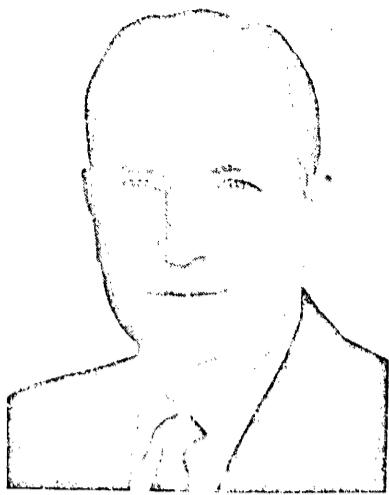




Dr. P. James Deer Jr.



The Rev. Earl Carter



Dr. J. Edward Dunlap

## Hendrix Trustees add new members, approve fee increases

Three new members were elected to the Hendrix College Board of Trustees on Friday, Feb. 16, in its final meeting of the current school year, and an increase of \$95 for tuition and board were approved.

The new trustees are the Rev. Earl Carter, pastor of First United Methodist Church, North Little Rock, Dr. P. James Deer, Jr., a Little Rock physician, and Dr. J. Edward Dunlap, superintendent of the Little Rock District of the United Methodist Church.

Three trustees were approved for life membership on the Board. They are Dr. Robert E. L. Bearden, minister of First Church at Little Rock; George E. Pike, a DeWitt attorney, and Wallace Townsend, a Little Rock attorney.

Dr. Burvin C. Alread, Hendrix vice president and treasurer said the \$50 increase in tuition and the \$45 increase for board are necessitated by enrollment increases, the need for faculty salary increases and higher food costs. The Board, presided over by Henry F. Trotter, Sr., chairman, approved a budget of \$3,070,955 for the 1973-1974 school year. The Board is scheduled to meet again in October.

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## Merged North Arkansas Conference gains 505 members

The merged North Arkansas Conference ended the 1972 year with a net gain of 505 members. At the beginning of the year, the churches composing the former Southwest Conference within the bounds of the North Arkansas Conference had 815 members and the North Arkansas Conference, 98,071. As of Dec. 31, 1972 the North Arkansas Conference had 99,391 members. The average attendance in the principal weekly worship service total-

ed 32,941 which is a number equal to 33% of the membership.

The church school enrollment and attendance continued to show a decrease in all age groups even though there was an increase in the number of ongoing classes and groups for learning. With 48,312 persons enrolled in our church schools the average attendance was 26,353. This average attendance is almost 55% of those enrolled.

The churches of the Conference made their greatest increase in spending by paying off building debts. \$934,293 was paid on these loans (both principal and interest) which is almost one-half more than in 1971.



The above group of musicians from John Brown University known as the "Sound Generation" will be present at the Key 73 Rally in the Civic Auditorium at Hot Springs on March 8, 7:30 p.m. to share and communicate their faith in Jesus Christ through the idiom of music. This group, under the direction of two young men, John Coates and Roger Byrd, is known nationally. Principal speaker for the rally will be Bruce Larson, who for several years has headed the Faith At Work program. Bishop Eugene M. Frank will preside. Six thousand United Methodists of all ages from throughout the state are expected to attend.



The newly elected top officers of United Methodist Women, Little Rock Conference, as they were presented to former WSCS and WSG members who attended the "Service of Celebration," held in First Church, Benton, Feb. 17. (LEFT TO RIGHT) Mrs. James Nix of Lonoke, president; Mrs. Zenobia Waters of Little Rock, vice-president; Mrs. Louis Fish, Little Rock, elected secretary, and Mrs. Hubert Blakley of Benton, treasurer.

## Youth 'Happening' in Monticello District March 3-4

The Monticello District UMY is sponsoring an "happening" March 3-4. Host church is Monticello. Theme of the 24 hour event is "Communicating the Good News—Through Music, Word, Witness."

A workshop on "Communications" will be led by the Rev. and Mrs. Fred Haustein. Jim Woolley of Arkansas Tech and director of music at Paris will direct the music. Other resource persons will be youth from Hendrix. The drama Department of the University of Arkansas at Monticello will present on Saturday night "The Miracle Worker."

Planning the activities are District UMY officers Mark DeLess, Herman Fair, Ann Barker, Carrie Kirchman, Kay Barnes, and Allen Dobson. Host pastor is William D. Elliott. Wesley Foundation Campus Minister is Thomas Abney. The Rev. Virgil Bell of Hamburg is district coordinator of youth ministries.

## GTAHAH Week in progress at Hendrix

The Hendrix College Booster Club is sponsoring its annual GTAHAH (Good Things Are Happening At Hendrix) celebration this week. Since its inception in 1967 this special week has replaced the former annual Homecoming.

The festivities are scheduled to begin at 7:30 Wednesday evening, Feb. 21, with a convocation in Grove Gymnasium. Charles McCraven of Aclim Ford in Jacksonville will serve as master of ceremonies. Students will present comical awards and talent numbers including musical performances, a magic act and a gymnastics routine.

On Thursday evening, preceding the Arkansas Intercollegiate basketball game between Hendrix and Henderson State College, Harriet Norris, a senior from Batesville, will be crowned GTAHAH queen. This event will begin at 7 p.m. Members of the queen's court will include Martha Crofoot of Little Rock and Karen Hunt of Hot Springs, senior maids; Dana Carpenter of Little Rock and Mary Wynne Parker of Newport, junior maids; Ann Critz of Osceola and Karen Lewis of Waldo, sophomore maids; and Debi Johnston of Russellville and Gail Wulfekuhler of Paragould, freshman maids.

Additional student events are planned for the remainder of the GTAHAH celebration, scheduled to conclude on Saturday evening.

**LAKEWOOD CHURCH** of North Little Rock is having a four week emphasis on local missions. Under the leadership of Henry Baldwin, chairman of the Work Area on Missions, the following projects are lifted for study: Methodist Children's Home, Jan. 28; Aldersgate Methodist Camp, Feb. 4; Philander Smith College, Feb. 11; and Salvation Army and Goodwill Industries, Feb. 18. The Rev. John B. Hays is the Lakewood minister.

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## NORTH ARKANSAS

There was a decrease in the total giving to the items entitled and reported under "Conference Claimants Fund." This report carries the amounts paid for three funds: Conference Claimants Fund, churches' part and pastors' part and the Pension Endowment Campaign. As a few churches paid their Pension Endowment Campaign in two years or less and as some will take more than three years, this caused the decrease from \$587,858 in 1971 to \$550,776 paid in 1972.

The North Arkansas Conference did have an increase of \$2454 paid to World Service and Conference Benevolences for a total paid in 1972 of \$365,979. The grand total paid for all causes by local churches in the North Arkansas Conference was \$7,220,712. Of this grand total 32% was for salaries and pensions of pastors, district superintendents and bishops and other ministerial support; 22% local church building and debt liquidations; 29%, current expenses of local church and church school; 17%, General, Jurisdictional, Conference and District benevolences and administration funds (this includes the WSCS and minimum salary funds). The national average for the above items as to where the local United Methodist Church dollar goes is 29%, 24%, 30% and 17% respectively.

—Allan E. Hilliard, Statistician  
North Arkansas Conference

## Affirmation of Brotherhood Service planned

The prominent Jewish leader of inter-faith programs will bring the principal address for the Third Annual Service for the Affirmation of Brotherhood to be held March 1, at 8:00 p.m. in the auditorium of the Arts Center in McArthur Park, Little Rock. The Service is being sponsored by the National Conference of Christians and Jews and the Greater Little Rock Ministerial Alliance.

The inter-faith address will be delivered by Dr. David J. Seligson, Rabbi Emeritus of Central Synagogue, New York, and Consultant in Inter-religious Affairs for the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

According to the Rev. William L. Pharr, regional director of the National Conference of Christians and Jews, the service will be broadly ecumenical in nature, and will include among its participants all the denominations of the Protestant tradition together with the Roman Catholic, Reform and Orthodox Jewish communities.

Ministers of all groups are being invited to wear the liturgical robes of their denomination and participate in the processional which will begin the service.

The first such service was held in 1970, following acts of vandalism against the Orthodox Jewish Synagogue Agudath Achim. The response of the Little Rock community to that service was so gratifying that the Affirmation Service has become an annual event.

## Arkansans attend Lydia Patterson Trustees meeting in El Paso

The Little Rock and North Arkansas Conferences were represented at a meeting of the Board of Trustees at Lydia Patterson Institute in El Paso, Tex., on Feb. 14-15.

Bishop Eugene M. Frank as one of the resident bishops within the South Central Jurisdiction, all of whom serve on the Board, was among those who attended from Arkansas. Other Board members present included Mrs. Winston Faulkner and Dr. Joe Taylor, both of Little Rock in the Little Rock Conference; Homer Fulbright of Searcy, and the Rev. Ben Jordan of Conway represented the North Arkansas Conference.

The Rev. William A. Cheyne, a member of the North Arkansas Conference who serves as regional director of the Advance Board of Missions in San Antonio, Tex., was also present. Dr. Virgil Morris, executive secretary of the South Central Jurisdiction who plans to retire from the ac-

tive ministry in June was accorded special recognition by the Board.

