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THURSDAY, JUNE 11, 1970

Hendrix President challenges graduates to serve through concern for humanity

Hendrix College in Conway held its able response any time, but it is especi-86th Commencement Friday evening, June 5, in the courtyard of the Olin C. Bailey Library with Dr. Roy B. Shilling, Jr. presenting the Commencement address to the 173 graduating seniors. The graduation exercises followed a 7:00 p.m. Baccalaureate ser-

Dr. Shilling told the members of the class that he had no time or sympathy for those who bemoan the passing of "the good ole days."

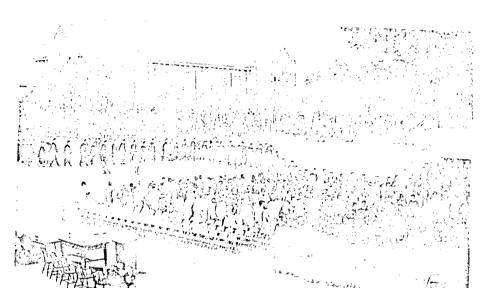
He said, "This is not a time for radical protest against the conditions of our being, a renunciation of the conditions as evil or bad or a stoic resignation to them." He continued, "Withdrawal symptoms — whether in the form of radical or violent protest by the young or bitter denunciation of the middle-aged-is evidence of cowardice and a basic denial of one's own humanity.

The Hendrix president said: "Some of us believe that in a church-related college like Hendrix we have the responsibility under God to affirm the condition of our being and devote ourselves to a life of service, and concern for humanity. Withdrawal is a deplorally so in a time when we need each other the most.'

Others taking part in the ceremonies included: Dean M. Francis Christie, Dr. Matt L. Ellis, the Rev. James E. Major; vice president and Victor Hill, college registrar. Dr. Richard E. Yates, Marshal of the College, conducted the academic procession which included college faculty and administrative officials Student Marshals included Charles Blanchard, Paul Nicholson, Blake Robertson and Eston Williams.

The Hendrix College Choir, under the direction of Robert M. McGill, and the Brass Choir conducted by Dr. Ashley R. Coffman, performed during the ceremonies.

Bachelor of Arts degrees were awarded 172 graduates, and one senior received the Bachelor of Music degree. Eight seniors graduated with honors, They were: Judy Baker of Conway, Robert Manis of Paragould, Susanne Manis of El Dorado, Pat Osam of Little Rock, Karen Peterson of Oregon, Jerry Taylor of Hoxie, Randy Blyth of Maryland, Evan Houston and Larry Pearce of Magnolia.



Nine Hendrix College seniors received degrees with honors at the Friday,

June 5 Commencement. They are (from left): Judy Ann Baker, Herbert

Joseph Howe, Suzanne Goodwin Manis, Robert J. Manis, Karen Joan Peter-

son, Larry Wesley Pearce, Patrick Neil Osam, Jerry Dexter Taylor, Charles

Photo by Bill Ward

During processional at Hendrix College Commencement crowd stands in recognition of graduating seniors.

Workshop for Enrichment and Skills at Mt. Sequoyah, July 6-10

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark—The Rev. Bruce Blake, director of the Workshop for Enrichment and Skills at Mt. Sequoyah, July 6-10, announces that through the Workshop six new classes have been added to the summer schedule at Mt. Sequoyah for 1970. Planned for resource persons who want to try new and creative methods of teaching in the church, the classes will explore the meaning of creativity, participate in creative expression and use of curriculum resources. There will be three classes exploring different art forms - folk music, drama and the graphic arts.

The folk music workshop will be under the direction of Brother Brendan Doyle, O.P., an artist with the Center cago, Illinois, who is a candidate for tian Education at McFarlin the Roman Catholic priesthood in the Dominican Order. This workshop will explore the place and use of folk music and contemporary music in the church.

The drama workshop will be directed by The Covenant Players, a group orover 17,000 times in 35 states and than 130 one act plays and shorter ers.

vignettes. The group specializes in workshops, retreats and conferences which provide an opportunity to establish personal rapport as a means of communication.

The graphic arts workshop will be led by Dr. Mary Alice Edwards, professor of Christian Education at Wesley Theological Seminary. The group will work with different media to express feelings, communicate, and discover how to bring forth the creative ability which everyone possesses.

In addition, there will be classes for workers with children, youth and adults, giving help in the use of curriculum and added resources in new and interesting ways. Leaders for these three age level classes are Mr. James for Contemporary Celebration of Chi- L. (Jim) Colclazier, director of Chris-United Methodist Church, Norman, viemoriai Oklahoma, who will lead the class for workers with adults. Mrs. Clark Jordan, district coordinator for Youth Ministries, Goodland, Kansas, will lead the class for workers with youth, and ganized in 1963 which has performed Mrs. H. W. Godfrey, district coordinator for Children's Ministries, Bolivar, Canada, using a repertoire of more Missouri, the class for children's work-



Earl Wiegand photo

Academic processional at Hendrix College Commencement.



Pamela Jean and Patrick Lee Woodruff, 21-year-old twins of Conway were among the 173 graduates receiving degrees at the Hendrix College Commencement. The twins are the daughter and son of Lt. Col. (ret.) and Mrs. Laymont V. Woodruff. Col. Woodruff is a member of the Hendrix faculty. Miss Woodruff will be married this week to William Dale Berry of Heber Springs. Young Woodruff will enter Officer Candidate School at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Tex. (Bill Ward, photographer).

New North Arkansas Commission reports to Conference

The Commission on Public Relations and Methodist Information, making its first report to the North Arkansas Annual Conference, announced its purpose to "establish a more effective relationship with the communications media, both religious and secular."

The report announced plans for a Conference Workshop on Training in Communications to be held April 13, 1971 in Conway.

The Rev. Ben F. Jordan is chairman of the commission, the Rev. Wayne Clark is vice chairman, and the Rev. James A. Barton is secretary.

Gentry receives first Ph.D. in religion at SMU

William C. Gentry, Jr., a ministerial member of the Little Rock Conference of the United Methodist Church, received a Ph.D. degree in religion from Southern Methodist University at the school's 55th annual commencement in Dallas, Texas, May 24.

Dr. Gentry, associate professor of philosophy and humanities at Henderson State College in Arkadelphia, is the first person to have received the degree of doctor of philosophy in religion from S.M.U. He also holds a B.D. degree from Perkins School of Theology and a B.A. from Hendrix College. Dr. Gentry is a member of the American Academy of Religion and the American Society of Christian Ethics.

