

DEDICATION PROGRAM



Seventeenth and North Seventeenth Wards

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

SUNDAY

December 18, 1966

4:00 P.M.

142 West First North
Salt Lake City, Utah



The new meeting house was planned around the historic stained glass window depicting the First Vision. This beautiful work of art was transferred from the old meeting house to the new. The window was presented by Annie D. Watkins prior to the dedication of the old chapel building on March 31, 1907. It was made in Belgium by professional glass artisans.

PROGRAM

Prelude Music.....Eva May Bettridge

Conducting.....Bishop Val J. Sheffield
(Agent Bishop)

Opening Hymn.....Congregation
"We Thank Thee O God for a Prophet" No. 196

Invocation.....Wayne C. Pederson

Vocal Solo.....P. Melvin Petersen
"I Know That My Redeemer Lives"

Remarks.....President Glen P. Umberger

Remarks.....Bishop James R. Bettridge

Remarks.....Bishop Val J. Sheffield

Hymn.....Congregation
"Oh, How Lovely Was The Morning" No. 136

Remarks and Dedicatory Prayer....Elder Harold B. Lee

Closing Hymn.....Congregation
"Sing We Now At Parting" No. 161

Benediction.....John R. Kunz

Postlude.....David C. Ottesen

Choristers:
Edith A. Heim
DeLany Kate Bettridge



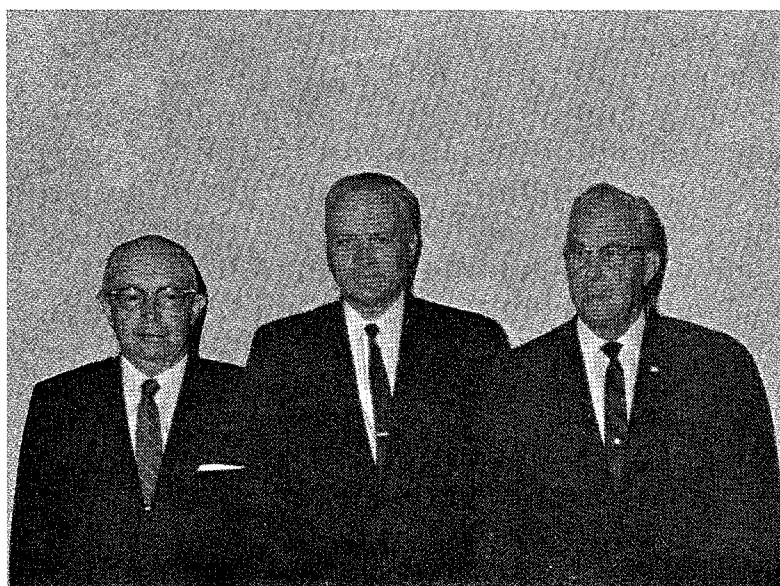
PRESIDENT DAVID O. McKay

President of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, a former member of the Seventeenth Ward who has taken a special interest in the new building.



ELDER HAROLD B. LEE

A member of the Council of the Twelve Apostles, Presiding General Authority at Dedication Service.



THE PRESIDENCY OF THE SALT LAKE STAKE

President Glen P. Umberger, center, and Counselors William M. Thomas, Wallace A. Wood.



HISTORY OF THE SEVENTEENTH WARDS

On February 22, 1849, Salt Lake City was divided into nineteen wards. Among these was the Seventeenth Ward. When organized, the Ward consisted of nine city blocks bounded on the south by South Temple Street, on the north by Second North Street, on the east by Main Street and on the west by Second West Street.

There were about 4,000 people in the valley when the Ward was organized. They were almost all crowded into the "Old Fort" and its additions on Pioneer Square (Pioneer Park) and adjoining blocks. As spring came the people moved many of the log houses from the fort and others built new homes, mostly of adobe. The first log home built by Osmyn Deuel in September, 1847, was located just north of the east portal of the "Old Fort." Two years later it was purchased by Albert Carrington and moved to his property at southeast corner of First North and West Temple Streets. This house is now preserved on Temple Square.

