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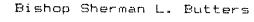
- Zola Wood

- Marlene Wretberg

Upon the conclusion of Watts' three-year mission to Australia, a report was written reviewing the progress, challenges, insights and possible recommendations for change. While reading the report the thought came to me, "What if, at the conclusion of my life here on earth, I had to prepare a report reviewing my progress, challenges, and insights? What would I say? What would be appropriate to comment on? Would I be able to say that my time on earth was meaningful and well-spent? Would I be able to comment in a positive manner on my growth spiritually and intellectually? Would I be proud of what I had to report?"

When we reach the other side and stand accountable before our Father in Heaven, we all want to be able to offer a good accounting of our efforts here on earth. The only way we will be able to do that is to live each day according to the principles established by the Lord. I feel that He'll be concerned about our progress in spiritual matters. He'll want to know if we lived a worthy life. Perhaps we'll be asked about our obedience to the principles of the gospel; specifically those concerning honesty, integrity, attendance, morality, tithing, missions, callings, service, love, charity, and faith.

We all know in our hearts that such a report may be required. It's my hope and prayer that we will all be able to offer a worthy accounting, that we may be inspired to act now, in our own behalf, to insure a report of prideful accomplishments.





Mission News

Missouri Independence

Wayne's mission has never been more exciting for him than it is at the present time. Wayne tells us in his letters of the very special spirit there is at Liberty and Independence. He and his companion have taken some of their investigators to the Liberty Jail and the Information Center at Independence to teach The investigators' response to these very important places in our church history has been very good. Wayne says the messages taught there, along with the good spirit, have really helped in testifying to the truths of the restored gospel.

The members of the church at Liberty where Wayne is now living are very good to the missionaries. They are mission-minded and are helping with fellowshipping. They have the mission- ary spirit which helps so much, and Wayne feels he is truly serving in the best mission in all the world.

Wayne expresses his testimony of the gospel in his letters and is most grateful to the Lord for the opportunity he is having to serve the Lord in the Center Stake of Zion.

Dad Clayton

Elder Wayne Clayton 517 West Walnut, Box 455 Independence, Missouri 64051

Welcome Home

RAY TEA WINSTON & LOUISE



Alabama Birmingham

Life on a mission continues to be interesting and challenging.

We enjoy meeting many people with different religious philosophies. Sometimes we say—"but oh, the Church of Jesus Christ is so simple—why are you so bogged down with so many mysteries?"

We never cease to be amazed at the devotion and power of the young elders and sisters—they really are on top of it.

Nephi was in the hospital last week with an infection. He is doing well now, however.

While he was there, the elders stopped in to check on me and have prayer with me each night before they turned in for the day—needless to say, after their visits I felt at peace here alone.

They were so thoughtful of Nephi also.

We find that for some reason they enjoy a home-cooked meal, and we enjoy their company.

In the hospital,
Nephi continued to proclaim the gospel to the doctors,
nurses, and his roommate.

On the day he was released, one nurse said, "I don't want you to go--I want to hear more about the Mormons."

Each Sunday as our little branch sings the hymns, I think--where are Donna and the choir--we need help!

We love our little branch which is growing—we forget we are in an old American Legion Hall with boarded windows, because the spirit is strong and there is much love there.

Give our love to the ward members. We're going to have to "double our shuffle" since we had to take time out to correct Nephi's problems.

F.S. Sorry about Vi's passing. She was special to me--I loved her.

Elder and Sister Bierman 931 38th Street #1 Ensley, Alabama 35218

Dominican Republic

Eric is now in Santiago, and here is some from his letter:

"The people here are some of the greatest anywhere. They're too nice, so you don't know if they really want to hear the message, or just be your friend. They would never slam the door on you.

"Everywhere we go they yell, 'Americanos - Mormones -Rubios (blond)' --they all know who we are.

"Right now we're teaching 3 families who all seem ready for baptism.

"Our house is really an experience in itself. It's like 2 of our bedrooms at home, and the kitchen is the size of our small bathroom. The size isn't bad, but the toilet leaks, the sink leaks, the shower is about like turning the tap on as low as you can. Cold water and no electricity in the morning. We just bought an ironing board (I'm using the old one for my desk). No drawers, we live out of our suitcases. When it rains, we get a big puddle in our room. The beds are 1-in. foam pads on the floor, and the pillow makes the one at the MTC seem like heaven, and I hated that pillow.

