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We stand for the constitution of the United States with its three departments of government as therein set forth, each one fully independent in its own field.

But His Achievements Still Live

SATURDAY death deprived this Church, this city and this state of one of their most able and distinguished leaders.

He is Elder Sylvester Quayle Cannon of the Council of the Twelve—a man who devoted almost a lifetime to prominent Church service, and yet found time to serve his city and state with distinction.

For the better part of a half-century, the name Sylvester Q. Cannon has been identified with things worthwhile in the religious, economic and business life of Utah and associated territory. Few, if any, names have been better or more widely known. And in all circles it commanded attention and respect.

As men go, Elder Cannon was a giant—in stature, intellect and influence. His advice and counsel frequently were sought by individuals and officials seeking guidance or the solution to a difficult problem. His calm, studious and spiritual approach will be missed in many quarters.

It would take a fair-sized volume to even brief the career and accomplishments of Sylvester Q. Cannon, churchman, businessman, engineer and scholar. But in the nearly 66 years since his birth blessed the home of George Quayle and Elizabeth Hoagland Cannon, his pathway to the top was built on ability and service and marked with achievement.

While attending the L. D. S. College, the University of Utah and Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Boston, he demonstrated his mental capacity and cultivated an appetite for study and learning that was to survive graduation and be one of the most dominant characteristics of his lifetime. Right up until the time of his last illness, Elder Cannon was a great student and reader; he never stopped learning.

Though he was intellectual rather than emotional, Sylvester Q. Cannon was highly spiritual and a deep believer in the Gospel. He found the Gospel to be intellectually stimulating as well as soul stirring.

When he was a youth, just out of the L. D. S. College, he welcomed an opportunity to accompany his father, then a member of the First Presidency, on a trip through the Eastern States and to England. This gave him his first real taste of Church work and of the satisfaction growing therefrom.

In 1899, after finishing his education, he eagerly responded to a call to the Holland-Belgium Mission, and after about a year of service he was made president of this mission. And so began almost a lifetime of continuous service for the Church and its people, service which included such positions of honor and distinction as: President of Pioneer Stake, Presiding Bishop of

the Church, Apostle, and member of the Council of the Twelve.

As Presiding Bishop, Sylvester Q. Cannon directed the initiation of a new approach in the Aaronic Priesthood. One of his early acts was to have himself appointed an advisor in his own ward so that he could learn the problems from the ground up. And what he learned went into the program for broadening the scope of the Aaronic Priesthood.

But not all of Elder Cannon's time and energies have been devoted to organization and spiritual work of the Church. For about 12 years, 1913-25, he was engineer for Salt Lake City and personally directed a great program of improvement to water and sewer works, zoning, lighting, irrigation, street and sidewalk paving, etc. Nor was that all.

Sylvester Q. Cannon's good judgment and careful, studious approach to problems won him a prominent place on the directing boards of many important institutions. At one time or another, he was president of boards of trustees or directors for: Dr. Groves L. D. S. Hospital, Dee Memorial Hospital, Ogden; L. D. S. Hospital, Idaho Falls; Zion's Aid Society; L. D. S. College; McCune School of Music and Art; Deseret News Publishing Company; Cannon Investment Company; Radio Service Corporation of Utah, and a director of Zion's Securities Corporation, Z. C. M. I., Hotel Utah, Amalgamated Sugar Company, Deseret Gymnasium and United States Fuel Company.

Elder Cannon always was very calm, deliberate, considerate and conservative. Some of his closest friends say they never remember him being impetuous, hasty or impulsive. He avoided needless display or exhibition. He was industrious, sympathetic and kindly; he was a fine companion, a good friend, a splendid husband and father.

Those who were closely associated with him pay him the highest compliment as a man and a "boss." They say that he was just and that he loved justice with a fervor, equaled only by his dislike for injustice. And they say that he was a gentleman, with whom and for whom it was a pleasure to work.

In a sense his fine qualities and personality made him a public civic figure during much of his lifetime. Frequently he was consulted by civic and official bodies on matters of public concern.

So we say that last week, death deprived this Church, this city and this state of one of their most able and distinguished leaders. His family, associates and friends, among whom we hope to be considered, should be able to find some solace in the fact that much of his work and many of his achievements still live.

Church of Jesus Christ Of Latter Day Saints Speakers to Be Here

Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, August 24, 25, 26
Bishop Sylvester Q. Cannon, member of the Twelve Apostles of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, in company with David A. Broadbent, president of the North Central States Mission of the same Church, will be in Sidney on Thursday, August 31st, and will speak at a public meeting in the club room of the Legion hall, at 8 o'clock that evening.

Bishop Cannon has had a wide experience in Church and civil affairs. He has twice presided over the Neth-



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erlands Mission, and has traveled in his work with the Church through Egypt, Syria, Turkey, Greece, Italy and France, besides other parts of Europe. A man of versatile talents, he supervised the translation of several Church books into the Dutch language. He has given service in state and other civic positions of diversified fields in the state of Utah, which is his home. Before his appointment to the Apostleship, Bishop Cannon labored as presiding bishop of the Church for 13 years.

President Broadbent, who accompanies Bishop Cannon, is known to many of the people of this section be-



D. A. Broadbent

cause of his previous visits; he presides over the Latter-day Saints and 80 missionaries of Minnesota, North and South Dakota, Montana and four provinces of Canada. 37 years an educator in Church and public schools in Utah, he has an appeal to people of a variety of interests.

We who represent the Mormon Church in these parts, cordially invite you to this meeting to hear these eminent men proclaim some of the tenets of the Mormon faith.

Our message is vital. Our message is unique. We have no competition in a religious way.

Everyone is welcome.—No Collections.