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Hendrix College Class of 1970

Bachelor of Arts

Alexander, Jane Alfred, Terry Lee Alley, Melinda Kaye Allmon, John Egbert III Anders, Clara E. Anderson, Victor III Appleton, Jane Elizabeth

- Baker, Judy Ann Bangert, John Charles Barger, Janet Barnwell, Karen Jo Bates, Raymond Scott Binning, Pamela Jane Blacklaw, Jerry Blackshear, Robert Harrel Blair, David Herbert
- # Blyth, Charles Randolph Bolar, Gordon M. Bone, Sarah Katherine Braden, Jane Bratton, George Nelson Brownlee, Samuel Porter Burnett, Mary Anne Campbell, Joe Michael Carroll, Christmas Clement, Deborah Closser, Vicki Maudeen Cooper, Paul Gaylord Cristil, Susan Masten Crotzer, Victoria Lynne Darragh, Frederick Kramer III Davis, Anna Kathryn Davis, Jonathan Richard Davison, Carolyn June Dickens, Joe Alan Dietrich, Marilyn Catherine Dillon, Samuel T. Donovan, Kathleen Marie Downs, Carol Elaine Duke, Henry Michael Dunaway, Forrest Eugene, Jr. Dunn, James Melvin Dunn, Mary Ann Atkinson Dunn, Walter C., Jr. Duran, Jimmy Wayne DuVall, Janet Ruth Erwin, Anita Suc Eubanks, Herman Wayne Eudy, Danny Lee Farris, Phillip Bushman Fason, Lewis Brooks Fleetwood, Glenn Allen Gentry, Thomas Marvin Gibbons, David LeRoy, Jr. Gibson, Marilyn Jean Gibson, William Patrick Goss, Pat

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- Houston, Evan G., Jr. Howe, Herbert Joseph Humphreys, Robert Pound Huskins, John Allan Isaacs, William Ivey, David Lamar Jackson, Aline Goodwin Jackson, Martha Anne Johnston, Nancy Ann Keathley, Jack Allen Kientz, John Leatherman Baker, Jr. Kilpatrick, Steven Ralph Kittrell, Susan Ruth Kohnert, Arjyra Jarie Lascaro, Nicholas Carter Latimer, Glenn Harris Leverett, Charles Gorham Lindsey, Julia Page Lowrey, Alma Louise Lowrey, Tillman Lester, Jr.
- Manis, Robert J.
- Manis Suzanne Goodwin Mason, James Rodney Mays, Joe M. McFarland, M. F. III McMurtrey, James Michael McQueen, Ralph Lee, Jr. Meek, Deborah Russell Meggerson, Joyce Ann Miller, Linda Mitchell, Ann Yvonne Morgan, Harry Beverly Mott. Franklin Jackson III Nash, Harley Dewayne Nelson, Susan Marie Nickell, Janet Ramsay Norton, George Andrew Novosak, Mary Ellen Nyberg, Ronald F.
- Osam, Patrick Neil Paddock, Stephen Clayton Paquette, James William Parker, Gary David
- Pearce, Larry Wesley Pence, James Akers Pennington, Stueart Allen Perry, Robert Bryan
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Bachelor of Music

Wright, William Jackson

Wyatt, Richard Allen

Elliott, Marjorie Willis

HONORS

Arkansas pastors attend Washington Convocation

Granderson, Silas Irving

Guerin, Julia Holder

Hall, John W., Jr.

The Rev. Louis M. Mulkey, chairman of the Little Rock Conference Board of Christian Social Concerns, and the Rev. Ed Matthews, pastor of the First United Methodist Church, Fordyce, recently attended a two day Emergency Religious Convocation on the War in Southeast Asia in Washington, D.C. The Convocation was attended by approximately 900, mostly clergymen, from all sections of the country and from several different denominations.

During the meeting, times were scheduled for individual visits with congressional delegates. These appointments were arranged so that those who attended the Convocation could register their concern for Peace. Mr. Mulkey and Mr. Matthews had visits with four Arkansas Congressmen, Senator J. William Fulbright, Senator John L. McClellan, Representative Wilbur Mills, and Representative David

Information from the Convocation and materials relating to this area of concern will be mailed to all pastors of the Little Rock Conference, according to Mr. Mulkey.

THE REV. CARL CRIDER, former Arkansan, has been named associate director of the Methodist Metropolitan Commission of Kansas City, Kansas. He is a native of Harrisburg, a graduate of Hendrix College, and was president of the student body of St. Paul School of Theology, Methodist, Kansas City, during his senior year there, 1967-68. His wife is the former Diane Keller of Paragould. The Urban Center to which Mr. Crider was assigned by Bishop McFerrin Stowe is housed in the former Quayle Memorial United Methodist Church.

Editorial

EVIDENCES OF TORTURE AND TERROR IN BRAZIL

ncreasingly one discovers reasons to take seriously the word which continues to come out of Brazil that torture and terror have become the rule rather than the exception in the efforts of a totalitarian government to enforce its will. In several meetings we have attended in the first half of 1970 Brazil has been on the agenda, and the word has not been good.

In a recent article in a well-known Catholic weekly review edited by laymen, Commonweal, by Ralph della Cava, a member of the Brazil Seminar at Columbia University, pointing to the widespread and systematic use of torture by all levels of the government of that country as "the single and most significant new development in the worsening internal political crisis of Brazil."

"Indeed," he asserted, "torture has become today the hand-maiden of oppression in the desperate effort of the Brazilian military to extinguish the remaining vestiges of opposition to their almost total control of the polity and society."

Mr. della Cava, who teaches history at Queens College, is also a founder, with other writers, scholars and religious leaders, of the American Committee for Information on Brazil. The committee recently published a documentary dossier about the present crisis, entitled "Terror in Brazil." The subject of his Commonweal article is "Torture in Brazil," and much of the article is based on the committee's dossier.

Stating that the Brazilian tragedy has yet to reach America's conscience and consequently has yet to have any effect on the U.S. government's refusal to condemn Brazil, Mr. della Cava urged an appeal to public opinion through the American press.

"The American press should break its editorial silence about torture in Brazil," he said. He called on the U.S. press to pay attention to the arrest and imprisonment of journalists and to the imposition, with increasing degrees of intensity, of censorship in Brazil.

In addition, Mr. della Cava suggested that the press investi-

gate continuing charges of alleged U.S. government involvement in Brazil's internal affairs to the extent of aiding Brazilian "counterinsurgency" efforts. Clergymen, mainly Catholics, have been the second largest target of oppression and torture, especially those connected with university student circles. Complicating the situation has been the fact that many of the government programs against which churchmen have spoken in the name of human need have been supposedly planned reforms which the government feels it should implement at any price.

Turning to the moral duty of the churches to speak on this issue, the writer points out that Brazil is at the same time the largest Catholic country in the world and the largest Protestant nation in Latin America. He states that countless numbers of active laymen and clergymen have been victimized and in several instances murdered.

Mr. della Cava is critical in his article of both the National Council of Churches and the U.S. Catholic Conference for not having been more outspoken on this issue. He said that neither of the North American church organizations has sufficiently called their flocks' attention to the crisis facing the Brazilian Churches. He also pointed out that there are evidences of the rise of anti-Scmitism toward Brazil's 150,000 Jews.

Finally, the author called upon the academic community of Latin American scholars in the U.S. to shed its "narrowly professional timidity" in considering the Brazilian tragedy. He said, "the scholars know full well that labor, student, religious and many other sectors of society have been purged most severely for six years."

For a number of months, what Mr. della Cava describes as unimpeachable documentary evidence of torture by Brazilian authorities has been piling up, including documents and letters containing the name of about 100 students, professionals and clergymen and a brief account of the tortures inflicted upon each.

Reports have been issued by the International Association of Democratic Jurists in Brussels and the "Brazil Information Front" in Algiers, and in addition, a widely publicized dossier on torture in Brazil was submitted to Pope Paul VI. The latter was signed by 60 of Europe's most prominent intellectuals and religious leaders who endorsed its reliability.