"We have a maid; she's supposed to cook, but she hasn't yet. I've tried to make rice and it was really sticky. "This is just to tell what's going on, not to complain. When I started teaching families of 8 that live in something half the size of our place, without running water, plumbing, or even a foam pad on the floor, I began to appreciate this apartment a little more and home a lot more.

"On the other hand, it's like paradise here-big bushes with poinsettias ready to bloom all over, and wonderful little black kids with big brown eyes." (They always end up on his lap)

In his last letter, Eric told of helping to give the lesson to a family while the husband sat and nodded with tearful eyes. They had just lost a small boy, and Eric couldn't wait to come back and tell him about eternity. They knew everything was true.

It's going to be a very hard but rewarding mission. Eric has a real good attitude and is really trying hard!

Eric, we're so proud of you. We wish the best for you, Son.

Mom Poulson

Elder Eric Poulson Apartado #2856 Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic



Nauvoo Restoration

We are doing just fine and loving every minute of it.

Jess and I have walked every road in Nauvoo several times, and it's just beautiful. Haven't been able to walk as much as we'd like because it rains so much, but haven't had any snow or ice yet.

All the missionary couples got together at the Nauvoo Hotel to celebrate Elder and Sister Fuhriman's 50th anniversary—sure was a surprise to them.
What a spirit of love was there.

Things are starting to get

real slow here except on weekends, but those who come are really interesting and they are interested in everything.

This Saturday, all the homes and Visitors' Center were closed from 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. so we could go to the Stake Center for President Kimball's funeral. We were all saddened by his death, but what a great man he was. We all came out feeling the spirit and knowing the work would go on.

Our love to the ward.

Elder and Sister Morrison P. O. Box 215 Nauvoo, Illinois 62354

Canada Montreal

Alan is excited. His investigators are getting married on November
23 and then baptized. He says it is a
wonderful experience to teach someone
the gospel and to watch their testimonies blossom. It helps him to know he
is doing some good on his mission.

They have been having snow in Montreal and the weather is very cold.

It was several days before he learned of President Kimball's death. He found out about it when he was teaching a class, and he was shocked.

He is going to give another talk at a zone conference. He loves giving talks now. The Lord has blessed him so much. He says missions build character as well as testimonies. He is having some great experiences and loves his mission.

Mom Blackhurst

Elder Alan Blackhurst 8885 Lacordaire Blvd. St. Leonard Montreal PQH1R2E4 Canada

England Manchester

Avery Houskeeper is enjoying his new area, and they are having lots of conversions.

Elder Avery Houskeeper Paul House, Stockport Road Timperly, Altrincham Cheshire WA15 7UP Manchester, England



"Eight baptisms in one month!"

Korea Seoul

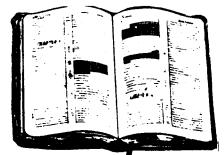
Dean enjoys being a missionary so much that we're not sure we'll ever get him back again. Each letter is so full of love for the people and the country and the work that it's obvious he's never been happier.

Dean lost Elder Holt, his companion of four months, and should have a
new one by now. Before he left, the
two of them, along with another elder,
entered the Korean-speaking Foreignor's Contest, which this time was a
singing contest.

They were chosen to be one of 15 groups to appear on a 1 1/2-hour national TV program that was aired on the Korean Thanksgiving. We were pleased to hear that they did so well, since Dean has never done much singing. His companions must have very good voices.

He continues to have baptisms and is looking forward to the temple open house, which should be soon.

Mom Cloward Elder Dean Cloward Gwang Hwa Moon P.O. Box 210 Seoul 110 Korea



Georgia Atlanta

David Larisch is doing well also, but his letters report nothing unusual --just continuing the regular routine.

Elder David Larisch 2215 Perimeter Park, Bldg. 1, #3 Atlanta, Georgia 30341

Florida Tallahassee

Jon's letters home are still filled with enthusiasm and a deep ***vove** for the Gospel. He radiates the Spirit of our Heavenly Father.

