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REGIONAL ORGANIZATIONS TO BE FORMED

Steps to formalize and foster the organization of regional "Cousins' Clubs" or local branches of the Jesse N. Smith Family Association were taken by the Association's officers at a meeting in Salt Lake City on Feb. 10.

Nathaniel Aikens Smith, 1st vice president, was appointed as coordinator for local units of the Association, and assigned to assist the leaders of these units in developing programs to help members in the same locations become acquainted with each other and promote appropriate family projects. He was released at this time from an earlier appointment as chairman of the Salt Lake City branch in order to devote full energy to the assignment as coordinator.

It was envisioned that local units in the principal centers where family members are concentrated would be logical places for gatherings to be held annually or more often, if desired. When possible, officers of the Jesse N. Smith Family Association would visit these gatherings to help maintain contacts among kinsmen in various areas.

Family gatherings have already been held regularly in such locations as Snowflake and Phoenix, and on an occasional basis in other areas. For 23 years family members in the Provo area have combined with kinsmen attending Brigham Young University to hold semi-annual gatherings in April and October. (Announcement of their next meeting will be carried in the March issue of the Kinsman.)

It is anticipated that the official annual business meeting of the Jesse N. Smith Family Association will continue to be held near the JNS birth date anniversary of Dec. 2 in conjunction with a gathering of one of the groups in Arizona.

Those named to lead the eight local units proposed thus far are:

PHOENIX: Darrell F. Smith, 703 W. 6th Ave., Mesa, Az 85201

SNOWFLAKE: Bess Rogers Ericksen, Snowflake, Az 85937

ST. JOHNS: Pearl Jarvis Farr, St. Johns, Az 85936

LOS ANGELES: George E. Dalton, P.O. Box 86, Palos Verdes Estates, Ca 90274

SAN DIEGO: Virginia Bushman Acheson, 3440 Florida St., San Diego, Ca 92104

BYU: Clarence E. Bushman, 6A-319 Wymount Terrace, Provo, Ut 84601

SALT LAKE CITY: Ellen Smith Lyon Haycock, 3390 S. 2770 E. 84109

Those living in these areas, or knowing of others who do, are invited to send their addresses to them. Organization of additional units is encouraged where sufficient family members are located. Those interested in getting such units together are invited to write to Nathaniel Aikens Smith, 2851 Loran Hts Drive, Salt Lake City, Ut. 84109.

OTHER TOP NEWS ITEMS THIS MONTH:

WELCOME FOR NEWLYWEDS
(see page 2)

OUR NEW PRESIDENT
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1969 FAMILY ROLL CALL
(see page 5)

JESSE N. SMITH FAMILY ASSOCIATION OFFICERS & ASSISTANTS, 1969

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NEWLY-WEDS WELCOMED AS MEMBERS OF THE J.N.S. FAMILY

Initial memberships in the Jesse N. Smith Family Association will be provided for each descendant who marries and begins a new home, it was decided by officers of the Association in a meeting in Provo on Jan. 14. All that is needed is for information concerning the marriage to be sent to the family treasurer, using the suggested form provided on the last page of this issue, or a letter supplying the data needed.

For members with marriage dates from Jan. 1 through June 30, 1969, the complimentary memberships will be effective for the calendar year ending Dec. 31, 1969. A retroactive provision will furnish 1969 memberships also to those who married between July 1, 1968 and Dec. 31, 1968.

Members who marry between July 1, 1969 and June 30, 1970 will receive gift memberships in the same manner for the ensuing calendar year--in this case ending Dec. 31, 1970.

Each gift membership will carry with it the regular mailing of the Kinsman during the period it covers. Except for those married in the latter half of 1968, this will mean that each newly-married couple will receive the Kinsman beginning with the month when notification is received, and extending to the end of the year covered by the complimentary membership.

The Association wants each young couple to know of the family's interest in them and of its affection for them, and hopes by this means to invite them into full fellowship in the great family circle. It is through them that the circle continually widens, and carries the family's meaningful traditions into the future decades.

Parents in the family who have sons or daughters who marry are requested to send in the needed information promptly. It is especially desired that reports be submitted immediately on marriages which took place since July 1, 1968, in order that the next issue of the Kinsman may be sent to those newly married. When reports are received a letter will be sent to each young couple by the J.N.S. Family Association president to extend an official welcome to the Association.

THERE'S AN ENVELOPE ATTACHED FOR YOU . . .

With this issue, we have added an envelope to speed your reply on these items:

- 1) MEMBERSHIP--If the notation "69" does not appear on your address label, it means your enrollment fee hasn't come in yet. Please see the form on p. 7.
- 2) JOURNAL--Everyone is requested to return the survey form (also on p. 7) to guide your officers on possible republication of the Journal of J.N.S.