This dossier, published in December in a Paris monthly, contained 11 documents, two concerned the murder of Father Antonio Pereira Neto, a close collaborator of Archbishop Helder Pessoa Camara of Olinda-Recife, one of the most outspoken critics of the Brazilian government. When Archbishop Pessoa was received by Pope Paul in January, the pontiff expressed his indignation at the disclosures, stating that "the Church will tolerate no longer the commission of atrocities and tortures in a country that calls itself Christian."

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the Editor's Corner



Encouraging Straws in the Wind

A common practice among churchmen in recent years has been that of taking "pot shots" at the seminaries and the fact that many of the graduates are seeking service elsewhere than in the parish ministry. We have had some recent experiences which we would like to share with you, because we feel they represent good news for those who might have been discouraged at this point.

First, all of the representatives of theological schools who spoke at the recent series of annual conference sessions made almost the same statistical report—that more than 90% of the graduates of the seminaries this year have indicated their plans to enter the parish ministry. This brought applause and a few "Amens" from conference delegates.

Then, these same speakers spoke of drastic revisions in the curriculum in all of their institutions. These changes are characterized by greater involvement during student days in the issues of the world and by the use of a well-planned program of internship for the "theolog." Both of these changes should strengthen the bridge between the school and the local church.

The third experience was that of being present when twelve probationary members were received in Louisiana Conference A. More than an hour was devoted to this event, and each of the candidates was given an opportunity to speak concerning his call to the ministry or some other word which he wished to share about the church and its ministry. This was a widely-varied group of young people-one is an outstanding young lady and one was a brilliant student who is blind. Some are students at seminaries which differ widely in their outlook on things. However, when the words of all twelve became a part of a total message, it got through to every delegate and visitor. There was hardly a dry eye in the meeting place, and there were very few who doubted that the future of the church was in good hands.

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OF THE WORLD OF RELIGION

by doris woolard

North American missionaries are said to be returning to Cambodia after being banned for five years. Visas have been granted to a U. S. couple who have previously served in Cambodia under the Christian and Missionary Alliance, according to the Rev. Louis L. King, of New York, foreign secretary of the Alliance. All North American missionaries were forced to leave Cambodia in 1965 after that country and the U. S. broke off diplomatic relations. The ties were renewed last year.

David Blum, reportedly the only Jew living in Oberammergau—a onetime inmate of the Auschwitz concentration camp, said he found no anti-Semitism in the Passion Play, and thought that "too much fuss was being made over too little." The West German Radio quoted Mr. Blum as saying, "I am 100 percent Jew and I can tell you that I have read the script of the play again and again, and I have yet to find anything that I would call anti-Semitic."

Baptized Japanese Christians numbered 803,615 in 1968, the last year for which statistics are available, according to the Japan Christian Yearbook. The volume for 1969-70 is a joint project of the National Catholic Committee of Japan and the Japan National Christian Council. In the population count for 1968, Christians would have comprised about fourfifth of one percent.

Initial steps toward a proposed American Baptist (white)-Progressive Baptist (black) joint fund-raising campaign to aid minority development and education were approved by the General Council of the American Baptist Convention meeting in Cincinnati. A survey committee was authorized to determine the staff and data necessary to prepare a list of needs for institutions expected to receive grants, following a report from a Joint Action Team named by the two groups.

American Roman Catholics may soon be permitted to have Communion wafers placed in their hands by the priest rather than on the tongue as is now done, it was learned during a meeting in Green Bay, Wis. of liturgical leaders from four states. Such a change would be a marked departure from the Catholic Church tradition which provided that only a priest could touch the consecrated host (bread of the Eucharist). Communicants in Germany, France, and most recently in neighboring Canada, have already been granted permission to hold the wafer in their

Members of 10 south Minneapolis Catholic and Protestant churches entered into an ecumenical celebration of Pentecost, the birthday of the Christian church in the gymnasium of St. Joan of Arc Catholic Parish. Participating congregations included Baptist, Catholic, Lutheran, United Church of Christ, and United Methodist. At one celebration birds were released to symbolize "the release of the Spirit" and balloons to express "Spirit unlimited."

In an open air ceremony in St. Peter's Square, on Pentecost Sunday, Pope Paul VI ordained 279 young priests from 35 countries, including seven from the U.S. Before administering the Sacrament of Holy Orders by laying hands on the young men, the pontiff prayed that God would give them "a pure heart that knows evil only to define it, fight it and

Tank Captain Colin P. Kelly III, whose father gave his life in World War II and was honored as its first great U.S. war hero, was among 26 divinity students who received bachelor degrees of sacred theology from the Philadelphia Divinity School of the Episcopal Church. He said entering the ministry was something he had always wanted to do-even before he entered West Point. Capt. Kelly who is expected to return to active duty as an Army chaplain in 1972 said, "I think I can do more in the Army as a chaplain because I know what the men have to do as soldiers . . . I can help them both ways, religiously and militarily."

The nation's top country singer, Johnny Cash, appearing at the recent Billy Graham Crusade on the campus of the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, challenged youth to avoid the use of drugs. He said, "Take it from a guy who's been there, it ain't worth it." Accompanied by the musicians who appear on his TV show, Cash included among his selections: "What Is Truth?" and "Were You There?"

Students at Duke University Divinity School, Durham, N.C., have signed a petition calling for redistribution of "the power in the office of the dean," and increased responsibility for students and faculty in determining school policy. The document, signed by more than half the student body, according to Religious News Service, also suggests a model for reorganizing the decision-making structure within the school. The petition to Dean Robert Cushman will be brought before the university president, the chancellor and provost and representatives of the United Methodist Church.

The Episcopal Diocese of New York has urged its churches to initiate a complete review of holdings so that any property not utilized exclusively for religious purposes may be offered to local authorities for taxation. The U.S. Supreme Court recently ruled that exceptions of churches from property taxes was constitutional, if the land or facility were used exclusively for religious purposes.

One hundred persons from the fields of religion and science are expected to take part in an international conference on "The Future of Man and Society in a World of Science-Based Technology" in Geneva, Switzerland June 28-July 4. The conference, under sponsorship of the Department on Church and Society of the World Council of Churches, will explore the theological and ethical dimensions of the debate on environment and population. Theologians, physicists, computer experts, biologists and emographers will participate.

Prior to a preview performance of the famed Passion Play at Oberammergau, Julius Cardinal Doepfner of Munich-Freising told a group of actor's that the play's purpose was not to indict all Jews for the responsibility of Christ's death. Cardinal Doepfner stressed that the play would indict "only those directly responsible" for the crucifixion. Organizers of the play distributed brochures explaining that some cuts had been made in the play's script in order to satisfy those who claimed it would arouse anti-Jewish feeling.

A new Anglo-American organization for Anglicanism in continental Europe was announced in London. Under its provisions, a joint headquarters will be established in Brussels with a full-time bishop from America representing the Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church in the U.S.

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE A **APPOINTMENTS**

TRANSFERRED IN: James E. Wilson, Elder in Full Connection, from the Kentucky Conference.
Carlos Perez, Elder in Full Connection, from the Puerto Rico Conference.

TRANSFERRED OUT: Robert M. Collie, Elder in Full Connection, to the West Ohio Conference.