The first meeting place was a log building standing where the old chapel was located. The old brick building used as a recreation and Relief Society hall in connection with the old meetinghouse was commenced in 1872 for a combined school and meetinghouse. The first meeting was held there in 1875. In 1905 the cornerstone was laid for a new Seventeenth Ward meetinghouse alongside the old school building. This chapel was dedicated March 31, 1907. These two historic buildings were razed October, 1966.

The North Seventeenth Ward was organized April 22, 1947 following several changes in boundaries of the original Seventeenth Ward. The new Ward included six blocks: Four blocks bounded by Second North, Third West, First North and Vine Streets and two blocks bounded by First West, North Temple, Third West and First North. The Seventeenth Ward retained three blocks bounded by State, First West, North Temple and First North Streets.

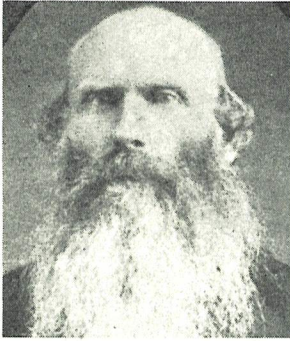
In 1956, when the Fourteenth Ward was dissolved, the four blocks south of North Temple Street bounded by Main, First South, and First West Streets (including Temple Square) were returned to the Seventeenth Ward. The area bounded by First South, Third West, First West and North Temple Streets was transferred at the same time from the Fourteenth Ward to the North Seventeenth Ward.

The first store in Salt Lake City was opened in the Seventeenth Ward area by Livingstone and Kincaid in the summer of 1849. The University of Deseret, the forerunner of the University of Utah, had its beginning in 1850 on the southwest corner of First North and West Temple Streets in the home of John Pack.

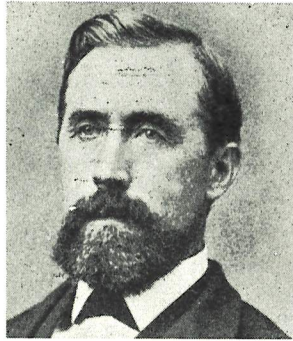
The area covered by the Seventeenth and North Seventeenth Wards has been the home and birthplace of many Church Authorities as well as numerous prominent men and women. At one time all of the First Presidency and several members of the Council of Twelve lived within the confines of the two wards.

FORMER BISHOPS

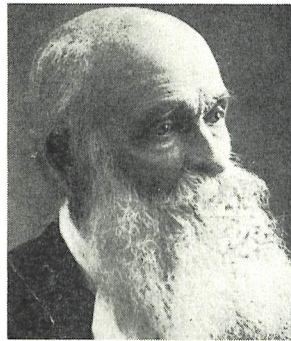
SEVENTEENTH WARD



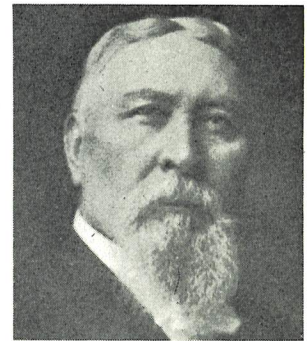
JOSEPH LELAND HEYWOOD
Feb. 22, 1849 to
Sept. 17, 1855



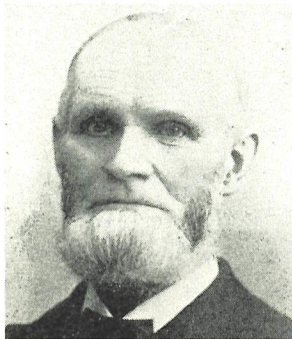
THOMAS CALLISTER
Sept. 17, 1855 to
Dec. 15, 1861



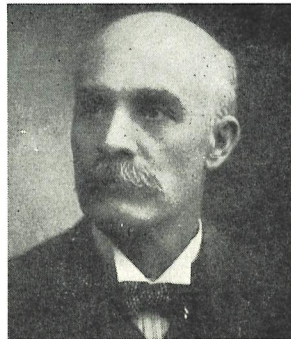
NATHAN DAVIS
Dec. 15, 1861 to
Jan. 1, 1876



