garland, to St. Johns and Show Low, where they enjoyed visits with other members of the family before returning home. Virginia enjoys her work in the Relief Society in their fine home ward.

Aunt Sophronia spent the holidays in St. Johns, where she is remaining for a time.

Earl Smith and wife are now living in Snowflake, where he is employed in his father's store.

With the departure of three more missionaries--Leon Peterson and Dean Flake (s. Virgil M. and Gerda) to Sweden, and Kenneth Barnes to Texas-Louisiana Mission, Snowflake now has a total of 27 out in the field.

Virgil M. and Gerda Flake recently attended a Stockmen's Convention in San Francisco and are revisiting some of the scenes of their missions years ago. Virgil writes that their daughter, Evelyn, is to go on a mission to California in February, besides Dean to Sweden.

S. George Ellsworth and wife, Maria (d. of Uncle Asahel), and son, Steven, were in Snowflake before Christmas enroute from Oakland to Logan, Utah, where he is newly appointed Professor of History at the U.S.A.C. He just received his PhD at Berkley. Aunt Pauline accompanied them for pre-holiday festivities in Snowflake, returning to spend Christmas with her son, Henry, and his three sons in Tucson.

Howard and Ida S. Church were in Phoenix for the wedding reception given to Lloyd and Josephine Udall Webster on Dec. 29th. They also attended a Udall family gathering while there.

Ida S. Hendrickson, Stake Relief Society President, held a stake board party in her new home for New Year's, honoring especially her counselor, Anna Decker, with a baby shower for the Indian baby they have recently adopted.

(see next column)

Again we have a few new members to add to the family of Kinsman subscribers. This month we are happy to add the following:

Kent C. Shumway
444 E. 3rd Ave.
Mesa, Ariz.

Quince J. Shumway
11550 Duncan Ave.
Lynwood, Calif.

Beula S. Petersen
447 E. 2nd Ave.
Mesa, Ariz.

Richard W. Shumway
Winkelman, Ariz.

Ardeth C. Shumway
235 W. 10th Place South
Mesa, Ariz.

Mrs. Winifred S. Pearson
Hurricane, Utah

Phill O. Smith
Box 137
Park City, Utah

Homer B. Smith
3203 S. 17th East
Salt Lake City, Utah

Rudger G. Smith
1400 W. Adams
Phoenix, Ariz.

Additional requests were received this month in regard to the JMS Journal publication:

	<u>Printed</u>	<u>Mimeo-</u>	<u>graphed</u>
Harold H. Smith	1 or more		
Justin M. Smith	1	1	
Daphne D. Bushman	1?		1?
Emma S. Dewey		1 (to	
		fit genealogy	
		binder)	

Snowflake (con.)

Leon and Edith S. Bushman, with their daughter, Frances, spent Christmas in Pima, Arizona, with their daughter, Nellie, and husband, Gale Mortensen. They have just moved into a lovely new home. Gale is shop teacher and coach at the Pima High School.

Wendell, son of Walter and Roxie S. Shelley, of Joseph City, will report January 22nd in Salt Lake City prior to his departure to the Northern States Mission.

Barbara Lubbers, daughter of Walter and Roxie, has a new baby boy, born Dec. 21st. Barbara lives in Iowa.

Salt Lake City
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Mary S. Monson has been nominated as the most honored grandmother of the year (1950) as four of her children have added more glamour to the name of grandma. On June 8th, Smith W. Monson and wife, Dorothy, had a son named Weston Lawrence. This is their third child and third son. They reside in Salt Lake City.

As reported in December, Harry R. Monson and Evelyn of Los Angeles had their first child, a son born Nov. 13th and named Harry Randall, Jr.

From Denver, Colorado, came the news that Kenneth and Helen Monson were blessed with their 9th child--a girl named Virginia.

The first child for Mary and Calvin W. Jackson was a boy named Lawrence Andrew, born Dec. 18th. They are stationed at Langley, A. F.D., Virginia.

On the basis of a phone call Ellen Lyon received recently, she nominates Mabel Decker as the most excited grandma. A one-breath conversation went something like this, "O! Ellen, I'm going to faint, but I must tell someone my news. Alvin isn't here and I have to tell someone--just got a telegram from Wila (her daughter) and O! she has twins and I know I'm going to faint, so good-bye."