Lydia Patterson Institute, which had its beginning in 1913, is supported by the South Central Jurisdiction and the National Division of the United Methodist Board of Missions. Dr. Alfredo Nanez, a graduate of Perkins School of Theology in Dallas, is superintendent of the school. It has a board of trustees which is responsible for the ongoing program of the school which serves the young people from Spanish-speaking areas. Many of the ministers in the Rio Grande Conference attended the Institute at one time.

The Arkansas Conference, as well as the conferences of the other six states within the jurisdiction, contribute financial support to Lydia Patterson Institute and maintain a continuing interest in the welfare of the school and its students.

## HENDRIX COLLEGE TO PRESENT OPERA

The music and theatre arts department of Hendrix College will present the opera *The Medium* by Gian-Carlo Menotti on Thursday and Friday, March 1 and 2, at 8 p.m. in Reves Recital Hall.

Members of the cast include Becky Smith, Mezzo-soprano, as Madame Flora; Leslie Swindler, soprano, as Monica; Diana Wortham, soprano, as Mrs. Gobineau one night and Dianne Tack, soprano, as Mrs. Gobineau the other performance; Debbie Whitley, mezzo-soprano, as Mrs. Nolan and David Henry, baritone, as Mr. Gobineau. Jimmy Jess Anthony will be the accompanist.

Ella Myrl Shanks is the stage director for the Hendrix production and Harold Thompson is in charge of musical preparation. The admission charge is \$1 and the public is cordially invited to attend.

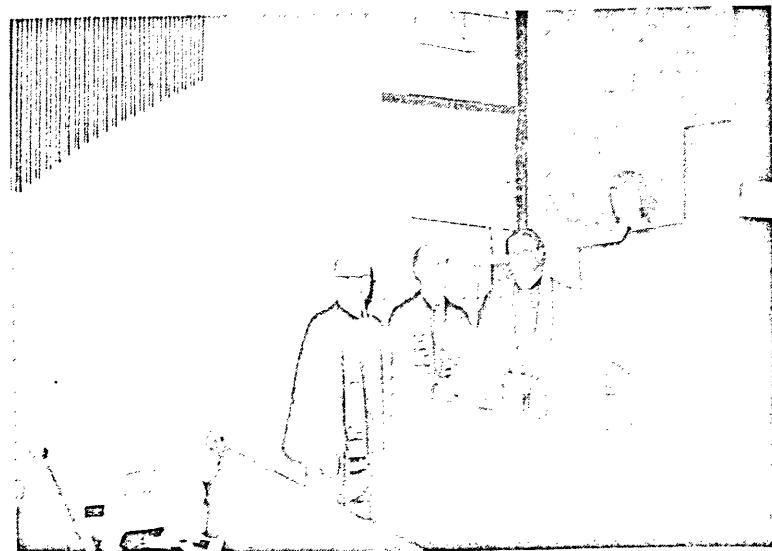
## KOREAN CHRISTIAN LEADER TO SPEAK AT ASBURY

Mrs. Induk Pakk, Korean author and teacher, who has been prominent in promoting self-help education in her country, will be guest speaker at Asbury United Methodist Church, Little Rock, Sunday evening, Feb. 25, at 7 p.m.

She is a graduate of Wesleyan College, Macon, Ga., and of Ehwa University in Korea. She received the M.A. degree from Teacher's College, Columbia University.

Royalties from Mrs. Pakk's three books have been dedicated to support the Berea "earn-while-learning" School in Seoul, Korea, and the Unduk School of Design, a two-year junior college opened in 1972.

During her stay in Arkansas she will be speaking before many church groups, women's organizations, civic clubs, student classes and assemblies.



Bishop Eugene M. Frank (second from left) delivered the sermon for the Feb. 11 morning worship service at St. Paul United Methodist Church in El Dorado and dedicated the recently acquired Moller organ and the Richard Brett Weaver Memorial chimes (upper left in photo) following the sermon. Others participating in the service (left to right) Dr. Roy I. Bagley, Camden District superintendent, the Rev. Gladwin Connell, pastor, and Miss Elaine Allen (at console), organist.

FEBRUARY 22, 1973

by Dr. George W. Martin  
Superintendent,  
Arkadelphia District

## Reverent and Relevant

Three sergeants had been separated from their unit for several days, and had been wandering in the wilderness all that time with only meager rations.

"Well," speculated one of the sergeants, "if we could only remember what our orders read, we'd know what our mission was, and we could head in the direction of the objective."

"One of the other sergeants slapped irritably at a fly which had been bothering him for some time. 'I'll bet I remember what our mission was!' he shouted, a ferocious gleam kindling in his eyes. 'Wasn't it to exterminate all those blasted flies? Yes! That's what it was.' With that he fashioned a flyswatter out of his mess kit and began to run about furiously, swatting at every fly he could see."

"Well," said one of the two remaining sergeants, lying back in the sparse shade of a bush, "frankly, I don't care much about what our mission was, or about getting back to our unit. I kind of like it here with no General or Second Looeys to tell us what to do, so I'm just going to take advantage of that fact and get myself a little peace and quiet."

"So saying, he went to sleep, leaving the third sergeant to ponder alone."

"After several minutes of fruitless pondering about their mislaid mission, the wakeful sergeant suddenly heard noises of troop movements in the distance. Excitedly he shook the sleeping sergeant."

"Wake up! Wake up!" he shouted in his companion's ear. "I've remembered what our mission is!"

"What is it?" the sleepy sergeant asked, rubbing his eyes and yawning.

"It's to defend! To defend!" he shouted triumphantly.

"To defend what? Where? Against what or whom?" the drowsy sergeant asked, not much impressed.

"Look! See the horizon? The enemy advances upon us even now! Defend! Fire!"

"He took up his Browning automatic rifle and began to fire upon the advancing troops in rapid, deadly bursts—running first to the right and firing from there, then to the left and firing from there. Finally, he hurried to dead center and fired from there with telling effects."

"The active sergeant was so engrossed in what he had been doing that he could not hear his comrade shouting for him to stop firing. He stopped only when all the troops were dead and lay upon the ground. Both sergeants ran up to look at the dead soldiers."

"As they rolled one dead man over, they both gasped in horror."

"Gad, Sam" whispered the once-sleepy sergeant, "you've killed our own boys." (Excerpts from G. W. Jones, *The Innovator*, pp. 32-34)

In trying to focus our mission, some of us may be as far off the beam as the three tired and almost berserk sergeants in this contemporary parable. "Swatting flies"—or any of its ecclesiastical equivalents—may need to be done, but it is hardly a big enough task to marshal the full resources of the church behind it. "To defend" may sound challenging and patriotic enough, but this, too, if it takes all we've got, can be both destructive and dead-end. "Lying back in the sparse shade of a bush" certainly can look attractive after an exhausting run at goals, quotas and unmet budgets. But, again, this holds no lasting satisfaction for people who claim to be "children of the living God."

The process of restructuring—and what active Methodist has not been involved in it at some level, either on the general Church level or the Annual Conference level, since General Conference in 1972?—focuses a large and more far-reaching issue: restructuring for what? reorganizing for whom? This is the mission of the church issue, isn't it?

During this period of fermenting potential and restructuring possibilities, I would like to venture a strong plea for a lasting marriage between Reverence and Relevance both in our intangible concepts of our mission and in the tangible structures we adopt to fulfill it.

By "reverence" I mean a deep, conscious, cultivated respect for, faith in, awe of, and commitment to the enormous resources of God in Christ through the Holy Spirit—that welded the early disciples into a cohesive community in the beginning and has been the sustaining force in the church ever since.

By "relevance" I mean being in touch, involved with the goings-on in our generation; being pertinent and to the point with the resources that God would channel through the Church to the world which He loves so much that He gave . . .

"Reverence" refers to all that goes on "in church"—worship, budgets, meetings, etc.—all that fits into the category of the church's self-maintenance. "Relevance" refers to all those points of contact and involvement that the church has with the world, through its corporateness and its

individual members.

The church has a mission in the world and we need to be both bold and unafraid about it. The structures of the church need to be faithful, flexible and rich enough so that this two-fold mission may be carried out simultaneously! Not one for a while and then the other, but both simultaneously!

For those, like me, who find Biblical pictures helpful in these matters, there is a fairly good one in the fourth chapter of Nehemiah. Nehemiah has organized the people in Jerusalem in the project of rebuilding the wall around the sacred city. The Samaritans, to the north, hear of the undertaking and not wanting it to succeed, begin to deride Nehemiah. Their derision turns to anger, their anger to contempt, and their contempt into hostile, sneak attacks upon Nehemiah and his workers. Nehemiah is caught in a dilemma: if he stops and fights the Samaritans, the wall will not go up; if, on the other hand, he concentrates only on building the wall, his people are certain to be slaughtered. After pondering and praying over this troubling situation, Nehemiah comes up with an effective strategy. It is set forth in the seventeenth verse of the fourth chapter: "Those who carried burdens were laden in such a way that each with one hand carried his weapon and with the other labored on the work." A two-fold mission was being carried on simultaneously!

I know that it's risky to stretch such a picture too far, but the reason for self-maintenance was that the building might go on. I believe this holds for the church as well. There is a divinely ordered rhythm in our corporateness and separateness, in our coming together and in our scattering apart. We are called together in order that we might go out; we are renewed that we may be agents of renewal; we are

cleansed that we might be agents of cleansing; loved that we might be loving; blessed that we might be channels of blessings.

T. Ralph Morton says in his book, *Jesus: Man For Today*, "We are not in the church to learn how to live in the church. We are in the church to learn to live in the world, to live in our contemporary world with Christ."

