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Former Arkansas pastor to coordinate unique Denver ministry

A Colorado United Methodist minister who served formerly in pastorates in Louisiana and Arkansas will enter a new phase of his ministry April 1.

According to a story in a recent issue of the Rocky Mountain United Methodist, the Rev. William O. Byrd will become coordinator for the Denver Technological Center Ministries, an ecumenical ministry in a new totally planned community being developed near Denver.

The appointment was announced by Bishop R. Marvin Stuart. Mr. Byrd has served since 1966 as a member of Bishop Stuart's cabinet, first as superintendent of the Denver District and, since last June, as superintendent of the Denver South District.

He will be the leader and first full-time staff member in a new style of ministry that will be closely integrated with the total life of the community—business, technological, industrial, social, educational, recreational and religious.

Although he will be the religious representative on the planning team of DTC, Inc., helping to protect the human element in its decision-making processes, Mr. Byrd has pointed out that he will not be an employee of the corporation, but will be account-

able to DTC Ministries.

At the time of the announcement, ten denominations were fully participating in DTC Ministries. These are: Colorado Baptist Convention, Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), Central Rocky Mountain Region; Episcopal Diocese of Colorado, Lutheran Church in America—Rocky Mountain Synod, Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Denver, The Denver Presbytery of United Presbyterian Church, U.S.A., Rocky Mountain Conference of The United Methodist Church, Colorado Conference of the United Church of Christ, Temple Sinai, and the Reformed Church in America.

When the resident community develops, and as it grows, part-time or full-time personnel from the denominations will be assigned to participate in the life of the community. No land in the development is being made available for construction of churches. It is expected that many of the residents will continue to be related to churches in metropolitan Denver.

At the outset a Roman Catholic priest, a Jewish rabbi and at least one other Protestant pastor will be participating in the program.

Wynne pastor dies

The Rev. Warren D. Golden, pastor of First United Methodist Church, Wynne, died in a Memphis hospital on Saturday, Jan. 22, at the age of 56.

The funeral service was held Monday, Jan. 24, in the Wynne church with Bishop Paul V. Galloway and Dr. Ethan W. Dodgen, Forrest City District Superintendent officiating. Burial was at Graceland Cemetery, Pine Bluff.

A native of Jena, La., he was a graduate of Watson Chapel High School and attended Arkansas A. and M. College at Monticello.

He was a pastor in the Little Rock Annual Conference 30 years prior to transferring to the North Arkansas Conference in 1966. He served churches at Rowell, New Edinburgh, Dermott, Ashdown, Prescott, Mena, Forrest Park and Highland churches in Little Rock, Good Faith Church, Pine Bluff, First Church, Stuttgart, First Church, Batesville, and First Church, Wynne.

He was a former chairman and executive secretary of the Board of Evan-

gelism of the Little Rock Conference. He was an active member of the National Council of Evangelism, and recently attended its annual meeting in San Francisco. While a pastor in Little Rock he served as chaplain for Adams Field airport.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Lorene Flynn Golden; a daughter, Mrs. Simone Fitzgibbon of Parkin; a brother, J. F. Golden of New Orleans; a sister, Mrs. D. R. Feaster of Fordyce, and a grandchild.

Holy Souls women to sponsor seventh Lecture Series

The Seventh Session of the Ecumenical Lecture Series, sponsored by the Women's Council of Holy Souls Catholic Church, will be held Feb. 10, March 9, and March 23 in the Arkansas Arts Center Auditorium in Little Rock.

Lecturers for this year's series in-

Christian Civic Foundation elects officers for '72

Harry Brewer, Jonesboro Baptist layman and businessman, was elected president of the Christian Civic Foundation of Arkansas last week, at the annual meeting of the CCFA board of directors, at Second Baptist Church, Little Rock.

Brewer, a realtor, is a deacon in Central Baptist Church, Jonesboro, and a former state president of Baptist Men (formerly Brotherhood). He succeeds Mrs. Roy E. Snider, of Camden, who had held the post for two one-year terms and has now been added to the foundation's executive committee.

Others named to offices for the coming year were: the Rev. David P. Conyers, of Newport, first vice president; the Rev. Carter Rogers, of Little Rock, second vice president; Mrs. Payton Kolb, of Little Rock, third vice president; Dale Ward, of Little Rock, secretary; the Rev. Don Hook, of Little Rock, treasurer; and Dr. W. Henry Goodloe, of Little Rock, executive director.

Dr. Goodloe had previously announced his retirement effective June 1, when he will be concluding six years as the foundation's chief executive. Named as a committee to nominate a successor for Dr. Goodloe were Mrs. Snider, Mr. Conyers, Dr. C. Ray Hozendorf, of Little Rock; Judge Edward S. Maddox, of Harrisburg; and

clude a Roman Catholic author-professor, a United Methodist former secretary of the World Council of Churches in Geneva, and a clergyman ordained to the Baptist ministry.

Father Eugene C. Kennedy, author of such best-selling books as *Fashion Me a People*, *The People are the Church*, *A Time for Love*, and *What a Modern Catholic Believes About Sex*, will lecture on the topic, "Sex and Man's Search for Meaning." Father Kennedy, a professor of psychology at Loyola University in Chicago, recently directed the definitive study of American priests commissioned by the Roman Catholic Bishops.

Dr. Robert J. Nelson is national chairman of United Methodists for Church Renewal, editor-at-large of *The Christian Century* and president of the North American Academy of Ecumenists. Dr. Nelson gained national attention in 1960 when he resigned as

NORTH ARKANSAS AND LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCES PAY WORLD SERVICE IN FULL

The North Arkansas and Little Rock Annual Conferences were able to pay their World Service asking in full for 1971, according to Grafton Thomas, treasurer.

This means that the North Arkansas asking of \$210,187 and the Little Rock asking of \$190,403 were paid 100%. The previous year both conferences fell just short of that goal, and so it represents a real achievement that they were able to reach it for 1971.

Dr. Erwin L. McDonald, of North Little Rock.

The foundation approved a budget of \$37,916 for the year of 1972-73.

The following were elected to serve with the officers as the CCFA executive committee for the coming year: Dr. Charles H. Ashcraft, Dr. Hozendorf, the Rev. Fay Hutchinson, and Dr. Horace E. Thompson, all of Little Rock; Dr. J. Ralph Clayton, Conway; Dr. Rheubin L. South, Branch T. Fields, and Dr. McDonald, all of North Little Rock; the Rev. J. Albert Gatlin, of Paragould; Judge Maddox, of Harrisburg; Mrs. Snider, of Camden; and Dr. Arthur Terry, of Pine Bluff.

As the guest speaker for the occasion, Dr. Rayford G. Feather, executive director of the American Council on Alcohol Problems, Washington, D.C., sounded an optimistic note for the temperance cause across the nation. He said that his organization and 43 state temperance organizations affiliated with it, are making a great impact for sobriety and civic and moral righteousness, particularly among the young people of America. The real hope for ultimate success, he said, rests in a spiritual revival through Christ.

Dr. Feather emphasized that young people who have captured the news headlines in their addiction to alcohol and other narcotics and in rebellion against society are actually a very small fraction of all youth.

dean of Vanderbilt Divinity School to protest discriminatory policies. In 1968, he became the first non-Catholic to teach in the Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome. Currently professor of Systematic Theology at Boston University, Dr. Nelson will lecture on the subject, "No Man is Alien."

The Rev. Will Campbell, who will lecture on the topic, "Redneck Religion," has been characterized as a preacher-at-large, poet, prophet, wandering minstrel who writes guitar ballads, and a missionary in a cowboy suit. He is presently the director of the Committee of Southern Churchmen, a non-denominational alliance of clergy and laymen with offices in Nashville, Tenn. Born in Mississippi, he was ordained to the Baptist ministry while still in high school, and later graduated from Yale School of Divinity. He has been described as

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Schedule for Mid-year Meetings

of Boards and Agencies

February 15 - 16

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE

(Meetings will be at First United Methodist Church, Little Rock, unless otherwise designated.)

FEBRUARY 15 (TUESDAY)

- 9:00 a.m. - Enlistment for Church Occupations
Disability
Publishing Interests
Advisory Committee on Church and Community Work
TRAFCO
- 10:00 a.m. - Ministry
Laity
Evangelism
Health & Welfare
Pensions
Christian Social Concerns
Education
- 12:00 Noon - Laity Luncheon, First Church, Little Rock
- 2:00 p.m. - Ecumenical Affairs
Missions
Minimum Salary
Trustees
Higher Education (Conference Committee)
- 3:30 p.m. - Higher Education (Area Committee) Gardner Memorial United Methodist Church, North Little Rock

FEBRUARY 16 (WEDNESDAY)

- 10:00 a.m. - Worship
Archives & History
Insurance
- 12:00 Noon - Dutch Treat Area Luncheon, First Church, North Little Rock
- 1:30 p.m. - Area Program Council, First Church, North Little Rock

FEBRUARY 23 (WEDNESDAY)

- 10:00 a.m. - World Service & Finance, Winfield Church, Little Rock

NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE

(All meetings will be held at Gardner Memorial United Methodist Church unless otherwise stated.)

FEBRUARY 15 (TUESDAY)

- 9:00 a.m. - Publishing Interests
- 10:00 a.m. - Christian Social Concerns
Board of Pensions
TRAFCO
Board of Ministries

- 11:00 a.m. - Board of Missions Executive Committee
Committee on Lay Workers and Rural Advisory Committee
- 12:00 Noon - Board of the Laity Luncheon
- 1:30 p.m. - Board of Health and Welfare Ministries
- 2:00 p.m. - District Coordinators (Family-Adult Youth-Children)
Board of Missions
- 2:30 p.m. - Commission on Public Relations and Methodist Information
Conference Committee on Higher Education
- 3:30 p.m. - Area Committee on Higher Education
- 5:30 p.m. - Executive Committee Program Council - Dinner (Place to be announced)
- 7:30 p.m. - Commission on Minimum Salary
Commission on Worship

FEBRUARY 16 (WEDNESDAY)

- 7:30 a.m. - Camp Committee - Breakfast
- 9:00 a.m. - Committee on Group Insurance
Commission on Ecumenical Affairs
Executive Committee Board of Education
- 10:00 a.m. - World Service and Finance Commission
Board of Evangelism
- 11:00 a.m. - Board of Education
- 12:00 Noon - Area Dutch Treat Luncheon for all Board and Agency members sponsored by Board of Missions
First Church, North Little Rock
- 1:30 p.m. - Program Councils of the Area, First Church, North Little Rock
- 3:30 p.m. - Board of Education
Commission on Archives and History
Joint session of the World Service and Finance Commission and Executive Committee of the Program Council
Board of Missions
- 3:45 p.m. - Health and Welfare
- 4:00 p.m. - Lay Workers and Rural Advisory
- 4:10 p.m. - Board of Ministry
- 4:25 p.m. - Board of Evangelism
- 4:40 p.m. - Break for 20 Minutes
- 5:00 p.m. - Board of Christian Social Concerns
- 5:15 p.m. - Board of Laity
- 5:30 p.m. - Commission on Enlistment
- 5:40 p.m. - Public Relations and Methodist Information
- 5:50 p.m. - Worship Commission
- 6:00 p.m. - Board of Education
- 6:15 p.m. - Break
- 7:45 p.m. - Ecumenical Affairs
- 7:55 p.m. - Archives and History
- 8:05 p.m. - Group Insurance
- 8:15 p.m. - Pension
- 8:35 p.m. - Minimum Salary
- 8:50 p.m. - Publishing Interests
- 9:00 p.m. - TRAFCO
- 9:10 p.m. - Program Council

Program moves ahead at Mallileau Community Center

Mallileau Community Center, Fort Smith, a project related to Mallileau United Methodist Church of that city is now operating on a limited basis to achieve the purpose of "bringing families and children together through physical, social, cultural, educational and recreational activities.

