Among the Mormons A Survey of Current Literature

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Far must thy researches go
Wouldst thou learn the world to know;
Thou must tempt the dark abyss
Wouldst thou prove what Being is;
Naught but firmness gains the prize,
Naught but fullness makes us wise,
Buried deep truth ever lies.

Schiller, Proverbs of Confucius

In an effort to keep Dialogue's readers abreast of current research on the subject "Mormons and Mormonism," the second issue of each volume (Summer issue) is devoted to a listing of theses and dissertations accepted by American colleges and universities on the aforementioned subject. Our sources of information are primarily Mormon Americana, a bi-monthly bibliography prepared at Brigham Young University, Dissertation Abstracts, a publication of University Microfilms, Ann Arbor, Michigan, and commencement programs of the Utah universities.

As in the past it has been our practice to report all dissertations that touch on the subject Mormons and Mormonism specifically, and Utah in general. Since there have been about twenty reportable dissertations each year this has not presented space problems. This year there are over forty to report, and if this increase is indicative of a trend we may well be constrained to limitations such as those now imposed on theses. Although the listing of theses herein found is selective, most items of *Mormon* interest are included. Peripheral titles, and it is from titles alone that a decision on the inclusion or exclusion of theses is made, are evaluated and if found wanting rejected. For example, a thesis entitled "A Study of the Prehistoric Settlement Patterns of the Provo Area in Central Utah," or "A History of the Intermountain [Indian] School" will not be found in this listing.

Every dissertation for which an abstract was found in *Dissertation Abstracts* is preceded by an asterisk. Copies of the complete dissertation in Xerox copy or on microfilm may be acquired from University Microfilms. Since this writer glanced over all of the available abstracts, statements which

were of interest to him, were further abstracted or quoted for the readers' enlightenment.

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DISSERTATIONS

*Anderson, Allen Gary. A Historical Survey of the Full-Time Institutes of Religion of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1926–1966. Brigham Young University, 1968.

"The purpose of this study was to compile an individual history for each of the sixty-four full-time institutes. . . ."

- *Asay, Carlos Egan. A study of the Exploration Activities in Selected Public Junior High Schools in Utah. University of Utah, 1967.
- *Barrett, Gwynn William. John M. Bernhisel: Mormon Elder in Congress. Brigham Young University, 1968.

Utah's first delegate to Congress, a stalwart in Mormondom, an important member of the council of Fifty, confidant of Joseph Smith, and a tireless worker for his church and state. "Recognition for the many contributions of this remarkable man is long overdue."

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- *Bishop, Arthur Lee. Formulas for State Public School Building Aid in Utah. University of Utah, 1968.
- *Britsch, Ralph Lanier. Early Latter-day Saint Missions to South and East Asia. Claremont Graduate School and University Center, 1968.

"The purpose of this work is to recount the history of the East Indian Mission, 1849-56, the early Chinese Mission of 1853, and the Japanese Mission, 1901-24..."

Brooks, Karl Francis. A Model for Collective Negotiations Legislation for Utah. University of Utah, 1968.

Christopherson, June Sarah Day. Attitudes of Selected University of Utah Students Toward College Training. University of Utah, 1968.

*Coleman, Neil Keith. A Study of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints as an Administrative System, Its Structure and Maintenance. New York University, 1967.

The analysis of the data collected by the author led him to the following conclusions:

- 1. The organizational value system modifies virtually all administrative actions. Whereas hierarchal organizations are characterized by their rationality, the church is administered in a non-rational manner based on "revelation" and authority. The result being a basic lack of accountability to the membership on the part of the highest church leaders.
- 2. The most basic function of the church is to maintain itself and this objective dominates all others in its demands for resources. Virtually every administrative action has a dysfunctional nature which partly reflects a maintenance function.

3. Although a formal and elaborate system of integration for women is lacking, there do not seem to be any harmful effects. This points out the general discriminatory nature of church leadership which is male centered.

4. There is a lack of adequate tension releasing systems in the church. Positive tension can be released with increased commitment and activity, but grievances and negative tensions have no

such legitimate place in the structure.

5. Regionalism as an organizational concept must be enlarged to fill an increasing need in the communications network within the church. There are alternatives to regionalism but they must include further decentralization which seems unlikely at present.