Alvin informs us that Mabel left the first of January for Maderia, Ohio, to help out. The twins were born Dec. 12th. Wila and Curtis L. Hamilton, the parents, have three children now--all boys. The twins are named Marshall Decker and Kent Decker Hamilton.

On Dec. 27th a boy was born to Marguerite B. and Lowell Babcock. They named him Alfred Roy. The Babcocks are in Boise, Idaho.

Jess Bushman spent the holidays with his parents, Fred and Jessie, then returned to school at Princeton where he is studying to become a geologist. He is a graduate of B.Y.U.

Sadie Greaves reports that her son, Eldon S., has been transferred to another mission field with the closing of the Near East Mission. She said that he would likely be sent to England. (We note in a recent Church News, however, that his name was among those assigned to labor in the French Mission.)

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This month the mailman was kept pretty busy just with the letters we received from family members. We would really like to answer all of them personally, but that is not possible, so we acknowledge with sincere thanks letters and cards from the following, besides from our regular reporters:

Justin M. Smith, Panguitch, Utah
Uncle Heber and Aunt Susie Jarvis,

Mesa
Emily S. Parker, Salt Lake City
S. Eugene and Lillian Flake,

Gallup, N. Mex.
Don Mack Dalton, American Fork
Clarinda K. Sewell, Monte Vista,

Colo.
Aunt Julia S. Ballard, Snowflake
Virgil M. Flake, Snowflake

Rudger G. Smith, Phoenix

Francis Broadbent, Ithaca, N. Y.

Lois B. Goodrich, Bluebell, Utah

Florence B. Zobell, Murray, Utah

Mary S. Monson, Salt Lake City

Aunt Myrtle S. Blocker, Mesa

Theodore F. Smith, Provo

Silas L. Fish, Phoenix

N. Pratt Smith, Salt Lake City

Margery C. Tenney, Mesa

J. Fish Smith, Salt Lake City

Homer B. Smith, Salt Lake City

Uncle Hyrum Smith, Salt Lake City

Uncle George A. Smith, Show Low

Aunt Ruth S. Shumway, Shumway,

Ariz.

Aunt Priscilla Smith, Salt Lake

Emma S. Dewey, Los Angeles, Cal.

Aunt Leah S. Udall, Phoenix

Sadie Greaves, Salt Lake City

Daphne D. Bushman, Show Low

Edith S. Bushman, Joseph City

Bits from Provo

Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Rogers (s. Rebecca and Andrew) are rejoicing over the arrival of their second son born on Jan. 7th at the Utah Valley Hospital.

Floyd Avery (h. Sadie Hulet) was recently hospitalized for a couple of weeks with flu and a heart attack. He has improved somewhat and returned home. We all wish him a speedy and complete recovery.

Daphne D. Bushman from Show Low, Arizona, has been in Provo recently visiting her son, Preston Junior, and his wife.

Salt Lake (con.)

Albert A. Smith (s. Aunt Priscilla) is in the service as a Warrant Officer in Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

At the request of Uncle George, the family association president, we are publishing again the Constitution and By-Laws as they were officially adopted.

CONSTITUTION and BY-LAWS of the JESSE NATHANIEL SMITH FAMILY ASSOCIATION

Article I: Name

The name of this association shall be the Jesse Nathaniel Smith Family Association.

Article II: Object

The object of this association shall be to foster goodwill among the descendants and family groups of the association in all their generations; to preserve the family groups in a fraternal order; and to retain a common faith.

Article III: Membership

Membership shall consist of all the descendants of Jesse N. Smith and their families.

Article IV: Officers

Section 1: The officers of this association shall consist of one president and five vice-presidents.

Section 2: Each officer shall be a member of the Jesse Nathaniel Smith Family Association.

Section 3: The officers shall be chosen according to the following classification; one vice-president from each family group, provided there is a group member in the association. One vice-president from each of three or more generations; provided the respective generations are represented in the association membership.

Section 4: All officers of this association shall enter upon their duties two weeks after their election and shall serve for a term of one year.

Article V: Election of Officers

Section 1: The election of officers provided for in this constitution shall be held at the annual meeting of the association.

Section 2: The election of officers shall be the first item of business at the annual meeting of the association.

Section 3: The method of election shall be by acclamation as defined by Roberts Rules of Order.

Section 4: Nominations for all offices may be made from the floor.