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VIEW FROM

GARRETT

On the evening of May 4 my husband came home from a meeting at the Peace and World Affairs Center where President Nixon's recent move into Cambodia was being discussed. That is when he told me that four students had been killed at Kent State University in Ohio during a student demonstration over this same issue. Shock, dismay, and fear were my first emotional reactions.

Only two short years ago we had graduated from Hendrix College, and while there we had listened to peace marchers discuss American involvement in Southeast Asia. Since his entrance to Garrett Theological Seminary, my husband has attended meetings of the North Suburban Coalition Against the War in Vietnam as part of his seminary program in community involvement.

Being this close to the issues that precipitated the deaths at Kent State, we were both afraid that the war had at last been brought home. In such a crisis, where did we stand as Christians and as citizens? The entire Garrett community has directed itself to this question.

The first reaction was to support a three-day strike of colleges and uni-

by Marcia Carter Dodd versities to protest the Cambodia move and the Kent State incident. This was later extended four more days. During this time workshops were held in an

effort to gain perspective and direction. A meeting between local clergy and laymen and seminarian students on Thursday, May 7, brought into focus the great anguish and controversy seething in the church. Clergy reactions ranged from a proposed strike by ministers to no stand at all. Eventually forty ministers resolved their Christian stand in a statement to the community and to the students.

Individual seminary students and their wives banded together and went into the community to talk to people about the issues and the incidents. On Sunday morning seminary students entered pulpits or participated in talkback sessions after the sermons.

Finally, on Tuesday, May 12, Garrett was faced with the question, "Where do we go from here?" Taking a cue from Northwestern University's "New University" concept, Garrett decided to reopen with academic options for students. Under this program students may elect to resume regular schedules or address themselves to the church's role in the present situation.



Recently elected Wesley Foundation officers at the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville. FROM LEFT: Jerry Biazo, vice president; Harold Biazo, president, and Lynn Featherston, secretary. (Monte Fout, treasurer, is from Indianapolis, Indiana.)

The Garrett National Crisis Response Committee has been formed with two thrusts: to work with churches and in the community, and to serve as an information service.

My first reactions of shock, dismay, and fear were shared by others here at Garrett, and they have not left us. We are struggling to gain a perspective of our roles as citizens within the Christian context and our roles as Christians within a democratic system. We are struggling with the meaning of Christian witness in America and in the world.

At the moment I remember the law and order which Christ preached. He commanded his followers to love God and men; and he blessed the peacemakers, calling them the children of God. In this light I cannot say whether or not the Garrett community can meet this crisis. In this crisis I cannot say whether or not the church can meet its responsibility. I can say that we at Garrett are committed to try; I pray that the church is also.

MRS. JANETTE HARRINGTON PRICE

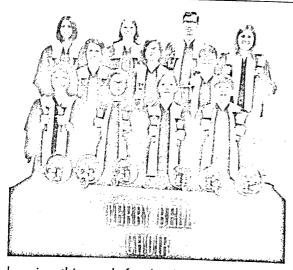
Mrs. Janette Harrington Price, a long time and faithful member of the Central United Methodist Church, Fayetteville, Arkansas, died in Fayetteville on April 28. She was a teacher at Central High School in Little Rock for 23 years before moving to Fayetteville. She was married to M. L. Price in May of 1946 in Little Rock. She held a bachelor's and a master's degree from the University of Arkansas, was a member of the Daughters of American Columnists, Kappa Kappa Gamma, and the Women's Society of Christian Service.

A devotional written by Mrs. Price appeared in the UPPER ROOM on March 20 of this year entitled "The Saving Grace of Giving Thanks."

The funeral service was conducted by Dr. Joel A. Cooper on April 30. She is gratefully remembered by a large number of her former students and many who appreciated and loved her.



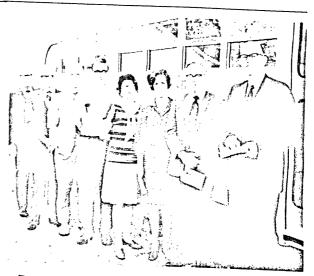
During his report to the Southwest Annual Conference, Dr. Alfred A. Knox, editor of the Arkansas Methodist, left, presented a copy of the New English Bible to Mrs. Clifton Mitchell, center, for the work she has done this year in promoting circulation for the paper. Bishop Galloway looks on approvingly.



Leaving this week for the Area VII Regional Convention of the American Guild of English Handbell Ringers are these members of the Elizabeth Ann Terry Memorial Handbell Choir at Methodist Children's Home. The Convention is being held at Lake Texhoma Lodge, Kingston, Oklahoma.



Miss Maude Moore (left), was recently honored at a breakfast given by Wesley Foundation students at Arkansas Tech, Russellville, in appreciation for her many years of service to the organization. In above picture Don Peters, president of the Wesley Foundation Student Council presents a corsage. The Rev. Muriel Peters is director of the Foundation.



Participants in a recent service of consecration for the new white, air-conditioned bus "to the glory of God and for the use and enjoyment of children, youth and adults of First United Methodist Church" in Jonesboro. The Rev. Worth Gibson (right) is pastor; Dr. John Kirkley, chairman of the bus committee stands to his left, and Chairman of the Administrative Board, Harold Smith at far left. The bus was built by Ward Body Works at a cost of \$11,000.

MEWS OTES

THE REV. RALPH HALE and family are driving down the Pan American Highway through Mexico City to Guatemala City and from there into Yucatan to visit some of the famous Mayan Indian ruins. The Grand Avenue pulpit in Hot Springs is being supplied by the Rev. Albert W. Lapthorne. On June 14, District Superintendent George W. Martin will preach.

ARTHUR HONEYCHURCH, music director at First UMC, Malvern, was presented in an organ recital in the Malvern sanctuary May 17. His program consisted of works by Buxtehude, Pachelbel, Bach, Haydn, Purcell, Young and Kodaly. He was assisted by Bob Brooks on the trumpet.

EL DORADO'S FIRST United Methodist Church held a Lay Witness Mission the weekend of May 29-31 with Dr. Clark Stancil of Little Rock as coordinator and Sunday morning speaker. E. R. Vansicle was local general chairman. Visiting witnesses were from Arkansas and Louisiana churches. Dr. and Mrs. Myron Shofner are chairmen of the follow-up committee.

ST. LUKE UNITED Methodist Church of Little Rock will have a Lay Witness Mission on June 26, 27 and 28. Ward Ramsey of Russellville is the coordinator with Ernest Glover as the local coordinator. The Rev. Alfred DeBlack is the minister.

GRADUATING SENIORS who are members of Wesley Church, Pine Bluff, were honored at a Sunday morning breakfast. Serving on the program committee were Nancy Ward, Linda Hervey, and Gary Galloway. Counselors who helped were Mrs. B. J. Raley, Mrs. Tom Sutton and Mrs. W. J. Deane.

MIDLAND HFIGHTS Methodist men of Fort Smith held the ladies night meeting at the Panch House Cafeteria at Barling with 55 in attendance. Officers elected are Jim Jones, president; Bobby Pitchford, vice-president; and Andy Pryor, secretary-treasurer.