His companion was transferred this month, and he is really going to miss him. However, he is getting a brand new missionary from Rose Park and will have the opportunity of training him. Between being a District Leader and a trainer, he has been very busy.

The weather got a little cold for a few days--down near the 40's--but now it is up in the 80's again and real nice. "Good weather for riding bikes," Jon says.

They have been working with some families with children. Some are all ready for baptism, but some don't think they are quite ready yet. They have had several baptisms this month.

One of the sisters drove them to see the Gator Bowl between Jackson-ville and Georgia. He said it was a real rowdy affair—not the place for a missionary!

With birthday money from home, he bought a basketball so he and the other missionaries can get some exercise. Much more wholesome entertainment.

We hope Jon can keep up the good work. We are very proud of him and really miss him, especially during the holidays.

Mom Price

Elder Jon Price 1746 Ingleside Jacksonville, Florida 32205



Wisconsin Milwaukee

Ray is a very faithful letter writer but has not had too much of an exciting nature to write about.

They tracted for hours each day and by the end of the week had only gotten in two doors. One of the people they talked to said he had an open mind, but Ray said he only had an open mind until they disagreed with him.

The week before that, they tracted all week and didn't get into any doors. I guess that shows the importance of the members making referrals to the missionaries.

Mom Tea

Elder Raymond Tea 5657 Broad Street Greendale. Wisconsin 53129



SCOTLAND

Dan and Wanda Mackintosh enjoyed the MTC and on November 25th, they flew off to Scotland! More news from there.

Elder & Sister J. Dan Mackintosh "Boroughfield", 32 Colinton Road Edinburgh, Scotland EH 105 DG

Taipei Taiwan

Gregory is really enjoying his new area. His companion is a native Chinese, and Gregory says he is the best companion he has ever had. They enjoy each other and have a great time trying to figure out how to eat and spend the least amount of money doing it. They are working hard together to try to build the church in that area. For some reason there hasn't been an increase in church membership there for 13 years. Also, the percentage of active members has declined. So they have been asked by the mission president to spend time re-activating the existing members, as well as baptizing new ones.

Gregory took his tape recorder to an investigators' meeting so we could hear what they do. Our family was really touched when they sang, "Oh How Lovely Was The Morning.." in Chinese. Plus, we got in on an exciting game of ping-pong! He says every meetinghouse has a ping-pong table, and everyone plays. The competition is TOUGH!

He sends his "Hello's". He would have been home this month if he hadn't decided to go for the two years instead, but he loves what he is doing and is glad he is there!

The Butters Family

Elder Gregory Butters Floor 4, No. 24, Lane 183 Chinhua Street Taipei, Taiwan, R.D.C. 106

Steve Doty will be home mid-December for Christmas leave! He will be here till early January. After he returns to his base, he will have just a few months till the end of his 4-year tour.

L/Cpl. Doty (Steven) 529-96-8476 HMM-163, Mag-16 F-L MCAS "H" Tustin, California 96603

SERVICEMEN

Quintin has enjoyed his duty time in North Carolina and is now on the job putting his training into practice. He is working in the Avionics Section, one of 3 groups that make up the 2nd Marine Air Wing.

He has had lots of time to go jogging every day and also time to go jet skiing and golfing, so it hasn't been all work for him. He bought a motorcycle recently and now has transportation around the base.

Quintin set a goal to finish his high school when he joined the Marine Corps and has almost completed that goal. He will graduate just after Christmas. We are proud of him for accomplishing that goal.

Talmage has served in the Army in Germany for a little over 2 years. He's stationed 60 kms. north of Frankfurt next to a little town called Kirchgoens. He has been spending 7 to 8 months of each year in the field on manuevers.

He has had the opportunity to do some traveling on sightseeing tours and has also been able to go to Austria for some winter skiing, as well as summer hiking in the Austrian Alps. He tells us that Germany is a beautiful

country. He loves us and misses the family and our area. He hopes that those who know him will drop a line to him. He has especially enjoyed receiving the ward newspaper and the message Bishop Butters writes to him each month.

