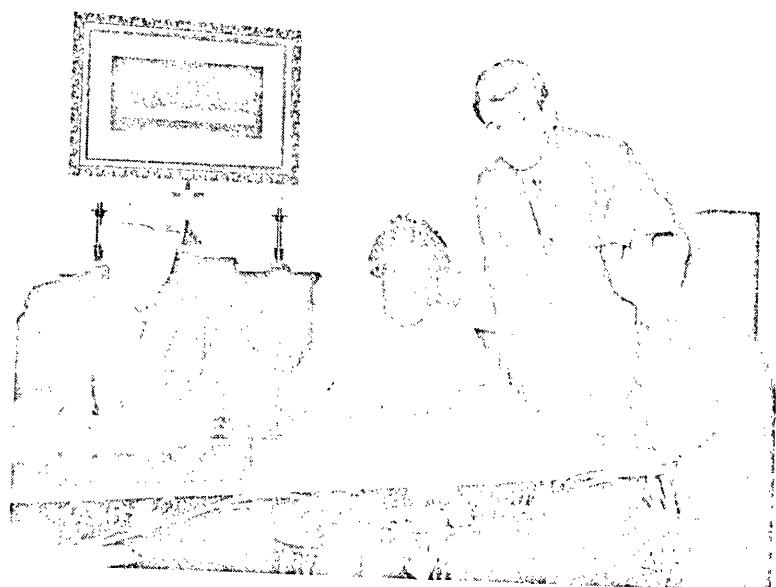


North Arkansas Pension Campaign  
exceeds \$1,200,000 goal



Bishop Paul V. Galloway presided as the three conference Program Councils of the Arkansas Area met jointly in Little Rock on April 2. Conferring at the right are the recording secretaries of the three councils, Mrs. C. G. Tillmon, Southwest Conference; the Rev. Ed Matthews, Little Rock Conference; and the Rev. Floyd G. Villines, North Arkansas Conference.

# Arkansas Methodist

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## North Arkansas Pension Campaign exceeds \$1,200,000 goal

Churches of the North Arkansas Conference have reported \$1,221,701 in the Pension Endowment Campaign which had \$1,200,000 as its goal. Dr. Frank Countryman, resident director of the campaign was scheduled to report this amount to the final meeting of the Executive Committee of the pension campaign on Wednesday

morning, April 8. Dr. Countryman said, "This is the amount reported by the local churches as either pledged through solicitations or included in church budgets." He also reported that \$57,975 cash has been received by the treasurer's office on the campaign.

"This is excellent in terms of both the total and the cash already received," said Dr. Countryman.

Included in the churches reporting were 44 that assumed more than their "fair share goal" in the drive to improve the amount paid retired ministers and their widows and families. Three hundred and thirty-nine local churches accepted an amount equal to 1005 of their fair share.

The amounts reported from each district of the conference was as follows: BATESVILLE DISTRICT: \$135,690; CONWAY DISTRICT: \$179,543; FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT: \$186,474; FORREST CITY DISTRICT: \$198,526; FORT SMITH DISTRICT: \$198,996; JONESBORO DISTRICT: \$200,172; and PARAGOULD DISTRICT: \$122,298.

The Executive Committee of the campaign was scheduled to make detailed plans concerning the follow-up of the campaign at their Wednesday meeting. Bishop Galloway has indicated

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## Evangelism program in North Arkansas

United Methodist churches in the eastern half of the North Arkansas Conference are engaging in simultaneous programs of evangelism during the month of April, according to the Rev. Leonard Byers of Jonesboro, conference secretary of evangelism.

Churches in the Forrest City, Jonesboro and Paragould Districts, and a part of the Batesville District are participating in the second phase of the intensive evangelism cultivation. Churches in the western part of the state held similar programs during February.

Preachers from churches in the western part of the state will be guest evangelists in the week of evangelistic preaching to be held April 12-16.

Mr. Byers stated that the purpose of the program was "to have a period of intensive evangelism that will call the local churches and pastors to a deepening of their spiritual commitments, the reclamation and renewal of inactive and unproductive mem-

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## Hendrix College will honor two Arkansas pastors on April 15

Two Arkansas United Methodist pastors will receive honorary degrees at the third in a series of Inaugural Convocations at Hendrix College on Wednesday, April 15.

They are the Rev. John A. Lindsay, pastor of First United Methodist Church, Pine Bluff, and the Rev. Virgil D. Keeley, pastor of First Church Blytheville. Both will receive the Doctor of Divinity degree.

The speaker for the April 15 convocation will be Bishop David Frederick Wertz of the West Virginia Area of the United Methodist Church, who was president of Lycoming College in Williamsport, Pa. prior to his election to the episcopacy in 1968.

He is a member of the General Board of Education and the Program Council of the church. He serves as chairman of the Interboard of First Church in that city since 1964. He is a graduate of Texas Wesleyan College and Perkins School of Theology.

Mr. Keeley is a native of Pike City, Ark. and a graduate of Henderson State College. He has been pastor at Blytheville since 1965, and prior to that was superintendent of the Forrest City District.

The speaker for the April 7 convocation in the Inaugural Series was the Hon. Daniel P. Moynihan, counselor to President Nixon on urban problems.

On April 28, the Hon. Robert W. Finch, Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare in President Nixon's Cabinet, will be the speaker for the inauguration of Dr. Roy B. Shilling, Jr. as president of Hendrix College.

Following his inauguration, Dr. Shilling will speak and present a five-year plan for the college. Students and faculty representatives have been working on the details of that plan for months.

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## Bearden added to Hendrix board

The Board of Trustees of Hendrix College has approved a record budget of \$2,371,612 for its 1970-71 year. This represents an increase of \$206,000 over the budget for the present fiscal year.

Increases in income from student fees and tuition and increased income from endowment and gifts are expected to meet the increased costs.

Seven members of the Board were re-elected to new terms. Dr. Robert E. L. Bearden of Little Rock was elected to replace Dr. Otto W. Teague of Arkadelphia as a representative of the Little Rock Conference. Dr. Teague will retire in June.

Others who were re-elected to six-year terms were: Dr. John W. Lindsay of Pine Bluff; Dr. Alvin Murray of El Dorado; Mr. Don Flanders of Fort Smith; Mr. Edward Lester and Mr. Willis Holmes of Little Rock and Mrs. Eleanor H. Bailey of Hot Springs.

## Arkansas Area has 14 delegates to General Conference

The Arkansas Area will be represented by 14 delegates from three annual conferences at the Special Session of the General Conference to be held in Kiel Auditorium, St. Louis, April 20-24.

In each instance these are the same delegates who were members of the 1968 Uniting Conference at Dallas. These delegates are:

**Little Rock Conference: Clerical:** Dr. Otto W. Teague, Arkadelphia; Dr. C. Ray Hozendorf, Little Rock; and Dr. Robert E. L. Bearden, Little Rock; **Lay:** S. H. "Herb" Allman, Hot Springs; Dale Booth, Little Rock; and Mrs. Edgar Dixon, Little Rock.

**North Arkansas Conference: Cleri-**

**cal:** Dr. John A. Bayliss, Fort Smith; Dr. Joel A. Cooper, Fayetteville; and Dr. Ethan W. Dodgen, Forrest City; **Lay:** E. Clay Bumpers, Wabash; I. Nels Barnett, Batesville; and Henry M. Rainwater, Walnut Ridge.

**Southwest Conference: Clerical:** Dr. Negail R. Riley, New York; and **Lay:** Henry W. Johnson, Oklahoma City, Okla.

The conference will open at 9 a.m., Monday morning, April 20 with a service of holy communion, led by Bishop L. Scott Allen of Knoxville, Tenn. Following this service the episcopal address will be delivered by Bishop J. Gordon Howard of Philadelphia.

During the session Bishop Reuben H. Mueller of Indianapolis will preside over the Council of Bishops, but will relinquish his gavel during the conference to Bishop John Wesley Lord of Washington.

In addition to the delegates, many Arkansas ministers and laymen are expected to attend this significant special session. An Arkansas layman who has been most active in preparations for the session is Carl Hall of Little Rock, a member of the Program and Entertainment Commission.

The Methodist will carry a full report of the General Conference in its April 30 issue.



Dr. David B. Bauman

## Missionary to India in L.R. Conference

A United Methodist missionary who has been an evangelist, hostel director and district superintendent in India, will speak at a number of churches in the Little Rock Conference from April 12-22.

The Rev. David B. Bauman, whose home is in Golden, Colo., has returned to the United States for a year's furlough.

Soon after going to India in 1950, Mr. Bauman was appointed district evangelist at Baroda in northwest India and later served as director of a primary boys' hostel and a nearby demonstration farm at Godhra. He has since served as superintendent of the Nadiad and Baroda districts and as Gujarat Conference evangelist, conducting laymen's institutes and doing audio-visual work.

Mr. Bauman was born of missionary parents in Chile and was educated at the University of Denver, Boston School of Theology and Cornell University. He was a pastor of United Methodist churches in Oregon for four years before going to India.

His wife, Faith, a former missionary of the United Church of Canada, has worked with women and conducted Bible schools in rural areas.

### DR. BAUMAN'S ARKANSAS ITINERARY

**April 12:** 9:30 a.m.—Church School Couples Class, St. Luke's, Little Rock; 10:45 a.m.—Morning worship, Henderson, Little Rock; 7:00 p.m.—Evening service, Asbury, Little Rock.  
**April 13:** Noon—Lakeside, Pine Bluff.  
**April 14:** Men's Breakfast, First Church, Pine Bluff; Carr Church, Pine Bluff. (Times not indicated).

**April 15:** Noon—First Methodist, Stuttgart; 6:00 p.m.—First Church, Stuttgart, Men of the Church Fish Fry.  
**April 16:** 6:00 p.m.—Joint Dinner, W.S.C.S. and W.S.G., Grand Avenue, Stuttgart.  
**April 17:** 8:00 p.m.—Lodge's Corner Church-wide meeting.  
**April 19:** Morning Worship, First Church, Magnolia; Evening Service, Vantrease, El Dorado.

**April 20:** Noon—Washington Avenue, North Little Rock; 6:30 p.m.—Galloway, Little Rock.  
**April 21:** 6:30 p.m.—Joint Meeting, First Church, Fordyce, and 3 small churches.  
**April 22:** Family Night Program, First Church, El Dorado.

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## HEALTH AND WELFARE MINISTRIES LAUNCHES DEVELOPMENT LOAN FUND

EVANSTON, Ill. (UMI)—The creation of a \$100,000,000 Health and Welfare Ministries Development Loan Fund has been launched by the executive committee of the United Methodist Church's national health and welfare agency. Bishop Paul V. Galloway of Little Rock, Ark. is chairman of the General Board of Health and Welfare Ministries.

At a meeting on March 16, the executive body of the Board established a committee to work with banking trust officers to develop a plan for the proposed fund.

The moneys would be used for program and facility expansion of United Methodist-related institutions and services in the health and welfare field, according to Dr. Roger Burgess, general secretary of the national board which has its headquarters here. Its primary use, he said, would be capital funds to supplement private and governmental resources for capital expansion.

A large amount of the fund would come from the agencies themselves through investing portions of their substantial financial portfolios in the fund, the general secretary added, as an effort to assure further advancement of the church-related agencies through enabling financing. The board will hold its 1970 annual meeting in San Antonio, Texas, September 24th.

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bers, and the reaching of lost persons for 'Christ and the Church.'

"Methodism has been historically an evangelistic church," Mr. Byers said, "and the fires of a vital outreach have burned continually on her altars. We must not lose this part of our

## Memphis' Methodist Hospital names Administrator

Mr. C. H. Hottum, Jr., an employee of Methodist Hospital for 25 years has been named Administrator by the institution's Board of Managers. His appointment was announced at the Board's quarterly meeting held at the hospital Wednesday, March 25.