A recent communication from the Rev. Robert C. Preston, minister, outlined the program which is now being implemented using the lower auditorium of the church and a two-story brick building across from the church on North 9th Street.

The enlarged ministries of this congregation are being opened to all adults, youth and children free of charge.

On the third Monday of each month,

issues and problems of the day are being interpreted through the use of audio-visuals. On Mondays tutorial and remedial help is being offered in mathematics under the leadership of Mrs. N. S. Mingo, Mrs. Charles McDonald and Guy DeFranco.

Miss Lajuana Watson is leading the Tuesday afternoon session on crafts with the hope that training will be effective in helping persons obtain jobs. William Strong also leads an arts and crafts group on Wednesday evenings.

A nutrition program and a sewing program are offered on Wednesday afternoons. In the former Mrs. Ollis Craig is offering leadership in a nutrition program utilizing commodities and inexpensive ingredients. Mrs.

R. C. Preston is the leader for the sewing class in which she is teaching youth and adults how to make and alter their own clothes.

On Thursday afternoons Mrs. C. E. Holman and Miss Cynthia Marks are offering sessions aimed at improving skills in reading and English.

On the second Thursday of each month adults participate in a social and educational activity night. Through seminars, clinics, workshops, recreational and other activities the adults of the community are stimulated to an awareness of the roles they should play in community life.

The Center is endeavoring to raise an annual budget of \$24,300 for its operation and program.

CHARLES THOMAS SETTLE, Duke Divinity School senior, was granted a License to Preach by the Monticello District Committee on The Ministry, in a special service at First United Methodist Church, Monticello, on Dec. 31. Officiating was the Rev. Everett Vinson, district superintendent, assisted by members of the district committee.

News in Brief

The Rev. C. Orville Strohl, president of United Methodist-related Southwestern College in Winfield, Kans., the past 18 years, has announced his resignation, effective this summer. His future plans were not revealed.

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Annual Report of Board of Missions

The ability of the church and its agencies to discover ways of meeting new or continuing problems is illustrated in the 1971 Annual Report of the United Methodist Board of Missions, distributed last week at a meeting of the Board in Dallas.

Since the beginning of the 1968-72 quadrennium, the Board has seen hopes evidenced in many quarters, Bishop Lloyd C. Wicke, Board president said in his foreword to the report. New opportunities are being provided "as nations are striving to discover their identities and asserting them," he noted. "We are being presented, through our friends around the world, with their understanding of the authentic nature of the good steward and the good samaritan."

Some words as racism, population explosion, world hunger, urbanization and world peace have come to the fore in men's consciousness and institutions, Bishop Wicke said, adding: "The Board of Missions has not been insensitive to these catastrophic waves of human distress and their accompanying cries not only for relief but for requital and correction."

He continued: "Attempting to respond to these maladjustments in human relationships, large segments of the membership of our church have experienced recurring crises of confidence as to the faithfulness of the Board of Missions to its mandated task. Some are convinced we have forgotten or forsaken the Aim of Mission (as stated in United Methodism's **Book of Discipline**). Others are equally sure that we are moving far too slowly along the pathway plotted by our aim. Caught in this vise, these are inevitable consequences — psychological, economic, organizational, relational."

Stating that the church and the Board face problems confronted by other institutions, Bishop Wicke commented on one: "An economic recession in the United States, with consequent decline in giving, sends its shock waves into every corner where we labor. Too often the required budget adjustment is mis-read as something other than it is — sheer financial necessity."

The Annual Report tells of church growth in several nations.

Burma Methodism was reported as having a small gain which "is remarkable because of the large number of Indians and Chinese emigrating from the country. This indicates something of the evangelistic fervor of the people, especially among the Chinese who have lost over 50 per cent of their members in the last few years, but have gained sufficient new converts to replace those lost."

In northeast Nigeria, where the World Division of the Board of Missions cooperates with the Muri Church of Christ, the report said that despite difficulties, the church has continued to grow rapidly. Members here comprise 18 tribal groups, with linguistic differences and varying life styles. The Methodist Church in Indonesia has increased more than 5 per cent in full members through active evangelistic efforts.

The report noted several areas of service through the Board's National Division. Effects of the recession were felt by churches in communities where plants were closed or industries relocated. Where several such churches had difficulty keeping up payments on building loans, counseling was provided and satisfactory adjustments were worked out. Help also was provided for minority and mission congregations which found loan capital hard to obtain.

On the other hand, the report noted that the Division's staff of professional fund-raisers led 363 crusades in 1971 in which \$40,-851,222 was raised and 3,250 persons were trained as crusade visitors. The report said; "An

integral part of every financial crusade is an emphasis upon spiritual values. This is considered more important than the financial objective, though both are stressed." The architects of the Division served 147 institutions and mission projects in continental U.S., Puerto Rico, Hawaii, Korea and the Philippines. Architectural services were furnished to 25 black, 17 Hispanic-American Indian congregations.

The report indicated that the Board of Missions was involved in the needs of the small congregations in the denomination, noting that 40 per cent of United Methodist congregations have less than 100 members. To assist such churches and areas the National Division has emphasized through workshops, consultations and leadership schools the need for planning processes and strategy formation on district and conference levels.

Still other developments in overseas areas include: missionary work among Tibetan refugees in Nepal; a communications project in the African nation of Zaire (formerly Congo); and open channels of communication between the United Methodist Churches outside the country. In the Christian mission in the university world, there is growing internationalization of personnel and an increase in ecumenically funded and staffed programs.

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Church Involvement in Defense Corporations

This editor has received a number of calls and letters reacting to the recent report of the Corporate Information Center of the National Council of Churches with its conclusions concerning the involvement of invested church funds in corporations with defense contracts.

There are several reactions I would like to make:

-First, this is an additional resource for publicizing church financial policies. Most of our boards and institutions have been at work for a number of years in re-studying all of the practices of corporations in which stocks are held. Stockholders' meetings have increasingly heard suggestions as to how social responsibilities might be sharpened.

-Second, these invested funds should not be regarded as "surplus" funds which are available for expenditure on a current basis. I do not know about all of the denominations, but in the United Methodist Church they are trust funds and endowment funds the income from which is essential for the operation of our institutions and programs such as our pension program.

-Third, the fact that a corporation is a supplier of the Department of Defense does not justify its being labelled "immoral." Only those who are totally pacifist in their philosophy can take this position.

-Fourth, there is a stewardship responsibility toward the funds involved in these investments; just as there is a responsibility for witnessing in the field of corporate responsibility.

One thing is sure, this report has been released, and it will be the starting point for a great deal of discussion among church groups in the days just ahead. We are sure it will be a major item before many committees at General Conferences and that some guidelines will be developed for the many boards and agencies of the United Methodist Church.

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news and views

OF THE WORLD OF RELIGION

by doris woolard

If Churches are to be condemned for holding stock in companies with military contracts, then so are people who pay taxes and buy cars from Ford, the president of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) said in response to a report stating that 10 denominations and the Nat'l Council of Churches own \$203 million in corporations holding major defense contracts. President A. Dale Fiers warned against "oversimplification" in attempts to deal with the complicated issue of social responsibility in investment. "Should the church divest itself of corporate investments or is this copping out when the church should be using its influence to change questionable company policies? Are the thousands of people who work for these (defense contract) companies also to be condemned?" he asked.

A recent survey conducted by the Southern Presbyterian Bd. of Christian Education in Richmond, Va. disclosed that pastors and communicant members of the denomination believe evangelism should be the "No. 1 priority" of the Bd. of World Missions over the next three years. Given the choice of three areas as a potential priority, communicants and pastors/directors of Christian education agreed on this order: evangelism, development of human resources, alleviation of world hunger. However, board and agency and middle judiciary members selected, in order, development of human resources, evangelism and alleviation of world hunger.

The movement of people away from farms makes it imperative that struggling rural churches consolidate, Minnesota's Secretary of State told a convocation of pastors meeting in St. Paul. And these consolidations should take place across denominational lines, said Arlen Erdahl, long active in a rural congregation of the American Lutheran Church. Taking part in a panel on "The Crisis in Rural America and the Church," Erdahl told of one rural Minnesota area where it is possible from a high hill to see seven rural churches—five of them affiliated with his denomination. If all a church can do is pay its pastor a meager salary and heat the church, he said, it may not be doing an effective job of claiming or reclaiming people for Christ.

Addressing participants in a consultation on the church and prison reform in Selingsgrove, Pa., the warden of the Lewisburg Federal Penitentiary said that church people interested in prison reform generally "dissipate their efforts" by tackling too many problems at once. Noah Allredge advised church units to concentrate their energies on lobbying for smaller penal institutions. The warden said reduction in the size of prisons is a chief goal of reform.

"The giant penal institution and the thousands of county jails where people are warehoused under the care of untrained persons have got to go," declared Dr. Myrl E. Alexander, former director of the U.S. Bureau of Prisons, now a professor at Southern Illinois University. Addressing a Lutheran sponsored consultation on prison reform, Dr. Alexander predicted that many changes will take place in this area during the next two decades. Some of these, he predicted, will be as dramatic as the shift made 200 years ago when torture and wholesale execution were abandoned as common types of punishment. He said "principles of reform enunciated" in 1870 "like the precepts of the Sermon on the Mount—have not yet been fully implemented."

The importance of the Anglican-Roman Catholic "substantial agreement" on the Eucharist should not be exaggerated, says a Lutheran scholar who is the first non-Catholic to win the top honor of the American Catholic Historical Society. Dr. Jaroslav Pelikan, professor of religious studies at Yale University, said the Eucharist had not been the problem that impeded unity between Anglicans and Roman Catholics. Rather, he said, it has been validity of ministries and papal primacy. Professor Pelikan noted also that the Eastern Orthodox and Roman Catholics have had agreement on the Eucharist "all along," but they have remained apart.

An additional \$186,460 has been appropriated by the Southern Baptist Convention Foreign Mission Bd. as emergency compensation for missionaries affected overseas by the devaluation of the U.S. dollar. Winston Crawley, director of the board's overseas division, said the total covers only missionary compensation, indicating that steps have not yet been taken to adjust for losses in operational and capital funds of missions overseas.

The Third Annual New Year's non-stop Bible Reading sponsored by the Voice of Prophecy, international radio broadcast—from Glendale, Calif. began at midnight, Dec. 31 and ended 83 hours and 59 minutes later on Jan. 4 at 11:59 a.m. A team of some 80 volunteer readers, joined by some 50 governors, U.S. Senators, mayors of major cities, and 14 national leaders of various religious bodies took part in the continuous reading. Purpose of the reading was "to invite people everywhere to take another look at the Book of Books as a source of wisdom and problem solving in the 1970s," said Harold M. S. Richards, Jr., Seventh-day Adventist director-speaker of the sponsoring agency.