Article VI: Powers and Duties of the Officers

Section 1: President. The president shall be the executive officer of the organization, shall preside over all meetings, act as chairman of the executive committee, be an ex-officio member of all committees, and call meetings of such committees when in his judgment the interest of the association warrant it. He shall perform such other duties as usually pertain to the presidency.

Section 2: First vice-president. The first vice-president shall serve as presiding officer in the absence of the president and perform such other duties as are generally assigned to the vice-president, and shall succeed to the office of president if for any reason that office should become vacant.

Section 3: Second vice-president. It shall be the duty of the second vice-president to be the secretary of the association. He shall keep the minutes of all meetings of the association, meetings of the executive committee and other committees of which he may be designated secretary, and shall act as corresponding secretary of the association, and be responsible for all notices sent to members of the association.

Section 4: Third vice-president. The third vice-president shall be the treasurer of the association. He shall receive all funds due the association, deposit them in a suitable depository as designated by the executive committee, keep records of membership dues, receipts and expenditures, etc. He shall present to the executive committee for approval all bills and claims and sign all checks for the payment of expenditures authorized by the executive committee and attested by the president. He shall file all records and publications of the association.

Section 5: Fourth vice-president. The fourth vice-president shall be the chairman of the resolutions committee.

Section 6: Fifth vice-president. The fifth vice-president shall be the chairman of the genealogical committee.

Article VII: Committees

Section 1: Standing committees of the association shall be: Executive, Auditing, Nominating, Resolutions, Genealogical, Publications, and such other committees as may be established by the majority vote of the association at any regular meeting.

(a) Temporary committees may be appointed by the president upon authorization of the association at any regularly called meeting or by the executive committee.

(b) All committees whose officers are not otherwise provided for in this constitution shall organize by making one of their own members chairman and one secretary.

Section 2: Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers of the association. It shall be the duty of the executive committee to arrange a time and a place for all meetings except those otherwise provided for in this constitution; to arrange a program for the annual meeting and such other meetings as may be necessary and desirable; to appoint all committees and fill vacancies on all committees, except those that must be appointed by the president; and to perform such other duties as may be assigned by this constitution and the association.

Section 3: Auditing Committee. The auditing committee shall consist of three members. It shall be the duty of this committee to audit the books of the treasurer and report to the membership of the association in writing at the annual meeting.

Section 4: Nominations Committee. The nominations committee shall consist of three members. It shall be the duty of this committee to recommend to the association, candidates for the offices of the association. These recommendations must be presented at the annual meeting.

Section 5: Resolutions Committee. The resolutions committee shall consist of the fourth vice-president as chairman and two members. It shall be the duty of this committee to present a report for the consideration of the association upon the call of the president.

Section 6: Genealogical Committee. The genealogical committee shall consist of the fifth vice-president as chairman and two members. It shall be the duty of this committee to keep a record of the descendants of Jesse N. Smith and their families, to know what research is being done in genealogy and kindred field of research, to assist in temple work, and to report upon call of the president.

Section 7: Publications committee. The publications committee shall consist of three members. It shall be the duty of this committee to provide for the printing and distribution of a current periodical of the association and print any other matter approved by the committee and requested by the association.

Article VIII: Family Groups

Section 1: The members of the association shall be classified into family groups according to their line of descent.

(a) There shall be five family groups.

(b) Each group shall be called by the name of one of the mothers.

(c) Each member of the association shall belong to the group which is named after the mother through whom he reckons his lineage.

Section 2: The members shall be classified into generations.

(a) For the purposes of this constitution Jesse N. Smith and his wives shall be called the first generation.

(b) Their children shall be called the second generation.

(c) The grand-children of Jesse N. Smith shall be called the third generation.

(d) The great grand-children of Jesse N. Smith shall be called the fourth generation, etc.

Article IX: Amendments

Section 1: Any amendment to this constitution may be adopted by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any regular meeting or at any meeting called to consider amendments.

Section 2: Proposed amendments in written form must be sent to members of the association with notices of the meeting fifteen days before the date of the meeting at which they will be considered.

BY-LAWS

Section 1: The annual membership dues of this organization shall be one dollar (\$1.00) for all of the second generation, fifty cents (50¢) for all the third generation, twenty-five cents (25¢) for all the fourth generation and all succeeding generations.

Section 2: The association shall meet at least once each year in what shall be designated as the annual meeting of the association.