Mr. Hottum, a Certified Public Accountant joined the hospital as Assistant Administrator in 1945. He has been Associate Administrator for the past six years and was serving in that capacity when named Administrator. The Executive Committee of the Board of Managers had recommended as early as December 1969, Mr. Hottum's elevation to Administrator upon the retirement of Mr. J. M. Crews. Mr. Crews was to retire in January, 1971. Due to Mr. Crews untimely death, he will assume these duties immediately.

A native Memphian, Mr. Hottum attended the University of Tennessee and Memphis State University before becoming a Certified Public Accountant in 1940.

He has been active in professional organizations and organized the Tennessee Chapter of The Hospital Financial Management Association and



C. H. Hottum, Jr.

served as its first President. He assisted in the organization of chapters in several other states. He served as National President in 1957 and 1958 and became a Fellow in 1959. He was the organization's winner of the Frederick C. Morgan Individual Achievement Award in 1961.

Mr. Hottum has had several articles published in professional journals, magazines, and textbooks concerning Hospital Accounting.

He is a member of Christ United Methodist Church and is married to the former Dorothy Crizer of Covington, Virginia. They have two children—a daughter, Linda and a son, Gary.

## ANNOUNCEMENT

Dr. James B. Argue, pastor of Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church, Little Rock, has asked us to announce that, due to unforeseen circumstances, the 1970 Raney Lectures have been cancelled.

## General Conference/Washington Seminar

Applications are still being received for the General Conference and Washington Seminar Tour being sponsored by the North Arkansas Conference Board of Christian Social Concerns and Women's Society of Christian Service. The dates for the tour are April 21-29.

Dr. Earl Hughes of Heber Springs, director of the tour has announced that members will be entertained while in St. Louis in the homes of members of Ferguson United Methodist Church whose pastor is Dr. Edward W. Harris, formerly of Arkansas.

Two other former Arkansans have sent word that they are looking forward to the arrival of the group in

Washington. They are Dr. James Clemons of Wesley Theological Seminary and the Rev. Rodney Shaw of the staff of the General Board of Christian Social Concerns.

Low-cost housing will be provided in Washington in the facilities of Washington Cathedral.

Dr. Hughes emphasizes the fact that the only cost for the tour will be a \$25.00 registration fee and one's own personal expenses. Any interested youth or adult in any part of the state is invited to return the application printed in this issue to Dr. Earl Hughes, First United Methodist Church, Heber Springs, Ark. 72543.

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This tour April 21-29 is sponsored by the North Arkansas Conference Boards of Social Concerns and WSCS. The only cost is room, board and twenty-five (\$25.00) registration fee. Please enclose \$25.00 and send to Dr. Earl Hughes, First United Methodist Church, Heber Springs, Arkansas 72543 immediately.

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ted that he would like for this work to be coordinated through the office of the Program Council of the conference.

Dr. Countryman said that 92% or more of the amounts assumed will be paid if there is a good follow-up program. Only about 72% can be expected if there is not a good follow-up.

Pledges to the campaign will be paid over a three-year period. Dr. M. D. Deneke of West Memphis, chairman of the conference Board of Pensions, has indicated that the success of this campaign will make it possible for the North Arkansas Conference to come up to the minimum standard for pensions set by the United Methodist General Conference.

Scarritt College for Christian Workers in Nashville, Tenn., has announced a \$200,000 bequest from the estate of the late Mrs. E. V. Moorman of Quincy, Ill.

The Rev. J. D. Grier, Jr., superintendent of the Atlanta-Northeast District of the United Methodist Church, has been named to the influential Atlanta, Ga. personnel board. Mr. Grier was the second black person named to the three-member agency.

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## COCU's Plan for Parish Organization

During the next two or three years United Methodists will be hearing a great deal of the Plan of Union recently approved by the Consultation on Church Union—a group which has been at work for almost ten years on a proposal to merge nine Protestant denominations, including the United Methodist Church, into a new body, tentatively to be called the Church of Christ Uniting.

When this plan has passed through the General Conference and is referred to local congregations and conferences for consideration, we will be dealing with it in detail with you. However, there is a drastic concept of parish organization included in the plan which we feel will make an impact on church structure in the immediate future whether the COCU plan is endorsed or rejected.

As described in the plan, the parish is understood as the "front-line expression of church life where people live and work." Included is the concept that a parish would not be limited to a group of people that meet at a certain place in a traditional manner. The parish would oversee program, worship, fellowship and Christian action as these aspects of church life relate to lives and communities. They would not, necessarily, be geographically defined.

First of all, in most instances a parish would consist of more than one congregation. This will be a major obstacle for some groups because they could only see it as the placing of them all on "circuits," as Methodists have traditionally understood that term. Many would not be sure what this would mean in relation to their status symbol. We have run into this in publicizing some appointments in our constituency where two or more churches have been teamed together for varying reasons.

A parish is described in the union plan as "consisting of several congregations and developing task groups." Each congregation in a parish would not automatically be expected to carry on a full church program. A part of the aim would be to minimize competitive drives of local churches. Conceivably, one building would be better adapted for the worship experiences of the entire parish, while another single building might lend itself to everything the constituency did on Sunday in the field of religious edu-

cation. Still another might be the setting for extended sessions and various projects in a program of week-day religious education. We are already re-evaluating, in many instances, whether the use of every existing building can be defended economically or religiously.

The COCU document states: "The parish may not be made up necessarily of contiguous congregations; in fact, in order to insure racial and socio-economic wholeness, the parish will include congregations of the uniting churches that may be some distance away, by passing other congregations that will in turn be part of another inclusive parish."

It continues, "In some parts of the country, it may be possible to build a completely new and inclusive community. A parish may include diverse elements in the central city, changing urban neighborhoods, suburbia, or the several communities of a rural market area."

Considerable flexibility, therefore, would be provided for defining parish extent. Government would be vested in the parish, with a council conducting business affairs. The "minister of the parish" would be listed as chief executive officer, but an annual parish meeting would elect a member to serve as moderator.

The flexibility of the proposed parish arrangement would be underscored by task groups organized around specific ministries and projects. These task forces about which we are hearing more and more in all channels of the church would ordinarily function only for limited periods and then cease to exist when their job was done.

Parishes might join in joint programs or enter into ecumenical arrangements with other churches who do not become a part of the "Church of Christ Uniting."

Under the plan, a parish would have a hand in the selection of their minister. A parish committee on ministerial relations would consult with district bishops (a bishop would have only about 75 parishes under his supervision) and a district ministerial committee in obtaining staff. A name would be submitted to the parish for approval. If after six months, the parish has not acted to fill the vacancy, the bishop could appoint a minister for up to one year.

Another new feature of the plan would be the placing of clergy memberships, including bishops, in parishes. In United Methodism, the ministers have their membership in either the annual conference of the Council of Bishops.

The plan says, regarding support of the parish: "The parish would be strong enough in persons and economic support so that its energies will not be dissipated in mere self-perpetuation but may be expanded in its primary ministerial tasks. It is the parish that will bear a significant responsibility for its own effectiveness."

Some efforts were made in the St. Louis meeting which adopted the plan to place the title of property in the local parish rather than in the denomination. It was decided that "uniting denominations will maintain present forms of holding property during the transitional period." This was interpreted as a compromise favoring churches like the United Methodist where the title of property is vested in the denomination.

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## The Editor's Corner



### "MODELS OF HOPE"

We were thrilled to read in the current newsletter from the United Methodist Television, Radio and Film Commission that an optimistic style will characterize television programming of the Broadcasting and Film Commission during the new decade. We share some excerpts from that newsletter:

"The BFC board members agreed at their annual meeting in February to de-emphasize critical analysis of problems and concentrate instead on presenting 'models of hope.' The hope is that these attempts will serve as models for churches, groups, or individuals to adapt in their own situations. This puts national broadcasters in the role of serving communities as a resource center for local action.

"Nelson Price, chairman of the broadcast operations committee of the BFC, said religious broadcast specialists have come to the conclusion that too many general network documentaries, by simply concentrating on social and human problems through critical analysis, lead viewers to despair, rather than action. 'We are going to show concrete evidence of how individuals and church groups are attacking these problems instead of talking them to death.'

"Four emphases for the models are: the preservation of freedom (to counteract the current swing toward repression); new forms of ministry (for both clergymen and laymen, inside and out of the formal church structure); a World Council of Churches' study on the future of man and society in a world of technology; and drug and sex relationship problems from an individual and family perspective."

We think that others in the field of communicating religion, including some pulpites and professors, could give serious consideration to the same positive approach for the 70's. The key may be in the title of one of the series telecast by BFC, "Look Up and Live."

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# news and views

OF THE WORLD OF RELIGION

by doris woolard

The leader of 7,000 Baptists in Northern Ireland, Joshua Thompson and John McCullough, treasurer of the Baptist Union of Ireland analyzed the complex problems of Catholic-Protestant relationships there during a recent visit with staff members of the Southern Baptist Convention in Nashville. Explaining the situation from a historical perspective, Mr. Thompson pointed out that the "60 per cent Protestant" population of Northern Ireland has its roots in England and Scotland, while the 40 per cent Catholic population is made up of natives of Ireland. The Protestants are generally middle class and the Catholics are working class. He indicated that these differences helped set the stage for turmoil.

**Christian Aid had a record year in Britain in 1969, with individual giving totalling \$6,451,857, according to the annual report of this department of the British Council of Churches. The Rev. Alan Brash, the director of Christian Aid warned against complacency or let-up in the organization's work, saying: "We still live in a world that can both land men on the moon yet allow half its children to grow up completely unbled by the common advantages of electricity, a reasonable education, or even enough to eat."**

A leading Catholic Church exponent of shared responsibility on all levels of Church activity affirmed that "co-responsibility is not co-authority" and warned of a growing danger of seeing the crisis of authority in "legalistic" terms instead of seeking a consensus of the People of God.

**The Council of Churches of the City of New York went on record as supporting consideration of a "shared-time" educational plan which might ease the financial troubles of parochial schools. The "shared-time" idea is based on the principle that any child who is entitled to attend public school on a full-time basis has the right to attend part-time. Under the plan, students in parochial schools could attend public schools for some academic courses and, in theory, the cost of parochial education would thus be reduced.**

The New York State Council of Churches is lending support to a bill which would establish parental responsibility in acts of vandalism committed by young people. The Rev. T. L. Conklin, associate general secretary, said "Our basic concern, is that vandalism be restrained and that the parents or guardians be bracketed with the child in facing up to their common responsibility to their neighbors and to society."

**Astronaut Neil Armstrong, the first man to walk on the moon, will be principal speaker at a dinner honoring Dr. Norman Vincent Peale for pioneering efforts in the field of mental health. Dr. Peale, noted author and minister of Marble Collegiate church, established the American Foundation of Religion and Psychiatry in 1937 as a clinic "where spiritual and psychological counselors could work together." Some 800 persons now receive counseling at the Foundation's clinic in Manhattan by an inter-religious team of ministers, priests, rabbis and medical personnel. Affiliated clinics have been opened throughout the U.S. W. Clement Stone, noted business executive, is board chairman of the Foundation.**

Addressing the Cardiff Christian Education Movement in South Wales, Edward Short, secretary of State for Education and Science, urged an improvement in religious and moral education in Britain's schools and homes. He said, "I do not believe that the lawlessness of Western society can be met effectively by reverting to the authoritarian deterrents of a past age. In my view the only effective and worthwhile corrective is a return to religious and moral standards."

