

knew him. He said: "When you go home I want you to bear to Doctor Talmage one suggestion with respect to his work." I told him that I would, and I have delivered it. He said; "Instead of having this triangular affair on the front cover, and standing within the triangle, 'The Story of Mormonism, by James E. Talmage,' there should be a star or a crescent, more the shape of a horse-shoe, placed on the front cover, in two lines, and between these two lines it should read, 'These are they that have come up through great tribulation.'" I thought that, of all the beautiful delicate compliments that ever have been paid to the Latter-day Saint people, this by Rev. J. Barker Smith of the Oxford University was one of the finest.

My brethren and sisters, I bear you my humble testimony that I know the work we are engaged in is the plan that has been established by our Heavenly Father for the redemption of human souls. May God bless us and help us to appreciate these blessings; that we may live not by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God; which is my prayer, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

A tenor solo, "O Lord rebuke me not in Thine anger," was sung by David E. Smith.

#### **BISHOP CHARLES W. NIBLEY.**

We have had a splendid conference from start to finish, and now we are about at the close. It is not my intention to make any extended remarks, for there is not time. There is one matter, however, that it is desired I should call to your attention.

You are all acquainted with the unfortunate condition of our people who have been expelled from Mexico, and who have had to leave their property and all they possess, and flee for their lives. Quite a number of them are still located near the borders of Mexico, at El Paso and other places, but there is a large number scattered in the settlements, wards and stakes of Utah, Idaho, Arizona and the outside stakes. Brethren and sisters, wherever you can help our afflicted brothers and sisters who are in need—and they are all in need of assistance—to get work or secure employment, do all that you can in this direction, and where they are in actual need of sustenance, of food or clothing, it is our duty to help supply it. I know that in the abundance that you have, you will not withhold from these brethren and sisters, who are in this condition of want.

We all hope that the time will soon come when conditions will be more settled in that land, and all who wish to return to their possessions, or that which is left of them, can do so, but that time seems to be a considerable distance ahead, and no man can tell just when it will be. In the meantime, let us do our duty towards them.

Let me add another word, also. The Lord is showering His blessings upon the Latter-day Saints in rich abundance. The earth is wonderfully productive this season, in all of our settlements, and all the products of the field, farm and range are bringing fairly good prices. In the midst of all these blessings none of us should forget the obligations that we are under to sustain the Church of God with the means, or part of it, that He puts into our possession.

I believe that this is the best people in all the world—I know they are, and yet we are surely not any better than we should be, or than we could be. There is room for improvement in the direction of paying our tithes and offerings, and sustaining the Church. The mission work abroad is now taking a great deal of the means of the Church. The improvements that you heard about during this conference, take considerable money. The operation of our temples, the building of meeting houses, and the general necessities of the Church, all require means. I believe that our attendance at this conference will remind us of this obligation to the Lord and His Church, that we will come forth with our tithes and offerings and help to build up the great work of God which is being established in the earth, and which is doing so much, and will do still more, if we only do all that we should to promote its interests. Amen.

#### PREST. CHARLES W. PENROSE.

I am requested to present a matter before you, very briefly, which is in your interest and particularly in the interest of the newspaper which is recognized as the organ of the Church, the *Deseret News*. I am not now intimately associated with the paper, but I take interest in its welfare and progress, and wish to recommend to the Latter-day Saints that they subscribe and pay for the *Deseret News*: those who can receive it, should take the daily, and those who are in distant points, not connected with the railroads, take the semi-weekly. It is a good, reliable, able newspaper, as well as

being the organ of the Church. There are many obstacles in its way. A newspaper is not generally supported financially by its subscription lists, but by its advertisements. There are classes of advertisements which cannot be admitted into the columns of the *Deseret News*, so that the paper is handicapped in that matter in a way that is not felt by other newspapers in this city. The *News* does not admit advertisements that relate to the sale of liquor and tobacco and other things talked about in this conference which are forbidden to the real Latter-day Saints. There are many other advertisements such as quack medicines, et cetera, which are not admitted into the columns of the *Deseret News*. And then there is the opposition of all supporters of the "underworld" and the lower elements in this city and other cities of the State, because the *Deseret News* stands all the time in support of the Word of Wisdom and of all the counsels and instructions of a moral and practical kind given by the leaders of the Church.

Now, I will not enlarge upon the matter, because the time is almost up for closing our last session of this conference, but I recommend to my brethren, the presidents of stakes and their counselors, and the bishops and their counselors, that they endeavor to do what they can to circulate that paper and to help in its support by every legitimate means; and they will find that wherever that paper finds its way in the various parts of Zion a good influence is used and the work of the Lord is accelerated. The Lord has blessed that paper from the beginning; may it continue to prosper and receive the support of His people. Amen.