INTRODUCING THE FAMILY ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT

Harold H. Smith was born 21 Oct. 1910 in Snowflake, Arizona, the 4th son and 7th child of Samuel Francis Smith and Lulu Jane Hatch. His father was the 4th son and 9th child of Jesse N. Smith and Emma S. West, and his mother was a daughter of Lorenzo H. Hatch (counselor to Jesse N. Smith in the Snowflake Stake presidency) and Alice Hanson.

He completed elementary and high school in Snowflake, and was on the debating team which brought the high school its first state championship.

He served a mission for the LDS Church in South Africa during the time that his cousin, Don Mack Dalton, was mission president.

At Brigham Young University he served as president of International Relations Club, Blue Key service unit, and Delta Phi missionary fraternity. He received the bachelor's degree in 1937, and the following year married Mabel Dorine Nielsen of Granger, Utah. After graduation he was a seminary instructor four years at Vernal, Utah and 11 years at Heber, Utah. During these periods he served as Sunday School superintendent in Uintah and Wasatch Stakes. Later he was bishop of Heber 1st Ward for two years and of Heber 6th Ward for 10 1/2 years.

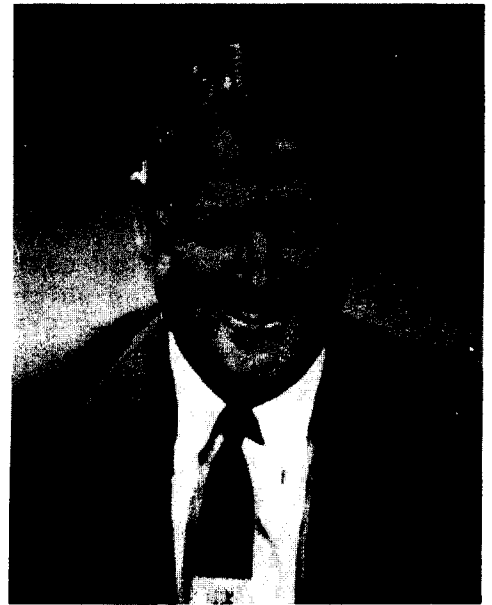
In civic affairs he was a member of the Heber City Council one term, county chairman of the Republican party one term, and a member of Utah's "Little Hoover" Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of Government. He served three terms as director and two as president of the Wasatch Chamber of Commerce, and has been president of Heber Lions Club and a district officer in Lions International. He is now serving on the Wasatch County Hospital Board.

In 1952 he turned to full-time business activity as director, vice president, president and general manager of Heber City Exchange Co. He is now in a fourth term as a director of Associated Food Stores, largest food distributor in the intermountain area with a wholesale volume over \$200,000,000. He has served nine years as a director of the Utah Retail Grocers Assn. and three years as an executive officer, and is in line to become its president in 1969-70.

Since graduation from college he has served Delta Phi, the returned missionary organization of the Church, as executive secretary, executive vice president, and national president. He served for two years as chairman of the men's committee of the Latter-day Saints Student Assn. For three years he was a director of the BYU Alumni Assn. and was its president for two years, 1964-66. He was first vice president of the Jesse N. Smith Family Assn. in 1968, and became its president last December.

Harold and Mabel are parents of four children: Peggy Dorine (Mrs. Oscar F. Jespersion Jr.), Harold H. Jr., Claudia Joan (Mrs. D. Craig Young), and Annette Alice. All four are graduates of BYU. There are three grandchildren.

Other sons and daughters in the Samuel F. Smith family are: Alice H (Mrs. Joseph Delbert) Hansen, Francis Lorin Smith, Carl N. Smith, Lavora (Mrs. LeGrand M.) Mathis, Lu (Mrs. Charles Kenneth Boyle), Edna, J. Lorenzo, Robert J., and Maurine Smith. Those deceased are Emma S (Mrs. Jesse M. Dewey), Elizabeth, and Samuel Louis. Robert J. is a former editor of the Kinsman, and now serves as secretary of the Jesse N. Smith Association.



HAROLD H. SMITH

JESSE N. SMITH MEMORIALIZED IN PIONEER THEATER

The name of Jesse N. Smith, who arrived in Salt Lake Valley with Parley's Company on Sep. 25, 1847, will be included with those of pre-1869 pioneers which will be inscribed in the foyer of the Pioneer Memorial Theater on the campus of the University of Utah. In addition, a nameplate honoring him will be attached to one of the 700 seats in the structure.

With its construction cost largely met by private donations, the building commemorates its prototype which was erected nearly 110 years ago at the north-west corner of 1st South and State streets in downtown Salt Lake City. The fund-raising committee is headed by N. Eldon Tanner, second counselor in the LDS Church First Presidency.