The truth of this came home to me in a very simple thing that happened during the fruit season in the summer of '70. Dr. Roy Bagley and I were driving back to south Arkansas after spending a week at Mt. Sequoyah. We stopped at a roadside fruit stand near Coal Hill to stock up on some ripe fruit. Under the shed there was basket after basket of tree-ripened peaches and vine-ripened grapes. We made our purchases and were on way. Reflecting on that simple episode a simple thought struck me with an unusual force: those peaches and grapes did not grow under that shed but out in the field—in the open air, in the sun, in the rain, even in the storms.

It also struck me forcefully that the Christian life grows to maturity in the field as well. It may get started in the "greenhouse" of a church school class and certainly be fertilized in a rich service of corporate worship, but it stretches into maturity in the pleasant and turbulent fields of life. We don't need less worship and more service to the world, nor do we need more worship and less service. We need more of both—and simultaneously!

Why does the church periodically have to go through the painful process of restructuring for mission? Why does the congregation continue to meet together regularly? Why does the church keep assessing seriously its relation to the world? The answer is: our life depends on!

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# news and views

OF THE WORLD OF RELIGION

by doris woolard

A bill submitted to Congress by Rep. Ella T. Grasso would permit persons doing volunteer work for public or private (including church-related) non-profit groups to deduct up to 1,000 hours—or \$2,000—on their income tax. The Connecticut congresswoman, specifically mentioning church groups, told her colleagues the legislation "would prove a boon for volunteer work in America." "At this time, many public and private non-profit organizations must continue their operations with small, overworked staffs," she said. Under the bill, a person contributing at least 50 hours of uncompensated volunteer work during the year would be eligible for the special deduction. The amount would equal the number of hours multiplied by the federal minimum wage of \$2, whichever is greater, with a maximum deduction of \$2,000.

The Chaplains' Religious Education Program at Eglin Air Force Base, Fla., has received the 1972 Terrence P. Finnegan Award for the best over-all program in the U.S. Air Force. At Eglin more than 200 volunteer workers are engaged in the program, which includes discussion groups, prayer seminars, Bible studies, hospital programs and teacher training. Activities take place in homes, chapels, hospitals and at the federal prison camp. The program involves Roman Catholics, Protestants and Jews.

Addressing the 10th Catholic Inter-American Cooperation Program at its opening session in Dallas, Radomiro Tomic, founder of Chile's Christian Democratic Party and loser to Salvador Allende in the 1970 presidential race, said there are currently "two essential battles for justice in Latin America: —The battle for the construction of a new society and economy based on communitarian values and institutions; —The battle for economic, social and eventually political integration of Latin America." He said the only reason there are not more "Cubas" in Latin America is because of current Soviet Union disinterest and the present inability of China to move in.

The "multinational corporation" is one of the most basic and powerful impediments to world justice, according to Dr. Ronald Muller, economist and professor of George Washington University. Dr. Muller says that underdeveloped countries are swamped by the bargaining power of the multinational corporation because of an absence or weakness of institutional mechanisms in the poorer countries to control the behavior of subsidiaries there. He contends that multinational corporations do not meet the basic criteria of justice that "no one may enrich themselves at the expense of others."

About 70,000 Jewish immigrants are expected to arrive in Israel in 1973, according to Arie Pincus, chairman of the Jewish Agency in Jerusalem. This would be a 20 per cent increase over 1972 figures. The agency will continue to help all Jews who want to go to Israel for religious or nationality reasons, Pincus said.

Writing in the Jan. 24 issue of *The Christian Century*, Dr. Peter Berger, Rutgers professor, says too much of denominational leadership is caught up in the "left" mood of counter-culture and a segment of the "intelligentsia." Dr. Berger proposes that Christian institutions assert an understanding of "diakonia" (service) that combines relevance to faith and the needs of the world.

Bible World, an \$11-million tourist attraction at Orlando, Fla., recreating the "sights and sounds" of the Holy Land, is scheduled to open in the Spring of 1974 near Walt Disney World on U.S. Highway 192. The development will feature a 207-room hotel and 50 billboard-sized oil paintings by artist Jackson Bailey depicting the life of Jesus. Among the major attractions will be a "Passion Week Panorama," a light and sound presentation of the last days of Jesus, and a "Theater of the Psalms," a musical show featuring songs for all faiths and ages.

Writing in the February issue of the Derby diocesan monthly (in England), Anglican Bishop Cyril Bowles condemned euthanasia. He said: "Many people are moved to support the legalizing of such homicide by sheer compassion . . ." But, he continued, "The danger of euthanasia is that once permitted it would become too general, and the obligation that human life should always be respected would very easily be ignored . . ."

After reporting the views of those for and against mercy killing in the February issue of *Norwich Churchman*, Sir Ronald Tunbridge, distinguished professor-emeritus of medicine at the University of Leeds said: "For the Christian neither the right to live nor the right to die is a matter of personal decision but it is the will of the Father. Herein lies the essential difference between the viewpoint of the Christian and the humanist. If life is a God-given gift it follows that the Christian should do all within his power to preserve life."

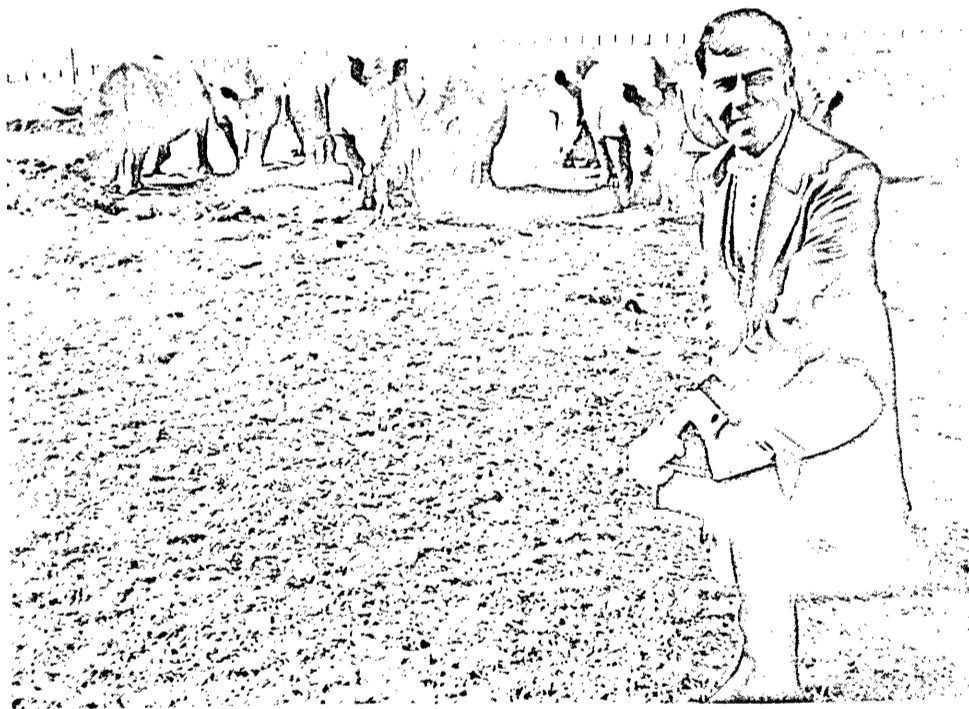
Preliminary findings of the Nat'l. Jewish Population study disclose that the rate of intermarriage involving American Jews in recent years is twice as high as commonly thought—reaching 48.1 per cent during the period 1966-1972. An analysis suggests that "intermarrying and non-intermarrying Jews alike—to a great extent—have already assimilated, and that identifying oneself as 'Jewish' is increasingly less meaningful."

Ghana's seven major Protestant Churches have taken a major step toward union. Participants in the 30-member Ghana Church Union Committee include representatives of the Anglican, Evangelical Presbyterian, Presbyterian, Methodist African Methodist Episcopal, Ghana Mennonite, and Evangelical Lutheran churches. The Committee has approved a plan to bring together a large number of the 42.8 per cent of Ghanians who are Christian. Details for implementing the union and a name for the proposed Church have not been announced.

Pope Paul has approved a series of changes in the so-called "last sacrament"—the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick—to stress the fact that it can be administered to ill persons not in immediate danger of death. Observers say the papal decree is aimed at taking the dread and psychological fear out of the sacrament that has long been known as Extreme Unction and associated with death or near death.

Britain's smaller denominations will receive expert advice from a panel of professional men when seeking to establish churches in new communities, according to an announcement by the Evangelical Alliance, which embraces more than 700 churches, societies and fellowships. The panel will advise on how to obtain professional services from architects and surveyors for the building of a new church, on seeking a site, and so on.

"Community, Celebration and Our World" is the theme of the Nat'l. Interfaith Conference on Religion and Architecture to be held in Minneapolis June 4-6. For more than 30 years, annual conferences on religious architecture have been held under various auspices. This year's conference, according to a spokesman, represents a joint effort by the organizations involved in the Interfaith Research Center to provide an interfaith, interdenominational and interdisciplinary program of significance to the professional and religious communities.