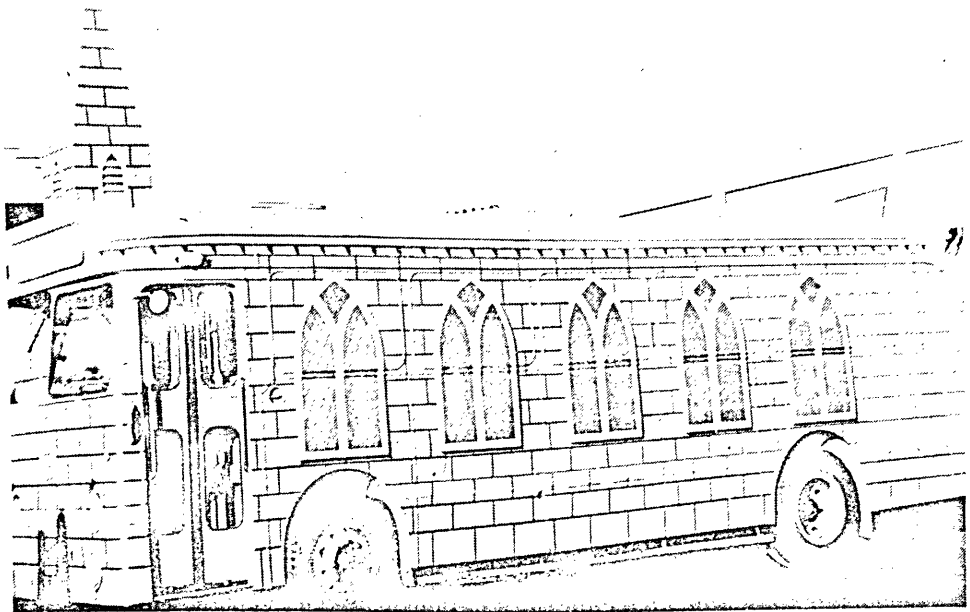
Pope Paul VI, addressing pilgrims and tourists at his weekly general audience, assailed "so-called freedom of thought" and "so-called philosophical pluralism" as part of the "disintegration of rationality" at the root of today's "crisis of faith." He said, "the modern mind experiences that interior insecurity that gives rise to the feeling that everything is a problem and that the only solution is to live simply as one wishes and pleases." What is desperately needed today, Pope Paul insisted, is acceptance of that faith "which is a gift of God, a mysterious effusion of the Holy Spirit."

The mutual interdependence of the church and electronic communications media will increase substantially over the next 10 to 15 years, according to a prediction by Dr. Cynthia Wedel, president of the Nat'l. Council of Churches. She said the churches need the help of specialists in the media because the biggest job of Christianity "is to communicate to modern people the good news that God cares."

A California scientist, addressing a pastor's convocation at Luther Seminary in St. Paul, Minn. called on clergymen to base their sermons on the Bible. Dr. Leo Bustad, professor of radiation biology at the University of California, said "What must come through in sermons is that the Good News is also read at the parsonage." Dr. Bustad said he goes to church to hear a "proclamation" of what he might become. "You and I are preaching Christianity because it is true," he said. "For either Christianity is not true and not important or it is true and infinitely important."

Church union in Wales was observed to have moved a step nearer when representatives of five denominations in Wrexham agreed on detailed plans for regional conferences throughout the principality on "covenanting for union." Under the plans regional conferences will be held in April and May, to be followed by joint local conferences, leading toward the aim of reaching a decision to enter into covenant with one another during 1974. Represented were delegates from the Anglican Church in Wales, the Presbyterians, Methodists, Congregationalists and Independents. The Roman Catholic Church and the Welsh Baptists were represented by observers.

L'Osservatore della Domenica, the Vatican City weekly, has warned that if environmental pollution continues at the present rate, the world will be faced with "total catastrophe" by the year 2000. Describing the situation as "apocalyptic," the paper scored today's consumer civilization for engendering "a biology of extinction." The journal said that in the last 300 years, "some 200 species of birds and animals" had disappeared, and that, at present, "about 2,000 plant species—equivalent to 10 per cent of the world's plant types—along with "another 200 animal species and 350 bird species" were in danger of extinction. The article said, "Each day, motor vehicles in the U.S.A. belch 295 tons of polluting elements into the air."



DUBLIN — Ireland's first church on wheels — complete with pulpit and fold-away spire — is bringing religion to the people. The "Churchmobile," a bus which has been painted to resemble a Gothic church on the outside, seats 40 people. The unique vehicle is the answer to the problem of dwindling congregations in a large area faced by a County Kildare Baptist minister, the Rev. Robert Dunlop. Dunlop, pastor of a village church in Brannocks-town in the Irish Midlands, will use the Churchmobile for traditional services and for informal meetings. During the Summer season, he will take his church on wheels to seaside resorts for the benefit of vacationers.

(RNS Photo by Don MacManus)

Program Directors to Local Churches

ADMINISTRATIVE HELP

Last week we dealt with several of the Work Areas in the Council on Ministries, suggesting that you take inventory and make plans. Here are suggestions for materials which may be quite useful:

"Confirmed: What Now?" (2300-C). 10¢; 12 for \$1.

"You Are a Member of the Administrative Board" (2301-C). 10¢; 12 for \$1.

"You Are a Member of the Council on Ministries" (2302-C). 10¢; 12 for \$1.

"You Are a Member of a Work Area" (2303-C). 10¢; 12 for \$1.

"You Are a Member of an Age-Level Family Life Council" (2304-C). 10¢; 12 for \$1.

All the above materials may be ordered from: Service Department, Board of Education, P. O. Box 871, Nashville, Tenn. 37202.

There are at least three administrative committees in each local church that should be meeting in the very near future: The Pastor-Parish Relations Committee, the Trustees, and the Committee on Nominations and Personnel. Manuals are available for each of these three committees from the General Board of the Laity, Section on Lay Ministries, 1200 Davis Street, Evanston, Illinois 60201.

No. 709 **MANUAL FOR PASTOR-PARISH RELATIONS COMMITTEE.** Every member of this key committee should carefully study this manual because The Discipline gives them very broad responsibility. 35¢ each; \$2.80 per 10.

No. 712 **MANUAL FOR THE TRUSTEES.** This committee of the Administrative Board has powers defined by the Discipline. A study of this material is a must for all con-

scientious Trustees. 35¢ each; \$2.80 per 10.

No. 717 **MANUAL FOR THE COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS AND PERSONNEL.** This committee is the key and door to the assignment and use of all volunteer workers in the church. A review of the help it gives should be a responsibility of the committee early in the year. 35¢ each; \$3 per 10.

The work of the three committees listed above is vital to the effective work of a local church. Adequate materials should be secured and the work done. Other manuals published by the Board of Laity (address given above) which should prove helpful are:

No. 700 **MANUAL FOR THE LOCAL CHURCH LAY LEADER.**

Get two copies, one for the elected lay leader and one for the pastor. They use this material to help in developing their team responsibilities. 35¢ each; \$3 per 10.

No. 773 **SET FREE TO MINISTER.** Reprint of the section relating to the local church program, structure and mission. Originally appeared in "The Methodist Story - Spotlight."

We are most fortunate in the United Methodist Church in the splendid literature which is available. Use that which helps you most in your local situation.

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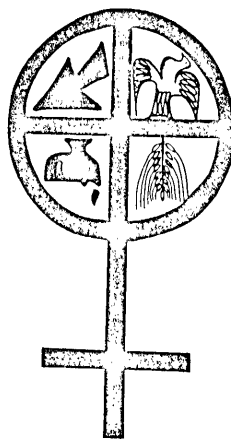
DATES TO REMEMBER

Ministers' Week, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Feb. 7-10.

Mid-Year Board Meetings, Little Rock Conference, First Church, Little Rock, Feb. 15-16.

Mid-Year Board Meetings, North Arkansas Conference, Gardner Memorial Church, North Little Rock, Feb. 15-16.

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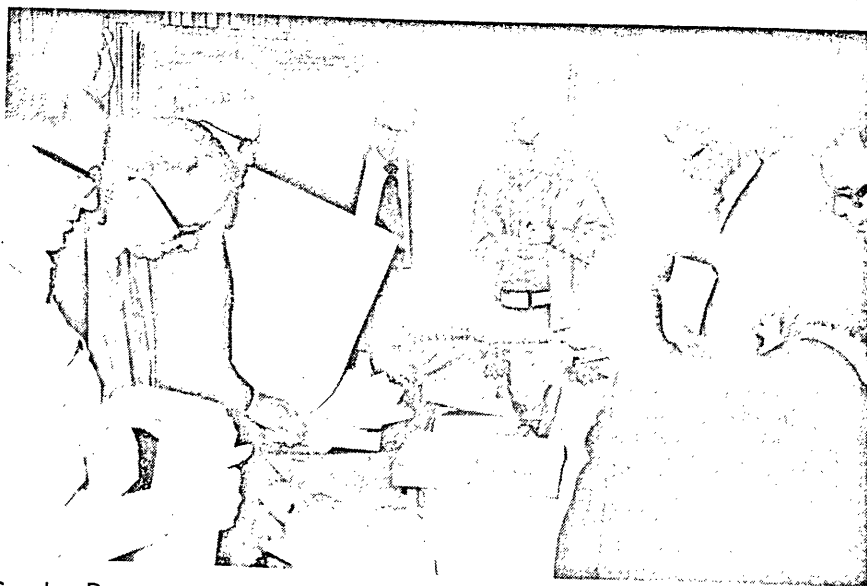
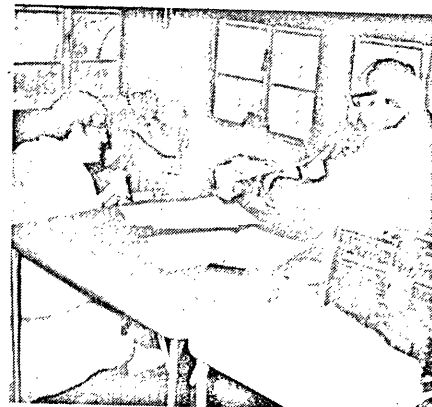
Symbol designed to give emphasis to Camden District's current "Venture in Commitment and Communion." (Inadvertently printed "upside down" in last week's METHODIST). The lamp represents the "preparation" phase; the dove, "proclamation"; the spike of wheat, "communion" of laity and ministers from across the district as they join in the effort; the arrow, "penetration" — or resultant commitment and faith to be expressed in life's situations. The symbol was designed by the Rev. Fred Haustein, Marysville pastor.



The Rev. George Tanner (left), pastor of Fairview Church, Camden, was chairman for a District Pastors' Retreat held Jan. 17 at the cabin of Dr. John Wilson of Magnolia. The Rev. Fred H. Haustein (standing) makes response to a paper presented by Tanner on "Reflections on Our Life Situation." The Revs. Howard L. Williams and Allen Bonsall were co-hosts for the event.



ABOVE: the Revs. James Robken (left) and Robert Ekberg in lunch hour discussion. RIGHT (from left): the Revs. David Prothro, Gladwin Connell and Alvin C. Murray in "corner conversation" during Camden District Ministers' Retreat.



Camden District pastors' retreat group studies resource materials for "Venture in Commitment and Communion." The entire district with the exception of six charges is taking part in the endeavor. Dr. Roy Bagley is district superintendent.