A contribution of \$200 toward the fund was authorized by officers of the J.N.S. Family Association at their meeting in Salt Lake City on Feb. 10.

The interest which Jesse N. Smith had in dramatic art is evident from several references in his Journal. In February, 1859, when he was elected Mayor of Parowan at the age of 24, he recorded that he "had assisted in an amateur dramatic company for some years; now withdrew from it"--apparently because of the press of his civic responsibilities.

In the year which followed, his continued interest was shown when he was a patron of the theater in various cities of the U.S. and Europe which he visited in the course of his travels.

FAMILY ASSOCIATION OFFICERS REPORT

In other business completed by officers of the Family Association, the official Certificate of Commendation from the American Association for State and Local History was received in recognition of the work of restoring the pioneer Smith home in Parowan. It was planned that the framed certificate would be placed in the home for display later this year.

M.W. Smith reported to the officers that all obligations on the home had been paid for, including \$30.19 for maintenance during 1968 and \$115 for a connection to the city sewer. Payment of the \$5 annual corporation fee was made in the name of the Association to the state of Arizona.

Compilation and dissemination of a complete list of addresses of members of the Association was authorized as a special supplement to the Kinsman. This list was viewed as a valuable service for family members, to be issued as soon as members have opportunity to send in their 1969 enrollments.

A committee was appointed to make a preliminary study on the feasibility of republishing the Journal of Jesse N. Smith, and M. W. Smith was directed to proceed with gathering up-to-date family record information which would be needed for the "posterity list" in the appendix of the volume. Details on implementation of these matters are reported on page 5 of this issue.

We wish to acknowledge the many encouraging letters received from members all over the country during the past few weeks. In the next issue we'll publish some more excerpts, and also list the marriages, births, and mission calls which have been reported to us. Thanks to all! --Ed.

IT'S FAMILY 'ROLL CALL' TIME!

As it has been several years since family records were brought up to date for publication in the appendix to the 1953 printing of the Journal of Jesse N. Smith, the family association desires to gather in a family group sheet of the family of each descendant who has not sent one in current during the past year.

M. W. Smith, family treasurer, has been furnished the thick volume of records previously assembled by Aunt Myrtle S. Blocker. All of the new sheets should be sent to him at 504 N. 4th East, Provo, Utah 84601.

Each family group record sheet should contain full data on parents and children, including complete names, birthdates, and information on marriages and divorces and deaths, if any. (Temple ordinance data are not needed in this compilation.)

In addition to its updated record sheet, each family is requested to send in the survey form provided on the last page of this issue. The purpose of the survey is to determine the feasibility of republication of the Journal of Jesse N. Smith (now out of print) and of the appendix listing his posterity. An envelope has been attached for your convenience.

Committee members appointed by the Association officers to supervise the preliminary study on the republication of the Journal are: H. Smith Broadbent (chairman), M. W. Smith, Robert C. Rogers, and Robert J. Smith. Progress of the study will be reported in the Kinsman as soon as survey results are in.

Jaycee Award Goes to Parker

Scott S. Parker, 33, administrator of Southside District Hospital, will be Mesa's entry in the state Jaycee selection of Arizona's Outstanding Young Man, it was announced last night at the Mesa Jaycees Distinguished Service Award banquet.

Parker was selected from a group of four finalists which also included Ralston Pitts, band director at Carson Junior High; Joe Lloyd, band director at Westwood High, and Sam Ball, administrator of the Mesa-Tempe Mental Health Center.

Administrator at Southside since April of 1967, Parker is in charge of a facility with a payroll of over 300 persons and an annual operating budget of over \$2 million. More than 100 doctors are on its medical staff.

Also during the past year Parker was elected to the board of the Comprehensive Health

Planning Council of Maricopa County, an organization which coordinates health facilities, services, and manpower. He is its youngest member.

In the field of community service Parker served as a participant for last spring's Mesa Speaks conference at Sedona, is chairman of the health and safety committee of the Mesa Chamber of Commerce and is a member of the board of management of the Visiting Nurse Service and assists the Mesa United Fund. His service club is the Mesa Baseline Rotary.

A native of Salt Lake City, he took his bachelors degree at the University of Utah and his master's in hospital administration at the University of Minnesota. He came here from a post as assistant administrator of Northwestern Hospital at Minneapolis.

He and his wife, Sydne, make their home at 1030 N. April.



SCOTT S. PARKER

Their children are Jennifer, 10; Thomas, 7, and Michael, 5. He served a Latter Day Saints mission in the southeastern area of the United States for two years.