NEW YORK — Austin Miles, who has won the reputation of "America's No. 1 Ringmaster," is a man who has combined Christianity and the circus. A licensed Assemblies of God preacher, he has found opportunities to witness to his colleagues in the Emmett Kelly, Jr., Circus, of which he is director and ringmaster. Miles says the typical stereotypes applied to most show business performers — adultery, alcoholism, use of drugs — do not apply to circus performers. "In my 25 years in the circus," the 39-year-old ringmaster said, "I have not seen one narcotics incident. Not one." Contrary to the image created by motion pictures and television, Mr. Miles added, his circus does not have problems with marijuana or alcohol. Circus performers have "solid family lives," he commented, asserting that "there are fewer divorces among circus performers than in any other form of show business." (RNS photo)



These Crossett area ministers were honored recently by the Crossett Civitans as part of International Clergy Week. (Left to right, TOP ROW) Ferrell Morgan, Mt. Olive Baptist; Jack R. Dodson, Freewill Baptist; Jim Bennett, First Assembly of God; (MIDDLE) Ferris Norton, First United Methodist; Marion Huntsman, Re-organized Church of Latter Day Saints; John Ross Wellwood, St. Mark's Episcopal; (BOTTOM) Dwayne Brumley, Cloverdale Assembly of God; Homer Shirley Jr., First Baptist, and Jim Rogers, Jarvis Chapel Baptist.

### CITY OF CAMDEN HONORS LATE MINISTER

The city of Camden has honored Dr. J. L. Dedman, Sr., and his family by changing Ash Avenue, N.W. to Dedman Drive, N.W.

The late Dr. Dedman served as a

minister in both Arkansas Conferences, 20 years in the Cabinet, and 20 years in pastorates. He served on a number of General Conference Boards. Mrs. Dedman, his widow, lives at 723 Dedman Drive, and is active in First United Methodist Church of Camden.

## Council Directors to Local Churches . . . . .

### TAKE A LOOK—THEN COME ABOARD!

Church camping has a real place in the United Methodist Church of the North Arkansas Conference and the Little Rock Conference. Camping influence among our children, youth, and adults will continue to increase in our church's program of Christian adventuring.

To live and camp together is to encounter the depth of being, to experience acceptance and forgiveness, and to know the redemptive power of the Christian Gospel.

Camping is made available to persons in the United Methodist Church because camping provides:

1. The privilege of drawing apart for thought, for praise and prayer that God might become more real and more vital to the camper.
2. An experience of living with others out-of-doors and learning about our world and feeling a part of it.
3. A chance to retreat from the materialistic, commercial, and competitive world for a time in order better to understand and appreciate Christian principles and then return to the work-a-day world with determination to apply them.
4. A quest for skills and inner resources for living, working, and playing that are not dependent on things one can purchase in the open market.
5. A form of teaching not duplicated in the local church and yet which is Christian in content and method and supplements the work done in church school classes.
6. A good happy, wholesome time along with the privilege of growing emotionally, mentally, spiritually, and physically in the process of attaining Christian maturity.

Obviously to accomplish these ob-

jectives we need good campsites.

The Little Rock Conference owns and operates a conference campsite known as Tanako—285.6 acres. The North Arkansas Conference has four district campsites and one undeveloped conference site (Myers Ranch 996

acres). Many camp activities can be carried on at these sites.

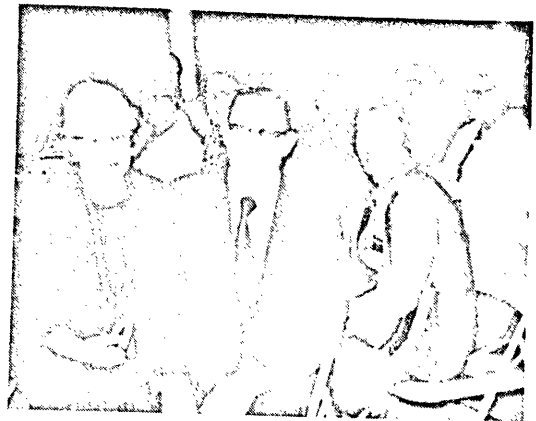
Of even greater significance than the sites are the leaders who direct boys and girls and help them enter into the great experiences of camping outdoors in God's World entrusted to

us as His stewards. Below are listed many wonderful leadership opportunities provided by Methodist leaders and others of the American Camping Association. Plan to enroll for one or more.

## CAMP LEADERSHIP TRAINING PROGRAM

COURSE OR WORKSHOP	INSTRUCTOR	PLACE	DATE	COST	WHO SHOULD ATTEND?	PURPOSE
Camp Crafter	Mrs. Thelma Holt Executive Director Ouachita Girl Scout Council	Aldersgate	May 16-18	\$13.00 includes Lodging, Meals & Insurance. Transportation Extra	Directors District Supts. Camp Committee Members Prospective Leaders	Learn Camp Skills
Advanced Camp Crafter		Begins 1:00 p.m.				Learn Advanced Camp Skills
Training for camp visitations American Camping Association Sponsored	Mrs. Thelma Holt Executive Director Ouachita Girl Scout Council	Brinkley - Flame Restaurant	April 26	Meals and Transportation	ACA Visitor Candidates District Supts. Camp Managers Camp Committee Members Task Force - Myers Ranch	To Train ACA Camp Visitors  To Help Persons Understand ACA standards for Accreditation
Camp Crafter	To be announced	Mobile, Alabama	April 12-14	Transportation Meals, and Lodging	Camp Directors Camp Counselors Other interested persons	Learn Camp Skills
Advanced Camp Crafter	To be announced	Mobile, Alabama	April 12-14			Learn Advanced Skills
Camp Craft Instructor	To be announced	Mobile, Alabama	April 12-14			Learn to Teach Camp Skills
Workshop for Workers in Assembly Type	Rev. Melvin Moody, Director of Camping, United Methodist Church	Camp Kaetzel	May 10-11	Transportation Meals, and Lodging	Directors Counselors District Supts. Prospective Camp Leaders	Curriculum Recreation Responsibilities Leadership Helps
Aquatic School First Aid, Boats, Canoe- ing, Sailing Water Safety, etc.	American Red Cross	Camp Storey near Hot Springs	June 3-13	\$58.00 for Room, Board, Materials. Transportation Extra	Directors and Counselors Other persons interested in areas listed	To learn Water Skills and Become Accredited to Teach Them

For further information write: Conference Council on Ministries  
715 Center, Little Rock, Arkansas 72201



Mrs. Hazel Dabney and Dr. Virgil D. Keeley are shown with one of the classes during the Pine Bluff Area Training School.

### PINE BLUFF WORKSHOP TERMED OUTSTANDING

The Pine Bluff Area Training School, held Jan. 28-30 in Lakeside Church, attracted about 200 persons. For the interest shown and good attendance, much credit is due to the planning of Mrs. Hazel I. Dabney, district director of Education and Coordinator of Adult Ministries, and her committee, composed of Dr. Virgil Keeley, district superintendent; Mrs. Carl Watkins, educational director of First Church; the Rev. Carl Matthew, pastor of Carr Memorial Church; and the Rev. Ed Matthews, Lakeside pastor.

Leaders for the three age level

workshops were: Mrs. John Tucker, conference coordinator for Children's Ministries; Mrs. Vickie Allen, educational director of First Church, Little Rock; and the Rev. William A. Stewart, Hot Springs, conference coordinator of Adult Ministries. The Bible study of Luke, the emphasis of Key 73, phase II, was led by the Rev. Fred Arnold of Little Rock, and was attended by the members of all classes.

These were assisted by district coordinators as resource persons: Mrs. Nick Evans, Children's Ministries; the Rev. Jack Wilson, Youth Ministries; the Rev. Nick Evans, Young Adult Ministries; and Mrs. Dabney, Adult Ministries.

## REPORT NO. 4

FEBRUARY 22, 1973

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER—1973  
“ALERT IN OUR TIME”

The World Day of Prayer Observance of Church Women United is held the first Friday in March of each year. This year the date is Friday, March 2nd. The theme this year is “Alert in Our Time.” The offering will go to the Intercontinental Mission Fund — projects to broaden understanding of American Indians and to offer them training in significant skills, the completion of a five-year project to publish 100 children’s books in five languages, and many more.

The Central Arkansas Unit of Church Women United has scheduled meetings for the World Day of Prayer in the following places:

**10:00 a.m.**  
St. Paul’s United Church of Christ,  
3 Lakeshore Dr., L.R.  
Faith Lutheran Church,  
Markham & Mississippi, L.R.  
Bullock Temple,  
1513 Park, L.R.  
Mabelvale United Methodist Church,  
Mabelvale  
Park Hill Presbyterian Church,  
3520 John F. Kennedy, NLR

Rose City Beacon United Methodist Church,  
4525 Lynch Drive, NLR  
Heritage House,  
2301 Division, NLR  
St. Stephen Episcopal Church,  
Jacksonville,  
**12:00 noon**  
First Methodist Church,  
8th & Center, LR  
**2:00 p.m.**  
Arkansas Nursing Home,  
4115 W. 16th, LR  
**3:00 p.m.**  
Presbyterian Village,  
510 Brookside, LR

**7:30 p.m.**  
Bethel AME Church,  
815 W. 16th St. LR  
Leach Chapel CME Church,  
1122 E. 2nd St. NLR  
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A FELLOWSHIP DINNER was held recently in the Searcy County Library Entertainment Hall with the United Methodist churches of the Marshall-Leslie Charge participating. After the pot-luck dinner, songs were led by the Rev. W. Frank Shell and Mrs. Aline Jackson, Mrs. Paula Baker accompanied. The Rev. Carroll D. Jackson is pastor.