Committee from Little Rock Conference in Jan. 15 session at First Church, Arkadelphia finalize plans for Arts and Crafts Festival to be held May 22-25 at First United Methodist Church in Little Rock. FROM LEFT: Mrs. W. N. Hargrove of Stuttgart, chairman; Mrs. John Prothro, Emmett; Mrs. John Simpson, Stuttgart; Mrs. Kelley Oliver and Dr. Oliver, Arkadelphia; Mrs. John L. Tucker, Little Rock Conference director of Children's Work; Mrs. N. J. Garrett, Crossett; Mrs. David Hankins, Arkadelphia; Mrs. Ann Allin, Crossett; Mrs. Vicki Allen, Conway; (other members of committee are Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Reck of Little Rock). Information concerning the conference-wide festival may be obtained from the Little Rock Conference Program Council office, 715 Center Street, Little Rock.

NEWS and NOTES

HENDRICKS HILLS United Methodist Men heard Fort Smith District Superintendent Charles McDonald speak at the January 19 supper meeting. The Rev. C. Waymon Hollis was host pastor.

STUDENT SPEAKERS in First Church, Searcy, on Sunday morning, December 26, were Dan Wiseman, who attends Arkansas State University at Jonesboro, and Lu Hardin, student at Arkansas Tech, Russellville. Dr. Charles Richards is the pastor.

THE REV. AUBRA HAYS, recently appointed minister of the Monette-Macey United Methodist Church, was honored Sunday night, January 15 with a get acquainted supper at the Monette church. After the meal, Bro. Hays was presented with a money tree, a clever creation of Mrs. Tom Watson. The tree was presented by Russell Strickland, Board chairman, and David Watson, UMYF president. A large turnout welcomed the pastor despite frigid weather.

THE HELENA Work Area on Missions sponsored the Family Night program in First United Methodist Church, January 16. Following the supper, the Rev. and Mrs. Ed Matthews of Pine Bluff were presented. As former missionaries to Africa, they spoke on the program theme "The New Generations in Africa." The Rev. Jim Beal, host pastor, is married to Ed Matthews' sister, Mauzel.

P. K. KORNER

RICHARD CLINE HIGHTOWER, II, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Hightower of Branson, Missouri, on January 15. The Rev. and Mrs. William Hightower of the Paris United Methodist Church are the grandparents.

DEBBIE ERNEST, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Lewis Ernest of Grace Church, Searcy, is a member of The Lassies, a singing group from Arkansas College, Batesville, who are on a thirty day USO tour of the Caribbean Command. They are entertaining troops stationed at Panama, San Salvador, Antigua, Puerto Rico, and Guantanamo Bay. Debbie is a senior music major at Arkansas College and is director of the Chancel Choir and evening organist at First United Methodist Church in Batesville.

A SON WAS BORN to the Rev. and Mrs. Winston Roden of Village, Arkansas, (Camden District) on January 15. Winston Christopher is their first child.

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MISS MILDRED OSMENT is directing the study of "New Machines and New Humanities" in the Huntington Avenue United Methodist Church at Jonesboro. Classes are being held on Sunday evenings, Jan. 16, 23 and 30.

MRS. JUNE SMEDLEY of Fountain Lake was guest speaker in the Morning Star and Tigert Memorial United Methodist Churches on Sunday morning, January 16. Her subject concerned prayer and lay witnessing. The Rev. Robert E. Woody was host pastor.

THE JONESBORO MINISTERIAL Alliance elected the Rev. Worth Gibson, pastor of First United Methodist Church, as president. Other officers are the Rev. M. J. Jones of Carter Temple C.M.E. Church, vice-president; the Rev. Derrell Whitehurst of Walnut Street Baptist Church, secretary-treasurer; and the Rev. Ernest B. Smith, First Presbyterian Church, radio devotions chairman.

THE MT. MAGAZINE Sub-District UMYF met at First Church, Paris, on Monday night, Jan. 10. Churches represented were Charleston, Moore's Chapel, Pioneer Memorial, Paris, and Magazine, which will be host to the next meeting, Feb. 14. The Paris UMYF, of which Jim Reynolds is president, presented the program. The Rev. William Hightower was host pastor.

BOY SCOUT JOE BIRDWELL has begun work in the God and Country program under the leadership of the College Hill Church pastor, the Rev. Carl E. Beard. College Hill Methodists, in Texarkana, sponsor a Scout troop. Phillip Burkhalter, chief deputy sheriff of Miller County, is serving as Scoutmaster.

THE SEEKERS CLASS of the First United Methodist Church of Eureka Springs has begun the course "Worship and Church Renewal." This course is one of several being offered by Perkins School of Theology at the post-graduate level to pastors and concerned laymen. The pastor is the Rev. DuBois Pettit.

GEORGE KELL, former major league baseball player, was the speaker at the January 6 supper meeting of Cleburne County United Methodist Men in First Church, Heber Springs. Dr. Roy Duncan is president of the county group which meets four times each year.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE pins were presented in the Elaine United Methodist Church to Rita Ann Johnson, who had five years perfect attendance, and to Miki Williamson, with two years perfect attendance. Their names were omitted from the list of nine awards given when their pictures were recently printed in this paper.

THE REV. GENE EFIRD, director of the Release Guidance Foundation with headquarters in Little Rock, was the speaker for the senior high youth group in Winfield United Methodist Church, January 16. Dr. J. Edward Dunlap is the Winfield pastor.

THE HEBER SPRINGS church-wide mission study is being held on Sunday evenings of January. Leaders of the adult group concerning "New Machines and the New Humanities" are Paul Huenefeld, Jan. 9, Mrs. John Moose, Jan. 16, and the Rev. Bill Womack, pastor on Jan. 23. At the final session, Jan. 30, senior high youth will present the drama "The Second Coming of Mrs. C," directed by Carl Barker. Dr. Bill Wells is leading the 8th and 9th graders; Mrs. Tom Olmstead has the 6th and 7th grades; Mrs. Roger Hamilton has the lower grades.

THE DeQUEEN Church Letter, "The Evangel," reported that the Andy Fowler family returned to their mission field in Malaysia on January 6, following a year's furlough. Their work is supported in part by the DeQueen United Methodist Church of which the Rev. David B. Wilson is pastor.

GUEST SPEAKER at the Searcy First Church annual study on Sunday evening, January 9, was Dr. A. R. Brown, Searcy physician who lived with his family as medical missionaries in Northern Rhodesia for nine years. His subject was "Should Population Be Controlled?", exploring the effects of the rapidly expanding technology on man's life and faith. Dr. Charles Richards was host pastor.

MIDLAND HEIGHTS CHURCH of Fort Smith held the annual Family Supper on Tuesday, January 18. Guest speaker was the Rev. Jon Guthrie, former missionary to the Congo, now serving as minister to students at Hendrix College, Conway. The event is sponsored annually by the Women's Society of Christian Service and the Wesleyan Service Guild. The Rev. Pryor Cruce is pastor.

ST. CHARLES United Methodist Church is now sponsoring a Boy Scouts of America program under the leadership of the Rev. Billy W. A. McLean, pastor, and Rick Fallis, district scout executive. Mr. McLean is currently serving as the Webelos Scout Leader and the Cub Scout Master, Pack 393. Mrs. Jane Dupslaff is assistant den mother and Mrs. Nila McLean, minister's wife, is Den Mother Coach. At a recent Pack Meeting, to which the public was invited, the program was a skit, songs and awards. Additionally, the Pack received two embossed United States flags from the Woodmen of the World, presented by James C. Hall, state manager from Little Rock.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

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.

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| Jan. 30—Sun. | II Chron. 6:14-21 |
| Jan. 31 | Prov. 3:13-20 |
| Feb. 1 | Rom. 15:8-13 |
| Feb. 2 | II Cor. 1:18-22 |
| Feb. 3 | Col. 1:1-10 |
| Feb. 4 | I Thessa. 1:2-10 |
| Feb. 5 | I Thessa. 2:13-20 |
| Feb. 6—Sunday | Deut. 6:3-15 |

TO HOPE DISTRICT CHURCHES:

We, Mary and Connie Robbins, wish to express our thanks and appreciation for all your prayers and gifts in our time of need and sickness. Our doctor tells us that recovery is coming along very satisfactorily. May God bless each of you this year of 1972.

Connie A. Robbins, pastor of the Springhill Charge, and Mary.

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JOHN A. WILCHER, ministerial student from the University of Arkansas, delivered the sermon at Westside United Methodist Church of Camden on January 9. The Rev. Marion Miller is pastor.

MRS. WAPLE LANGSTON, president of the Women's Society at Carr Memorial in Pine Bluff, announces the formation of three new circles. This brings the total to seven circles. The Rev. Carl Matthew is the minister.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH of Grace United Methodist Church in Searcy presented "The Christmas Story" under the direction of Earl Webb. Narrators were Danny Townsend and Greg Webb. Soloists were Debbie Ernest and Earl Webb. The Rev. Lewis Ernest is pastor.

COLLEGE HILL CHURCH of Texarkana observed Student Recognition Day on December 26. Those who took part in the worship services were: Chrys Culberson, Mike Williamson, Joe Birdwell, Penny Stewart, Nancy Wright, Kaye Douglass and Billy Elam. The Rev. Carl E. Beard is pastor.

200 NEW TESTAMENTS were recently given away by members of First United Methodist Church in Helena. The distributions were made house to house, as well as at super-market parking lots, laundry mats, and from sidewalks. The Rev. Jim Beal is the Helena pastor.

"A LAYMAN'S BIGGEST JOB" was the subject when Shad Medlin of the El Dorado First Baptist Church led the program in First United Methodist Church at the men's supper meeting. Harold Smith is the new president of the group. Dr. Alvin Murray is their pastor.

JANUARY 27, 1972

WOMEN TRAIN TO TACKLE ISSUES

WASHINGTON, D.C. (UMI) — Small groups of United Methodist women from throughout the nation will spend nearly a week here in January, February and March acquiring skills to help them tackle a variety of social issues in their local communities.

The National Legislative Training Events, as the sessions are called, will be conducted by the Washington office of the Women's Division of the United Methodist Board of Missions, in cooperation with the Washington Study Program of the United Methodist Board of Christian Social Concerns. For the most part, participants will be Christian Social Relations chairmen, or other representatives, of the denomination's Wesleyan Service Guilds and Women's Societies of Christian Service. The Women's Division authorized the seminars.

Early last fall, women leaders in the church were polled as to social problems they were most concerned with and on which they feel they need help. Problems related to drug misuse were ranked at the top by women responding. Next in order they rated questions of welfare reform, ending the Vietnam war, and ecology and pollution issues. Accordingly, the training events are planned to focus on these concerns.

Two women from each United Methodist annual conference throughout the country are to be selected by the executive committee of the conference Society and Guild to participate in the meetings. Sessions will be geographically arranged, with women from the same region attending the same training event.

The seminars begin with the one for Pacific Region women Jan. 25-28, and continue as follows: Midwest Region, Feb. 8-11; Upper Atlantic Region, Feb. 15-18; West Gulf Region, March 6-9; South Atlantic Region, March 27-30.

Joyce Hamlin, Women's Division secretary for Legislative Affairs and Welfare who is coordinating the training events, said a key feature would be an attempt to acquaint women with work of groups such as the League of Women Voters, the YWCA and Church Women United. Development of such ties, Ms. Hamlin pointed out, will help women carry out more effectively their concerns when they return to local communities. Training event schedules are designed to include visits to and conferences with Federal agencies, Congressmen and Senators, community action groups and "citizens' lobbies" (such as Common Cause), Ms. Hamlin said.

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MRS. W. W. ESTES was recently presented a Special Membership by the Corning Women's Society.

THE PRAYER CALENDAR, printed by the Board of Missions of the United Methodist Church, has listed for special prayers on Jan. 28 the "Hot Springs Area Church and Community Work". This mission project is directed by Mrs. Grace Dwyer, church and community worker of the National Board of Missions.