THE SPARKMAN Future Farmers of America at their annual Awards Banquet gave the Honorary Chapter Farmer Degree to the Rev. Albert Elder, pastor of the Sparkman United Methodist Church.

UNITED METHODIST MEN of First Church, El Dorado, closed the season with a fish fry held at the Beebe Farm, May 20. Milton Talley, former dean at Southern State College, Magnolia, was the speaker. Jim McKemie presided over the business session at which time the following officers were elected: Perrin Jones, president; Bill Break, vice-president; Joe Taylor, secretary-treasurer.

McGEHEE'S FIRST United Methodist Church was given an Executone sound system by Mrs. Fay Joyner, and her daughter and sonin-law, Mr. and Mrs. Kirk Anderson of Dallas, Texas. The presentation was made in the Sunday morning worship service on April 22. The gift was made in memory of the late Mr. Fay Joyner. The Rev. Palmer Garner is pastor.

VANTREASE UNITED Methodist graduating seniors were honored with a banquet the last of April in the fellowship hall of the church. It was sponsored by the Women's Society, Mrs. J. G. Rickey, president. The teachers of the senior group are James Mason and Mrs. Gene Baggett. The Rev. Gladwin Connell, pastor of St. Paul UMC, El Dorado, was the guest speaker.

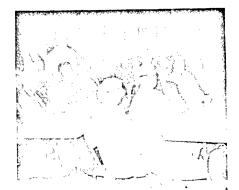
JUNIOR HIGH PROJECT AT KEITH MEMORIAL

The Junior High Class of Keith Memorial Church, Malvern, has promoted a project which transformed their old assembly room into a lovely Youth Chapel with wall to wall carpeting, accoustical ceiling, light oak furniture and air conditioning.

This dream began in the minds of the class of 1958 and each succeeding class has worked and

The families of D. V. Boshears and Harvey Lawrence gave memorial pews; the family of O. A. Tanner gave the lectern as a memorial; Miss Lois Baker gave a table in memory of her mother; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Horne presented the pulpit pew; and others gave cash, materials and labor.

Mrs. Frank Spurlin is teacher of the class.



The Alpena United Methodist Church members, some of whom are shown above, have completed their educational building and fellowship hall. The ladies of the Women's Society raised the necessary funds to purchase the materials for the job. The men of the church did most of the work. The officers of the WSCS are Mrs. Ada Auman, president; Mrs. Eugene Ripps, vice-president; Mrs. Lois Wise, secretary; Mrs. Irta Stewart, treasurer. Bill Bellamy supervised the work. The church has also a new central heating system. The total cost of \$2,500 is paid. The Rev. Oliver Logan is pastor.

DR. D. L. PYKES, JR., pastor of First United Methodist Church in Shreveport, Louisiana, and a former pastor of Central United Methodist Church in Fayetteville, was the speaker in Magnolia at the dedication of the John H. Wilson Hall at Southern State College. The \$1.5 million classroom and laboratory building was named in honor of Dr. John H. Wilson, Magnolia physician and chairman of the SSC Board of Trustees.

GURDON'S METHODIST SENIORS were guests at a fondue party in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Cabe, May 22.

MR. JAY N. LAWHON, Forrest City District Associate Lay leader from McCrory, was the layevangelist for a revival held at Fisher UM Church during the week of April 19-26. All during the week, the folding doors at the back of the sanctuary were opened in order to provide additional space in the fellowship hall for the over-flow crowds. Several conversions to Christ, rededications, and additions to the church took place during the week. Mr. Lawhon is the pastor's, Rev. John W. Lee's, former high school principal.

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.

 June
 14-Sunday
 Ezekiel
 3:16-21

 June
 15
 Luke
 12.35-48

 June
 16
 Mark
 13:5-13;
 33-37

 June
 17
 Matt.
 25:1-13

 June
 18
 Luke
 22:54-62

 June
 20
 Eph.
 6:10-20

 June
 21-Sunday
 Gen.
 18:22-33

HELENA'S VACATION CHURCH school is being directed by Mrs. Lamar Buck and Mrs. Dan Dennis. Assisting them as teachers are Mrs. John Mathews, Mrs. John Bumpers, Mrs. John Burney, Mrs. Charles Sibley and Mrs. Wes Freemyer. The Rev. Jim Beal is the new minister in Helena.

MRS. JAMES NIX was in charge of the Brinkley vacation church school held June 1-7. Mrs. Harold Woodfin is coordinator for United Methodist Student Day program to be held Sunday, June 14. Bubba Geisler will be in charge of the morning service. The Rev. B. W. Stallcup is pastor.

THE TEXARKANA FIRST Church vacation school, scheduled for June 15-19, has Mrs. Dennis K. Williams and Mrs. Jack Gleason as co-directors. Dr. Ralph Hillis is pastor.

THE AUGUSTA Vacation School, June 8-12, has as co-chairmen Mrs. John B. Kittrell, Jr. and Mrs. John R. Eldridge, Jr. The Rev. Harold Wilson is pastor.

MRS. WADNE HILLIARD directed the Wiggins Memorial vacation church school, June 1-5. The Rev. Allan Hilliard is pastor of Wiggins Church in Fayetteville.

HARRISBURG AND PLEASANT Valley Churches united to hold the vacation church school, June 1-5. Mrs. Don Morgan was director. A picnic in the park climaxed the school. The Rev. Bob Orr is pastor.

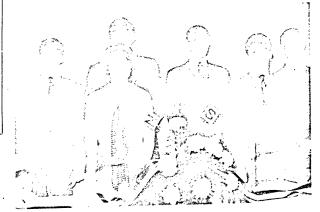
MRS. J. B. SMITH was assisted by Debbie Vickers in directing the Marianna vacation church school. A picnic at Bear Creek Camp closed the sessions, June 6. The Rev. Clyde Parsons is pastor.

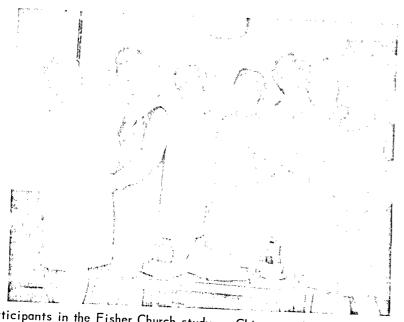


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These five persons were present and unloaded the foundation blocks for the new parsonage at Quitman. They are from left to right: Nelson Tarver, treasurer of the Board of Trustees, D. L. Copeland, chairman of the Board of Trustees, Terry Hill, who is 13 and on hand for church services and to lend a hand when there is work to be done, Jess Williams, who is 82, and he too is there at worship and work, and the Rev. Otha Strayhorn, pastor.

The Nashville WSCS honored the graduating Seniors with a banquet, April 26, in the Fellowship Hall of the Church. The following seniors are pictured at right: Pat Wilson, Pam Garrison, Bill Bradford, Tom Yarbrough, Walter Louis Smith, Eddie Stavely.





Participants in the Fisher Church study on China are shown above. From left: Mrs. Lucille Meashey of Jonesboro, Mrs. Elizabeth Moore, Mrs. Jack Gunter, Mrs. Raymond Ford, Mrs. John Lee, minister's wife, Miss Mildred Osment of Jonesboro who directed the study, Mrs. Bill Jones, Mrs. Anna Wixson and Mrs. Roy Weld, hostess. Mrs. Weld served a Chinese luncheon which was eaten with chop sticks.