	New	Renew	Not Due	Total
Morrilton:Parsons	16	111	3	130**
Morrilton Ct:Anderson	2	34		36**
North Little Rock-Amboy:				
Curtis	3	24		27
First:Carter	17	61	3	81
Gardner Mem:McSpadden	18	91		109
Rose City-Beacon:Madison	4	18		22
Lakewood:Hays	12	53		65
Levy:Hammett	7	17		24
Washington:Renfro	7	36		43
Indian Hills:Lanier	4	10		14
Ola-Plainview:Crossno	3	17		20
Perry County Parish:Chaffin	3	23		26
Oppelo-Wye:Gamble	2	7		9
Plumerville Ct:Brumer	4	13		17
Russellville-First:Ramsey	13	52	1	66
Wesley-London:McClurkin	8	11		19
Dover Ct:Wright	1	15	1	17
Bell’s Chapel:Peters	1	3		4
Totals	208	915	27	1150

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

Bentonville Ct:Teague	1	9		10
Berryville:Nixon	10	47	2	59*
Brightwater:Hazelwood		8		8
Elkins Comm:Cate		5		5
Decatur-Centerton:Lee	3	20		23
Elm Springs-Harmon:Fisher	6	15		21
Eureka Springs:Pettit		16	1	17
Farmington:Paysinger		4		4
Fayetteville-Central:Cooper	31	61	2	94
Trinity:Dark	4	9	2	15
Gentry Parish:Moose	4	22		26
Goshen:Good		5	1	6
Gravette-Sulphur Springs:Waters	5	19	1	25
Green Forest-Alpena:Woods	1	58		59**
Harrison:McCormick	3	44		47
St. Paul’s Ct:Whitfield	3	28		31
Lincoln-Morrow:Hooker	30	17		47
Jasper-Valley Spgs:Blackshear	1	14		15
Pea Ridge-Oakley:Sherman	1	9		10
Prairie Gr-Viney Gr:				
Paysinger	7	8		15
Siloam Springs:Johnson	18	51	2	71
Springdale:Atchley	42	98	7	147
Wesley-Mt. Hebron:Fiser	6	21		27
St. Joe-Everton		3		3
Winslow:Thrasher		5		5
Yellville:Hestwood	3	19		22
Totals	179	615	18	812

FORREST CITY DISTRICT

Augusta:Eaton		19		19
Brinkley-Brasfield:Chapman	13	64	2	79**
Aubrey:Haltom	2	13		15**
Clarendon-Shiloh:Gilliam	2	19		21
Cherry Valley:Price	6	50	2	58**
Colt:Davis	1	8		9
Cotton Plant-Hunter:Logan	7	34	2	43
Crawfordsville:Smith	2	22		24**
Earle:Wilson	1	26		27
Elaine:Breezeale		9		9
Forrest City-First:Hughes		249		249****
Forrest Hills:Robinson		7		7
Helena:Beal	2	33		35
Holly Grove:Piercey	3	12		15
Hughes:Johnson	2	18	1	21
Marianna-Haynes-LaGrange:				
Byers	10	44	1	55
Marion:Stallcup	15	98		113****
Marvell:Moyers	4	18		22

	New	Renew	Not Due	Total
McCrory-Fakes-Patterson:				
Brewer	35	60	3	98**
Parkin:Rainwater	11	11	2	24
Tupelo:Couchman	3	5		8**
Vandale:Sellers	2	30		32
West Helena:Haltom	4	27	1	32
West Memphis-First:Hines	48	114		162**
Rosewood:Linam		3		3
Wheatley-Salem:Nance	3	19		22
Widener-Round Pond:Reed		20		20
Wynne:Wilder	20	63	1	84
Totals	196	1095	15	1306

FORT SMITH DISTRICT

Altus:Lancaster	2	10	1	13
Alma-Bethel:Nichols	5	12		17
Booneville:Dodgen	3	19	3	25
Charleston-Branch:Hawkins	4	31		35
Clarksville:Wilcox	2	55		57
Ft. Smith-First:Nader	11	66	3	80
Goddard:Boyd	9	100	1	110
Massard-New Hope:Millard	2	15		17
Midland Hts:Cruce	1	33		34
Wesley:Green	8	17		25
Cavanaugh-Arkoma:Powell	1	5	2	8
Greenwood-Milltown:Rogers	3	14		17
Hartford:Gramling	4	16	2	22
Hartman:Clint	1	16		17
Lamar-Mt. Olive		2		2
Central:Martin	1	10		11**
Lavaco-Vesta-Barling:Cook	6	21		27
Magazine:Rolland	5	16	1	22
Mansfield-Huntington:Hester	3	9		12
Mt. View:Byrd	4	17		21*
Mulberry-Dyer:Brooks	9	12		21
Ozark-Cecil:Anderson	3	16	2	21
Paris-Coles:Hightower		1		1
Van Buren-First:Lawson	8	36		44
City Hts-Newberry:Lloyd		1		1
St. John’s-Kibler:Scroggin	13	15	1	29*
Waldron-First:Clemmons	1	44		45**
Scott County Parish:Kleeb	1	17		18
Totals	110	626	16	752

JONESBORO DISTRICT

Bay-Lunsford:Skelton	3	26		29
Blytheville-First:Watson	17	185		202
Lake Street:Reed	13	14	1	28
Dell-Christ:Wilkerson	2	8		10
Bono Parish:Spurlock	7	22		29
Harrisburg-Pl Valley:Weir	7	64	1	72*
Hickory Ridge-Tilton:Barton	3	22		25
Joiner-Turrell:Feagan	5	37		42
Jonesboro-First:Gibson	80	536		616****
Huntington:Chandler	18	44	1	63
Fisher-Pl. Grove:Holifield	16	39		55
Nettleton-Brookland:Holifield	11	31		42
St. Paul-Mt Carmel:Canada	3	11	2	16
Lake City-Lake View:Bailey	3	17		20
Leachville-Caraway:Weather-				
ford	6	24		30
Lepanto-Garden Pt-Dyess:				
Van Cleve	3	23		26
Luxoro:Dorman		10		10
Keiser:Dorman	1	4		5
Manila:Dorman	9	27		36
Marked Tree:Orr	13	61		74*
Monette-Macy:Hays	1	25		26
Osceola:Conyers	9	57	1	67
Trumann:Thompson	1	20		21
Tyronza-Centerview:Yarbrough	2	27		29
Wilson:Linam	3	17		20

	New	Renew	Not Due	Total
Weiner-Fisher:Brumer	8	29	1	38**
Promised Land:Kirkland		9		9
Pl. Valley-Wesley:Randle		6		6
Yarbrow:Hall	3	7	1	11
Totals	247	1402	8	1657

PARAGOULD DISTRICT

Boydsville Ct:Penney	4	13	1	18
Corning:Clark	6	32	1	39
Hardy-Corinth-Liberty Hill:				
Hall		14	2	16
Hoxie-Clover Bend:Lawrence	13	17		30
Imboden-Smithville:Stahl	1	26		27
Eli Lindsey:Hance		2	1	3
Mammoth Spring:Jackson	2	5		7
Marmaduke:Bounds	4	26		30
Maynard:Craig	1	13		14
Newport-Umsted:English	3	31		34
Paragould:Spence-First	18	126	6	150**
Griffin:Gatlin	11	39		50
Paragould Parish 3		8		8
Christ’s -Pruett’s:Montgomery	4	29		33
Pocahontas-Biggers-Reyno:				
McKelvey	13	49	2	64
Piggott:Harris	5	32		37
Rector:Jarvis	2	21	1	24
Rector Ct:Thompson	2	8		10
Pl. Grove-Warren’s:Southard		4		4
Sedgwick:Stegall	2	9		11
St. Francis Ct:Srum	4	11		15
Swifton-Alicia:Luter	5	31	1	37*
Tuckerman-Hope:LeGrand	4	22		26
Walnut Ridge:Meadors	12	29		41
Cherokee Village:Poynor	8	6		14
Walnut Ridge Ct:Hance		8		8*
Totals	124	611	15	750

\* Reached quota  
\*\* Exceeded quota  
\*\*\* Doubled quota  
\*\*\*\* Every family

Recapitulation

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE

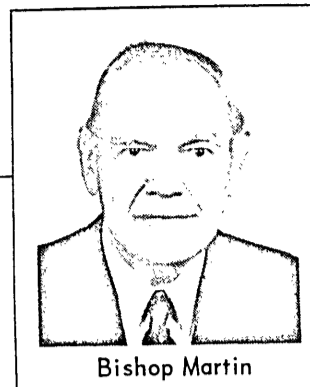
	New	Renew	Not Due	Total
ARKADELPHIA	166	542	17	725
CAMDEN	216	963	20	1199
HOPE	134	665	8	807
LITTLE ROCK	340	2129	30	2499
MONTICELLO	142	751	6	899
PINE BLUFF	222	1039	5	1266
Totals	1220	6089	86	7395

NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE

BATESVILLE	272	884	20	1176
CONWAY	208	915	27	1150
FAYETTEVILLE	179	615	18	812
FORREST CITY	196	1095	15	1306
FORT SMITH	110	626	16	752
JONESBORO	247	1402	8	1657
PARAGOULD	124	611	15	750
Totals	1336	6148	119	7603

## The Sunday School Lesson

(We are indebted to Bishop William C. Martin for the weekly Sunday School Lessons which will appear during the third quarter — March, April and May — under the general topic: "Affirmations of Our Faith.")