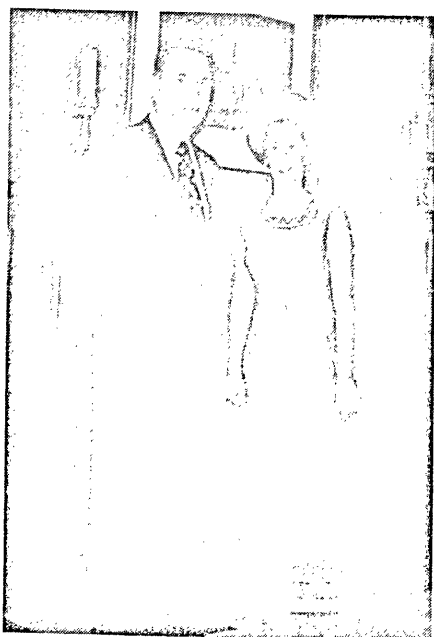
IN A SERVICE HONORING new members of the church and others at the Fisher Street United Methodist Church in Jonesboro, the following were given a special membership in the Women's Society of Christian Service: Mrs. George L. McGhehey, Mrs. Hattie Beard and Mrs. Warren Allison. Baby life memberships were given to Kim Anderson, Kristy Anderson, Nancy Anderson, Cris Hedger and Stephen Smith. The Rev. Pharis Holifield is the pastor.

THE AUGUSTA WSCS and WSG held a joint supper meeting on January 6. Guest speaker was Mrs. James Nix of Brinkley, WSCS treasurer of the North Arkansas Conference and spiritual growth chairman of the Forrest City District.

GUEST SPEAKER at the January 10 meeting of the Wiggins Memorial Women's Society was Mrs. Mary Margaret Crumpler, president of the North Arkansas Women's Society of Christian Service.

THE DEQUEEN WSCS presented Special Memberships to Mrs. Patsy Collins and Mrs. Charlotte Chadburn. New officers were installed by Mrs. John Prothro of Horatio. Mrs. W. R. Putty is president at DeQueen and Mrs. Dick Morris is vice-president.

AT BLYTHEVILLE, Mrs. O. E. Quellmalz, spiritual growth chairman, led the Quiet Day service in First Church, Jan. 2. Mrs. James E. Ross, new president, led the business session at which time new circle lists were read. Mrs. C. E. Moseley, Jr., vice-president, closed the meeting with the pledge service.



Mr. and Mrs. Allen Nixon, above, were hosts at a party for Jonesboro First Church members following the bus tour during the Christmas season. Above, right: Kenny Swindle, the Rev. George McGhehey, the Rev. Worth Gibson and Mrs. Damon Mathis. Right, below: Mrs. Audrey Adams, Van Nixon, Santa Claus, and Mrs. W. W. Mills.

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT AND WIFE ENTERTAIN

Dr. and Mrs. Ethan Dodgen entertained friends from throughout the Forrest City District with an open house at First United Methodist Church in Forrest City on December 31, 1971.

Arriving guests, thinking they were just coming to visit with the Dodgen's children and grandchildren, were surprised to learn that the party was planned in celebration of Dr. and Mrs. Dodgen's 40th Wedding Anniversary. Mrs. Dodgen was wearing the wedding dress she had worn at her nuptials in Welsh, Louisiana.

Special out-of-town guests attending the open house were their children and grandchildren: Dr. and Mrs. John Dodgen and their four children all of La Mesa, California; Mr. and Mrs. Lucas Cochran and three children from New Orleans; and Mr. and Mrs. Victor Johnson and two children from Benicia, California.

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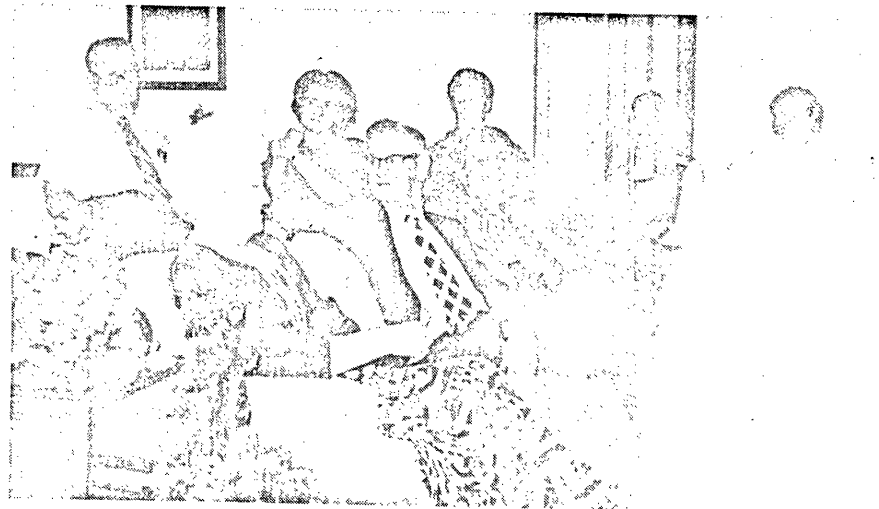
CHURCH WOMEN UNITED SCHEDULE ANNUAL MEETINGS

Pine Bluff Church Women United will be on Friday, January 28, at 9:15 a.m., in Gallagher Hall, 633 Laurel. Mrs. Charles Marlo will preside.

THE HOT SPRINGS Area Church Women United will meet on Monday morning, Jan. 31, at the Roanoke Baptist Church, 315 Whittington Street, at 10 o'clock.

THE CENTRAL ARKANSAS unit of Church Women United will meet on Monday, January 31, in Mabelvale United Methodist Church on Mabelvale Road. The speaker will be Hurley Jones, executive director of the Arkansas Service Organization. Mrs. Fred Walker will preside. Officers will be elected.

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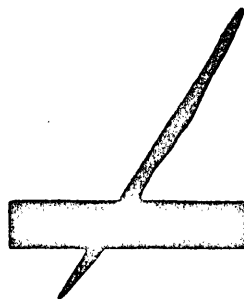


At Jonesboro, a party for staff members of First United Methodist Church was held at the parsonage, hosted by the Rev. and Mrs. Worth Gibson. Some of the group are shown above.



The Sunday School Lesson

By: Alfred A. Knox



LESSON FOR FEBRUARY 6: Christ in the City

BACKGROUND SCRIPTURE: Luke 13:31-35; 19:28-48.

MEMORY SELECTION: O Jerusalem, killing the prophets and stoning those who are sent to you! How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you would not! (Luke 13:34).

AIM OF THE LESSON: To focus attention on our urban communities and their problems and challenge persons to minister to them in Christ's name.

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Many artists have undertaken the challenge of securing the emotions involved in our memory selection for today. The heartbreak it represents has reflected the depth of the character of Jesus. Although a large part of his ministry was spent in the open country and the smaller towns along the Sea of Galilee, the climactic events centered in the city of Jerusalem during the Passover week in which he met his death.

Just as those artists have undertaken to reflect what was in the heart and mind of our Lord in that principal city of his day, so others are emphasizing for us the rapidly changing cities of our day and the challenges they deliver to the church and many of our other institutions. The urban problems of our day are occupying much of the attention of leaders in every walk of life.

Since Christians are concerned with reaching as many people as they can for Christ, it would seem that the most effective programs of evangelism would be taking place at the heart of our largest cities. There are a few innovative programs being effectively carried on by some of our downtown churches, and many suburban churches are being challenged to enter into teamwork arrangements with them. However, it has been increasingly difficult for us to look at the cities and develop a strategy that will be effective in our ministry there. The disciples must have been enthusiastic as they came to the great city of Jerusalem. They were confident that Jesus would be well received there, but they were to discover that a superficial welcome at the time of the triumphal entry soon was transformed into hostility.

Modern city life has so many hostile aspects that human beings are finding it hard to maintain life there. We are almost overwhelmed by the environmental problems — pollution, overcrowding, crime in the streets and in the parks. The training of ministers for leadership in the urban community is one of the challenging priorities in every theological seminary. At the same time serious efforts are being made to retrain ministers already in service in all our churches so that they can look at the city with its problems and not be driven to despair.

As one writer says: "Apartment living has made more and more city dwellers almost inaccessible to the gospel witness. Week-ending to get away from the city is emptying pews. Perhaps never in recent times has it been so difficult for Christ to invade the cities."

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JESUS' LONGING FOR THE CITY

Travel in your mind with Jesus and his party as they come at last to Jerusalem. They had recently been in the territory across the Jordan where some friendly Pharisees had warned him that Herod planned to kill him. Jesus referred to Herod as "that fox" and then declared that he could not meet his death in that region because his work was in-

complete. In Luke 13:33 Jesus says: "It cannot be that a prophet should perish away from Jerusalem." He is referring to the many prophets who had been killed there and to the similar fate that he knew was ahead for him.

The gospels of Luke, Matthew, and Mark all are agreed that Jesus did not come to Jerusalem at any time in his ministry except at the very end. The gospel of John on the other hand has the experiences in Jerusalem scattered throughout its pages, but this writer was not as careful in his chronological arrangement. He also devoted a great portion of his book to the events of the last week.

As the party rounded the southern slope of the Mount of Olives, which lay just east of Jerusalem, they saw beneath them the central city of Jewish life. They recalled the great works which they had already seen their leader perform, and they were confident that still greater things were ahead within the city.

In 1968 it was my privilege to visit Israel, and I was so glad that we entered Jerusalem in the evening and went immediately to our hotel on the top of the Mount of Olives. This meant that my first glimpse of the city was from that elevation as the morning light arrived. It was a soul-stirring vista that stretched out below us, and I remember that someone quoted our memory selection for today. That city remains a center of great problems, part of it an Arab city occupied by Israeli troops, and a hotbed of problems for all concerned.

Although the disciples rejoiced at seeing the city, Jesus wept. He knew that the leaders there would not recognize his message and his ministry. The word Jerusalem means "city of peace," and it was a comment on this name when he said, "Would that even today you knew the things that make for peace." As others have characterized our urban centers as "the secular cities," so Jesus saw beyond the Temple to the corrupt leadership and the spiritual pollution that existed there.

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THE ENTRY INTO THE CITY

Jesus and his party moved into the city after careful preparation. He arranged for a colt to be made available for his entry. This was a very dramatic event as he prepared to enact one of the Old Testament prophecies (Zech. 9:9). Dr. Paul Scherer calls this event "God's pageant" in the Interpreter's Bible. He says: "It was a pageant, but it was God's kind; a procession at once splendid and dreary. It was something to rejoice over and something to mourn about. Like life itself. See from the first both the highlights and the shadows. Jesus, flicked off like a speck of dust by the decent people who had lionized him for a while."

Some commentators think that many of those who threw their garments in the street on the occasion of the triumphal entry had traveled with Jesus from Galilee to Jerusalem. This was a time of pilgrimage, and most of the multitude was from outside the city. The word quickly got around that the long-expected Messiah had come, and the pent-up expectancy of centuries was released in a few moments.

In verses 39 and 40 of Luke 19 we read of the criticism that resulted from this enthusiasm. Enthusiasm has always produced a negative response from religious leaders who are established in their ways. The Pharisees expressed their disapproval and called on Jesus to silence his excited followers. One writer says: "Prevented by their unbelief from sharing the joy of that glorious moment, they took the ominous course of suppression. But Jesus would not suppress truth. The occasion was so fraught with eternal significance that, if he had muted the praise

of men, the very stones would have taken up their cry."