Reports from district meetings

BATESVILLE DISTRICT

The theme of the Batesville District Women's Society of Christian Service, as they met for the annual spring meeting in the Clinton United Methodist Church on April 30, was "Listen."

The 122 persons present "listened" as Mrs. Bernice Rogers gave a report on Town and Country Work in the Batesville Area.

They "listened" to the youth as a Youth Choir from the Clinton Church gave a program of music and as youth representatives of the First Church, Batesville Senior UMYF, gave a report about a work camp they attended at Woodhaven Learning Center in Columbia, Missouri, last summer. They "listened" to a report on plans and materials for the Mission Studies for next year given by the Rev. Arvill Brannon, district missions secretary. They "listened" to a district financial report by Mrs. Carl Shaver, the district treasurer, and to a closing meditation by Mrs. Howard Johnson, the conference president. At one point, the group really "listened" as a "protest group" interrupted the meeting and "demonstrated," protesting the fact that not enough women in the Batesville District were subscribing to the New World Outlook and to response. They gave reasons why every United Methodist woman should read these magazines.

In other action at the meeting officers were elected and installed. They are as follows: president-Mrs. Arthur Lewis, Clinton; vice president — Mrs. W. F. Bates, Quitman; recording secretary — Mrs. Ben Owens, Batesville Central Avenue Church; treasurer-Mrs Lloyd Nofziger, Heber Springs; missionary education — Mrs. Loyd Bridges, Kensett; Christian social relations - Mrs. James Barton, Searcy Grace Church; spiritual growth — Mrs. Clyde Whitley, Bald Knob; program materials—Mrs. Herman Van Patten, Searcy First Church; committee on nominations—chairman—Mrs. Roger Mills, Kensett, Mrs. Carlton Womack, Searcy Grace Church, Mrs. M. L. Kaylor, Leslie.

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JONESBORO DISTRICT

The Jonesboro District Women's Society of Christian Service met for their annual Spring meeting on Monday, April 27, at First Church, Blytheville, with 98 women registering.

Mrs. W. Loyd Whittaker, district president, presided over the meeting, which had for its theme, "Listen."

"Listen to the Message" was the subject of the devotional led by Dr. Virgil D. Keeley, host pastor.

"Listen to the News" included announcements concerning the Jurisdictional Assembly in Houston, the Conference School of Christian Mission at Hendrix College, roll call of the local societies by the district secretary, Hicks and Bill Tomlinson, Jr. of Blytheville First Church; "Listen to and nomination and election of district officers for the 1970-71 year. The only new officer is Mrs. Curtis McKinney of Jonesboro elected chairman of the nominating committee.

"Listen to Voices" included "Listen to the Children" songs by Christy Hicks and Bill Tomlinson, Jr. of Blytheville First Church; "Listen to Youth," by Marty Smith, playing his guitar, also from Blytheville First; "Listen to Young Adults" by Miss Mika Brown, Jonesboro, student at Arkansas State University; "Listen to Young Adults." by Mrs. Tony Futrell and Mrs. Jim Kimberling from Jonesboro Huntington Avenue; and "Listen to Senior Adults" by the Rev. Eugene H. Hall, from Yarbro Church.

"Listen to Needs and Challenges," was led by Miss Leota Krueger, a United Methodist Deaconness from Memphis and Miss Mildred Osment of Jonesboro Fisher Street Church, assisted by the Mahannah Family Singers, also of Memphis.

Following a noon luncheon served by women of the host society, Mrs. Marcus Gaines, president; a "Service of Pledge, In Honor, In Memory and In Dedication" was led by Mrs. Frank Weatherford of Leachville and Mrs. Joe Wilkerson of Dell. During the dedication service the 1970-71 officers were installed.

"Listen for the Benediction" was led by Miss Mildred Osment. MINISTERS' WIVES of the Forrest City District held their final meeting of the year, May 7, at Helena with Mrs. G. B. Ames as hostess. The business meeting was conducted by the president, Mrs. Berlon Davis. The devotional was by Mrs. Byron McSpadden, Mrs. Ethan Dodgen, Mrs. Clyde Parson, Mrs. Lowell Faton, and Mrs. Jesse Bruner. Immediately following lunch the parsonettes toured the Bobbie Brooks Factory. The tour was arranged by Mrs. William Haltom.

HOPE DISTRICT

The Hope District's second Annual Meeting of the Women's Society of Christian Service was held at the College Hill United Methodist Church, Texarkana, on Monday, April 13.

Mrs. H. H. McKinzie gave the devotional and moments of memory for the 16 deceased members.

Mrs. C. S. McAnally, president, presided at the business session.

Most of the day was used for leadership training sessions with Mrs. E. T. Davenport, Little Rock Conference Women's Society president, and Mrs. R. M. McKinney, former Women's Division vice-president, as leaders.

Mrs. Davenport installed the following officers: president, Mrs. W. D. Cohea; vice-president, Mrs. T. D. Morris; chairman of Christian social relations, Mrs. Steven Bader; spiritual growth, Mrs. W. R. Hambright; nominations chairman, Mrs. Charles Gardner.

CONWAY DISTRICT

The Spring Meeting of the Conway District Women's Society of Christian Service was held at Plainview, April 22, with Mrs. Earl Horton presiding. The Welcome was by Mrs. Don Burnham, hostess-president.

The Rev. M. J. Pollard, host pastor, gave the Meditation.

Sixty-eight women represented sixteen local societies. District Superintendent Ralph Clayton and Mrs. Clayton were introduced. Past district presidents recognized included: Mrs. Van Dover of Plainview, Mrs. H. D. Coffee of Russellville, and Mrs. Margaret Huie of Atkins.

Mrs. Howard Johnson, conference president, brought the message and report from conference.

Mrs. Carl Lacy, vice-president, presented the program "Like a Tree Planted by the Streams of Water," portraying the duties of officers. Participating were Mrs. Horton, Mrs. Ed Davis, treasurer; Mrs. P. E. Munnerlyn, secretary; Mrs. Malcolm Dailey, secretary of program materials; and Mrs. Jim Harrison.

Special music was by the Plainview Rover Senior High Chorus under the direction of Bill Pierce.

Mrs. Horton brought the afternoon message.

Officers who were installed by Mrs. John Page were: Mrs. Ed Davis, treasurer; Mrs. Ed Outlaw, spiritual life; Mrs. Malcolm Dailey, program material; Mrs. Harold E. Cook, chairman nominating committee, and Mrs. J. B. Reynolds, member of nominating committee.

The Fall meeting will be at First Church, North Little Rock.

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NEW GUILD ORGANIZED AT GRIFFITHVILLE

Miss Irene Forrest of Searcy, the Batesville District Wesleyan Service Guild chairman, met with a group of fifteen young enthusiastic women on March 31 and instructed them in the organizational procedure of a new Guild.

At a later date this Griffithville Wesleyan Service Guild met and elected and installed the following officers: president—Mrs. Paula H. Parsons; vice-president— Marie Roddy; secretary—Louise Havener; treasurer—Barbara Lewis; Chairman of nominating committee—Daphna Straughn; coordinator—Mrs. Joyce McDaniel.