**International Students, Inc. (ISI), which seeks to recruit foreign students studying in this country to engage in Christian service or witnessing when they return home, has expanded its work, according to the Rev. Paris Reidhead, head of the recently created "development assistance services division." The division will not originate or operate business undertakings but rather provide a "catalyst to bring business experience and capital in touch with areas of economic need" in underdeveloped countries. ISI, a non-profit, non-denominational, evangelical foreign mission board, already sends material assistance to indigenous evangelical groups overseas to aid them in evangelization.**

A two-year, nationwide campaign against the lowering of Britain's moral standards was launched at a meeting arranged in the House of Commons in London by Sir Cyril Black, president designate of the Baptist Union of Great Britain and Ireland. The campaign will be conducted by Dr. Eric Hutchings, one of Britain's best known evangelists. The aim is "to call the country to spiritual renewal in the 1970s." More than 100 church leaders from all denominations attended the meeting in the House of Commons.

**The Roman Catholic Church will shortly issue directives under which a mixed marriage contracted before a Protestant minister will be recognized by the Church as fully valid, according to an announcement by Lorenz Cardinal Jaeger, Archbishop of Paderborn, Germany at a joint Protestant-Catholic meeting at the Evangelical Academy of Loccum, near Hannover.**

In Buffalo, NY, public schools are dismissing children for released-time religion classes but some of the children never attend, according to Mrs. Geneva B. Scruggs, administrative assistant of St. Philip's Episcopal Church Center in a discussion with the Program Board of the Council of Churches. She said only about 40 per cent of the 106 children enrolled show up. The children are released from schools on Mondays at 2:30 p.m. because they have agreed to attend released-time religion classes. Mrs. Scruggs said, "We should insist either that the children stay in school or go to classes."

**The Philadelphia Presbytery of the United Presbyterian Church has adopted a report calling for establishment of draft counseling centers in all its churches. Gary A. DeBacher, chairman of the military service committee which drew up the report, pointed out that without counseling about his rights under the Selective Service laws, a young man can "pretty quickly become radicalized." It was stressed that pastors must be objective in their counseling and not try to "sway the opinion of the person seeking advice."**

Despite some criticism, a million dollar loan fund for Negro and other ethnic groups was authorized by the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board at its 125th annual meeting in Augusta, Ga. Bob Kilgore, the board's church loan division director stressed that Cooperative Program (unified budget) money would not be used for the loan project as some critics had charged. Historically, Southern Baptists have conducted missions work among Negroes in cooperation with their conventions and associations, since few Negro churches until the last decade have been members of the Southern Baptist Convention.

**Dr. David Neiman, an ordained rabbi who is a professor of Jewish theology at Boston College, becomes the first Jewish scholar named to teach at the 400-year-old Catholic Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome. The rabbi described the appointment as a "very important" step towards continuing improvement in Judeo-Catholic relations. Dr. Neiman will take a one-semester leave from the Jesuit university to teach Jewish theology—based mainly on New Testament literature.**

A letter expressing "pastoral concern" will be sent to each of the next of kin of the more than 425 American prisoners of war in North Vietnam by the General Commission on Chaplains and Armed Forces Personnel. Following a two-day semi-annual meeting in Washington, D.C., the Rev. A. Ray Appelquist, executive secretary of the commission, said the letters would go out immediately. A resolution, which ultimately took the form of a letter from the commission to the North Vietnamese government urged the Communist leaders to "comply fully with (their government's) obligations as a signatory to the Geneva Accords on the treatment of prisoners of war."

**The Dallas Theological Seminary an independent school, has been granted accreditation by the Southern Assn. of Schools and Colleges. Accreditation was extended under a new category involving "special purpose institutions." The Southern Assn. had not previously accepted applications from theological schools. Dallas Seminary, considered theologically conservative, currently has 464 students. It is not affiliated with the American Assn. of Theological Schools, the only American agency generally accrediting theological facilities.**

To combat the frightening increase in drug traffic and addiction, President Nixon promised to release frozen federal funds and launch a series of new programs to remedy the problem. Charles (Bud) Wilkinson, special fitness and health consultant to the President and former Oklahoma football coach, estimated that some \$6.5 million in additional funds will be released to the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.



**NEW YORK** — Chaplains from the three branches of the armed forces and the veterans administration, representing the three major faiths, were recipients of the Four Chaplains Award. The awards are named for the four chaplains who lost their lives aboard the S. S. Dorchester during World War II. The presentation was made by the Alexander D. Goode-Ben Goldman Lodge of B'nai B'rith in New York. Shown receiving their awards from Herbert Drexler, left, president of the lodge, are Brig. Gen. Roy Terry, center, deputy chief of chaplains of the U.S. Air Force (Protestant), and Capt. Victor J. Lonergan, chaplain of the Third Naval District (Catholic). Also honored were Lt. Col. Jack Ostrovsky, an Army chaplain recently returned from Vietnam, and Albert Leeman, chaplain of the Veterans Hospital at Montrose, N.Y. (RNS Photo)

# **DESCENDANTS OF NEWTON CHAPEL'S FIRST PASTOR ATTEND EASTER SERVICE**

Five descendants of the Rev. W. F. Newton, first pastor and donor of the land on which Newton Chapel United Methodist Church stands in Monticello District, attended the Easter service held there by members of the Tillar Charge. The Rev. Richard Poss, present pastor, brought the Easter message.

The Newton Chapel Church was organized in 1892. Those descendants attending the Easter service included: a grandson, J. A. Newton; great-grandsons, J. P. Herrington and Howard Newton and great-granddaughter, Mrs. Virgil Peacock, the former Miss Lois Newton; great-great-granddaughter, Mrs. George Fazakerly, the former Miss Jean Newton.

## **"FESTIVAL WITH A PURPOSE" AT ST. PAUL, LITTLE ROCK**

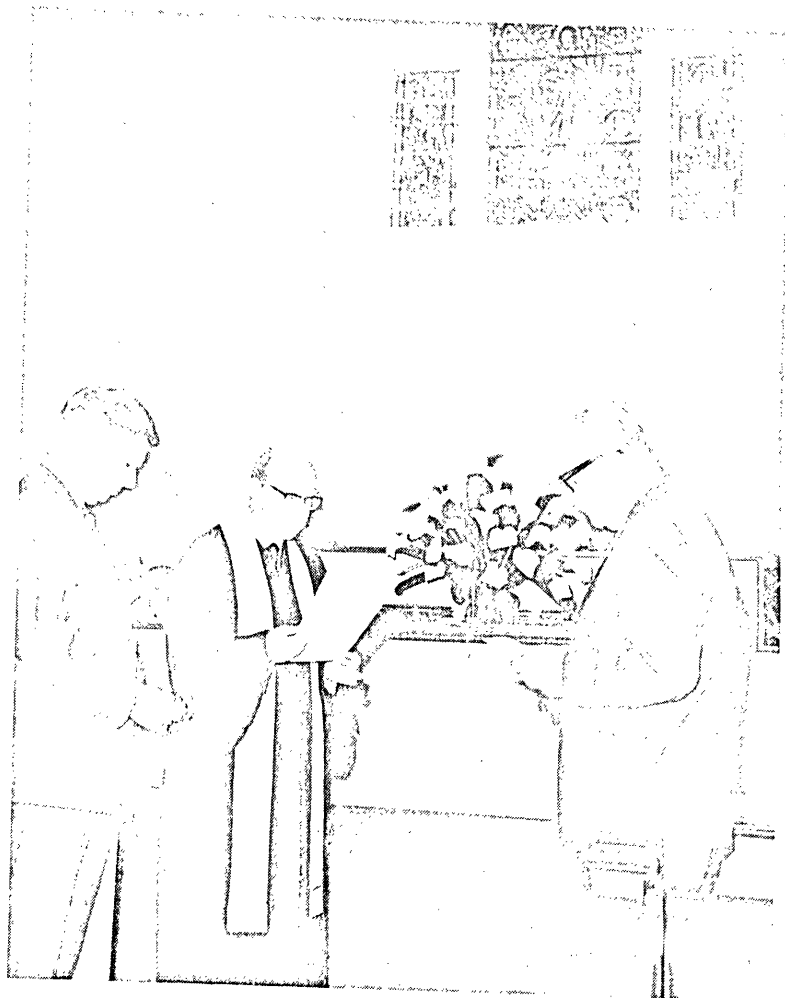
A church festival not aimed at raising money has been planned by the missions task force of St. Paul United Methodist Church, 2223 Durwood Road, Little Rock.

The "Festival with a Purpose" will be held Sunday, April 12, from 5:30 until 7:30 p.m.

"Purpose" of the festival is to present projects in which classes and groups are involved, revealing where monies and energies of members are invested.

Ed Lester is chairman of the task force making the plans. Al Stephens is chairman of the committee executing the plans. All classes of the Sunday school are represented on the committee, and all members of classes are involved in the preparations.

The Rev. Bob Scott is pastor at St. Paul, and the Rev. Gary Goldman is associate.



A new stained glass window in the sanctuary of First Church, Benton, was dedicated on Easter. The window was given in memory of Mrs. Lydia Finkbeiner Downing and Mrs. Helen Finkbeiner Young. Representing the donor was Henry Finkbeiner, and receiving the window was Robert Garrett, chairman of the Board of Trustees. The Rev. George G. Meyer, pastor, officiated. The window was designed and painted by Lee A. Cook who has been associated with Jacoby Studios in St. Louis for more than 50 years. The figure in the center panel represents Christ the Good Shepherd, while the medallions on the right and left depict references to the work of a shepherd in the 23rd Psalm. The glass used in the window was made in England, France, Germany and West Virginia, being mouthblown in the same manner as that made nearly a thousand years ago for the great churches of Europe.

## **Dialogue on Ministry to be held in Fayetteville**

Bishop Paul V. Galloway will be one of the leaders for the Dialogue on Ministry which will be held at the Wesley Foundation in Fayetteville, Saturday, April 11.

The program, which has been planned by the Rev. Victor Nixon, district director of enlistment, will include interest group discussions on three themes: "The Challenge of Enlisting Persons for the Ministry," to be led by Bishop Galloway; "The Challenge of the Pastoral Ministry" to be led by the Rev. Charles P. McDonald, and "Church-Related Occupations; Some Opportunities," to be led by the Rev. Lewis Chesser.

The program will begin at 9:00 a.m. with registration and fellowship. At 9:30 a.m. Mr. Nixon will discuss the purpose of the meeting; and at 9:45 Bishop Galloway will speak on "The Challenge of Ministry."

Mr. Nixon will lead the closing worship in the Chapel of the Cross.

## **Fort Smith area churches join in impressive service**

Forty one young people were confirmed as full members of the Church Sunday, March 22, at First United Methodist Church in Fort Smith. The special 3:30 p.m. service involved five area churches and featured Bishop Paul V. Galloway as the preacher.

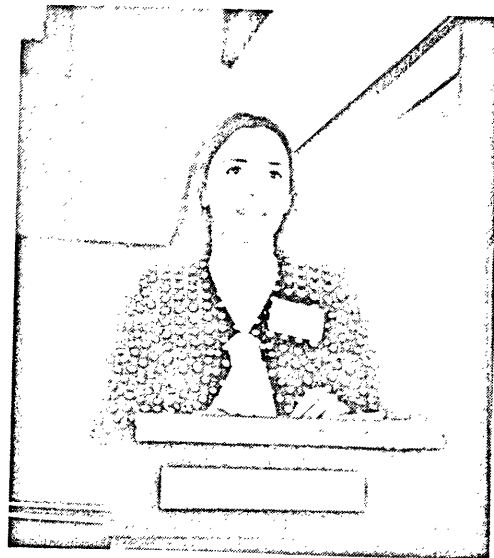
Over three hundred people were present to celebrate the confirmation of three youth from Wyatt Memorial United Methodist Church, four from Wesley United Methodist Church, four from Hendricks Hills United Methodist Church, six from Goddard Memorial United Methodist Church and twenty four from First United Methodist Church. An anthem, "O Thou To Whose All Searching Light," was sung by the Junior and Senior High Choirs of the host church.