Bishop Martin

### LESSON FOR MARCH 4: This Is God's World

**SCRIPTURE BACKGROUND:** Genesis 1:1-26, 31; Psalms 24:1-2; 104:24-30

**MEMORY SELECTION:** The earth is the Lord's, and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein. (Psalms 24:1)

**AIM OF THE LESSON:** To enlighten our minds and awaken our consciences to the fact that we can depend upon the sovereignty of God as fully in the moral and spiritual realm as in the physical universe.

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During the next quarter we shall be examining some of the affirmations of our Christian faith. We readily agree that we have never known a time when there was greater need than today for a competent, positive, statement of the things we Christians most firmly believe about the meaning and mystery of life. Today we start with the simple, basic affirmation that by virtue of creation and continuing preservation this earth belongs to God. This fact is clearly and forcefully reiterated in the biblical passages that have been cited. Indeed it is confidently assumed throughout both the Old and New Testaments. When we attempt to discern the relation of this central truth to the problems of daily living, at least two areas of thought and conduct stand out clearly.

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#### WE ARE STEWARDS OF GOD'S EARTH

The first of these is our accountability to God for the use we are making of his domain. We have almost grown weary with the shouts of warning the environmentalists have been sounding about the wanton abuse that man has made and is making of the beauties and riches of this planet. Many of us have simply said, "Well, there isn't anything I can do about that." But as followers of One who said, "Consider the lilies of the field," and "Not a sparrow falls to the ground but that your Father knows" we had better become actively concerned about it before it is too late. In New Testament times there was none of the mass production and transportation that is befouling the waters and polluting the air in our day. If there had been, there can be no doubt as to the word of sharp reproof that Jesus would have spoken, so conscious was he of his Father's ownership of the earth and of his concern for the welfare of his people. The natural resources of the planet are not inexhaustible. Already in parts of our own country we hear the distress call of "Energy Crisis." All of the way from keeping our yards clean and

refusing to litter the highways and parks to using such influence as we have to encourage governmental oversight and regulation, we Christians need to become involved in revering and protecting our Father's world. "The earth is the Lord's."

The second and, to many of us, the more important application of this truth to the realm of daily living is the fact that it clearly reveals to us that the world in which we live is part of an orderly universe. The seasons come and go with regularity; the tides ebb and flow on schedule; and none of us will rise in the east or the west. In a little date book that I carry I looked for the date of Easter Sunday. I found there not only that date for this year, but for each year through 2020. (The date for that year is April 12, in case any of you are making plans for the day.) How could the man who compiled this little book be so certain about that date? As we all know, the date of Easter is set by the phases of the moon. The astronomer, with his delicate instruments, can accurately predict these changes for not only two thousand and twenty but for the year twenty thousand. This is true because we live in an orderly universe.

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#### THERE ARE NO EXEMPTIONS IN GOD'S MORAL UNIVERSE

The next great forward step that mankind will take will be the realization, not only as a matter of science, but of deep inner conviction, that the laws of God are just as dependable and just as inescapable in the realm of the moral and the spiritual as they are in the realm of the physical. Many persons who are otherwise intelligent and well-educated do not really believe this to be true. When we build a house we do not try to evade the law of gravity. We do not seek to bribe it into activity or to make ourselves believe that it will not work in our case. We simply obey it, otherwise the house would not stand. It is as simple as that.

During World War I in a YMCA Chapel in Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia, I heard the evangelist Bob Jones preach a sermon. Out of that sermon I remember only one statement. He said, "Young men, many of you will soon be going into a land that is strange to you, where moral standards are different from those to which you have been accustomed. One truth I would leave with you: Never forget, that no matter where you are, you cannot do wrong and get away with it." I have never forgotten it.

Some years ago I spent an entire forenoon, as guest of the warden, in one of the well-known federal prisons of this country. I talked with a number of men and observed hundreds of others. With few exceptions I did not see a single man there who did not give evidence of having as much intelligence and

ability as the average man we meet on the streets of any city or town in this country. Why were they there? They simply did not really believe that they could do wrong and not get away with it. Others might not get by but they were too clever to be caught. Now I know that some person may read this statement and say, "How can you be so sure of all this? I wonder if all this talk about invincible justice is not just so much wishful thinking. I know some people who have done wrong and were not even called to account for it, much less were they put in prison. Some people do wrong and get away with it." But we must take a deeper look. We must remember that we are punished not only for our sins but by our sins. The real penalty for telling lies is to become a liar; the price one pays for stealing is to become a thief; if we think unclean and lustful thoughts the record of that violation of the principle of purity is written on the tablets of our inner self. "We cannot do wrong and get away with it." This is an orderly universe. This is our Father's world.

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#### THE MESSAGE OF THE LENTEN SEASON

One of our difficulties in recognizing God's presence and activity in human affairs is that in our impatience we want to see things done on our own schedule. In the troubled days through which we are passing we are tempted to ask, "If there is really a God of justice and mercy why does he allow so much cruelty and violence to be inflicted upon the innocent?" We must remind ourselves that it is no reflection upon the goodness and love of God that he created a world in which the price of human freedom was the possibility that man would misuse it to his own hurt and to the destruction of his fellow man. And, we must also remember that in God's ordered world evil is always self-destructive and, therefore, there is a limit beyond which wickedness cannot go.

We must seek for the deeper assurance that the hymn which we sometimes sing is more than poetic fancy.

"This is my Father's world,  
O let me ne'er forget,  
That though the wrong  
Seems oft so strong,  
God is the Ruler yet."

As we approach the Lenten Season, there are many incentives in the world around us to search for the deeper meaning of the Cross of Christ, remembering always the confident word near the end of the New Testament, "The Lord God Omnipotent reigns."

## Uruguay asks for missionaries

NEW YORK (UMI)—In apparent contrast to the situation in some countries which are reporting to be "closing" to missionaries or limiting the number who may enter is the situation with the Methodist Church in Uruguay. There missionaries from the U. S. are returning after an absence of about three years.

The Rev. Paul McCleary, assistant general secretary for Latin America in the World Division, United Methodist Board of Global Ministries, says the Division is currently seeking four missionaries (two couples) for service in Uruguay. He gives this account:

In 1969 the Methodist Church of Uruguay became autonomous, following a pattern for many overseas churches formerly related organically to the United Methodist Church in U. S. The American missionaries voted after much discussion to leave as a group so the newly autonomous church "would be free to develop on its own."

Within a few months the only mis-

sionaries remaining on active service were Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Asay, who were based in Montevideo but served the South American continent in the field of church music.

Then in 1972 the Uruguay church asked the World Division for U. S. missionaries again to be assigned to their country.

The first to begin service, in 1972, were the Asays, who switched from their continent-wide work to concentration on service with the Methodists of Uruguay, though they are currently on furlough in the U. S. Mr. Asay teaches sacred music in a seminary in Montevideo and works with local churches in training ministers of music and choir directors.

At the request of the Uruguay church, the World Division is seeking in 1972-73 two couples. One is for service in an urban development project and the other in rural develop-

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## Ecumenical affairs agency offers scholarships to study at Bossey

NEW YORK (UMI)—As in past years, the United Methodist Church's ecumenical affairs agency is making available in 1973 a limited number of scholarships to United Methodists for study during the 1973-74 term at the Graduate School of Ecumenical Studies, Bossey, Switzerland (near Geneva).

Applications are now being received by the Ecumenical and Interreligious Concerns Division of the Board of Global Ministries, said the Rev. Dr. Robert W. Huston, New York, associate general secretary. The fall-winter semester at the 22-year-old school will begin Oct. 15 and run through Feb. 28, 1974, he said, and up to three scholarships may be granted by the Division to United Methodist seminary students or younger ministers.

Dr. Huston added that some financial aid also is provided to ministers and laypersons in short-term courses at the Bossey Ecumenical Institute during spring and summer. The Graduate School program is related to the World Council of Churches and the University of Geneva Faculty of Theology.

Almost 30 United Methodists have participated in the international program of ecumenical studies since 1953, and two are in the current 1972-73 semester on Ecumenical and Interreligious Concerns Division scholarships.

Dr. Huston said that because of the need for "balanced denominational representation in each student group, Division scholarships may be granted only to those accepted by the Graduate School of Ecumenical Studies. Emphasis there is on direct encounter with students and faculty from radically different backgrounds and presuppositions." The 1973-74 semester will tackle a crucial theological and political issue which involves the relationship of men and God in a technologically advanced society in which there has been failure of conscience and ethical regression, he said.

Division scholarships, \$500 each, cover registration, tuition, board and room for the study period. Dr. Huston said various materials are needed from applicants by both the Division's scholarship committee and the Graduate School of Ecumenical Studies. These include college record, seminary transcript, "curriculum vitae," and a brief statement of the applicant's purpose in applying. Inquiries may be made immediately, with all materials due by March 31 at latest, to:

Dr. Robert W. Huston, Ecumenical and Interreligious Concerns Division, Room 1300, 475 Riverside Drive, New York, New York 10027.

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## UMCYM endorses Key 73

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (UMI)—The United Methodist Council on Youth Ministry (UMCYM) has endorsed Key 73, a North American evangelism program involving more than 130 religious groups, and has called upon youth of the church to fulfill their unique role in the movement.