A GROUP OF PINE BLUFF District Ministers' Wives participated in a retreat April 29 and 30 at the lake cottage of Mrs. Robert Riggin located on Lake Hamilton.

MRS. FRNEST RANDALL of Siloam Springs, Fayetteville District WSCS officer, was the guest speaker at the May meeting of the Women's Society of Central Church in Rogers. A group from the Rogers High School Chorus, directed by Mrs. Howard Sutton, furnished entertainment.

PARAGOULD DISTRICT

The Women's Society of Christian Service, Paragould District, held its Spring Meeting in the United Methodist Church, Pocahontas, May 20.

The main speaker was Mrs. George Peck of Cherokee Village, who reviewed Charles Allen's book "God's Psychiatry."

In the business session, reports were given by all department chairmen, roll call was taken showing a total of 126 present, representing 22 societies.

In the afternoon session reports on all the meetings at the Assembly in Houston were given by those who attended, namely: Miss Janette Dacus, Beech Grove; Mrs. Tyler Williams, Beech Grove; Mrs. J. W. Recker, Hoxie; Mrs. Earl Gramling, Stanford and Mrs. Claude Shaver, Cherokee Village.

The following officers were elected and installed: president — Mrs. Tyler Williams, Beech Grove; vice president — Mrs. Rudy Stark, Paragould First Church; secretary—Mrs. Claude Shaver, Cherokee Village; treasurer—Mrs. Harry Hurt, Griggin Memorial (Paragould); Christian social relations, Mrs. Everett Bates, Pocahontas; missionary education — Mrs. Edwin Grissom, Strangers Home; spiritual growth — Mrs. Earl Gramling, Stanford; program material—Mrs. Paul Logan, Alicia.

Nominations: Mrs. D. D. Lacy, Walnut Ridge; Mrs. Sherman Ragsdale, Hoxie, and Mrs. John Bledsoe, Pocahontas.

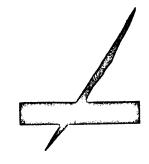
Griffin Memorial Church of Paragould issued an invitation for the Fall Meeting.

The Theme of the meeting was "Listen and Know."

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The Sunday School Lesson

By: Alfred A. Knox



LESSON FOR JUNE 21: Serving God in the World

BACKGROUND SCRIPTURE: Romans 12 and 13.

MEMORY SELECTION: Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good. (Romans 12:21)

AIM OF THE LESSON: To help us understand the tensions that exist between our personal relationship to God and the fulfilment of his responsibilities in the world; to help us discover some guidelines for living as God's people in a world often hostile to Christ's ideals.

Christians find themselves caught between their convictions and the pressures of the world in a more intense fashion than perhaps at any previous time. Paul wrote a letter about this matter, and we hope today to find in chapters 12 and 13 of the Epistle to the Romans something to help us discover a balance between personal religious living and social religion—that aspect of our spiritual experience through which we seek to witness to the love of God in the midst of need.

Among the many examples of polarization in our day one finds some who would reaffirm the idea that personal piety is all there is to religion. These people would insist that the church has no business being involved in the needs of the suffering and underprivileged in the world. It would be unfortunate indeed if this position became a dominant one. Jesus and Paul and every great Christian leader since their time has emphasized the service which must always follow personal commitment.

Certainly Dr. Charles R. Britt is right as he says in Adult Bible Studies: "We cannot read the Scripture for this lesson or much of the rest of the New Testament without feeling the sence of urgency that Christians should function in this troubled world as redeeming and transforming agents. What else could Jesus have meant in calling us to be salt, light, servants, witnesses, neighbors?"

One commentator, Dr. Archibald M. Hunter, has said of our Scripture for today "Romans has been described as the most important theologically of all Paul's epistles." Other scholars have expressed themselves in the same vein. It was a book that had a tremendous influence on Martin Luther and the Protestant Reformation. John Wesley was listening to someone reading Luther's Preface to the Romans when he had the great experience in Aldersgate Street in London from which he moved to establish the Methodist Church.

The main question which the lesson raises is, How do we serve God in the world? Paul never even raised the question whether there should be such a side to religion. It was as natural as partaking of food in order that strength might be available for the tasks of the day.

"YOUR BODIES A LIVING SACRIFICE"

In Romans 12:1 we read, "I beseech you, therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service." Paul was pleading with the Romans, and with us, to give ourselves totally to God. This self-giving for service was to come in response to God's great gift to us and is the mark of the new relationship with God.

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What we say we believe and that which we do often seem to be widely separated. This was not true with Paul. For his belief was meaningless if it did not inspire a new quality of life and a new pattern of action.

Paul uses in this verse the figure of the ancient Hebrew sacrifice, but he holds this up as an entirely different kind of sacrifice. It was the outward expression of complete dedication to the will of God. Whereas, the animal in the ancient sacrifice could be only a gift of death, Paul indicates by this figure that God is much more concerned with the offering of human lives.

Dr. Gerald R. Cragg in The Interpreter's Bible says: "The smoking, lifeless offering of the old regime are set over against the service of living men, possessed of a new dynamic and instinct with a new vitality." Paul was teaching that certain consequences always follow the personal religious experience. The new life is the life which has been sacrificed—offered to God. The Christian ceases to live in and for himself; he is under obligation to serve God in all that he is and does.

Our service to God does not begin with a program of action and service. It begins with a personal experience such as Paul describes. But it goes on from there in outreach to seek in every way possible to lift up the fallen and feed the hungry.

"DO NOT BE CONFORMED TO THIS WORLD

The second great verse in our lesson today says, "Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind" (Romans 12:2). Dr. Britt points out the interesting varieties of translation this verse has. In William Barclay's version we read: "Do not shape your lives to meet the fleeting fashions of this world." The New English Bible puts it, "Adapt yourselves no longer to the patterns of this present world." Perhaps the most pointed of the new translations is that of J. B. Phillips where we read, "Don't let the world around you squeeze you into its own mold."

The point in all these translations is that there exists a tension between the standards adopted by a Christian and the popular standards of the world about. None of us can deny that the culture around us uses subtle devices to pressure Christians into accepting practices. Every parent has been attacked by the popular teen-age logic, "But everybody else is doing it." Paul told the people of his own age and he tells us not to let the world around us squeeze us into its mold.

Titanic forces buffer the individual and try to herd him into the external patterns of society. Against this growing threat to human dignity, Paul offered the transforming power of Jesus Christ. He contrasted the mechanical and manipulative pressures of the world with the energizing and enobling power of the Holy Spirit.

THE WORLD BELONGS TO GOD TOO

One of the mistaken teachings held by some is that everything in the world is evil—that material things are to be avoided by the dedicated Christian. Some would have us believe there are two sharply divided realms of existence—the material and the spiritual— and that God is absent from the former and concerned only with the latter. Such a position makes it extremely difficult for a Christian to witness to his faith in the world about it.

We must remember that God created and loves this world. Certainly he is not pleased with every-

thing that goes on in it. However, it is essential to our faith and the service which should emerge from it to understand that every material thing is just as much the creation of God as are the soul and the spiritual things of life. God is concerned for all he has created. As Dr. Ryan has said, "To say that the Christian is always in conflict with the world he lives in is to deny that any good exists."