JOHN HENRY SMITH
Jan. 1, 1876 to
Oct. 31, 1880



JOHN TINGEY
Oct. 31, 1880 to
Sept. 27, 1896



WALTER JOSIAH BEATIE
Sept. 27, 1896 to
Jan. 14, 1906



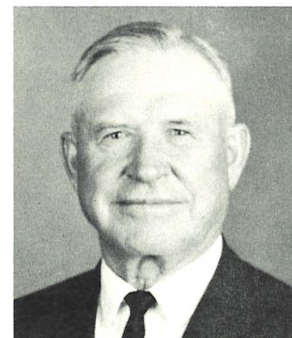
FRANKLIN S. TINGEY
Jan. 14, 1906 to
Oct. 1, 1922



NICHOLAS G. SMITH
Oct. 1, 1922 to
Jan. 20, 1935



HAROLD W. LANGTON
Jan 20, 1935 to
Nov. 18, 1945



RULON T. HINCKLEY
Nov. 18, 1945 to
Jan. 23, 1955

NORTH SEVENTEENTH WARD



E. ORVAL PROVOST
April 22, 1947 to
April 23, 1956

SEVENTEENTH WARD BISHOPRIC



First Counselor
JOHN R. KUNZ



BISHOP VAL J. SHEFFIELD
Jan. 23, 1955
to date



Second Counselor
LEMOYNE PERKINS

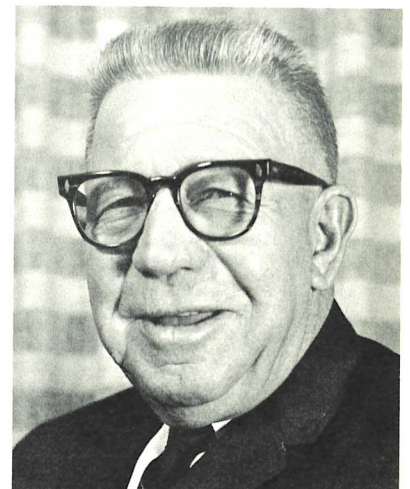
NORTH SEVENTEENTH WARD BISHOPRIC



First Counselor
WAYNE C. PEDERSON



BISHOP JAMES R. BETTRIDGE
April 23, 1956
to date



Second Counselor
GLEN F. PAULSEN

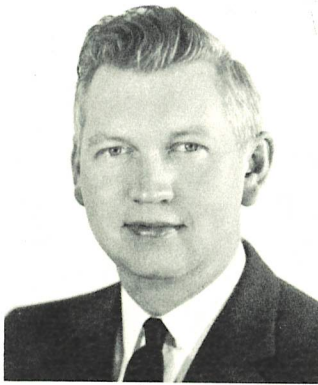
GROUND BREAKING FOR THE NEW CHAPEL



A formal ground breaking was held Labor Day, September 2, 1963. President Henry D. Moyle is seen with Bishops Sheffield and Bettridge as ground is officially broken.



A large crowd gathered at the groundbreaking to hear President Henry D. Moyle give encouragement to members in their building project.