Sharing the platform with Bishop Galloway were Dr. John A. Bayliss, Senior Pastor of First Methodist; the Reverend Archie N. Boyd, Fort Smith District Superintendent; and the Reverend Tom Weir, pastor of Wyatt Memorial and chairman of the confirmation planning committee. Other ministers joining in the laying on of hands were the Reverend Waymon Hollis, pastor of Hendricks Hills; the Reverend Victor Green, pastor of Wesley Methodist Memorial; and the Reverend Charles W. Richards, pastor of Goddard Memorial; and the Reverend David N. Moose, Minister to Youth at First Methodist.

Trustees of United Methodist-related Drew University have approved in principle its long-range planning committee's recommendation for development of "a unique small university of national reputation and regional relevance" concentrating on its College of Liberal Arts, Theological School and Graduate School.

United Methodists were among top contributors to the World Council of Churches' general budget in 1969. The 10,500,000-member United Methodist Church gave \$184,848, and the 3,200,000 members of the United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. contributed \$157,291, according to a Religious News Service dispatch.

**AT NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE YOUTH RALLY,**  
April 4, LEFT: Miss Janis English, Rector, president of the Conference Youth Council, presided: BELOW: Part of the group that attended the Rally. A Major feature of the program was the presentation of the play "Our Town" by the young people of Dardanelle United Methodist Church.



One of the groups attending the Child Guidance Seminar held at First United Methodist Church, Conway, March 16-17. This is the Nursery group led by Mrs. L. L. Hackler of Bartlesville, Okla.



# NEWS and NOTES

THE REV. JACK WILSON was guest minister in his home town of Stephens this week, April 5-10. He is presently minister of the Sheridan United Methodist Church and the Rev. Joe W. Hunter is the Stephens pastor.

DR. WALTER HEARN, retired University of Missouri professor now living in Little Rock, was the speaker in Stuttgart when the Women's Society of First U.M. Church held a study of China, April 1. The son of missionary parents, he was born in Soochow, China. He and his wife studied at Hendrix College and Union Theological School, N.Y.C. and were missionaries in China before going to the U. of Missouri in 1923.

"CHRIST IN THE CONCRETE City," a modern drama was presented in Central Avenue United Methodist Church at Batesville on Easter. John Starks of Malvern, an Arkansas College sophomore, directed Central Avenue youth in the production. The Rev. Jim Beal is pastor at Central Church.

A NATIVE OF HOT SPRINGS, Miss Helen Wilson, missionary to Bolivia, was a guest speaker at Crossett United Methodist Church at the 10:30 worship hour the first Sunday in April. Before that time, Miss Wilson met with the children of the Elementary IV, V and VI classes, showing some of the interesting handicraft from Bolivia. A graduate of Henderson State College of Arkadelphia, Miss Wilson also holds degrees from Scarritt College for Christian Workers and from the University of Kentucky. She serves as a medical missionary in La Paz, Bolivia.

THE WESLEY UNITED Methodist Adult Choir presented a cantata as part of the Good Friday service sponsored by the Russellville Ministerial Association. Mrs. Clarence Hall directed the group in David Williams' "On the Passion of Christ." Mrs. Bill Grabill was organist. The Rev. John McKay, Jr. is the Wesley minister.

THE REV. NOEL CROSS, pastor of Vantrease United Methodist in El Dorado, was the evangelist for a revival held in the Junction City United Methodist Church from Easter through April 3. Mr. Cross began his ministry in the Junction City area. The Rev. F. Stanley Wagner is the pastor.

THE TOMBERLIN U.M. CHURCH held a revival March 29-April 3 with the Rev. William D. Elliott, pastor of Wesley Church, Pine Bluff, as evangelist. Marion Rice was pianist. The Rev. Everette Patton is pastor of the Tomberlin and Sherill Churches.



These are the chairmen for the Lay Witness Mission to be held in St. Andrew U.M. Church, 4600 Baseline Road, Little Rock, April 24-26. Bob McCormack will be general chairman with Roland Lanus as co-chairman. Other chairmen include: Mrs. Jim Kersey, Mrs. Bob McNeal, Vernon Jenkins, Rudolph Bryant, Mrs. Baker Abshier, Gene Staton, Bill McCormick, Ken Culpepper, Mrs. Charles Kern, Mrs. Walter Fuller, Basyl Gentry, Mrs. Ty Mashburn, and Mrs. Odas Mullin, youth coordinator. Lloyd Williams of Jackson, Miss., will be visiting coordinator. The Rev. Don Nolley is pastor.

MARKHAM CHURCH of Little Rock held an Easter sunrise service at 6 a.m. and at the 10:50 service presented the choir in the Peterson cantata "Hallelujah, What a Savior!" The Rev. Fred Arnold, pastor, directed the choir with Mrs. Clara Jameson accompanying at the organ and Mrs. Helen Jarred at the piano. Bill Moore was the narrator.

VANTREASE UNITED METHODIST Church has organized a new Sunday school class with ten members. Mrs. Paul Novack is the teacher of "The Ruth Class." The Rev. Noel Cross is pastor.

MEMBERS AND FRIENDS of St. Paul United Methodist Church, El Dorado, are invited to an Open House at the recently remodeled parsonage on Sunday afternoon, April 12, between the hours of two and five. The Rev. F. Gladwin Connell was recently appointed minister at St. Paul.

CLARK TERRELL, assistant organist at Arkadelphia's First United Methodist Church, presented his senior recital at Henderson State College in March. He has studied under Robert Ellis, First Church organist and Henderson professor for four years. A native of Northphet, he was for a time organist at First U.M. Church, El Dorado.

THE DELIGHT UNITED Methodist Church charge conference was held March 22, Palm Sunday. The Rev. Fred W. Hunter, pastor, introduced the guest speaker, Dr. Otto Teague, Arkadelphia District Superintendent. Dr. Teague spoke at two of the three churches on the charge, Delight and Smyrna; the other church on the charge is Antoine.

THE UMY OF THE WHITE HALL United Methodist Church held their annual Lenten breakfasts each Wednesday morning at 6:00 at the church with an average attendance of 26. Speakers were: W. F. Moody, John Grigsby, William Gandy, Paul Ramsey, Gary Styles, the Rev. Ted Monroe and Mrs. Fred Maxwell. Mr. and Mrs. John Lisemby and Sam Smith are the counselors, Mrs. Fred Jansonius is the youth division coordinator. The Rev. Harold Bailey is the pastor.

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICES were held at the Scranton United Methodist Church. Laymen who assisted in the program included Virgil Akins leading the singing and giving two solos, Jerry Snow, Sunday school superintendent, leading the candlelighting, and several women reading the scripture selections. The Rev. Sam Sutherland, pastor, was assisted by the Rev. Dave Smitherman, retired minister, in administering the Sacrament to the large crowd.

THE REV. GEO. L. MCGHEHEY, retired member of the North Arkansas Conference who is supplying the Lake City charge until Conference, was the preacher for the community Easter sunrise service. He also held his regular service at Lake View Church, receiving into church membership three young teenage members by profession of faith, then went on to Lake City for his eleven o'clock service. The McGheheys are now living in their new home at 3011 Wood St. in Jonesboro.

HAWLEY MEMORIAL Church, Pine Bluff, has completed a four Sunday evening mission study under the leadership of Mrs. Bill Brabsten, secretary of missionary education, and Mrs. Leon Stephens, coordinator of children's ministries. Mrs. Hazel Dabney taught the adults and Mrs. Jack Jehlen, Mrs. Jake Commer, Mrs. J. C. Kelley, and Mrs. T. D. Davis taught the children's studies. The Rev. Horace M. Grogan is pastor.

THE DES ARC UMYF sponsored an Easter sunrise service attended by more than 100 persons. The service was in the form of a pageant, with youth acting out "Christ Praying in the Garden," "The Last Supper," "The Crucifixion," and "The Resurrection," for which the Odd Fellows Lodge furnished armor and robes. Mrs. C. J. Walls opened the service with the solo "Were You There When They Crucified My Lord?" and directed the singing. Afterwards, Counselors Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hayley, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Morton, Mr. and Mrs. Gwin Smith, and Mr. and Mrs. Alta Holloway served breakfast. Julian Smith is the UMY president. The Rev. Bennie G. Ruth is pastor.

## DAILY BIBLE READING

Below is a schedule for the Daily Bible Reading, which the Board of Evangelism invites you to use as a regular guide for use in your homes.

|                 |                   |
|-----------------|-------------------|
| April 12—Sunday | Psalm 19:7-14     |
| April 13        | Psalm 119:1-16    |
| April 14        | Psalm 119:33-48   |
| April 15        | Psalm 119:129-144 |
| April 16        | Prov. 3:13-26     |
| April 17        | Matt. 4:1-11      |
| April 18        | II Tim. 3:10-17   |
| April 19—Sunday | Psalm 3:1-8       |

## TRINITY IN FAYETTEVILLE PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

A Building Study Committee has been appointed to study the present and future needs of Trinity United Methodist Church in Fayetteville. The committee is: Mrs. A. N. Deaton, Buster Carson, Buster Dunlap, Jim Witt, and Kenneth McKee. Ex-officio members are Dr. L. B. Andrew, chairman of the Administrative Board, and the pastor, the Rev. Dewey Dark.

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MRS. CAROL PATE, Youth sponsor in First United Methodist Church of Hot Springs, wrote the play "Last Cross" which the young people presented on Easter evening. Dr. George F. Ivey is their pastor.

A YOUTH REVIVAL was conducted in the Marysville United Methodist Church, 17 miles west of El Dorado, from Thursday through Saturday of Holy Week. The Rev. Wayne Edwards of the Leola Charge was guest speaker each night. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Edwards of the Marysville community, and his father led the singing. The Rev. Myron Pearce is the Marysville pastor.

HAWLEY MEMORIAL Church, Pine Bluff, will hold a Family Life Conference with Dr. W. Neill Hart as instructor. Dr. Hart will speak Sunday morning, April 12, at 10:55 and Sunday, Monday, Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. Marvin Mann is chairman of family ministries. The Rev. Horace M. Grogan is pastor.

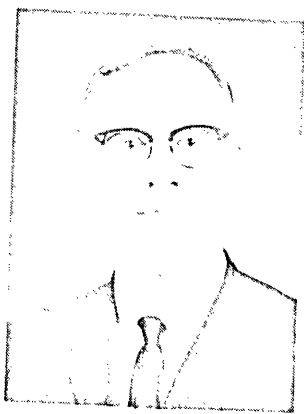
HOWARD CORRELL, nationally known song evangelist, led the singing in First Church, Wynne, during Holy Week Services. The Rev. Warren D. Golden, pastor, brought the messages twice daily on the theme "The Cross of Christ." On Palm Sunday, the Wynne Choir presented the cantata "Thorns and Purple" by Cross and Denton. Harry Fondren, Jr. directed, with Miss Louise Coffin at the organ and Miss Karen Gibbs at the piano.

THE REV. H. W. JINSKE, retired and living in Hot Springs, preached in the Morning Star United Methodist Church, March 15, on "The Mission of Jesus." He was the speaker for the March 30 meeting at the Neighborhood Senior Citizens Center in Hot Springs on the topic "Our Changing Trends."