The Howard Glad Bunch

L/Cpl. Quintin T. Glad H3MS-32 AVI MCAS Cherry Point, North Carolina 28533

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Relief Society

We would like to thank Barbara Tea for the job well-done as our Recreation Leader. She has served for some time.

With the Holidays upon us, we know that all the sisters are very busy. We would like you to take one night off and come join us for a fun evening. Homemaking Night will be Wednesday, December 4. Come and enjoy a special dinner and making Christmas decorations. If you haven't signed up for a class, just come and visit and relax for the evening. You deserve it.

We invite you to our Sunday meetings also. We have excellent teachers who prepare beautiful lessons.

Wishing you a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



PRIMARY

Here it is Thanksgiving time again and a time for us to count our blessings for the year. I am especially blessed to be working with the special sweet spirits in our Primary. Each child has his or her own personality and has to be treated as such. I am so grateful for Melba and her sweet spirit and strength. I know I am going to be strengthened by Sister Iris Beattie's sweet spirit also.

We appreciate the service given by Carol Mayfield who was recently released as Primary Secretary, and that now being given by Julie Spencer. We welcome Lynn (Mackintosh) Stevenson as our Merrie Miss teacher also. I am so grateful for our special teachers--how wonderful you are.

We had three of our children advance to Priesthood and Mutual this month. They are Brian Rowe, Scott Scharman, and Andrea Hawkes. Good <u>luck</u>. We're going to miss you.

Our November birthdays are Brian Rowe, Caren Hawkes, Scott Scharman, Andrea Hawkes, and Emily Paxman.

There are so many things we can be thankful for, and I hope each of us will take time from our busy schedules and think about them and thank our Heavenly Father for them.

Florence Jacobson, Primary President



Young Women

On November 6, the Mia Maids and Teachers had a Silly Cinemas Farty. They had homemade pizza and played "intellectual" games—Definitions, in which one person had the true definition of a word and all the other team members made up a false one. When each told his or her definition, the other team tried to guess which person was telling the truth.

On the 10th there was a special Young Women's fireside that we watched as a stake. The speakers were very good, and we all felt a very sweet spirit, watching and listening with our mothers and fathers.

On the 13th all of the Young Women got together to make gingerbread houses for the Festival of Trees. When they were finished, we lined them up to look at. It was quite a sight.

A happy birthday to Julie Bishoff (Nov. 3), Karen McOmber (Nov. 13), and Jennifer Schulz (Nov. 25).

Thanks for everything to all our advisors and congratulations to all our young women on their great grade-point averages!



Amy Young reporting



Cub Scouts





Our Cub Scouts continue to enjoy well-planned activities with Pack 338. During November the dens followed a patriotic theme.

The Wolf den learned about the U.S.Presidents and presented a quiz skit about some of them at Pack Meeting. They also made romper stompers during the month.

The Bear den visited places of historical interest and made snacks from pioneer times. They did a frontier skit at Pack Meeting that was fun for everyone.

Our Webelos, Steven Allen, Daren Beattie, and Scott Meldrum received the Forester Activity Badge. Their den also made flags from other eras and told about them at the Pack Meeting.

Scott Paxman earned his Bear patch, plus a gold and 2 silver arrows. He was given his religious knot for the Faith in God Award he received previously.

Steven Allen and Daren Beattie received their Arrow of Light Awards, the highest possible in Cubbing. Steven also was given a special award for earning all 15 activity badges. We're proud of you, boys!

Getting Acquainted

Don was born and raised on Coatsville Avenue in Sugarhouse. He was the youngest of four children, 3 boys and 1 girl. He was very involved with the neighborhood group of kids and enjoyed making forts and swimming in the streams around Sugarhouse. his friends was Vaughn Featherstone whom Don was instrumental in getting to attend Primary. Don was nicknamed "Spike", and the name stayed with him for about 25 years. He went to South High School where he played on the football team, helped paint scenery for plays, and enjoyed chasing the girls. He graduated in 1949. Shortly after graduation, he received a letter from Uncle Sam, so he ran down and joined the Navy. During his service he was able to visit many islands and countries--Japan, Korea, Philippines, Indochina, and Hawaii.