Activists and quietists have done battle with each other since the time of Paul. What is deeply needed in the Christian faith is a proper balance between the emphasis on personal religion and social religion. **Broadman Comments** has this excellent statement for our consideration: "Few people ever achieve a good balance between the two. Jesus was always warning the disciples that their activism not take the place of the 'journey inward.' Neither would ecstatic times of prayer remove the responsibility for ministering to the world."

GATHERED TO SCATTER

Last week we discussed worship in the Christian Church, and pointed out that back of a current emphasis on worship is the conviction that the church has so much of a challenge from its world that it must be more effective in its worship experiences in order that it may make a more satisfactory witness for Christ in the world.

Dr. George Webber who has been one of the outstanding leaders in showing the church how it may become involved in the world has said, "What we do within the life of a church are not pious exercises, but rather preparations directed toward our witness in the world."

The New Testament church carried on three primary functions: ministry or service, fellowship, and proclamation. Dr. Walter L. Knight wrote in **Home Missions**, "The relationship of each of these to the other is so vital that when one is broken, marred or inadequate in any way the other two also must suffer."

LOVE IS THE PATH

Romans 13:8 is one of the verses we dare not overlook in this lesson. It says, "Owe no man anything, but to love one another for he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law." The Gospel makes clear that love is the road Christians should follow on both their spiritual journey and their involvement in the world.

Paul is saying that love covers all the commandments and fills the gaps between them. Love means that one's deepest purpose is for the welfare of those who are loved. Paul served notice that his love debt could never be paid in full. Love obligates those possessed by it to live always under obligation. Love supplies the motive to work for the other person's good, but there is always the need for guidelines to define what is good for others.

Dr. Cragg says of this verse (13:8): "Paul has set forth an extremely comprehensive principle which he expects to operate in concrete and particular cases. In its scope love is wide enough to include every demand, yet it is relevant to any situation that may arise."

"PUT ON THE LORD JESUS CHRIST"

In the last verse of our Scripture material for this lesson Paul says, "Put on the Lord Jesus Christ and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires." What the writer is saying is that when we become members of Christ's body we find that we are strengthened at precisely those points where previously our weaknesses prevented us from playing our proper part in the new day.

One may ask, what does it mean "to put on the Lord Jesus Christ?" It means that each time we make a decision involving the ideals or spirit of

Jesus we are "putting on Christ."

Dr. Charles Laymon has said something with which we would like to close this lesson: "Being Christlike can become habitual, and it is a wonderful thing when this occurs. To rear children so that they, even without thinking, will make a Christian evaluation or decision is the greatest contribution that parents can make to their children. It is a dramatic way to serve God in the world."

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Forest N. Blount (9) U.S. Army

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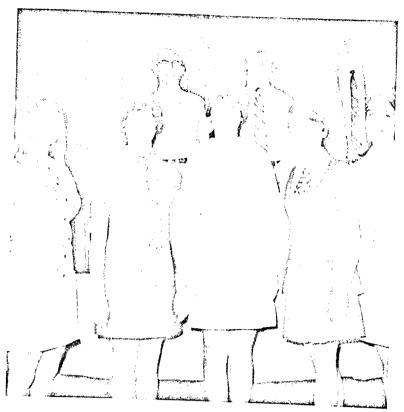
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AT LEFT: Departure time for campers from the Methodist Children's Home leaving for Camp Tanako and the Little Rock Conference Children's Choir Camp. These 10 campers joined ranks with 140 other choristers for a 3-day study of the 1971 Children's Choir Festival music. Mr. Eugene Kuyper from Henderson Štate College in Arkadelphia, was guest director.

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 that 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 TELE-PHONE, not in writing, immediately.

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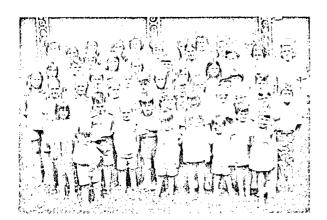
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Twenty-five boys and girls, 10 adults, and three high school students took part in the vacation church school at Marysville UM Church. A closing highlight was the burying of a "Time Capsule" containing names of participants in the school, daily happenings, current events from newspapers and magazines and a picture of the group. The ceremony, at which the Rev. Fred Haustein (at

rear left), pastor, presided—was a project of the Junior High class. In 1975 the VCS group expects to unearth the capsule and note changes which will have occurred during the five year period.



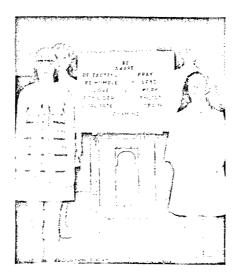
Forty boys and girls and 13 workers comprised the vacation church school group for the May 25-29 sessions at Lewisville UM Church. Miss Rebecca Barton was director of the school; the Rev. Charles O. Walthall is minister.



The 56 new members at First Church, Magnolia were honored at a Sunday evening Fellowship Supper. Among them were 24 boys and girls. On Saturday, May 15, this group made a trip by bus to Hendrix College, Arkansas Children's Colony and Philander Smith College, under sponsorship of the Evangelism and Family Life work areas of the Church. The Rev. Howard L. Williams is pastor.



New officers for the Senior UM-YF at Nashville First Church: Larry Honeycutt, president; Ricky Ritchie, vice president; Cindy Henderson, secretary, and Martha King, treasurer.



New Junior High UMYF officers at the Nashville Church include: Ann Ellis, president; Amanda Honeycutt, vice president; Susan Bryant, secretary, and Sandra Barnes, treasurer.



Ronnie Albey (I.), only graduating senior at Keith UM Church, Malvern, receives a New English Bible from the church. Coordinator of youth ministries, Joe Fawcett, makes the presentation. The Rev. Loyd Perry is pastor.



Tommy Jacks (r.) graduating senior from Ebenezer Church in Camden District receives Bible from Mr. Harper Wells, as a gift from the church.

Poetry Panorama

by Barbara L. Mulkey

"So you have sorrow now, but I will see you again and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you." (John 16:22)

BEYOND SORROW

If we could see beyond our present sorrow, Beyond our present grief as GOD can see, We would be braver, knowing some tomorrow, Will still hold happiness for you and me.

If our blurred eyes could see beyond their weeping, The sunlit hills that some day we shall climb, We would be stronger and we would be keeping A tryst with hope through every darkened time.

If we could see beyond some fresh disaster, The road smoothed out again before our eyes We would be calmer and we would learn faster, The lessons life unfolds to make us wise.

We are so blinded by a moment's sorrow, So hurt by any trouble, any pain, That we forget the joys beyond believing, The peace that will be ours some day again.

- by Cleo Sorrels

A MAN MUST STAND ON FAITH

When teardrops fall and life does not seem right
Because a friend has passed this worldly course;
When painful memory comes to share the night
And fills the heart with pangs of sad remorse;
When brightest day cannot dispel the gloom
That shrouds each thought with weight of cold despair,
And makes one loathe to leave his quiet room
To face again each hour of toil and care;
When such time comes, on faith a man must stand,
And take full note that death means life anew;
That friend departed soars with an angel band
Toward far and lovely lands where all is true.
For those who have gone on to that distant shore
Wait now for us till we pass through death's door.

- by Deener W. Wardlow

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