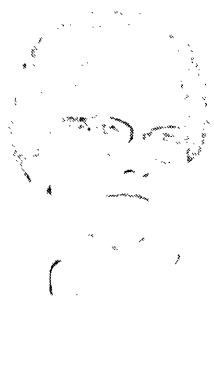


## SCHOLARSHIP TEA AT GOVERNOR'S MANSION

The Business Women's Group of Church Women United is sponsoring the Scholarship Benefit Tea to be held at the Governor's Mansion on Saturday, April 11, 2-3:30 p.m. Mrs. T. F. Huggins is chairman of arrangements. Mrs. Frances Bing is chairman of the group.



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# WOMEN'S PAGE

## ATTENTION - TREASURERS WSCS & WSG

Special offering for the Assembly should be sent to district treasurers before April 25. This offering is in addition to, and separate from, the quarterly report.



MRS. R. C. CHILDRESS was named "Social Worker of the Year" by the Arkansas Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers. She is a member of Wesleyan United Methodist Church, Little Rock, and was interviewed on a recent "Eye on Arkansas" program on TV Channel 11.

THE REV. DON CORLEY, director of pastoral care at Baptist Medical Center, will speak on "Religion and Medicine" at Highland United Methodist Church, 13th and Cedar, Little Rock, on Monday, April 13, at 7:00 p.m. The Wesleyan Service Guild is sponsoring his appearance and invites others to hear him. He is a graduate of Ouachita and has a Doctor of Theology degree from the New Orleans Theological Seminary.

## CALENDAR

April 11-12, Retreat, Wesleyan Service Guild, Little Rock Conference, at Aldersgate  
April 11 - CWU Tea at the Governor's Mansion, sponsored by the Business Women's Group of Church Women United  
May 7-10, Women's Assembly Houston, Texas

## GUILD SPEAKERS ARE FROM OKLAHOMA

A principal speaker at the Second Annual Spring Meeting of the North Arkansas Wesleyan Service Guild this weekend will be Dr. Irving Smith, district superintendent of the Oklahoma City District, UMC. He will speak on the topic "Coming Forth" at the Saturday afternoon session.

Accompanying him will be his wife, Sally, who will read some of her published poems during the Saturday evening program.

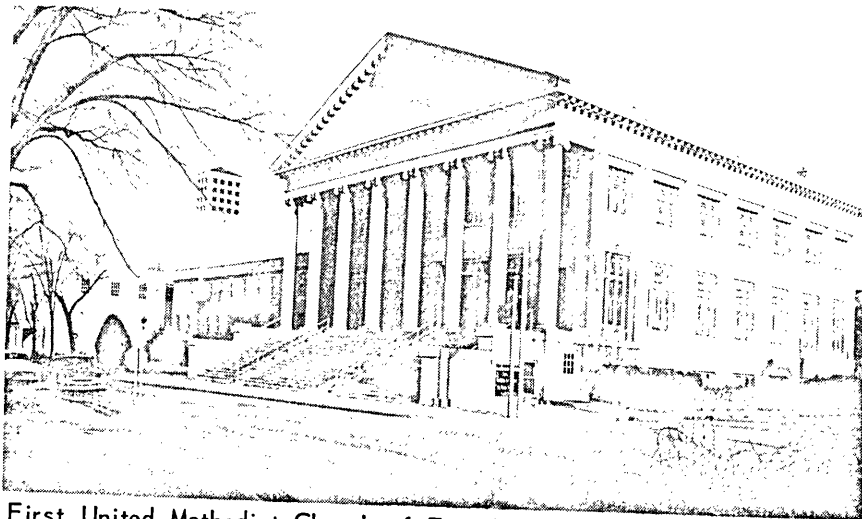
Dr. Smith is a native of Cape Girardeau, Mo., but finished his public schooling in Fairview, Oklahoma. His seminary work was taken at SMU, Dallas. The Honorary Doctor of Divinity degree was conferred on him by Oklahoma City University in 1962.

Part of his early ministry (1946-49) was spent in Habana, Cuba, where he helped sponsor a drive to build a \$250,000 church near Habana University.

Churches he has served in Oklahoma include University Church of Tulsa and First U.M. Church, Stillwater. He was one of seven clerical delegates to the 1964 General Conference from Oklahoma.

Mrs. Smith is a native of Texas and attended Weatherford College, Texas Wesleyan, and Scarritt College. The Smiths are the parents of three children and have two grandchildren.

Dr. Irving Smith will speak at the WSG meeting in Fort Smith, April 11, and Mrs. Truman Stephens will preside. Mrs. Howard Johnson will preside at the WSCS Annual Meeting, April 10-11.



First United Methodist Church of Fort Smith is the meeting place this week, April 9-12, for the Annual Meetings of the North Arkansas Conference Women's Society of Christian Service and the Wesleyan Service Guild. Local general chairmen are Mrs. Cleve Cotner and Mrs. John A. Fraser for the Women's Society, and Miss Anna Rose Miller and Mrs. Elizabeth Callaway for the Guild. Dr. John Bayliss is host pastor.

## SOUTHWEST WSCS EXECUTIVES PLAN SPRING MEETING

The executive committee of the Little Rock District, Women's Society of Christian Service, Southwest Conference, met in the home of Mrs. Clifton Mitchell to plan for the Spring District Meeting. As Mrs. Marie Watkins, district president, presided, encouraging reports were given by the officers. The district meeting will be at Livingston Chapel United Methodist Church, Marianna, May 15-16. Mrs. Watkins was elected as delegate to attend the Women's Assembly in Houston, Texas, May 7-10.

## WOMEN'S CLUSTER GROUPS IN SESSION

Duncan Chapel United Methodist Church at Little Rock was the setting for the second organized "Cluster Group" of Women's Societies, Southwest Conference. This included First United Methodist Church of Sweet Home, New Haven Church at Hensley, Haven Church, Hot Springs, and White Memorial Church of Little Rock.

Mrs. Elsie Coley was the enabler. Mrs. Beatrice Reynolds led the worship. One member from each church spoke on "The Hidden Persuaders in Housing."

Mrs. Parnethea Barber is president of the Duncan Chapel hostess group. The Rev. J. H. Thompson is the pastor.

The third "Cluster Group" met at St. Paul United Methodist Church at Gould. Two other churches were involved: St. James and St. Mark of Pine Bluff. Mrs. Pauline Troupe was the enabler.



WSCS members of St. Mark, Pine Bluff, and St. Paul at Gould are shown at the recent "Cluster Group" meeting at Gould. Shown with them is the Rev. H. Oliver, pastor, and a visiting minister from Chicago.



## Financial Statement

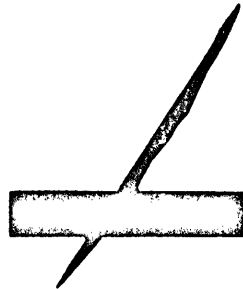
NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE  
WOMEN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE  
January 1 - March 31, 1970

| RECEIPTS                         | W. S. C. S.        | W. S. G.           | TOTAL              |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Pledge to Missions               | \$11,013.77        | \$ 2,535.53        |                    |
| Memberships                      | 735.00             | 235.00             |                    |
| In Remembrance                   | 161.00             | 12.50              |                    |
| World Banks                      | 162.92             | 184.33             |                    |
| Result of Study                  | 10.00              | -0-                |                    |
| <b>TOTAL ON PLEDGE</b>           | <b>\$12,082.69</b> | <b>\$ 2,967.36</b> | <b>\$15,050.05</b> |
| Supplementary                    | 10.00              | 12.00              |                    |
| Call to Prayer                   | 67.55              | 89.42              |                    |
| School of Mission                | 234.00             | 86.00              |                    |
| Christian Civic Foundation       | 60.00              | 2.50               |                    |
| Magazine & Picture               | -0-                | 4.00               |                    |
| District Cultivation             | 10.15              | -0-                |                    |
| Misc. (Assembly Offering)        | 30.50              | -0-                |                    |
| <b>Total</b>                     | <b>412.20</b>      | <b>193.92</b>      | <b>606.12</b>      |
| <b>TOTAL RECEIVED</b>            |                    |                    | <b>\$15,656.17</b> |
| Balance January 1, 1970          |                    |                    | 5,328.42           |
| Saving Certificate               |                    |                    | 6,000.00           |
| <b>TOTAL TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR</b> |                    |                    | <b>\$26,984.59</b> |
| <b>DISBURSEMENTS</b>             | <b>W. S. C. S.</b> | <b>W. S. G.</b>    |                    |
| Memberships                      | 835.00             | 235.00             |                    |
| Conference Cultivation           | 483.59             | 248.10             |                    |
| District Cultivation             | 665.00             | 210.00             |                    |
| Printing                         | 175.25             | -0-                |                    |
| Misc. (Auditor)                  | 25.00              | -0-                |                    |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                     | <b>\$ 2,183.84</b> | <b>693.10</b>      | <b>\$ 2,876.94</b> |
| Saving Certificate               |                    |                    | 6,000.00           |
| Balance March 31, 1970           |                    |                    | 18,107.65          |
| <b>TOTAL ACCOUNTED FOR</b>       |                    |                    | <b>\$26,984.59</b> |

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# The Sunday School Lesson

By: Alfred A. Knox



## LESSON FOR APRIL 19: Good News for All

### BACKGROUND SCRIPTURE: Galatians 3

**MEMORY SELECTION:** There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus. (Galatians 3:28)

**AIM OF THE LESSON:** To help class members discover from this letter of Paul what is meant by the idea of a free gospel offered to all men by grace through faith.

This lesson begins a study of the outreach of the church following the unusual things which have taken place at Jerusalem. There will be six lessons dealing with this general emphasis. The printed theme for the unit is "God Reaching Out Through His Church," and it deals with the universal gospel of grace. Dr. Horace R. Weaver speaks of the general direction of the unit as he writes in *International Lesson Annual*: "This unit traces the way God revealed his principle of love—not only of the divine love for human beings but the love that exists between men—in the historical events of the early church."

The scriptural material for the unit is mainly from Acts. However, our first lesson in this series is based entirely on the third chapter of Paul's Letter to the Galatians. The reason for this should be made perfectly clear to your class at the outset. The greatest obstacle to the preaching of a gospel of free universal grace was the "hang-up" which developed in the Galatian church through the spreading of the belief that a person had to become a Jew before he could become a Christian. This was a Gentile area and many were anxious to accept the Christian gospel, but they were hesitant about taking the detour of first becoming Jews in order that they might become Christians. The Letter to the Galatians was written to deal specifically with this problem, but it has much to say about the "hang-ups" we have about truly believing that the Christian gospel is equally available to all men.

Dr. Roy H. Ryan says in *Adult Leader*: "This lesson breaks into the study of the Book of Acts in order to present the basic truth that the gospel is for all mankind, not just a select few. Paul's Letter to the Galatians is a witness to this understanding. In God's family there is neither Jew nor Greek, slave nor free, male nor female; all such distinctions have been done away with in Christ."

Dr. Raymond T. Stamm, in his introduction to Galatians in *The Interpreter's Bible*, says: "Galatians is Paul's declaration of religious independence from men and dependence on God. It is the Magna Charta of the Christian faith, repudiating all authorities, institutions, customs and laws that interfere with the direct access of the individual to God. Written with no thought that it would become scripture to be read for thousands of years, this short letter speaks to the supreme need of all men in all times."

### "MEN OF FAITH ARE SONS OF ABRAHAM"

Since the heart of the controversy at Galatia was the question whether one had to be a Jew before he could be a Christian, there is great meaning in the affirmation: "Know ye therefore that they which are of faith, the same are the children of Abraham" (Gal. 3:7).

Conservative preachers were persuading the Galatians that faith was not enough to give them assurance of God's kingdom. They were saying that

in addition to believing that Jesus was the Messiah one must join the Jewish nation, observe the laws and customs of Moses, and refuse to eat with Gentiles. The people were being told that one must have Christ and Moses, faith and circumcision, grace and law.