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THE CONFRONTATION IN THE CITY

Soon after Jesus came into the city he confronted the entrenched evil that was there. The Synoptic Gospels place the cleansing of the Temple early in this important week. Mark says that Jesus went to the Temple area on the day of the triumphal entry and saw some of the things that were going on there. He spent the night in Bethany, a little village on the Mount of Olives, returning the following day to take action against the desecrators.

The commerce that was going on in the Court of the Gentiles represented the grossest form of exploitation in the name of religion. According to Jewish sources the family of the high priest ran a lucrative business there. Pilgrims were forced to exchange the money they brought with them for the old Hebraic money that was acceptable for the payment of the temple tax. Here also they were required to purchase animals that were approved for the sacrifice. Even when they brought their own animals, they were forced to exchange them, paying an exorbitant premium for the official sanction.

It was because of these practices in the name of religion that Jesus described this bazaar as "a den of thieves," and overturned the tables of the money-changers and drove the animals out of the area.

Dr. Scherer comments on this event: "There is much that may be quite crude and overt, but much that may be so unbelievably subtle as for years to go unnoticed, about the process by which a holy place is profaned, turned into a bargain counter where peace of mind and health of body and very heaven itself are marked down at cut rates." I recall a newspaper advertisement of several years ago that offered little crosses at "bargain rates."

Many forms of economic exploitation are found in today's congested cities, and so much of the opposition to some of the innovative forms of ministry and service come from those who have an economic stake in the preservation of the status quo.

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THE THINGS THAT MAKE FOR PEACE

We have noted that one of the things about Jerusalem which made Jesus sad was their callousness about the "things that make for peace." Living in a city the name of which meant "peace," these people were so near to their problems that they could not see the forces that were destroying them.

Dr. Charles M. Laymon points out in The International Lesson Annual that "peace in a city or any other places does not happen by itself. It has its own recipe and ingredients that must be blended."

In most of America's cities, and in smaller communities as well, sincere people are hard at work seeking to discover ways of removing those economic and social barriers to human understanding and peace. We should all be concerned with what they are doing, and in every possible way become a part of it.

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JESUS SAW THE FATE OF JERUSALEM

We read in verses 43 and 44, "For the days shall come upon you when your enemies will cast up a bank about you and surround you, and hem you in on every side, and dash you to the ground, you and your children within you, and they will not leave one stone upon another in you; because you did not know the time of your visitation."

The accuracy of this description of the fall of Jerusalem to Roman armies in 70 A.D. has caused some scholars to suggest that they were written after that time. The city and the Temple were completely destroyed, thousands of inhabitants were killed, and many more were taken away into slavery. The Temple was not rebuilt, and today the only reminder of its former glory is the West Wall or Wailing Wall where Jews gather to mourn its former greatness.

Surely we are discerning enough to see that some of the great cities of our nation have faced destruction in recent years, and out of these times of tension have come some progressive steps that have put an end to this kind of reaction. Much more remains to be done, and the church is seeking to become involved in working out the solution to the problems of the modern city.

Schedule for 78 United Methodist Conferences announced

EVANSTON, Ill. (UMI)—The 1972 series of United Methodist annual conferences will begin Feb. 2 in Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico, and conclude June 27 in Louisville, Ky., according to a schedule prepared by the Council on World Service and Finance Department of Records here.

With the exception of the Puerto Rico session, all 78 meetings will be held in mid-to-late May and June. For at least half of the conference 1972 will mark the final session under present episcopal leadership as 17 bishops plan retirement in July, and still others may be assigned to different areas by the jurisdictional conferences.

The complete schedule, by jurisdiction, includes:

NORTH CENTRAL

Central Illinois, June 7-11 at Decatur
Detroit, June 3-7 at Adrian, Mich.
East Ohio, June 19-23 at Lakeside
Iowa, June 9-13 at Des Moines
Minnesota, June 12-15 at Northfield
North Dakota, June 3-7 at Bismarck
North Indiana, May 25-28 at W. Lafayette
Northern Illinois, June 4-8 at DeKalb
South Dakota, June 10-14 at Mitchell
South Indiana, June 6-9 at Bloomington
Southern Illinois, May 31-June 4 at Lebanon
West Michigan, June 14-17 at Albion
West Ohio, June 11-15 at Lakeside
Wisconsin, June 8-11 at Green Lake.

NORTHEASTERN

Baltimore, May 24-27 at Washington, D. C.
Central New York, June 8-10 at Ithaca
Central Pennsylvania, June 14-17 at Selinsgrove

Eastern Pennsylvania, June 13-16 at Reading
Maine, June 13-16 at Waterville
New Hampshire, May 11-14 at Keene
New York, June 22-24 at Bridgeport, Conn.
Northern New Jersey, June 4-7 at Madison
Northern New York, May 17-20 at Ilion
Peninsula, May 30-June 2 at Dover, Del.
Puerto Rico, February 2-6 at Rio Piedras
Southern New England, June 8-11 at Wellesley, Mass.
Southern New Jersey, June 12-15 at Ocean City
Troy, May 18-21 at Poultney, Vt.
West Virginia, June 7-11 at Buckhannon
Western New York, June 13-16 at North Chili
Western Pennsylvania, June 13-17 at Grove City
Wyoming, June 21-25 at Scranton, Pa.

SOUTH CENTRAL

Central Texas, June 4-6 at Ft. Worth
Kansas East, June 9-12 at Baldwin City
Kansas West, May 31-June 2 at Wichita
Little Rock, May 22-25 at Little Rock, Ark.
Louisiana, June 5-9 at Shreveport
Missouri East, June 2-5 at Fayette
Missouri West, May 23-25 at Fayette
Nebraska, June 1-4 at Lincoln
New Mexico, May 22-25 at Glorieta
North Arkansas, May 29-June 1 at Ft. Smith
North Texas, May 28-30 at Dallas
Northwest Texas, May 29-June 1 at Lubbock
Oklahoma, May 31-June 2 at Oklahoma City
Oklahoma Indian Mission, June 8-11 at Antlers
Rio Grande, June 2-5 at San Antonio
Southwest, June 5-8 at Little Rock, Ark.
Southwest Texas, May 29-June 1 at San Antonio
Texas, May 29-June 1 at Houston.

SOUTHEASTERN

Alabama-West Florida, May 30-June 2 at Montgomery, Ala.
Central Alabama, June 14-17 at Birmingham
Florida, June 6-9 at Lakeland
Holston, June 11-15 at Knoxville, Tenn.
Kentucky, June 7-11 at Morehead
Louisville, June 23-27 at Louisville, Ky.
Memphis, May 31-June 3 at Jackson, Tenn.
Mississippi, June 15-18 at Jackson
Mississippi (former CJ), June 1-4 at Waveland
North Alabama, June 5-8 at Birmingham
North Carolina, June 5-8 at Durham
North Georgia, June 19-23 at Atlanta
North Mississippi, June 8-11 at Greenville
Red Bird Missionary, May 15-16 at Helton, Ky.
South Carolina '85, June 5-9 at Spartanburg
South Carolina '66, May 22-26 at Orangeburg
South Georgia, June 5-9 at Albany
Tennessee, June 20-23 at Cookeville
Upper Mississippi, May 25-28 at Louisville
Virginia, June 19-22 at Hampton
Western North Carolina, June 7-11 at Lake Junaluska.

WESTERN

Alaska Mission, May 30-June 1 at Anchorage
California-Nevada, June 7-11 at Stockton
Oregon-Idaho, June 6-9 at Salem, Ore.
Pacific Northwest, June 14-18 at Tacoma, Wash.
Rocky Mountain, June 19-22 at Durango, Colo.
Southern California-Arizona, June 19-23 at Redlands, Calif.
Yellowstone, June 12-16 at Great Falls, Mont.

the British scene



by the Rev. Leslie M. M. Timmins
Director of the
Churches' Television Centre,
British Isles

At home and abroad, Britain has problems. This week has been the moment when the threatened strike of coal miners has begun. It is more than a strike—it is a gesture which, so some people hope, will enable other unions to mount an industrial action attack on the Government's policy of industrial control of prices and incomes.

If the miners were to succeed in gaining what on the face of it is a totally unreasonable increase as against the Coal Board's offer of 2 pounds per week—in line with the Government seven or eight per cent—they would pave the way for other unions to break the system which is governing the economic situation. So there is more to this than meets the eye.

The difficulty is that there is an emotional overtone to the whole affair, and the strike call bears signs of this use of the fears and passions which colour an industry which has borne up so far in the context of automation. The fact is that it is likely

that users of fuel on an industrial level will turn to other alternatives to coal as a means of continuing. A settlement will help both sides, but the emotion in the situation does not bode well.

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MALTA

It is ironical that with the beginning of the series of large-scale television programmes about the rise and fall of the British Empire we should be facing the evacuation of Malta by British troops. The "George Cross Island" as it has been called has been a major base for the British, but the autocratic Mr. Mintoff of Malta has raised the price for British use of Malta as a base to such a high one that Britain plainly does not see it as a viable possibility.

Neither has the British Government any confidence in Mr. Mintoff as a politician—he has broken too many words already. In addition, when Britain was a world naval power with a large Mediterranean fleet Malta meant much more to us than it does now.

NATO, however, does not like a British withdrawal, and as I write, there is pressure for us to remain—or, more accurately, go back. But if we are to do that, Mr. Mintoff will have to face other negotiators than ourselves, who may find out how tricky he can be, and also NATO will have to bear some of the financial burden either in cash or aid.

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UNITY

The unity of Presbyterian and Congregationalist churches has added force to the need for a positive decision by the Church of England when it makes its final consideration of the Anglican-Methodist scheme in the Spring.

Further momentum is added by the fact that the Roman Catholics have also been talking seriously with the Anglicans, but even more important than these theological and organizational discussions is the fact that on the ground, where it matters, all kinds of shared building schemes, intercom-

munion moves, and joint acts of worship and witness are taking place.

Whatever may be the decision of the Church of England nothing can now stop this practical expression of the way Christians feel—history is bigger than organization, thank God.

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POETRY PANORAMA by barbara mulkey

"To talk with God, no breath is lost — talk on! To walk with God, no strength is lost — walk on! To wait on God, no time is lost — wait on!"
(Dnyanodaya)

Cadence of the Season

With poise
Of timeless grace,
The placid snow descends . . .
To hesitate, and hush the
hour with peace.

—by Cloe Sorrels

Winter Sundown

The weary, waning Day has paused to sigh,
And call to mind the hours that she has wrought;
Then in the glory of her final breath
She turns to pay her homage to the Sun.

The Sun, resplendent 'gainst the western sky,
Calls down an ageless panoply of light;
And feathered, golden clouds are made to rest
On tender silhouette of oak and elm.

The golden altar fire is slowly quenched;
Then, drawing up from out the Eastern sky
The soothing, sable coverlet of Night,
A transient day retires to endless sleep.

—by Charles A. Stuck

United Methodists invited to petition General Conference

LOS ANGELES (UMI) — Instructions for filing petitions to the United Methodist Church's 1972 General Conference have been issued by Dr. J. Wesley Hole of Los Angeles, secretary of the General Conference.

The 1972 General Conference, the church's law-making body, will open in Atlanta, Georgia, April 16.

Dr. Hole stated that as of mid-January he had received less than 1,000 petitions, but he indicated that before the last General Conference perhaps two-thirds of the total number of petitions came in during the last week before the deadline.