Section 3: Notice of all meetings shall be sent to the members of the association fifteen days prior to the meeting. This notice must be accompanied by the program of the meeting.

Section 4: The members present at any regular or called meeting of the association shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Except where otherwise provided in the constitution, a majority vote shall carry.

Section 5: These by-laws may be amended at any meeting of the association by a majority vote of those present.

We just received a letter from Uncle Elias which brings us up to date on the statistical history of his family. Bernice who married J. D. Bowers has a new boy -- their fourth son, fifth child. They live in Mesa. Herman and his wife live in Phoenix. Joel is principal of the grade school at Thatcher. He is the father of three children. Melvin quit his school teaching in Shelley, Idaho, and moved to Mesa. They have two children. Laverne has four children and lives in Washington, D. C. Ted and his wife, Inez, are living in Provo. Esther and husband, LeRoy Heaton, and two children live at Kanab. Margaret expects to wed in June. At present she is living in Salt Lake City with Aunt Margaret Jensen. Erna Jon graduates from high school at Snowflake in May. Uncle Elias has built a new modern house in Snowflake.

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Erma S. Dewey (d. Samuel F.) reports from Los Angeles that some weeks ago she and her husband, Jess M., with their family attended church services at the Las Flores Ward in Temple City at the invitation of Henry and Lula Smith. Henry's family put on most of the service. Terry had just returned from a mission to South America and gave a very interesting report. One of the other boys sang, accompanied by his brother. The other son and the son-in-law offered the prayers.

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LeGrand and Lavera Mathis of Ogden (d. Samuel F.) were blessed with their second son on Jan. 4. He weighed 7 lbs. and will be named LeGrand M. Mathis, Jr.

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1884 Wed. May 14. Drove to Snowflake, calling at the grist mill on the way.

Thurs. May 15. Started to St. Johns to attend the quarterly conference there. Held evening meeting at Erastus. Joseph Fish spoke of the lack of contentment that many manifest. F. M. Lyman said it was generally the poor who settled on the frontiers. Advised to get a contented spirit and not be roving about. The Lord will bless the elements for our good. Men should be proven before they are called to the Priesthood. Bro. Young said where we are called to is the place for us to get wealthy. This place has been located and sanctioned by the spirit of God. We should improve and make ourselves comfortable.

Fri. May 16. Went to St. Johns. At Priesthood meeting in the evening I said we must intercede with the heavens and thus fight our battles. We should cultivate a spirit of forbearance and not fight with carnal weapons. The people here should go ahead minding their own business and not give way to a spirit of excitement or a spirit of fear. F. M. Lyman said those newly called here will help those already here. We expect this difficulty here to be settled by the steady growth of our people. The better element will predominate. We will hold a large country by righteousness. B. Young said we must let the Lord fight our battles. When we go before the Lord properly our enemies melt away. We must trust the Lord implicitly and keep our tempers. Recommended that we spend the coming Sunday in fasting and prayer. The people here have the good feelings and support of all the stakes. I seconded Bro. Young's suggestion about devoting the coming Sabbath to fasting and prayer, and plead our cause with the heavens. Was opposed to men going and telling our enemies all that transpires at these meetings. I am not willing for our daughters to work as hired help in the houses of outsiders. If the brethren will be careful and not lose their faith I am willing they should work for outsiders. Considered that the blood of Cain was more predominant in those Mexicans than that of Israel. Bro. Young condemned the mixing of our people with outsiders.

Sat. May 17. Special conference at St. Johns. I especially advised the raising of

lucern to feed cows. Bro. B. Young said many who started out strong have become weary. Some have thrown blocks under the wheels of his work but the car has never jostled. In the days of Joseph the outsiders said, "Cut off the head and the body will perish." It was necessary that the prophet of God should seal his testimony with his blood. It was shed and the testimony of the testator is now in force in all the world and will have to be atoned for. God will bring about this atonement in his own time and way. They will find out that it costs something to shed the blood of the innocent. The brethren have met in prayer and prayed God to deal with their enemies and their prayers have been heard. These are the weapons for us to fight with. We must be in the right and have God on our side. We must never take the law into our own hands. We must also have union on our side. It is the inside pressure that makes us fear, not the outside pressure. If we were one, no outside pressure would have any effect upon us. F. M. Lyman said a man had better never have been born than to bear false witness against his brethren. If a sister marries an outsider she brings sorrow upon herself and her family and deprives herself of husband and children for eternity. When we are in a mixed community we should be guarded. I gave notice that tomorrow would be observed as a day of fasting and prayer before the Lord and asked the Saints to plead their cause before the Lord in relation to our enemies in this land. At the Priesthood meeting I proposed that the people of the stake freely help the people of Woodruff to put in their dam. It was agreed for every man to give a week's work towards putting in the dam. He could go or send pay means to the amount of his week. There were two missionary farms reported.