In addition to creating these doubts, the Judaizers were attacking Paul's credentials. They were making the affirmations that he was not one of the original apostles and that he was distorting the gospel which Peter and John and James, the brother of Jesus, were preaching.

Paul found his strength in their own Jewish patriarch, Abraham. He insisted that the descendants of Abraham were not determined by their heredity. He said that spiritual, not physical realities determined who the children of Abraham were. Paul told them that since faith had been the keystone of Abraham's character (Gen. 15:6), faith continued to be the identifying mark of Abraham's family.

Dr. Laymon points out that the figure "sons of Abraham" might not be an exciting term for modern Christians "but to those who were familiar with the biblical idea of the people of the covenant, a reference to the followers of Christ in these terms is meaningful."

### BARRIERS DIVIDING PEOPLE IN THE NEW TESTAMENT WORLD

In order to fully understand the revolutionary nature of these teachings of Paul we need to review briefly some of the strong barriers men had erected in that time to divide men.

Dr. Ryan points out that these barriers could be divided into three classifications: (1) those within the Jewish society, (2) those between Jews and Samaritans, and (3) those between Jews and Gentiles.

Among the Jews there were many divisions. The priests, scribes, and Pharisees held positions of wealth and privilege and looked down on the great mass of the Jews. In an incident described in Luke 15 Jesus was caught in the cross fire between the Pharisees and the sinners. He was accused of being friendly with the sinners. The Jews regarded the Samaritans as half-breeds and would not even pass through their territory if they could avoid it. The most rigid barriers were those between Jews and Gentiles. Gentiles were considered unclean, and the early church was almost split asunder when Paul insisted that the gospel was for them, too.

Certainly we have barriers in our own time that divide us and keep many from truly recognizing that the gospel—and the church—are for all men wherever they are.

### CHRIST AND THE LAW

The freedom proclaimed by Paul in Galatians is really based on the teachings of Christ concerning the Law. We must not forget that the first people who heard Jesus and followed him loved the Law very dearly. This was the symbol of their uniqueness as a people. To keep the provisions of the Law was their highest religious obligation. Jesus spoke of himself as the "fulfillment of the Law." By this he offered "the Law plus"—the plus being a new motivation for fulfilling religious obligations. He wanted people to obey God because they loved him—not because they would acquire status through this obedience.

The basic idea behind the Law as that it gave order to daily living. It also kept the Jews in a close relationship to God. When, therefore, Paul wrote to the Galatians that Christ had redeemed them

from "the curse of the Law," he was letting them know that there was not a new basis for their relationship with God. What Paul meant was that the Law is a curse because it can never be kept completely. But Jesus changed all this and took on himself the curse of the Law through his crucifixion. Now the promise that had been made to Abraham could come freely to all men as they received "the Spirit through faith."

### LAW FOR THE IMMATURE

One of the verses in our lesson that we should underscore is "the law was our custodian until Jesus came" (3:24). This is a verse that is much more meaningful in the King James Version where we read: "the law was our schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ." Dr. Oscar F. Blackwelder comments in *The Interpreter's Bible*: "The covenant anticipated a progression from law to standards to ideals to relationships—ascending steps in the dealings of God. Because his people were not ready for the final step, the law was introduced to prepare men for the coming of Christ."

The commentators underscore the custodial function of the law for men who do not know Jesus and his love. It is there to say "don't do this" and "do that" to people who are spiritually immature. Dr. Blackwelder says: "It served as a pedagogue—not a teacher, but a truant officer—to bring pupils to the teacher and to exercise physical discipline over those who were guilty of misconduct." Thus persons were led by the law to Jesus where they could be prepared for fellowship with God, which is a higher status than obedience to God.

### JUSTIFICATION BY FAITH

An important part of this lesson should be a consideration of the place that Paul's teachings about justification by faith played in the Protestant Reformation and the whole movement of church history. Martin Luther reemphasized this teaching in the early sixteenth century, and it became the most important doctrine in the development of Protestantism.

Paul made a strong argument against salvation by the law, holding that such legalism could only confuse and frustrate man because of his inability to do enough good works to earn salvation. In verse 10 of our lesson Paul said, "All who rely on works of the law are under a curse." Here he is affirming that no man has the capacity to keep all the requirements of the law.

He taught justification by grace rather than by works, because even the ability to have faith is a gift of God's love. The word "grace" means unmerited love. So Paul said that salvation is not gained by something we do to earn God's favor, but comes from God who loves us. In responding to that love of God, as seen in Jesus, we are justified—put in a right relationship with God.

### REVOLUTIONARY EFFECT OF "GOOD NEWS FOR ALL"

Let none of us be tempted to believe that all this is to be dismissed as theological talk without practical meaning for us. Dr. John C. Irwin tells us in *Adult Bible Studies*: "That an issue of real importance was decided in Galatia we cannot doubt. If Paul had lost, Christianity might have become a small sect within Judaism and very likely would have disappeared from history."

When the Gentiles heard someone tell them that they were not barred from God's love by the accident of their birth, this was truly "good news." When the poor underprivileged miners of Bristol heard John Wesley tell them they were somebody and that salvation was within their reach, a new day was born in England and a new era was introduced in Protestantism. We who stand in the tradition of Wesley need to be reminded that our founder left the cloistered walls of the church in which he had been born and trained and went out seeking the dispossessed because he was convinced his church had raised artificial barriers of class and status which shut out a great portion of the population. We need to give careful consideration to the barriers which exist today which true followers of Paul and Wesley should work to break down.

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Epworth's geographical situation could be considered both a bane and a blessing. The distance from London, about 175 miles, and the location several miles away from main rail and bus lines makes special effort necessary to visit there. A traveler does not pass through the village on his way to other places.

In another way this accident of situation has been a definite asset. The comparative isolation of the village has reduced and slowed the process of change, and in some respects it is little altered from what it was when the Wesley family occupied the rectory.

Unless you travel with a group by chartered bus or drive a car, probably the best way to reach John Wesley's birthplace and boyhood home is by rail to the city of Doncaster. There, unless time and interest permits riding a wandering, commuter-type bus, it is necessary to hire a car and a driver for the remaining 16 miles of the journey.

Leaving Doncaster in Yorkshire, you drive to the Isle of Axholme in western Lincolnshire, where Epworth is the principal village. The area is low and marshy and was drained by Dutch engineers about the time of the Wesleys. Dr. Frank Baker, in "The Methodist Pilgrim in England," describes it as "fenland, dotted with windmills and scored by drains and dykes." It was so low and drainage such a problem that the Wesleys often had no way to travel other than by boat.

Today you enter Epworth on a fairly good paved secondary road that takes you across the flat, black fertile land, now famed for its vegetables. The village remains a place of about 2,000 population and is strung out along the road passing through it. Dr. Baker writes, "As early as 1751, Stephen Whatley's 'England's Gasetter,' described Epworth as 'a long straggling place.'"

Many of the buildings in Epworth are old but only few remain that actually date from the time of the Wesleys. These include the parish church of St. Andrews (where Samuel Wesley was the rector), the Dutch-style post office building, the Red Lion Inn and the Old Rectory.

A person does not need to be an overly enthusiastic walker to cover much of Epworth in a couple of days. For those who are steeped in Methodist history and tradition it is not difficult to imagine our founder scampering about those same cobble-stoned streets as a boy; walking sedately, perhaps pompous-



EPWORTH, ENGLAND—The cross in the market square at Epworth is one of the sites where John Wesley preached when refused the use of the Parish Church. (Methodist Recorder Photo by E. W. Tattersall)

## Epworth Visit

by Dan H. Williams

(First in a series of articles prepared by the editor of WESLEYAN CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Atlanta, Ga., following his recent visit in England)

ly, as his father's young curate serving nearby Wroot; and still later with a step of assurance and purpose as he stopped there while on his ceaseless journeys up and down England.

St. Andrews, the parish church, dates from the thirteenth century. Inside, to the left of the door, is the stone font where the Wesley children were baptised. In this same building Samuel Wesley preached and here John received his first communion.

Just outside a door opening from the chancel of the church is Samuel's grave. The stone upon it bears marks where John's feet are supposed to have been placed when he preached from it, having been denied the use of the church by his father's successor as rector.

A visitor walks down from the church, which is located on the highest ground in the village, to the market square. In the middle of this square is the market cross, which served as another impromptu pulpit for Wesley on his later visits. Facing it is the old Red Lion Inn. This is where Wesley lodged on his later trips to his birthplace. There visitors will be shown the room he is supposed to have occupied.

Moving onward a block or so from the market square toward Doncaster, you come to two very different buildings that almost face each other across the narrow street. One of these is the old Dutch-style structure now used as the community's post office. The other is Wesley Memorial Church.

In 1882 the British Methodist Conference approved the building of a church at Epworth as a memorial to John and Charles Wesley. Funds for its construction came from Methodists around the world. The formal opening was held September 5, 1889. The chancel window shows Christ saying to his disciples, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel." At the head of the window are the profiles of John and Charles Wesley, a copy of the J. Adams plaque in Westminster Abbey. Inscribed there are the wellknown words, "Best of all, God is with us."

We had the privilege of attending a Sunday morning service there and also of spending a little time afterward in Wesley Memorial Church. It is a beautiful structure and described by one writer "its varied proportions are so exactly right as to make it a poem in stone."

The most interesting thing in the church is the communion table that stands beneath the chancel window. This simple table once was used in the parish church and is the same one Samuel Wesley and later John Wesley used in administering the holy communion. Before it the Wesleys knelt when they came to receive the sacrament. It serves to effectively link this building of a much later time with the founders of Methodism.

(Next: The Old Rectory)

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Joshua Thompson, general secretary of the Baptist Union in Ireland, speaking on the tensions in that country, before staff members of the Southern Baptist Convention in Nashville, Tenn., said: "If they ban Easter processions, they are in trouble with the Catholics; if they don't, they are in trouble with the Protestants."

Pope Paul VI, telling Catholics in St. Peter's Square on Palm Sunday that "once again we must pick up our live branches" referred in the following manner to the peace we seek: "It is so desired, so necessary, so acclaimed, and yet so feigned, undermined, offended and betrayed. We must always seek her and serve her, and not lose faith in our ability to attain her."

Bishop Eric Treacy of Wakefield, England, recently spoke out against the adverse attitudes held by many toward policemen. He said: "Policemen, and a great number of policewomen, are in the frontline against beastiality, depravity and corruption, and we ought to be constantly aware of the dirty work we ask them to do in our name."

Dr. Richard A. Baer, Jr., conservationist and religion professor at Earlham College, and member of the new ecological team of the National Council of Churches said, "The Bible tells us, 'The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof.' We have no right to mess it up as we have done."

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## BRITISH METHODIST YOUTH MARK ANNIVERSARY

EVANSTON, Ill. (UMI) — United Methodists in the United States who are stamp collectors have been offered an opportunity to share in the silver anniversary of a British Methodist Youth organization and at the same time add to their collections.

Several thousand youth are expected to attend the Methodist Association of Youth Clubs 25th birthday celebration in London May 16-17, including Princess Anne. Part of the observance includes production of a commemorative envelope and handstamp. These may be ordered before May 1 at a cost of 36 cents each from the youth organization at 2 Chester House, Pages Lane, Muswell Hill, London, N. 10.

## Methodism growing in Yugoslavia

NEW YORK (UMI)—An overseas unit of the United Methodist Church has moved a step nearer full participation in the organizational structure of the church through an increase in the number of ordained ministers.

The Yugoslavia Mission Conference officially became the Yugoslavia Provisional Annual Conference at its 1970 session in February. The change means that the Yugoslavia church is only one step away from having full annual conference status.

## Upper Room celebrating 35th year

The Upper Room, a daily devotional guide read today by millions, is celebrating its 35th anniversary this year in its March-April edition.