In a statement released by the UMCYM offices here, the Council said, "We are called by God to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ with our brothers and sisters which involves proclaiming both the joys and the claims of the Gospel—the requirements that we pursue justice as well as the fact that God loves us; Christ's instructions to minister to our brothers and sisters as well as the Good News of Jesus."

Chairperson of the 32-member Council is Ms. Barbe Spies, Syracuse, N. Y. The endorsement of Key 73 was proposed at the Council's meeting in late December at Dayton, O., but because of limited time it was agreed that a statement would be formulated and circulated later as a mail ballot to the members.

## INTERPRETER featuring articles on United Methodist priorities

DAYTON, Ohio (UMI)—Priorities for United Methodists as adopted by the denomination's 1972 General Conference are being featured in a series of articles beginning in the February issue of *The Interpreter*, the church's program journal. Editor of the magazine is Darrell R. Shamblin of Dayton, Ohio.

Earlier issues of *The Interpreter* have focused on the process planning which resulted in the action of the General Conference in adopting "Planning for Ministries — 1973 and Beyond."

Between now and May, the magazine will feature seven priorities with special articles written by outstanding church leaders especially qualified to discuss the concerns on which the church is focusing. These priorities are

### Ministerial concerns studied

OAK BROOK, Ill. (UMI)—Concerns relating to the United Methodist ministry ranging from the meaning of ordination, to the emergence of man-wife pastoral teams, to helping ministers prepare for retirement were covered in depth at a workshop here Jan. 29-31.

The session was the first of five being held across the country through late February and was attended by about 130 annual conference leaders in ministerial qualification, seminary representatives, and staff executives of the Board of Higher Education and Ministry's Division of the Ordained Ministry. While no formal ranking of issues in terms of priority was attempted here, the meaning of ordination, evaluation of a minister's effectiveness, and continuing education emerged as some of the most-mentioned topics.

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not handed-down programs but are issues that have grown out of discussions, questionnaires and a church-wide listening process to hear what the "grass roots" has had to say about the church's mission in the world today.

In a lead article explaining the series, Editor Shamblin says: "The suggestions that are shared in this issue and future issues of *The Interpreter* are designed to assist churches in adjusting to new circumstances, meeting new problems, and dealing with new attitudes that arise to challenge the Christian mission in the modern world."

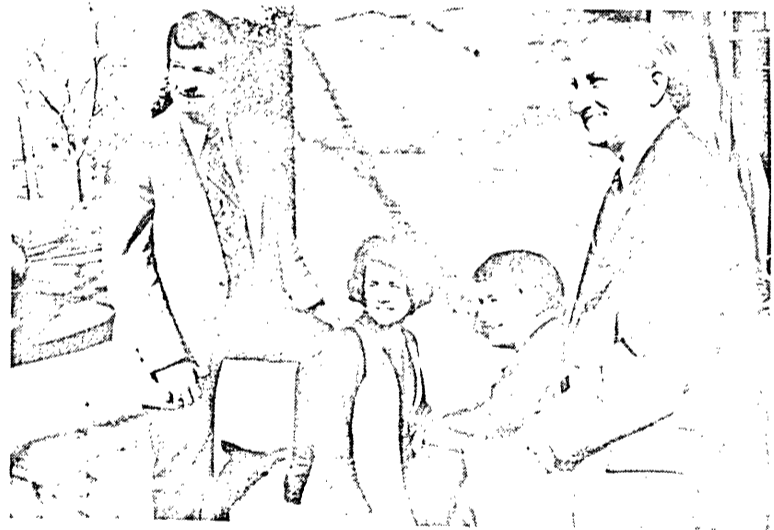
After this series, the editors of the *Interpreter* plan to share information pertaining to other priorities that emerge as local churches plan for the needs of their specific communities. Churches are being encouraged to share these testimonials through *The Interpreter*.

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### CHEMISTRY PROFESSOR LECTURES AT SCARRITT

NASHVILLE, TENN.—Dr. George K. Schweitzer, Professor of Chemistry at the University of Tennessee, gave the annual Staley Distinguished Christian Scholar Lectures at Scarritt College in Nashville, Feb. 19-20. His theme for the series was "Christian Faith in a Technological Age." The Staley Lectures were established by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas F. Staley of Rye, New York in the belief that the message of the Christian Gospel is always contemporary, relevant and meaningful to any generation. Schweitzer lectured on: "The Cosmic Drama," "Life on Other Planets," and "The Jesus Event."

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Newly-elected officers of United Methodist Christian Educators Fellowship Board of Directors (from left) Dr. Edwin T. Upton, minister of Christian education of Lovers Lane United Methodist Church in Dallas, vice president; Ms. Millie Schlagenhauf, director of children's ministries for Peachtree Road United Methodist Church in Atlanta, secretary; and the Rev. Donald E. Barnes, minister of Christian Growth at Spring Valley United Methodist Church in Dallas, president. The Rev. R. Harold Hipps, (right) associate general secretary of the United Methodist Board of Higher Education and Ministry's Division of Lay Ministries, is executive officer of CEF. The officers were elected at Board of Director's annual meeting in Nashville Jan. 16-19. Barnes is beginning his second two-year term as president of CEF which includes nearly 1,000 members who have responsibility for local church education. (UMI photo)



Erected in 1960 by the former Evangelical United Brethren Church, the United Methodist building at 601 West Riverview Avenue, Dayton, Ohio, is now free of indebtedness. (UMI photo)

## Debt paid on Dayton

### United Methodist office building

DAYTON, Ohio (UMI) — Final payment of the indebtedness on the United Methodist building here was announced Feb. 12 by the Rev. Dr. Paul V. Church, general secretary of the denomination's General Council on Ministries.

Erected in 1960 by the former Evangelical United Brethren Church, the million-dollar building housed the principal administrative offices of that denomination until its union in 1968 with the Methodist Church to form the present United Methodist Church. Since EUB-Methodist union, the building located at 601 West Riverview Avenue, Dayton, has housed several agencies of the United Methodist Church.

The final payment of \$75,000 was made to the United Methodist Board of Pensions, Evanston, Ill., which held the last note growing out of a trust agreement carried over from the former EUB Church. The total original indebtedness on the property was \$800,000. This amount was financed through a trust agreement with several boards and agencies of the EUB Church.

Commenting upon the liquidation of

the debt, Dr. Church said, "We are grateful that a debt which was to have been liquidated in 25 years has now been retired in only 12 years."

"A modern and efficient office building is now available for general church use at very low cost," he said.

In addition to staff members of the General Council on Ministries, the building houses several staff members of each of the three units comprising the new Joint Committee on Communications: the headquarters office of United Methodist Information, editorial offices of *Interpreter* magazine, and an office of the Television, Radio and Film Communication (TRAFCO).

Also housed in the building are an office of the United Methodist Commission on Archives and History, one of the regional offices of the Women's Division of the Board of Global Ministries, and offices of the two Dayton district superintendents of the West Ohio Conference.

Until very recently, the building also housed the denomination's Quadrennial Emphasis program and an office of the Council on Youth Ministries.

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### Regional cable TV seminars planned

ATLANTA, Ga. (UMI)—The first of four regional cable television seminars projected by the Broadcasting and Film Commission (BFC) of the National Council of Churches, will be held in Atlanta March 14-16.

The first event, primarily for the Southeastern states, is being sponsored by the BFC and the Television, Radio and Audiovisual Department (TRAV) of the Presbyterian Church, U. S. The United Methodist Television, Radio and Film Communications (TRAFCO) division of the Joint Committee on Communications is an active participant in BFC.

William R. Richards, TRAFCO staff member in Nashville, said the seminars will seek to answer several

basic questions for the participants: "What will cable television mean to me? How does the system work? What is the present state of development of cable TV across the country? What are the possibilities of the future development? How can I involve the community in the creation and programming of a local cable system? How can I begin experimenting with programming possibilities?"

Persons interested in additional information may write to Mr. Richards, 1525 McGavock Street, Nashville, Tenn. 37203.

Leadership at the Atlanta seminar will include Ralph Lee Smith, an instructor at Howard University, Washington, D. C., who was formerly re-

## National Laity Conference planned for July 13-15 at Purdue University

EVANSTON, Ill. (UMI)—A wide range of program offerings will await the estimated 5,000 persons attending the United Methodist National Conference of the Laity this summer, according to preliminary details released here Feb. 1.

Theme for the meeting, the first of its kind in the denomination, is "Commitment in Community," according to David W. Self, an associate general secretary of the Board of Discipleship for the Division of Lay Life and Work, sponsors of the conference. The meeting will be held July 13-15 on the campus of Purdue University, W. Lafayette, Ind.

Growing out of the former United Methodist Men conferences sponsored quadrennially by the Board of the Laity, this year's session will be attended by substantial numbers of women and youth, as well as men, Dr. Self said.

Included in the program will be platform addresses; traditional and contemporary music; Bible study; small group discussion sessions; an unusual, "open ended" drama; a multi-faceted "community fair;" a Saturday night "creative experience" dealing with changing patterns of work and play; and a presentation in sculpture, music and spoken words to close the conference.

The keynote address will be given by the Rev. Earnest A. Smith, a staff executive of the United Methodist Board of Church and Society. Dr. Smith also will give a concluding address on how well the conference has achieved its aims.