F. M. Lyman said the president of a stake has not the right to stand out against the Twelve Apostles, nor has the Bishop a right to stand out against his president. Apostles and presidents make mistakes, but who has the right to correct them? Those that are over them. There are always some who are ready to find fault. There are some of this class in every ward and stake. No one should be recommended to the house of the Lord who drinks,

smokes or who has not a testimony of the truth of this work. The Bishops should see to this. I charge you that ye do not seek occasion against your brethren. We must forgive in order to be forgiven. No man can be a Saint who does not have the Holy Ghost and no man can have that spirit who does not forgive his neighbors.

Sun. May 18. p.m. B. Young said we are a peculiar people in our belief. We have the truths of God in our midst. The world denies their own doctrine when presented to them in plainness by us. We worship God as did the ancients. Our worship does not seem peculiar but natural. A stranger will witness among this people a degree of unity unknown among other people. The preachers of the day realize that a religious crisis is impending. Therefore, they destroy their old fables. A person once said to me, "If I knew that your doctrine was true I would not accept it." So with many, they have not the courage to break away from their dead creeds. They say you must be led by your leaders in political matters. Our ecclesiastical courts ally difficulties, and thus keep the fees out of lawyers' hands. We gather together because it is one of the principles of our faith. We could not become one if we did not do so. The entire land of America will be purified before we are called to go back to the center stake of Zion. We are here preparing for the time when that land will again be reoccupied. The persons who will go back there are not the class who are failing to sustain the cause in this land. The Lord said in 1832, that some would go to that land and receive their inheritances. When that time comes the lines will be held tighter over us than they are at present. It is a oneness that we are seeking. We cannot afford to let our minds rest upon the things of this world, but they must rest upon the principles of the Gospel. The temporal things occupy our minds to the exclusion of all others. As it was with the people in the time of Moses we want to worship the calf. It is not right for us thus to raise up a God unto ourselves. We must cleave to God and our hearts must be turned towards the truth or we shall never be saved in the kingdom of God. The only way we can secure our wives and children to

ourselves is to serve God. We can pass on to eternal perfection if we will do our duty. We talk about the glories of sternity, but it is the small things that go to make up a man's character in this kingdom. If you do not live as you should you will always be in the rear. Those who stand out boldly for righteousness cannot be subdued.

F. M. Lyman said when a man commits adultery he forfeits his wife and children. The strong should help the weak; the rich should help the poor. In your political matters be united and sustain as a unit those who receive the nominations, and listen to the voice of them that preside over you. Can you stand against your brethren? No you cannot. At a council of the Priesthood after remarks it was carried that the Bishops receive 8% of the tithing for their services and the president of the stake 2% of the tithing for his services in making out the tithing accounts for the stake.

After meeting the leading brethren in the Priesthood with Apostles Young and Lyman met, still fasting, at Bishop D. K. Udall's where a solemn prayer meeting was held. We named the names of a number of the more prominent of our enemies in this county before the Lord, praying that if it were possible that they might repent of their wickedness against us and do so no more, but that if they would not repent that He would deprive them of their power to further injure us. Each one present prayed in turn embodying the above in connection with the sentiments more frequently expressed in prayers.

Fri. May 30. At a meeting in Woodruff B. Young said we had a knowledge before we came upon this earth of what we were coming here for. It is not because we were wicked that we are here, but it is because we were valiant for the cause of God. It was Lucifer's plan to save all. His plan would have taken away the agency of man. The servants of God direct you to your own happiness. The Saints will hardly be prepared before a temple will be built in Arizona. A man who uses tobacco cannot go to the temple, nor one who transgresses any of the laws of God. F. M. Lyman said we will all be able to say the Lord has been just to us in all things. A Bishop has no right to sign a recommend unless the party is worthy.