The Upper Room, in 1935, was a pioneer journal, created through prayer, faith and work. "Its intended purpose," Dr. Wilson O. Weldon, editor, said, "was to help individuals and families as they struggled with the daily problems of life and to help them find strength and courage born of daily communion with God in Bible reading, meditations and prayer."

Early editors of The Upper Room were Dr. Grover C. Emmons, 1935-1944; Dr. Roy H. Short, 1944-1948; Dr. J. Manning Potts, 1948-1967.

Weldon said The Upper Room, a non-profit concern, dedicated to Christian beliefs, has attempted to do more than publish devotional guides.

"The Upper Room, through its ministries such as The Upper Room Chapel—where 85,000 persons visited and worshipped last year; the Chaplain's Ministry to war-torn men; the Fellowship Ministry; the Radio-TV Ministry and the Family Worship Ministry, plans to move toward wider and deeper service," said Weldon.

## Asian-American pastors seek better support of work

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif. (UMI)—Asian-American pastors in western states are reasserting the identity, unity and distinctiveness of the ethnic communities and ministries they serve within the United Methodist Church.

This was apparent as 50 ministers of Chinese, Filipino, Japanese and Korean heritage faced the College of Bishops of the denomination's Western Jurisdiction at a consultation here March 11-12. The ministers pleaded for better recognition, understanding and support of their work by the whole

church, and they asked for more effective organization and procedures to respond to the changing needs of growing Asian-American communities.

The five bishops accepted in principle, and offered their full cooperation toward accomplishment of, a set of strategies that include a Western Jurisdiction consultation including laymen, youth and seminarians, as well as pastors, and development of programs of evangelism, recruitment, training, continuing education and special ministries.

## Koinonia Ministries plan Conference

A Renewal Conference directed by the Department of Koinonia Ministries of the United Methodist General Board of Evangelism has been set for May 1-3 at Asbury Theological Seminary in Wilmore, Kentucky.

The four day session is designed to provide information and inspiration through talks, interviews, brainstorming sessions, witnessing, small group sessions, sharing of music, material, books, and Bible study, according to the Rev. Walter Albritton, Director of Koinonia Ministries.

The conference is especially designed for persons interested in participating in Lay Witness Missions and Small Groups for prayer, study and

action.

The Wilmore Conference, one of several being held across the nation, will be staffed by Asbury personnel. Among them are President Frank Stanger, Bob Bellman, Bob Coleman, Kenneth Kinghorn, and Tom Carruth. The Rev. David Seamands, pastor of the First United Methodist Church at Wilmore, Kentucky and a former missionary to India will also participate in the program.

Registration for the conference should be made by writing the Department of Koinonia Ministries, United Methodist General Board of Evangelism, 1908 Grand Avenue, Nashville, Tennessee 37203.



## Dr. James W. Sells —pioneer in church communications

by Gene Carroll

Dr. James W. Sells, retiring soon as executive secretary of communications and lay work for the Southeastern Jurisdictional Council of the United Methodist Church, has been the moving force behind a worldwide religious radio program, yet he has spoken on it only one time and then anonymously.

The Protestant Hour is one the major productions of the Protestant Radio-Television Center in Atlanta. It began broadcasting with 13 stations and has grown to a network of 548 stations in the United States, Puerto Rico, Canada and the Virgin Islands.

One Sunday nearly 24 years ago Dr. Sells read the sermon prepared by a southern governor who was sche-

duled to deliver it but became ill. He has declined numerous invitations since then to preach on the Protestant Hour.

Dr. Sells admits quite readily that he has no fear of the radio. "I think the Lord called me to help produce the program and guide it as a vehicle for communication of his gospel—not to talk on the radio," he said.

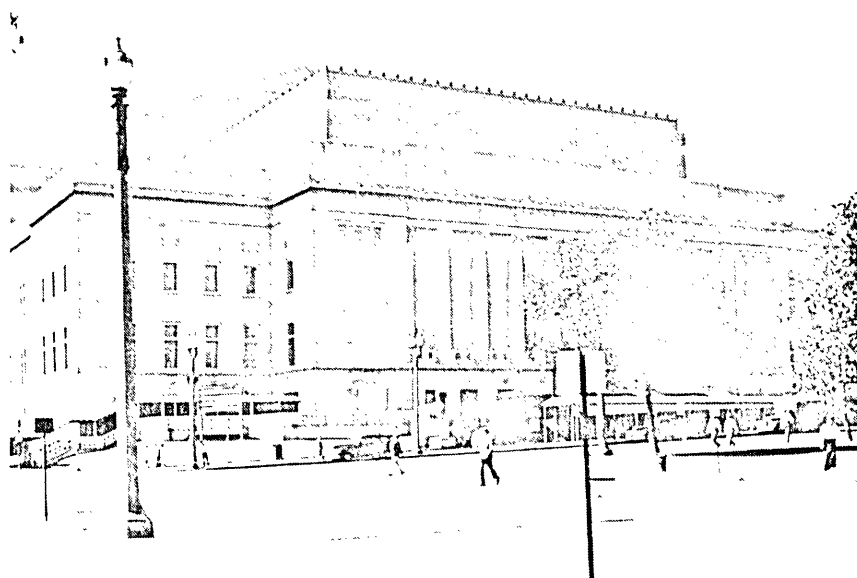
The Mississippi native, who recently turned 72, has seemingly always been ahead of his time since becoming associated with the Southeastern Jurisdictional Council in 1945. The center installed videotape equipment long before most television stations began using it. Recently the center purchased a mobile communications van which has been used in educational workshops from the poverty areas of Appalachia to college holidays at Daytona Beach.

Dr. Sells has placed heavy emphasis on education and training, particularly for Methodist ministers. He began Hinton Rural Life Center at Haynesville, N.C. as a study and retreat center for ministers and laymen in Appalachia and has raised a great deal of money for Paine College, Augusta, Ga.

Though he is not himself a seminary graduate, Dr. Sells has taught stewardship classes at Candler School of Theology for seven years. Other seminaries and universities call on him regularly for lectures and addresses.

One of his last projects prior to his retirement in July will be the Southeastern United Methodist Laymen's Conference at Lake Junaluska, N.C. in July. Lay-work has run a close second to Dr. Sells' interest in communications.

About his retirement he says, "What retirement? I'm just looking forward to having some time to spend on learning some new concepts in communications."



Site of the 1970 special session of the United Methodist General Conference will be Kiel Auditorium in St. Louis, Mo., above. The auditorium is located in the Civic Plaza a short distance from major downtown hotels and the new riverfront Jefferson National Expansion Memorial. Owned by the City of St. Louis, Kiel Auditorium includes an Exposition Hall with 90,000 square feet of floor space, Convention Hall where plenary sessions will be held, an Opera House seating 3,500, four 600-set assembly halls, and 11 committee rooms seating a total of 1,700.

## Lovick Pierce to retire from Publishing House duties

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (UMI) —Lovick Pierce, president and publisher of the Methodist Publishing House since 1956, will retire within the next six months, according to an announcement made here April 2 by Bradshaw Mintener, Washington, D.C., chairman of the United Methodist Board of Publication.

Mr. Pierce's retirement will bring to a close an association with the church's general publishing interests spanning a period of nearly 50 years. He began in the Richmond, Va. House in 1921, served as the manager of the Dallas, Tex., House from 1929 to 1946, and was publishing agent from 1946 to 1956 when he was elected to the newly created post of president and publisher.

In granting Mr. Pierce's request for retirement the board adopted a resolution expressing particular appreciation for his service beyond normal retirement age during the transitional period of merger and reorganization of former Methodist and Evangelical United Brethren publishing operations.

Members of the committee appointed by the board to nominate a successor to Mr. Pierce, are: Bradshaw Mintener, Washington, D. C. (chairman), the Rev. Joseph E. Lowery, Atlanta, Ga.; Torrey Kaatz, Dayton, Ohio; Harry A. Blackmun, Rochester, Minn.; and the Rev. William H. Dickinson, Dallas, Tex.

Mr. Mintener also reported that the board in its special session here April 1 heard a progress report from Mr. Pierce concerning the sale of Publishing House plants in Dayton and Cincinnati, Ohio, and Harrisburg, Pa.

Mr. Pierce told the board that the Cincinnati plant had been phased out of operation at the close of 1969 and that the property had been sold to a Cincinnati investment group. Closing date for the sale is May 1, 1970.

He also announced the sale of the printing equipment and business of the

Evangelical Press plant at Third and Reily Streets in Harrisburg, Pa., to the Webb Printing Company of Boyertown, Pa., effective March 1. The Board approved the sale of the real estate and related parking lots at Third and Reily in Harrisburg to Webb with closing date set for May 4, 1970.

No sale price was announced for the Cincinnati and Harrisburg operations.

The Evangelical Press plant at Seventh and Reily Streets, Harrisburg, Pa., has been sold to the Boyertown Packaging Service Corporation of Boyertown, Pa., for \$1 million, effective May 4, following board approval here April 1. The sale includes real estate and equipment.

Mr. Pierce told the board that efforts to sell the Harrisburg plants to employees were unsuccessful but that agreements with the new owners provide for the continued employment of most plant personnel.

The Methodist Publishing House is continuing negotiations with an employee investor group in Dayton for the sale of the Otterbein Press operations there. Closing date has been projected for August 1, 1970.

Mr. Pierce said the purchase price of the properties is sufficient to approximately recover book value of the assets incurred in maintaining the plants during negotiations for their sale.

## News in Brief

"The Churches and the Challenges of the '70s" is the theme of the annual meeting of the U.S. Conference for the World Council of Churches to be held April 29-May 1 at Buck Hill Falls, Pa. Speakers will include Dr. Leighton Ford of the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association and two leaders from the WCC's Geneva, Switzerland, headquarters.



Choir Director, Mrs. Claude Langley, at Timothy UM Church in Camden looks on as Miss Vicki Nix, organist, tries out the new Hammond organ—gift from an anonymous donor. The instrument was dedicated during the Easter morning worship hour. The Rev. Doyne E. Graham is minister.

## Methodist Children's Home of Arkansas

(List of memorials and other gifts for month of March)

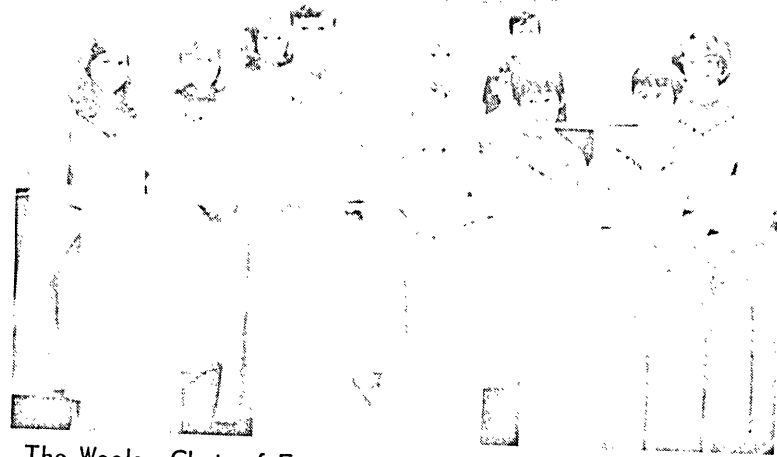
The following people gave memorial gifts to the Methodist Children's Home in March as a tribute of their love, sympathy, and respect for a loved one or friend. A memorial card has been sent to the family notifying them of this remembrance.