Lee (Bagley), the youngest of 8 children, was born and raised in a small town in central southern Utah, Greenwich. She lived on a farm and helped with all the chores that go with farming. Herding cows, tromping hay, picking potatoes, feeding chickens, raising pet lambs, riding horses, milking cows were all part of a day's

She attended school in Koosharem through the tenth grade. Lee loved all kinds of sports and couldn't wait till recess to get into a game of soccer, softball, horseshoes, or badminton. They formed teams and played against other towns nearby, mostly softball and basketball. Other entertainment was going to school dances. The money from those dances was used for trips at the end of the school year.

The school at Koosharem offered only 10 grades, and students had to finish high school somewhere else. Lee went to Frovo where she could live with a sister. Highlights of high school were Fep Club and Girls' Concert Chorus.

After graduation in 1950, BYU sounded inviting, and Lee attended for 2 years. Some of the girls decided to come to Salt Lake for the summer to work and stayed here. While working at Salt Lake Real Estate and Investment, Lee was introduced to her boss's neighbor who was on military leave

for 2 weeks. The boss introduced them over the phone, and 15 minutes later the young man (guess who?) was at the office. They dated for 2 weeks before he went back to California. He came home twice more, and the third time they got

married. Don and Lee were married December 12, 1953, in a little red schoolhouse in Greenwich. A and a month later, they were

year and a month later, they were sealed in the Salt Lake Temple. They lived in Sugarhouse until 1962 when they moved to Cottonwood Heights, where they plan to spend the rest of their days. They have six children and seven grandchildren.

Their oldest son Ross has two sons and lives in West Valley. He is a dental lab technician. He served a mission in Washington, D.C.

The second son, Randy, lives in Yakima, Washington, and has his own commercial cleaning business. He has two children, a boy and a girl. His mission was in the Seattle, Washington area.

The Herzog's daughter Judy is married and lives in Taylorsville. She manages the Utah First Bank branch at Brickyard Plaza.

Glen lives in Provo, managing a group of apartments and also the Copper Rivet store in the Orem mall. He has one son. He served in the Toronto Canada Mission.

Teresa has two girls and is working for the Water Conservancy District.

Tim is the last one at home, and his parents enjoy having him around when he isn't working at Marie Callender's on 7200 South.

Don has been in banking for 31 years and is a Vice Fresident in Corporate Sales at Zion's First National

Bank. He enjoys his work, especially meeting new people. He served in the Kiwanis Club and Chamber of Commerce while he was working in Kearns. His main hobbies are yard work and water. He would love to retire



Lee enjoys
ceramics and
other crafts.
Both enjoy working in the yard
(if you've seen
their place, you



know it shows) and golfing, along with enjoying the grandchildren. The Herzogs love all the people in the area and hope to be a happy part of all our lives. We have already seen this to be true in the lives of these caring, generous neighbors!

DECEMBER

- 1 Fast Sunday
- 1 Church Fireside KBYU 8 p.m.
- 3 Baptisms for the dead
- 4 R.S. Homemaking Night 7 p.m. Supper
- 5 Temple Day
- 6 WARD CHRISTMAS PARTY 7 p.m. Dinner - Program - Santa
- 13 School Dance
- 15 STAKE CHRISTMAS FIRESIDE 7:30 Speaker: Emma Lou Thayne
- 20 School out
- 21 Christmas Carolling 5:30 p.m. (good voices not required--just willing ones)
- 22 Christmas Sacrament Meeting

JANUARY

- 2 School begins
- 3 School Dance
- 4 Stake Baptism
- 5 Fast Sunday





YM

The Priests' Quorum participated in a turkey shoot at the Salt Lake Gun Club. Their practice session paid off--they won a turkey. They are planning to cook and serve it sometime in January.

The Teachers enjoyed a pizza party with the Mia Maids and also wrote their own movie and videotaped it.

The Scouts are working this month on the Woodworking Merit Badge. Every Wednesday they go to Brother Berhold's home and learn about wood-working. All the Scouts are supposed to make a project out of wood.

Everyone please make the effort to drop your used newspapers in the collection bin in the church parking lot. This provides a needed financial boost to our own troop.