He emphasized that any organization, minister or lay member of the church may send petitions to the General Conference, but that all such documents must indicate the local church to which the signer or signers belong.

In his instructions, Dr. Hole asks that all petitions be directed to the petitions secretary of his General Conference staff, the Rev. Newell P. Knudson, Box 359, Tracy, California 95376.

Dr. Hole asked that the specific regulations in Paragraph 609 of the **Book of Discipline** be followed in fil-

ing petitions:

1. All petitions must be filed not later than March 16, 1972 (30 days prior to the opening of the conference session) except from organizations and members overseas and from annual conferences meeting within 30 days before the General Conference. In any event, no petition shall be received after the opening of the General Conference.

2. Three copies of each petition shall be furnished. 8½x11 inch paper should be used.

3. Each petition shall deal with only one subject.

4. If the petition is one of a series, each petition shall be written on a separate sheet.

5. Petitions shall be addressed "To the Membership of the General Conference."

All petitions must be properly signed for identification and mailed to

The Rev. Newell P. Knudson
Petitions Secretary,
General Conference
Box 359
Tracy, California 95376

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Black College Study Commission will report to 1972 G.C.

WASHINGTON, D.C. (UMI)—A 17-member Commission appointed in 1968 to study the 12 black colleges related to the United Methodist Church will recommend to the top-legislative body of the denomination in April that it help finance the schools with \$6,000,000 each year of the 1972-76 quadrennium.

Findings and recommendations of the study were released here Jan. 17 at a press conference prior to a meeting of the Commission. Speaking on behalf of the group at the press conference were Dr. John T. King, president of Huston-Tillotson College, Austin, Tex., and Dr. Myron F. Wicke, Nashville, Tenn., general secretary of the United Methodist Board of Education's Division of Higher Education.

A basic assumption of the entire report, according to Dr. King, is that "strengthening the black colleges is a first priority of the United Methodist Church today."

Declaring that "a pledge of the future is empty hypocrisy without a pledge of our substance," the report asks the United Methodist Church to create a fund of \$5,000,000 annually during the quadrennium for educational and general expenditures and \$1,000,000 annually for capital improvements.

The Commission will ask the General Conference meeting in Atlanta this April to raise the funds centrally, as a part of the denomination's World Service budget, or by a percentage apportionment upon all United Methodist churches, or by a combination of the two.

Specifically dealing with rationale, location and size, students and studies, faculty, governance, and finance, the report says "black colleges are necessary for stable black progress, but they must become first rate in every respect."

The Commission is also recommending that a 15-member "Continuing Commission" on the black colleges be established for the 1972-76 quadrennium to study the problems examined in the 1972 report and that a "full-scale" report with recommendations be presented to the 1976 General Conference. The Commission asked that the Continuing Commission give special attention to finance, location, and possibility of merger, church relationship, and governance.

While some United Methodists expected the present Commission to make recommendations regarding closing or merging some of the colleges, the Commission declined, saying 1972 was not the time to discuss merger except as initiated by a specific college board of trustees. "On the other hand, a quite different conclusion may be indicated in 1976", the Commission said.

Dr. King said the Commission report is based on findings from two primary sources: a study of the 12 United Methodist schools made by Dillard University sociologist Dr. Daniel C. Thompson and three associates funded by a Ford Foundation grant of \$68,500, and a report of 105 black colleges and universities in the United States made by the Carnegie Commission on Higher Education.

Youth Assignments Shifted

DAYTON, Ohio (UMI) — Several staff shifts are taking place in the United Methodist Council on Youth Ministries (UMCYM) as a result of a recent meeting of that body.

Larry Jacobs and Gary Thomas, who have served since June on the Youth Service Fund staff in Nashville, Tenn., began work January 10 as youth associates in the Dayton UMCYM office. Steve Harding is leaving the Dayton post to take a job in the east. Scott Jones and George Dalrymple, both of Denver, Colo., will begin work in Nashville February 1 devoting full time to UMCYM plans for the 1972 General Conference.

The Commission reported several conclusions which made them delay recommendations on possible mergers, closings, or withdrawal of support:

1) "There are only 105 black colleges in the United States out of a total of nearly 2,500 colleges and universities. The number of black institutions is far from excessive.

2) "Mergers among United Methodist institutions may well be indicated in the future, but it is not possible to deal with relative strength of institutions until for a few years at least each institution is properly supported.

3) "When a black college is closed, the black community in which it is located suffers a severe loss, both economically and psychologically."

The Commission also is recommending that each college begin at once a reexamination of its board of trustees with reference to size, composition, and method of selection and that each college recommend by January, 1973, a plan for increasing its enrollment to a minimum of 1,000 students over a five year period.

The 1,000 student enrollment figure recommended by the Carnegie report was accepted as a minimum by the Commission as necessary for a college to operate at an "economical and creative level."

The 12 United Methodist colleges with a combined student population



Dr. Ewing T. Wayland, above, editor of Arkansas/Louisiana Methodist from 1957-1960 and more recently editorial director of *Together* and *Christian Advocate*, began new duties Jan. 1 as acting associate general secretary and comptroller of the United Methodist Council on World Service and Finance in Evanston, Ill. Dr. Wayland was editorial assistant for Arkansas/Louisiana Methodist from 1948-1957 while his father, Dr. Edward T. Wayland, was editor.

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of 9,000, include Meharry Medical College in Nashville, Tenn., and Morristown College, Morristown, Tenn., a two-year school. The others are four-year institutions: Bennett, Greensboro, N.C.; Bethune-Cookman, Daytona Beach, Fla.; Claflin, Orangeburg, S.C.; Clark, Atlanta, Ga.; Dillard, New Orleans, La.; Huston-Tillotson, Austin, Tex.; Paine, Augusta, Ga.; Philander Smith, Little Rock, Ark.; Rust, Holly Springs, Miss.; and Wiley, Marshall, Tex.

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CBS to feature United Methodism's McCurdy Mission School

NEW YORK (UMI) — A major United Methodist mission institution is featured in a CBS Television program scheduled for broadcast at 9 a.m. CST Sunday, Feb. 6. The program, entitled "Reconciliation," is part of the regular religion series, "Lamp Unto My Feet."

McCurdy School, Santa Cruz, N. M., is related to the National Division of the United Methodist Board of Missions. It is in a home mission complex comprising evangelistic, health, educational, recreational and other ministries serving a relatively large area in northern New Mexico.

The CBS Television program is designed to show how McCurdy and its graduates have been instrumental in bringing about understanding between people of many cultural backgrounds in the upper Rio Grande Valley. Es-

tablished in 1915, McCurdy provides elementary and secondary education for children of Spanish-American, Black, American Indian and Anglo parents. It has cooperative programs with a neighboring Roman Catholic school.

Dr. George Crothers is producer-host for CBS. Bruce Mosher, New York, is producer for TRAFCO (United Methodist Division of Television, Radio and Film Communication). The program had originally been tentatively scheduled for broadcast last November.

Mr. Dale Robinson is superintendent of McCurdy School, with the Rev. A. W. Pringle, principal of elementary grades and David Burgett principal of high school grades. The Rev. Richard Campbell is pastor of the Santa Cruz United Methodist Church.

Arkansas group returns from Mediterranean cruise

A group from Arkansas has just returned from an exotic cruise of the Mediterranean conducted by Dr. and Mrs. Earl Hughes of Forrest City. Tour members included Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Wood, Mrs. A. J. Moss and Mrs. C. B. Swartz of Little Rock; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Williams, Mrs. Small Morgan, Mrs. Rodney Wylds, Mrs. Earl Horton, and Mr. and Mrs. Oscie Hardie of Forrest City; Miss Leton C. Adams and Miss Vahntee V. Adams of Jonesboro; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cross and Mrs. Lelia Jordan of Prescott; the Rev. and Mrs. Joe Jerry Nichols, Mr. and Mrs. Hemengway and Mr. Bob Michaelis of Wheatley; and Mrs. Dorothy Smith of Tulsa, Oklahoma.

The group left Memphis by char-

tered Jet and after a short stop-over in Spain arrived on the Island of Cyprus where they boarded the luxury cruise ship MTS Orpheus. After a tour of Cyprus the ship sailed for Turkey where they visited Mersin, Tarsus, Antioch and Iskenderun. After leaving Turkey the ship arrived in Beirut, Lebanon for the group to tour the ancient temples of Baalbek and then to Damascus, Syria. After a short evening cruise the ship arrived at the port of Haifa in Israel. The tour of the Holy Land sites in Israel included Nazareth, the Sea of Galilee, Megiddo, Caesarea, Samaria, Jericho, Bethlehem, the Dead Sea, the Jordan River Valley and Jerusalem. The high point of the tour was a Sunday morning Worship Service in the Garden of Gethsemane.

After sailing back to Cyprus the group boarded their Jet for a short stop in Frankfurt, Germany before returning to Memphis.

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ARTICLE PUBLISHED BY DR. BROOKS HOLIFIELD

Dr. Brooks Holifield, assistant professor of American Church History at Candler School of Theology, Emory University, Ga., is the author of an article in the January issue of the publication **Methodist History**. The title of the article is "The English Methodist Responses to Darwin."

Dr. Holifield is a member of the North Arkansas Conference and is the son of the Rev. and Mrs. Elmer J. Holifield of that conference who now make their home in Little Rock.

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THE REV. CHARLES H. GIESSEN

The funeral service for the Rev. Charles Henry Giessen, 65, pastor of First United Methodist Church, Gueydan, La., was held on Jan. 19 at Noel Memorial United Methodist Church, Shreveport. Officiating were the Rev. Harvey Williamson, superintendent of the Lake Charles District, assisted by Dr. Sam Nader and Dr. Virgil Morris.

Burial was in Monticello, Ark.

A native of Cleveland, O., he was reared in Arkansas. He was a graduate of Hendrix College and of Duke Divinity School. He was a member of the Little Rock Annual Conference for a number of years before transferring to the Louisiana Annual Conference in 1954.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Thelma Fish Giessen; two sons, C. Henry Giessen, Jr. of Shreveport, La., and Paul D. of Gueydan, La.; one daughter, Mrs. Helen Giessen Burson of Houston, Tex.; and two granddaughters.

The family requested that memorials be sent to Centenary College in Shreveport.

Pallbearers were Dr. Jack Cooke, the Rev. Robert E. Taylor, the Rev. K. G. Rorie, the Rev. Garland Dean, Cecil E. Bland, Jr. and John Hardt.

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News in Brief

Approximately one in 20 children born in England and Wales is baptized in the Methodist Church, according to a report by the Rev. Kenneth G. Greet, secretary of the British Methodist Conference.

from page one LECTURE SERIES

"somebody that people need to know about. He is deeply and thoroughly Christian with a kind of Christianity that does not take refuge in irrelevancy . . . a true Southerner who wants the word of God to be heard without distortion in the South so that hatred and bloodshed may be replaced by reconciliation and brotherhood."

Each lecture will begin at 8 p.m. Tickets for the series may be obtained at \$5 each by phoning the ticket chairman at 664-1482 or 225-5709. Checks made payable to Ecumenical Lecture Series may be mailed to 53 Sherrill Heights, Little Rock.

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HENDRIX BRASS CHOIR PRESENTS WORSHIP SERVICES AT MALVERN AND OAKLAWN CHURCHES

The Hendrix College Brass Choir presented a service entitled "Instrumental Music and Worship" at First United Methodist Church in Malvern for both morning worship hours on Jan. 23. In the evening they presented the same service at Oaklawn Methodist Church in Hot Springs.

