missionaries and members of the Church in Samoa. They extend greetings and thanks for inspiring Conference messages. "We are enjoying excellent reception by special KSL rebroadcast." President and Sister J. Philip Hanks.

Another from Albuquerque: "Reception of the Conference television broadcast is great and tremendous in Albuquerque. Members of four stakes and Western States Mission received the broadcast over KGGM-TV." I. F. Munson, Publicity Director.

We welcome all present this morning in the Tabernacle, which is crowded to the doors, those in the Assembly Hall, and particularly the vast television and radio audience in this, the Sixth Session of the 133rd Semi-Annual Conference of the Church.

The Tabernacle Choir, under the direction of Richard P. Condie, with Frank W. Asper at the organ, will open these services by rendering "With A Voice of Singing," following which the invocation will be offered by Elder Lloyd R. Hunsaker, president of the Logan Stake.

The Tabernacle Choir sang, "With A Voice Of Singing."

Elder Lloyd R. Hunsaker, president of the Logan Stake, offered the opening prayer.

President David O. McKay:

The invocation just offered was by President Lloyd R. Hunsaker of the Logan Stake. The Tabernacle Choir will now sing "Blessed He That Comes in the Name of the Lord." Our first speaker, following the singing, will be President Hugh B. Brown, First counselor in the First Presidency.

Singing by the Choir, "Blessed He That Comes In The Name Of The Lord."

PRESIDENT HUGH B. BROWN

First Counselor in the First Presidency

As one beholds the thousands who are assembled here and is aware that hundreds of thousands are listening by means of radio and television, the responsibility of directing the thinking of so vast an audience would be overwhelming were it not for the knowledge that divine assistance is available through prayers of faith.

During recent months, both in Salt Lake City and across the nation, considerable interest has been expressed in the position of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints on the matter of civil rights. We would like it to be known that there is in this Church no doctrine, belief, or practice that is intended to deny the enjoyment of full civil rights by any person regardless of race, color, or creed.

We say again, as we have said many times before, that we believe that all men are the children of the same God, and that it is a moral evil for any person or group of persons to deny any human being the right to gainful employment, to full educational opportunity, and to every privilege of citizenship, just as it is a moral evil to deny him the right to worship according to the dictates of his own conscience.

We have consistently and persistently upheld the Constitution of the United States, and as far as we are concerned this means upholding the constitutional rights of every citizen of the United States.

We call upon all men, everywhere, both within and outside the Church, to commit themselves to the establishment of full civil equality for all of God's children. Anything less than this defeats our high ideal of the brotherhood of man.

Attending a Mormon conference is, no doubt, to some a new experience. Perhaps some may wonder, as did Nathanael in the days of Christ regarding Nazareth, and ask, "Can any good thing come out of 'Mormondom'?" For the moment we reply in the words of Philip, who simply said to Nathanael, "Come and see." (See John 1:46.) We welcome all of you and hope the time