- 6. Individual and church-wide goal attainment programs appear to be functioning more as "means" of reinforcing the value system than as "ends" in themselves.
- 7. The concept of "lay-leadership" functions well as part of the pattern maintenance and integrative systems, but as a leadership and staffing technique it is a source of organizational tensions, mismanagement and inefficiency.
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- *Gluskinos, Ury Meir. The Identification and Measurement of Student Abilities at the University of Utah College of Engineering. Utah State University, 1968.
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- *Hansen, Klaus J. The Kingdom of God in Mormon Thought and Practice, 1830-1896. Wayne State University, 1963.
 - Although accepted in 1968, the abstract did not appear until recently since Dr. Hansen's dissertation was published by the Michigan State University Press under the title Quest for Empire....
- *Hardy, Blaine Carmon. The Mormon Colonies of Northern Mexico: A History, 1885-1912. Wayne State University, 1963.

"Mormons carried their national biases as well as their religious practices and beliefs with them when they crossed the border into Mexico. One of these biases was a viable conviction in the rightness of American imperialism . . . Confronted with hostile Mexicans, marauding Indians, intemperate climatic conditions, grinding poverty and frequent epidemics of disease, these pioneers were forced to toil for years before they were permitted the enjoyment of comfort and wealth." With the overthrow of Diaz, the Mormons

- soon fell victim to the revolution because they were "wealthy," "American" and "extremely race conscious," which caused them to perpetrate "an informal policy of racial segregation."
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- *Pawar, Sheelwant Bapurao. An Environmental Study of the Development of the Utah Labor Movement: 1860–1935. University of Utah, 1968.
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 - Dr. Peterson is the new Director of the Utah State Historical Society.
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 - "The data showed that approximately 5,300 L.D.S. students will be attending institutions of higher education in the San Francisco Bay Region in 1985... distributed at approximately 46 institutions of higher education in this region..."
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In evaluating the works according to the Dramatic Standards, the the most universal accomplishment of the plays seems to be entertainment, with far fewer plays achieving the goals of insight and understanding of humanity or intellectual stimulation. Aesthetic expression seems to be adequate but not brilliant, as do the dramatic elements. The Church Standards and attitudes seem to influence the dramaturgy, especially in relation to the goals of human

understanding and intellectual exploration. Chief among the possible influencing factors are: (1) the concept of mass-participation; (2) the attitude toward experimentation; (3) the attitude toward character conduct and transfer of behavior; (4) the general Church attitude concerning absolute truth, and good and evil.

Comparison with non-Church works indicate that the majority of Latter-day Saint plays compare favorably with plays which seem to be generally insignificant, except for their value as entertain-

ment. A few plays, however, seem to have more stature.

Sorenson, Eli B. A System Study of Education Program Components in Utah's Public Schools. University of Utah, 1968.

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"The initial assumption of the study was that certain kinds of drama (of which the Mormon plays are an example) can more appropriately be called rhetorical than poetic. . . . The Mormon plays depend heavily upon the Mormon frame of reference for doctrinal, ethical, and attitudinal premises. . . . The general end of the play is to reinforce or focus already-held beliefs." The author used plays published by the M.I.A. between 1925-63.

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RECENTLY RECEIVED

Everett L. Cooley. Utah, A Students' Guide to Localized History. (Localized History Series) Teachers College Press, Teachers College, Columbia University, New York, 1969. \$.75. Directed at the pre-college level, the introduction by Clifford L. Lord, former director of the Wisconsin Historical Society, invites the reader to learn of "our country's transformation from a transcontinental wilderness into the world's most powerful nation" through the medium of "localized" history. Dr. Lord briefly outlines the necessary steps required of the junior historian, from learning to use the library card catalog to possible publication of the finished product. This is followed by Dr. Cooley's description of Utah in five short chapters; The Land, Original Inhabitants, Explorers and First Settlers, Settlement and Expansion and After Statehood. A bibliographical section begins with the challenge, "It is unfortunate but true that there does not exist at the present time a single, good, up-to-date general history of Utah." Will one of the junior readers of his slim pamphlet accept the challenge?