Nineteen Hendrix students participated in the services. Miss Pam Alagood of Little Rock was organist and Miss Kay Speed, accompanied by Miss Kathy Monroe, both of Conway, was flute soloist.

The Brass Choir is under the direction of Dr. Ashley Coffman, head of the Music Department at Hendrix College. Dr. Coffman, who has been at Hendrix for 29 years, has presented the choir in five of the south central states in musical workshops and in church worship services.

Much of the music for this combination of instruments was written in the Baroque period (1600-1780) during which time the brass instruments were used for civic occasions, social events, entertainment, and for religious festivals. The brasses have been used by the Church throughout the ages to aid in the expression of joy and happiness of parishioners and to augment the choirs, the organ, and other instruments.

Methodist Children's Home

The following people gave memorial gifts to the Methodist Children's Home 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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DELMA JACK ARNOLD

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MRS. A. C. ANGEL

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by Mr. & Mrs. Joe E. Gatteringer

ERNEST A. BISHOP

by Mr. & Mrs. Van Tuberville

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by Mr. & Mrs. Bill Singer

by Mr. & Mrs. Lester Warrick, Sr.

by Mr. & Mrs. J. T. Henley

by Viola Willoughby S.S. Class

McGehee

by Mr. & Mrs. Louis Burgess

by Sam Bowman

by Mr. & Mrs. Taylor Prewitt

by Juanita Harper

by Mr. & Mrs. B. E. Lowe

by Mr. & Mrs. Billy D. Hicks

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by Mr. & Mrs. Wm. B. DeYampert, Sr.

by Mr. & Mrs. Wm. B. DeYampert, Jr.

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by Mr. & Mrs. Van Tuberville

MRS. JOHN CURRIE

by Mrs. Ed. Trice

SAM CRABTREE

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by Mr. & Mrs. R. B. Newcome

by Mrs. W. A. Barrow

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by Mr. & Mrs. A. C. Davidson

C. S. DURHAM

by Mrs. C. S. Durham

JACK DAVIS

by Mrs. C. Louis Young

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by Mr. & Mrs. J. N. Lovett

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by Mr. & Mrs. Bruin Campbell

MRS. JOHN FISH

by Miss Martha Newcombe

by Mr. & Mrs. R. B. Newcombe

by Mr. & Mrs. Bob Pugh

"Hank" FORGY

by Mr. & Mrs. John R. Forgy

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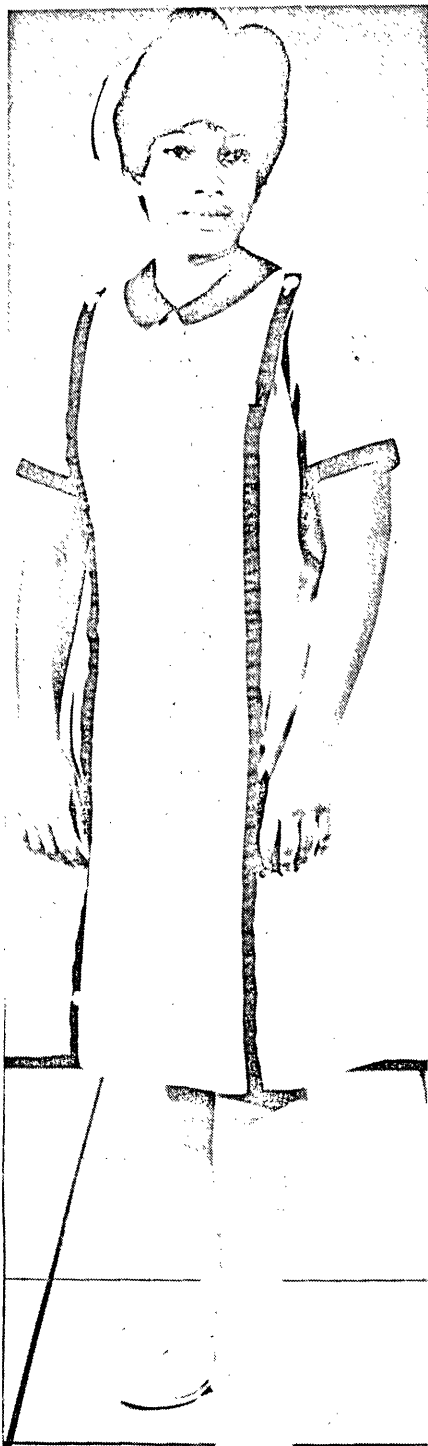
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Mrs. Eldra Perry, senior student nurse at Methodist Hospital School of Nursing, Memphis, has been chosen by the faculty to represent the school in a national contest sponsored by the National Association of Health and Welfare Ministries of the United Methodist Church to select one student nation-wide as the recipient of the Health Careers Award for 1972. Mrs. Perry attended Morris Brown College of Atlanta, Ga. and Memphis State University. She is married to Franklin B. Perry; they have a 4-year old daughter. The Selection Committee at the School of Nursing stated that they feel "Mrs. Perry is a remarkable person who combines sense of duty, learning endeavors, and family responsibilities in the proper proportions so as to render her an outstanding individual."

"News in Brief"

A third Convocation of United Methodists for Evangelical Christianity has been scheduled for St. Louis, Mo., August 16-18.

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Clark College prof receives NASCUMC award

WASHINGTON, D.C. (UMI) — The first "Distinguished Teacher Award" by the National Association of Schools and Colleges of The United Methodist Church (NASCUMC) has been presented to a professor of physics of the faculty of Clark College, Atlanta, Ga.

Dr. Om P. Puri, professor and chairman of the Department of Physics, Clark College, Atlanta University Center, received the plaque and cash award from NASCUMC during its annual meeting in the Shoreham Hotel here January 9. Dr. Puri, who also chairs the college's Division of Science, was selected from twenty-nine award candidates submitted by presidents, with faculty and student endorsement, of United Methodist institutions of higher learning.

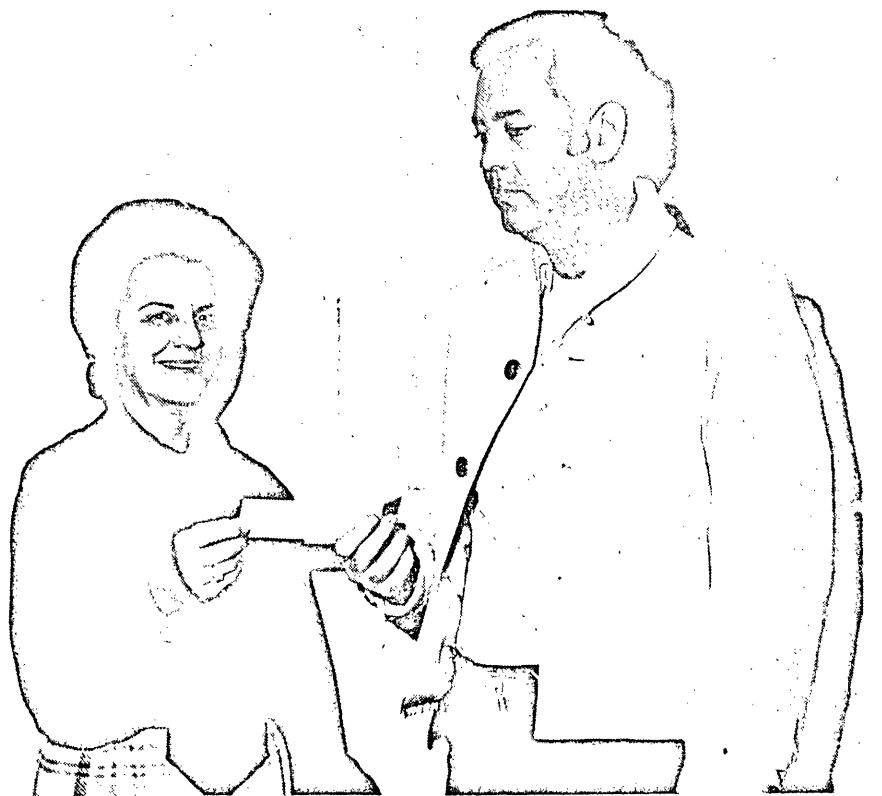
The association named as its 1972 president Dr. Paul Hardin, III, president of Wofford College in Spartanburg, S.C. He succeeds Dr. John T. King, president at Huston-Tillotson College in Austin, Tex. Other officers named are Dr. W. F. Quillian, Jr., president of Randolph-Macon Woman's College in Lynchburg, Va., as vice-president; and Dr. Richard Benter of the Division of Higher Education, secretary-treasurer.

In his report, Dr. Myron F. Wicke, general secretary of the United Methodist Division of Higher Education, noted progress on a major campaign being developed by the Division to gain new support for the United Methodist related colleges. The NASCUMC members then authorized a resolution to the April 1972 General Conference supporting the thrust, which will use the theme, "New Generations for New Days."

Participants in the NASCUMC annual meeting heard about one change occurring on some U.S. college campuses and affecting others when Thomas Kennedy, professor of business administration at the Harvard Business School and a much-sought-after arbitrator, spoke about the "Impact of Faculty Unionization on Private Liberal Arts Colleges."

The Rev. Randle Dew, director of United Methodist Voluntary Service, a program of the church's Quadrennial Emphasis Fund for Reconciliation, has been elected chairman of the Commission on Voluntary Service and Action, a consultative council of more than 150 private North American organizations which sponsor voluntary service projects in all parts of the world.

Cross-talk, a quarterly mailing of four-page leaflets dealing with concerns of post high school young adults, will replace **Christian Action**, a monthly magazine for the older youth-young adults started by the Methodist Church in the early 1950s.



Representing the Young Adult Class at First United Methodist Church in Dumas, Roland Elder presents a check in the amount of \$175 for the Dumas Helping Hand project. The money, contributed by members of the class, was earmarked to help provide clothing for needy school children in Dumas. (Dumas Clarion Photo)

Selective Service offers simplified C.O. application

WASHINGTON, D.C. (RNS) — Bowing to pressure from religious and peace groups, the Selective Service System has replaced a new and lengthy application form for conscientious objectors with a simpler questionnaire.

Draft director Dr. Curtis Tarr proposed a form containing only four questions as opposed to the 31 in a version issued last November. The guidelines were published in the Federal Register.

Due to go into effect in mid-February, the revisions of the Selective Service regulations also require a local draft board to tell a man why a request for deferment is rejected. This changes former policy.

Dr. Tarr suspended all calls for registrants to appear before local boards and state appeal boards pending the full implementation of the new Selective Service rules.

When revised draft regulations were issued in Nov. 1971, a number of churchmen, Congressmen and peace spokesmen scored the 31-question C.O. application form as too complicated and potentially a device for "entrapping" young men not having philosophical and theological sophistication.

Dr. Tarr's revision would, in effect, require four statements of applicants for C.O. classification:

- An explanation of beliefs.
- A report on why a registrant could or could not serve as a military combatant.
- An outline showing how and where "religious, moral and ethical" beliefs against war were formed.
- A description of how beliefs conform to Supreme Court guidelines holding that objector views must rest on belief "to which all else is subordinate."

Under recent Supreme Court rulings, an objector may oppose war on moral

and ethical beliefs as well as religion as traditionally defined.

Rules already in effect do not provide for a C.O. application until a man has received a lottery number and then only if that number places him below the figure for the active pool.

The new procedure is expected to greatly reduce the number of registered objectors.

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