Ed. Note: The foregoing is reprinted from the Mesa Tribune, Jan. 30, 1969. Scott Parker is the son of Albert (Bert) N. Parker and Emily Smith. Emily is a daughter of Priscilla Smith Smith, daughter of Jesse N. and Janet M. Johnson Smith.

MORE NEWS FROM ARIZONA (AND CALIFORNIA)

Can you imagine a reunion of the Shumway, Bushman, or any other of a dozen Arizona pioneer families without involving the family of Jesse N. Smith? Even a Flake get together? There was one such in Mesa, hastily pulled together by our Scottsdale children in late December, to sort o' celebrate our emergence from hibernation in this wintry, o'ercast Sacramento Valley. More than a hundred assembled in Pioneer Park beside the Arizona Temple, including Lorenzo and Annabelle Rogers, Gusta, Bruce, and some of that family, numerous Schneblys, some of the Phoebe Vincent tribe, and 16 of the Delora-Joseph M. Flake clan assembled from four states. These just about made up half of the gathering, all from the union of Martha (Mattie) and James M. Flake. Their grandchildren number very close to 100 in the single third generation.

On our return I was called out to pinch hit in the Sacramento schoolroom of young Dan E. Schnebly, son of Anna and Daniel, children of Martha A. Great fun! Rousing cheers from here for our J.N.S. family. Yea, Keep Us Together! --Joseph M. Flake

FROM POINTS IN UTAH & ELSEWHERE

--Virginia Benson Peterson, West Jordan

Afton and Lynn Rencher were in Salt Lake for the holidays from their home in Canon City, Colo. Afton is a daughter of Aunt Martha Flake. They visited their children in Salt Lake, Marilyn Roberts and Laureen and Kenneth Orchard and baby, and Ronald and Ilene and baby in Ogden. Ronald Rencher, newly established with a law firm in Ogden, was recently appointed a judge in the Juvenile Court. Valden and Debbie Rencher had a three-week leave from Pueblo, Colo. where they are teaching, to go to Mexico and Central America for a study project. Val teaches at the LDS Institute and is branch president. He and Debbie were married last August. Lynn Rencher is patriarch in the Pike's Peak Stake, and daughter Velda works in the office of his business. Duane, 12, is at home, and Dennie is a member of the Associated Men Students' council at BYU.

Jay Pearce and wife Janet (d. of Pratt Smith, g.d. of John Walter) have moved from Salt Lake to Oakland, Calif. where Jay is doing graduate study. Jay formerly was an official in Pearce Music Co., his father's firm, and the entire family is developing musical talents.

Mabel Decker in Salt Lake received frequent visits from her grandson, Curt Lin Hamilton, who is a student at BYU and a member of the National Guard. He is a son of Wila and Curtis Linville Hamilton, Cincinnati. Mabel is the widow of Alvin Decker, son of Seraphine--eldest JNS daughter.

Bessie (d. Priscilla Smith) and Owen Anderson from Spring City came to Granger recently for the mission farewell of grandson Glenn Kimball (s. Esther and Elden Kimball) who went to La Paz, Bolivia, to teach among the Indians. They will attend another farewell soon in Layton for grandson David Adams (s. of Margaret and David Adams) who will work in Southern California and northern Mexico among English-speaking people. These are the Andersons' two oldest grandsons.

JOHN WALTER SMITH GROUP

The family of John Walter and Lois Evelyn Bushman Smith (noted as wearing the X-L brand) will meet at Lagoon, Utah at 9:30 a.m. on June 28. Their mother was born 97 years ago on that date in Lehi. Members are expected from Arizona, California, and perhaps other states. --Homer B. Smith

JESSE N. SMITH FAMILY ASSN. ENROLLMENT FORM

(Please disregard if you have already enrolled for 1969. Address labels on this issue have been marked "69" for those whose enrollments were received before Feb. 15.)

M.W. Smith, Treasurer: Enclosed is \$5 for which please enroll the following in the J.N.S. Family Assn. and send the Kinsman each month during 1969.

Name _____ Name of parent _____
Address _____ J.N.S. son/dau. from whom descended:
City, State, Zip _____

J.N.S. JOURNAL Republication Survey

(Please return to M.W. Smith, 504 N. 4th E., Provo, Utah 84601)

- I would like to obtain _____ copies of the JOURNAL OF JESSE N. SMITH (approx. 520 pp. including pedigree chart and posterity list) if it can be republished @ \$10 to \$12 per copy.
- I do not plan to obtain any copies of the republished Journal.

Name and address: _____

NEWLY-WEDS' ENROLLMENT FORM (for those married since 1 July 1968)

M.W. Smith: Please enter a 1969 gift membership in the JNS Family Assn. for:

Name _____ Spouse _____
Parent _____ Grandparent _____
Where married _____ Date _____
Mailing address _____
Zip _____

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