Released:

Iris Beattie, Ward News Editor Karren Smith, Primary 2nd Counselor Rosemary Collins, Youth Talk

Co-ordinator

Velma Glad, Blazer Scout Leader Barbara Tea, R.S. Recreation Leader Wesley Steffensen, Scout Committee Chairman

Nora Larisch, Primary teacher

Sustained:

Rosalyn Ostler, Ward News Editor Iris Beattie, Primary 2nd Counselor Velma Glad, Youth Talk Co-ordinator 🖔 Assistant S.S. teacher

Michael Carver, Asst. S.S. teacher Richard Cloward, Scout Committee

Chairman

Lynn Stevenson, Primary teacher Corey Stevenson, Sr. Basketball Coach Sharon Cloward, Girls' Basketball Adviser

Rebecca Reeves, Girls' Basketball Coach

Michael Carver, Activity Committee Sports Specialist

Kathy Siebenhaar, Editorial Asst.

Delores Scharman, Zola Wood.

Marlene Wretberg,

Judith Meldrum, Stake referee

Blessed:

James Bradford Paxman, by father Craig Paxman

Baptized and confirmed: Billie Jean Hawkes, by father William Hawkes

Ordained:

Brian Rowe, Deacon, by father Lynn

Scott Scharman, Deacon, by father

Richard Scharman

Advanced to Young Women: Andrea Hawkes





WELCOME

Corey and Lynn Stevenson will be living in her parents' (Dan and Wanda Mackintosh) home while they are serving their mission in Scotland.

Pete and Gloria Pasquale and their 3 sons, Pete IV, Romano, and Joseph, are living in Jess and Colleen Morrison's house. They are from Alaska and hope to find jobs here.

Sympathy

We extend our love to Cal Montague at the death of his mother. We also express sympathy to Don Nydegger on the death of his sister.



A most hearty thanks to Sister Iris Beattie for 5 years' excellent effort in producing our Butler Banner!

Thanks to the Activity Committee for giving ward members the opportunity to enjoy the fascinating Ramses II exhibit at BYU.

Thanks to those who took part in the National Day of Fasting on November 24 and contributed to the fund for Hunger Relief. Any who wish to make further contributions may do so by designating Hunger Relief on the donation slip. These monies are to be used for people of all faiths according to need.



CONGRATULATIONS!

At the annual Scout Recognition Dinner this month, Troop 311 was recognized as a 1985 Honor Unit and received a beau— tiful ribbon to add to the troop flag. This recognition is based on percent— ages of troop registration and advance— ment, as well as outdoor activity. Each member of the troop will be en— titled to wear a small patch on his uniform signifying this achievement. We appreciate our good Scout leadership.

Howard and Velma Glad were also honored on this occasion. Both received the Scouter's Key for completing Leadership Training, and both also received the Arrowhead for excellence of service as Commissioners on the District Level. Howard was given a Training Award as well for additional training.

Rosalyn Ostler was one of 11 chosen from Brighton District to receive the surprise Award of Merit for scouting service.

Congratulations to Amy Young and Kristine Rowe for achieving acceptance into the American Choral Directors' Association Choir! This is an honors choir for junior high students. From 380 submitted auditions, 157 were selected. Only 3 of about a dozen from Butler Middle School were chosen. They will be going to California in February to sing with the group. Ward members are encouraged to call them for babysitting and to support their fund-raising efforts to participate in this special group.

Congratulations to Scott Rowe for his excellent performance in the Brighton High theatrical production of Mame. He was the only middle-school student participating.

Bouquets also to Margaret Glad for her fine job on the stage crew of this production.



News Briefs

A group of ward members enjoyed going to the temple together on November 7. They enjoyed the hospitality of the Wayne Wests afterward, with refreshments and visiting.

Don't miss the chance to write to all our missionaries and servicemen. The addresses and paper are provided on the special table in the cultural hall. Be sure to turn in your messages for mailing.

A Real Rarity!——All those present at the missionary farewell for Lee and Rosemary Collins had the unusual privilege of seeing and hearing President Thomas S. Monson of the First Presidency, who came to support his friends, the Collins'. As always, he was delightful to listen to.



Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

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