Louis R. Mobley, a consultant on leadership styles and a former staff member of IBM, will address the conference on "How to Deal With Change" and will have over-all direction of the some 200 discussion groups. C. B. Anderson of the Joint

Committee on Communications staff has written the drama which will have its first act presented in a plenary session and the second act carried out in subsequent small group meetings.

The closing worship experience will be led by Gilbert N. Amelio, a Lt. Col. in the Air Force stationed at March AFB, Calif. He will do a sculpture of the face of Christ while he interprets his work in word and music. Persons who have seen the presentation describe it as a "deeply moving religious experience."

Worship periods will be under the direction of Miss Gene Maxwell, Denver, Colo., a staff executive of the Board of Global Ministries' Women's Division. Bible Study will be led by Prof. Eduard P. Blair, adjunct professor of New Testament Interpretation at Garrett Theological Seminary, Evanston.

The "community fair" on the afternoon of July 14 will provide a wide range of opportunities for conference participants, ranging from the traditional to the "far out." Included will be such topics as how the future is affected by technology, bio-medical considerations, leisure-time ministries, the status and role of women, preparation for retirement, population control, and how to effect change in the church.

Music leadership for the conference will include Bill Mann, Dallas, Texas, Oris Baldwin, Ft. Worth, Texas, Don Larsen, Decatur, Ga., and Dust and Ashes, a contemporary group. The Rev. Earl F. Barfoot of the Board of Discipleship staff is in charge of the Saturday night "creative experience."

Program chairman for the conference is Everett Jones, Damascus, Md. Sidney Nichols of the Board of Discipleship staff is coordinating arrangements.

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## Concurrent United Methodist meetings scheduled for March 12-18 in Atlanta

DAYTON, Ohio (UMI) — Several United Methodist meetings will be held in Atlanta, Georgia, during the week of March 12-18.

The new Joint Committee on Communications will meet March 13-14 at the Holiday Inn—Airport, Atlanta, under the presidency of Thomas P. Moore of Bucyrus, Ohio. Some committees related to the JCC will convene on Monday, March 12, at the same place.

The JCC represents a union of two former divisions of the Program Council as it was constituted last quadrennium—the Division of Interpretation and the Division of Television, Radio and Film Communication (TRAFCO)—and United Methodist Information.

On March 15-17 the General Council on Ministries will be in session at

the Hilton Inn near Atlanta's airport, with Dr. John T. King of Austin, Texas, presiding.

The denomination's Advance Committee, chaired by Bishop W. Ralph Ward of Rye, N. Y., will also meet in connection with the General Council on Ministries, as will several other related committees.

The Rev. Dr. Paul V. Church of Dayton, Ohio, is general secretary of the General Council on Ministries and is acting executive secretary of the JCC.

On March 17-18, there will be a meeting in Atlanta of the Coordinating Committee on Peace and the Self-Development of Peoples. Bishop A. James Armstrong of Aberdeen, South Dakota, is chairman of the committee.

As announced by United Methodist Information in an earlier release, the 32nd annual convention of the National Association of Health and Welfare Ministries of the United Methodist Church will be held in Atlanta March 13-14.

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## Arkansas News in Brief

THE WIDENER CHARGE recently had guest speakers while the pastor, the Rev. Charles E. Reed, was absent for surgery and recuperation. Ray Massey, Madison Church lay leader, working with District Superintendent Ethan Dodgen, arranged for lay speakers. Mrs. Reed, who resides in the Crestpark Nursing Home in Forrest City, spent two weeks in the Forrest City Hospital during January, according to Bro. Reed, but has now returned to the Nursing Home. Both express thanks for prayers, letters and gifts from friends.

COTTON PLANT United Methodist Men elected Jim Myover to serve as president of the group. Billy Tarpley is vice-president, and James Roy is treasurer. The Rev. Oliver Logan is pastor.

JUNCTION CITY United Methodist Church recently had as guests, members of the Youth Hand Bell Choir from First Church, El Dorado. Mrs. Gordon Betenbaugh is director of the group. The Rev. E. Stanley Wagner was host pastor.

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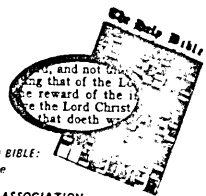
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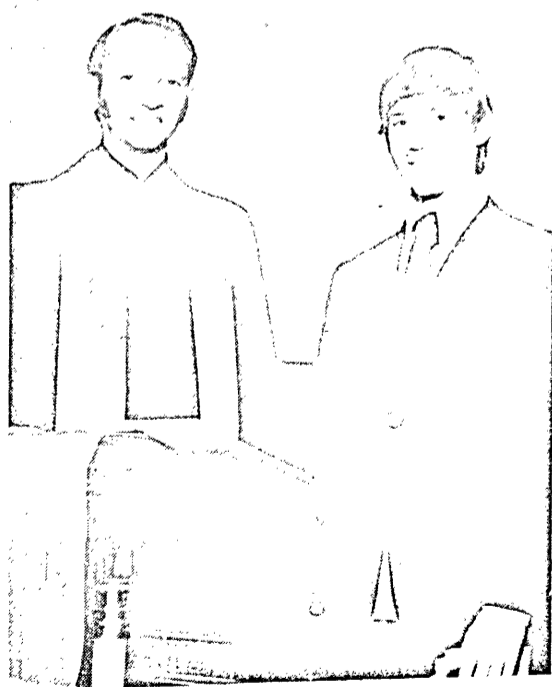
In January, Mayor Bob Ford (left) of Wynne took office as chairman of the Administrative Board of First United Methodist Church. At the same time, his sister, Mrs. Gabe Hunter (right), was installed as president of the newly-formed United Methodist Women's organization. Both they and their families have long been active in Methodism in the area. Their grandfather, the Rev. Marvin A. Graves, served the North Arkansas Conference for 30 years before his death in 1956.

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These members of the congregation at Alpena United Methodist Church were recently recognized for perfect attendance in church school: Chris Fields, Shirley Wise and Ellis Wise, 14 years; Charles Wise, 12 years; Bobbye Parker, 11 years; Timmy Fields, Mattie Sparks and Lois Wise, 8 years; John and Mae Parker, 2 years; Mary Ann Hill and Barbara Graves, 1 year. Keith Hurley presented awards to these individuals; Ellis Wise is cultivation superintendent; the Rev. S. Woodrow Woods is pastor.

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David Paul Orr, son of the Rev. Bob Orr (at left) and Mrs. Orr, presented himself for commitment to the ministry during the morning worship hour at First Church, Marked Tree on Jan. 21. David is 16 years of age and a junior in the Marked Tree high school.

We have two Elliott Addressing Machines that we would be glad to give to a church that needs them. Contact Lakewood United Methodist Church, Fairway & Topf, North Little Rock, Ark. Telephone 753-6186.

## Poetry Panorama

By Barbara L. Mulkey

*In her book of devotions entitled, "Adoration", Virginia Ely wrote, "The Master chose to designate His followers as witnesses. He desires holy tongues that are used in praise and thanksgiving, tongues that are used in defense of the weak and down-trodden, tongues that are used to speak words of comfort, cheer and truth."*

### Restraint

When inner peace is shattered,  
And harsh words frame the lips;  
When lack of understanding  
Forms strands of verbal whips;  
When hard feelings rule the heart,  
And speech would alienate,  
The disciplined tongue keeps still  
'Til love can activate.

When rage encircles reason,  
And talk is fuel to fire;  
When bitter feelings lower the soul  
To the quicksand of mouthed mire;  
When the ethic we affirm  
Falls to unreasoned fear,  
Then silence is the better course  
So only God can hear.

For He who knows us well...  
Knows well each breaking point;  
Knows exactly when it's time  
To chasten or anoint.  
And He who made each one  
For better - not for worse -  
Will use each tongue held in restraint  
To bless and not to curse.

-by Barbara L. Mulkey

### Diary of Time

The day is a page in the diary of time,  
Where some pushed ahead and some fell behind.  
A million temptations lost out in the end.  
Scores remained faithful while some failed a friend.

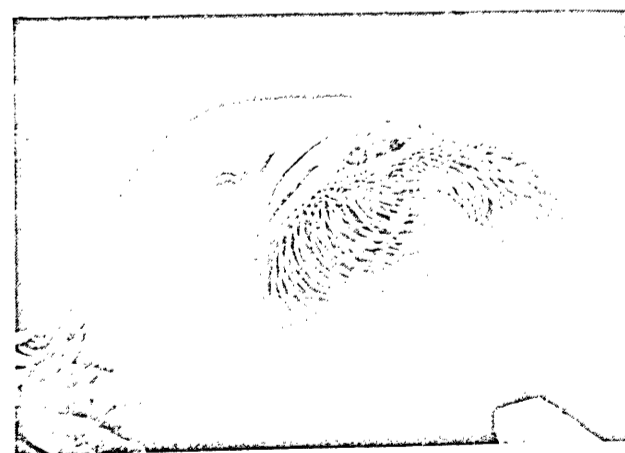
Comes the strength of an ox to the heart of the weak,  
From the virtue of wisdom if they pray and seek.  
In all understanding are psalms to be sung  
Of the kind, gentle neighbor who bridles her tongue.

Some drink to the sweetness of countless things sought,  
And thirst of the infinite is quenched by one draught.  
As we lift up our faces to God so sublime,  
May our deeds in the diary be in measure with time.

-by Leota Taylor

## Arkeology

by Gene Herrington



Don't judge a man  
by the way he trims his mustache.