Architect
JOHN N. CLAWSON



Project Clerk
ERICH W. PRUSSE

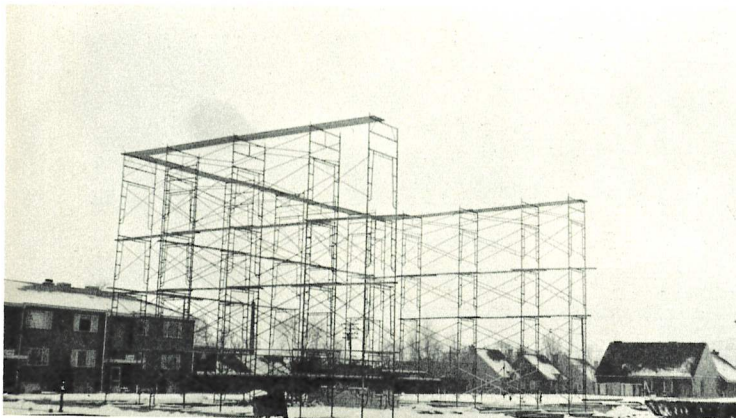


Construction Superintendent
FRANK J. LEMPERLE



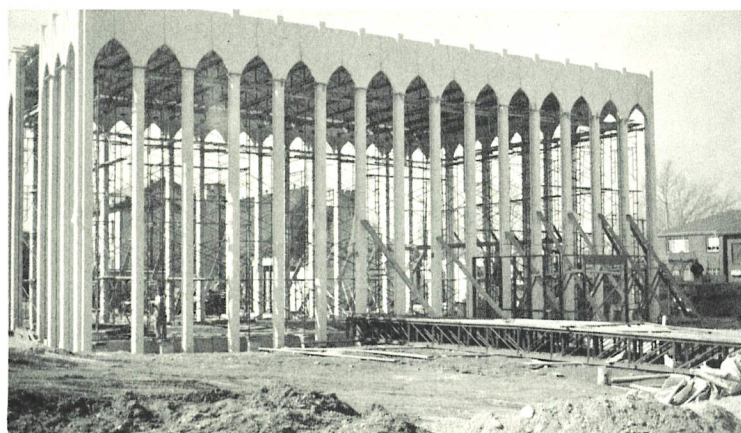
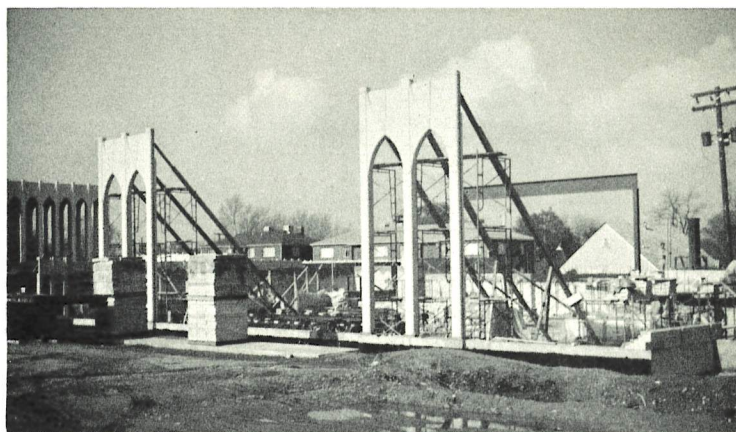
Footings and foundation are underway as the building is shown in early stages of construction.

The members of both Wards rallied behind their Bishops and donated their time, talents and money.



The scaffolding was erected as the building moved into its next phase of construction.

Its true beauty began to unfold as the building started to take a meaningful shape.



The old Seventeenth Ward meeting-house can be seen through the super-structure of the new chapel.

Time, effort and a great deal of care was taken in its construction to make this what many have called the most beautiful chapel in the Church.



The new building was planned around the historic stained glass window, with the pattern of its majestic arch being repeated throughout the building's design. Final building cost was approximately \$550,000.



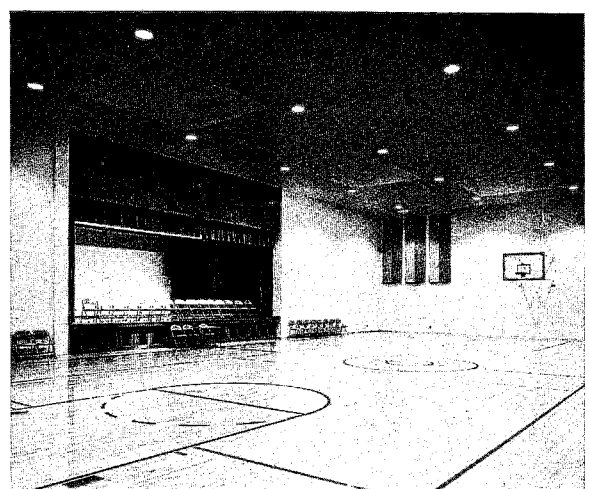
CHAPEL

This new building will always be a monument to the sacrifices made by the members of the two Wards who raised the necessary funds to pay for their share of the costs.

The two Wards are largely composed of elderly people, with many widows and Temple workers. Nearly all members faithfully donated from their limited financial means to make possible one of the most beautiful buildings in the Church.



RELIEF SOCIETY ROOM



CULTURAL HALL

One of the remarkable aspects of the financing is that the membership of the two Wards did not stop with a minimum amount necessary, but raised sufficient to add special features to the building, including a nine rank Moeller pipe organ, extra carpeting and drapes and beautiful furnishings.