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by Mr. & Mrs. Frank G. Fogleman  
MRS. R. I. ALTER  
by Mr. & Mrs. C. P. Vittitow  
by Mrs. E. C. Haller  
JOHN WILLIAM BECKER  
by Mrs. Louis Averitt & Steve  
CHARLES BENNETT  
by Mr. & Mrs. Mark Hawkins, Jr.  
OLLIE BUNN  
by Extra Methodist Church  
W. S. BLACK  
by Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Ledbetter  
JOHN BRIGGS, SR.  
by Felix S. Bunch & Family  
RAY BUTLER  
by Methodist Church Men's Bible  
Class, Forrest City Methodist  
Church  
CLINTON H. BURLISON  
by Rev. & Mrs. Raymond Hillis  
MRS. JOHN CARES  
by Mrs. Minnie Lee Taylor  
MRS. JOHNNY COOPER  
by Mr. & Mrs. Stuart P. Norwood  
HANK CYRIER  
by Mr. & Mrs. Jack Smith  
ALBERT CARTER  
by Mr. & Mrs. A. C. Erwin  
ROY E. DICKERSON  
by Mr. & Mrs. Lloyd C. Wyatt  
by Mr. & Mrs. J. C. Mosley

### NOTE TO FILM USERS:

The film libraries of the Little Rock and North Arkansas Conferences remind users that films and filmstrips must be returned in person, or placed in the mail to the libraries NO LATER than the MORNING after your showing, so the next user will not be disappointed. Any reason for delay in returning an item must be cleared with the library BY TELEPHONE, not in writing, immediately.

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by Miss Mary I. McKnight  
by Mr. & Mrs. J. M. Carter  
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by Mr. & Mrs. Harry Page  
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by Mr. & Mrs. Mark Hawkins, Jr.  
GRADY FINCHER  
by Mr. & Mrs. Dale Rogers  
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by Mr. & Mrs. W. R. Hambright



The Wesley Choir of Fairview UM Church in Camden received new robes provided by the J. W. Williams Class. The robes, fashioned by members of the class were dedicated during an Easter service. Mrs. Becky Blackman is director of the group; the Rev. Thomas A. Abney is the minister.

### J. T. PEACOCK, SR.

Jesse Thomas Peacock, Sr., 93, of Winchester, died March 18, at the Desha County Hospital in Dumas. He was a retired merchant and a farmer. Mr. Peacock was born in Desha County but had lived in Drew County most of his life. He joined the Selma (Drew County, Ark.) Methodist Church at an early age. When his family moved to Florence, Arkansas, they moved their church membership to Mt. Tabor Methodist Church. At the time of his death, he was a member of the Winchester United Methodist Church. He served as Sunday school superintendent for more than fifty years and as church treasurer until he retired in 1962. He also served as a trustee and on the Board of Stewards and was made an honorary member of the Board after reaching retirement age. Mr. Peacock was a member of the

Woodmen of the World and was Winchester City Treasurer for more than fifty years. He was also a member of the Drew County Democratic Central Committee for many years.

Surviving are three sons, Jesse Peacock, Jr. and Paul Peacock, both of Winchester, and Henry Peacock of Stuttgart; three daughters, Mrs. Nannie Lee Staudinger and Miss Ruth Peacock, both of Winchester and Miss Elizabeth Peacock of Little Rock; two sisters, Mrs. Hollis B. Tichenor of McGehee and Mrs. Olive P. Byrn of Little Rock; 10 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at Johnson Funeral Home in Dumas with the Rev. Richard Poss officiating. Burial was in Mt. Tabor Cemetery.

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by Mr. & Mrs. Randolph James,  
Susan & Mark  
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by Mrs. Fred White  
R. D. "Dickie" HONEYCUT, JR.  
by Mr. & Mrs. Hutch Landfair  
by Mr. & Mrs. Robert Landfair  
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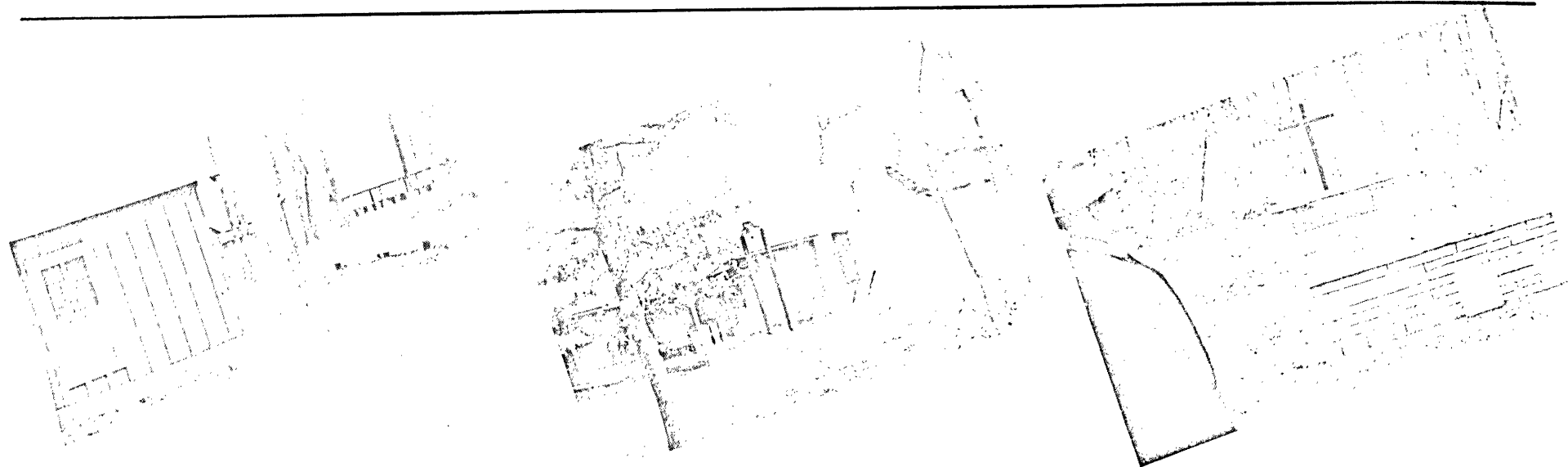
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# NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE

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## WHAT TO BRING

Campers are urged to bring their Bible, notebook, pencil, swim suit, sheets, blanket or sleeping bag, play clothes or casual clothing will be the usual camp attire. Both girls and boys are urged to bring jeans as there will be opportunity for camping in the woods. Bring towels, wash cloths, toilet articles, flashlight, and camera (if desired.) A minimum of spending money will be needed. At some camps, craft materials will be optional at extra cost. There may be an offering for missions taken at the camps.

SHOAL CREEK CAMP is located 18 miles east of Paris and one mile south of Highway 22. Cabins and dining hall provide for 75 campers, with opportunity for outdoor activities including swimming, trail hiking, tennis, soft ball, volley ball, and others. Mailing address is New Blaine, Arkansas.

WAYLAND SPRINGS CAMP, located 2 miles south of Imboden on Highway 115, covers 60 acres of wooded area including beautiful Wayland Spring. Facilities include dining hall, cabins for 70 campers, an open air tabernacle, prayer walk, swimming pool, paved basketball court, canteen, and ball field.

CAMP BEAR CREEK, located about 7 miles southeast of Marianna in the St. Francis National Forest just off State Highway 44, is composed of 40 acres on Bear Creek Lake. Facilities include dining hall and kitchen, cabins for campers, a boat dock, wooded areas, a pavillion and a hard-surfaced recreation area.

KAMP KAETZELL, located just south of Clinton, Arkansas, off Highway 65, has facilities for a variety of outdoor activities including volley ball, swimming, and hiking, a dining hall, boys cabin area, girls cabin area, first aid room, and air-conditioned chapel.

MYERS RANCH is located in the southwestern corner of Stone County. It is 5 miles from Shirley on Highway 110, or 11 miles from Botkinburg travelling east on Highway 110. A marker has been erected on the highway near the access road. The camp is about 2 miles from the highway. It contains 996 acres, several ponds and wells, and some of the most beautiful plateau country to be found anywhere. The camp has about 1¼ miles of frontage on the middle fork of the Little Red River. Its location and natural beauty presents unlimited possibilities for all types of camping.

## REGISTRATION PROCEDURE

Campers should fill out the registration form, secure the signature of the parent, and then give the form to the pastor with the registration fee. The pastor will send the registrations to the Registrar of the camp.

The cost for a 5-day camp is \$17.00; \$14.00 for a 4-day camp; \$25.00 for the Conference Youth Assembly. The cost for the Family Camps is \$10.00. The cost of the Frontier Camp and the Senior High Work Camp can be obtained from the Directors of these camps.

The registration fee is payable when the registration form is sent in. The balance is due on arrival at Camp. The registration fee is \$5.00.

## SCHEDULE OF CAMPS AND CONFERENCES - SUMMER, 1970

| BEAR CREEK CAMP | DATES          | DIRECTOR          | REGISTRAR        |
|-----------------|----------------|-------------------|------------------|
| 5-6             | June 15-18     | Lowell Eaton      | Jesse Brunner    |
| 5-6             | June 29-July 2 | Clint Burleson    | W. L. Douglas    |
| 7-8             | June 22-26     | Leon Wilson       | Gail Anderson    |
| SHOAL CREEK     |                |                   |                  |
| 7-8             | June 1-5       | Tom Welch         | Mrs. Tom Welch   |
| 9-10            | June 7-12      | Gene Adkins       | James McKay      |
| 7-8             | June 15-19     | Hershel McClurkin | Larry Powell     |
| 11-12           | June 19-21     | Lewis Chessier    | Von Dell Mooney  |
| 5-6             | June 23-27     | Bob Edwards       | Charles McDonald |
| 5-6             | July 6-10      | W. P. Fiser       | George Cleary    |
| 7-8             | July 13-17     | Clyde Crozier     | Frank Clemmons   |
| KAETZELL        |                |                   |                  |
| 5-6             | June 16-20     | Mauzel Beal       | John Workman     |
| 7-8             | June 22-26     | Arvill Brannon    | Calvin Mitchell  |
| Family          | June 12-14     |                   | Muriel Peters    |
| 9-10            | July 6-10      | Jim Beal          | Joe Guthrie      |
| WAYLAND SPRINGS |                |                   |                  |
| 5-6             | June 8-12      | Charles Thompson  | Hillman Byram    |
| 7-8             | June 15-19     | Leonard Byers     | Sherman Waters   |
| 9-10            | June 22-26     | Joe Wilkerson     | Theo Luter       |
| 7-8             | July 6-10      | Jim Keith         | J. A. Lawrence   |
| 9-10            | July 13-17     | Jim Randle        | Joe Linam        |
| 5-6             | July 20-24     | James Chandler    | Glen Bruner      |
| 5-6             | July 27-31     | J. B. Harris      | Leon Gilliam     |
| MYERS RANCH     |                |                   |                  |
| Family          | May 1-3        | Bill Wilder       | Sam Teague       |
| Frontier        | June 16-19     | Larry Dodgen      | Allan Hilliard   |

CONFERENCE YOUTH ASSEMBLY July 20-24 Grades 10-12 Hendrix College -  
Director - Tom Weir; Registrar - Earl Carter  
WORK CAMP - New Mexico, Arizona or Montana. Date to be announced -  
Director - Dan Evans

NOTE: Each Camp Director is in charge of the publicity and promotion of his respective camp. Inquiries concerning registration and other information should be addressed to the Director and/or the Registrar.

## REGISTRATION FORM

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Camp Site \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Camp \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Group \_\_\_\_\_  
Sex \_\_\_\_\_ Grade, Fall 1970 \_\_\_\_\_ Church \_\_\_\_\_  
Pastor's Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
Parents' Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
Are there any physical limitations that should be observed by your child? \_\_\_\_\_  
If so, explain \_\_\_\_\_  
Give this to your pastor who will send it to the Camp Registrar