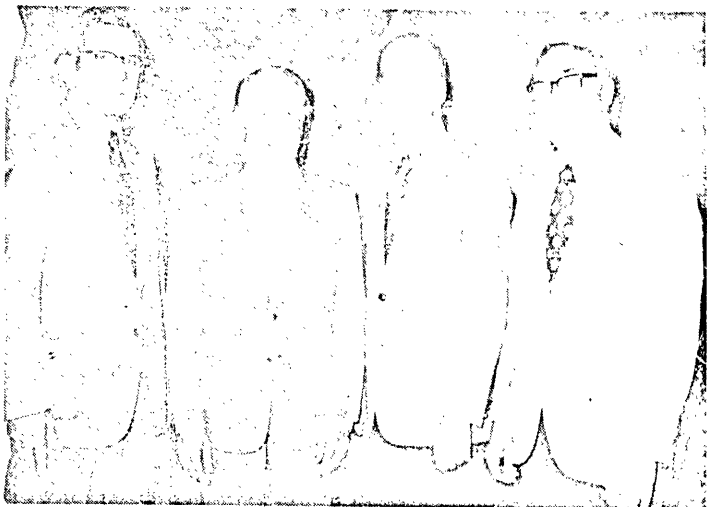


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Attending the meeting of the Board of Trustees of Mount Sequoyah United Methodist Assembly at Fayetteville, Oct. 30-31, were (from left) Dr. C. Ray Hozendorf, pastor at Winfield Church, Little Rock; Tyndall Fooks, Camden; Bishop Eugene M. Frank; and the Rev. Harold Spence, superintendent of the Fayetteville District.

Council of Churches to hold annual meet

The 18th Annual Assembly of the Arkansas Council of Churches will be held at Winfield United Methodist Church in Little Rock on Tuesday, Nov. 13. Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. with denominational caucuses at 9 o'clock.

Presiding over the Assembly will be the Council's president, S. H. "Herb" Allman, of Hot Springs, a leading Uni-

ted Methodist layman. The theme for the meeting is "KEYS — Keys to Unlock Tomorrow." Mrs. Floyd Sexton, will present the program featuring the theme.

Further details of the Assembly may be found on page 4 of our edition of Oct. 25.



AT LEFT: Clergywomen Dorothy Claiborne (left), pastor of Few Memorial United Methodist Church, Texarkana, and C. Elaine Smith (right), of the Community Life Office at Perkins School of Theology in Dallas, both members of the Little Rock Annual Conference, were among the 19 clergywomen from over the country who assisted in the administering of Communion at the recent Assembly of United Methodist Women in Cincinnati, Ohio.

United Methodists Today to succeed Together, editor named

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (UMC)—Dr. Roger L. Burgess, 46, associate general secretary of the United Methodist Board of Global Ministry's Division of Health and Welfare Ministries, has been elected editor of **United Methodists Today**, general United Methodist family magazine which is to succeed **Together** January 1.

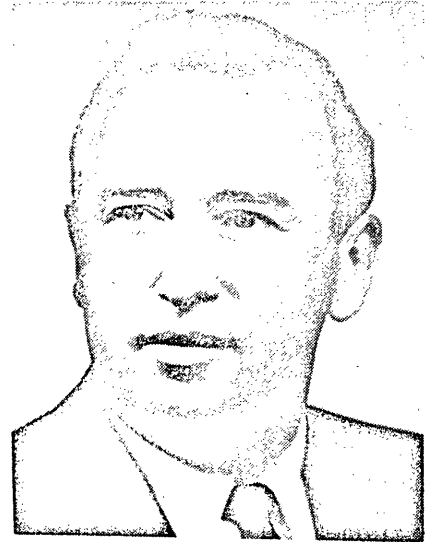
Dr. Burgess, a layman, was elected editor of the new magazine and designated as editorial director of all general church periodicals published by the United Methodist Publishing House at the semi-annual meeting of the 45-member Board of Publication here October 30-31. He will assume his new responsibilities in Park Ridge, Ill., January 1.

Dr. Burgess succeeds Dr. Curtis A. Chambers who was recently elected executive secretary of United Methodist Communications.

In addition to **United Methodists Today**, general periodicals published by the United Methodist Publishing House are **Newscope**, a four-page weekly newsletter, and **Today's Ministry**, a new journal for pastors which will succeed **Christian Advocate** as an insert for pastors in **United Methodists Today**.

Dr. Burgess has broad experience as a United Methodist executive and in editorial and communications fields. Since 1950 he has served in editorial and administration positions with the church's National Conference of Methodist Youth, Board of Christian Social Concerns, Board of Health and Welfare Ministries and Board of Global Ministries. He served two terms as president of the church's Council of Secretaries.

Dr. Burgess also served for several years as an editorial and communications consultant to business and governmental organizations. For two years he was a partner and executive vice-president of Design Center, Inc., a Washington, D.C. based firm with graphic arts, film and advertising divi-



Dr. Roger L. Burgess

sions. He also served two years as National Executive Director of Joint Action in Community Service, Washington, D.C., an interfaith agency providing volunteer support services for disadvantaged youth.

Dr. Burgess has written numerous articles, has produced a number of films and promotional campaigns, and in the course of his professional responsibilities has traveled widely throughout the United States and to 15 countries overseas.

Dr. Burgess has served as a board member of numerous ecumenical boards and agencies including the General Board of the National Council of Churches, the North Conway Foundation, the International Council on Alcohol and Alcoholism, Scarritt College, and Joint Action in Community Service.

A native of Sac City, Ia., Dr. Burgess received his B.A. degree from Morningside College, Sioux City, Ia., in 1950. He was awarded the Doctor of Laws degree from the same institution in 1965. He did graduate study in journalism at The American University in Washington, D.C.

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE COUNCIL TO MEET

The Little Rock Conference Council on Ministries will meet Nov. 26 at the Headquarters Building in Little Rock. The major agenda item will be a report from the Structure Committee. Other items of business will be considered. Time: 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Todd named to business manager post at Hendrix

The chief accountant and business manager at Hendrix College, Rodney Todd, has been named treasurer and business manager. The assignment becomes effective Aug. 1, 1974.

Todd will succeed Dr. Burvin C. Alread, who has been named the first director of the Wilbur D. Mills Center for the Study of the Social Sciences.

In making the announcement to the Board of Trustees, President Roy B. Shilling Jr., said, "His (Todd's) new role as our chief fiscal officer is one for which he is superbly equipped, and we are thus assured of a fiscal affairs program of the highest quality on a continuing basis."

Shilling added: "Rodney Todd is a person whose competencies, commitment, judgment, maturity and quiet manner have endeared him to his colleagues."

A native of Heber Springs, Todd graduated "magna cum laude" from Southern State College in 1966 with a bachelor's degree in accounting. While at Southern State, Todd was named to "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities."

He worked for the Shell Oil Company after his college graduation and then joined Peat, Marwick, Mitchell and Company, an accounting firm in Little Rock in 1966.

Todd, a certified public accountant, worked for Peat, Marwick, Mitchell and Company until April 1, 1971, when he joined the Hendrix staff in his present position.

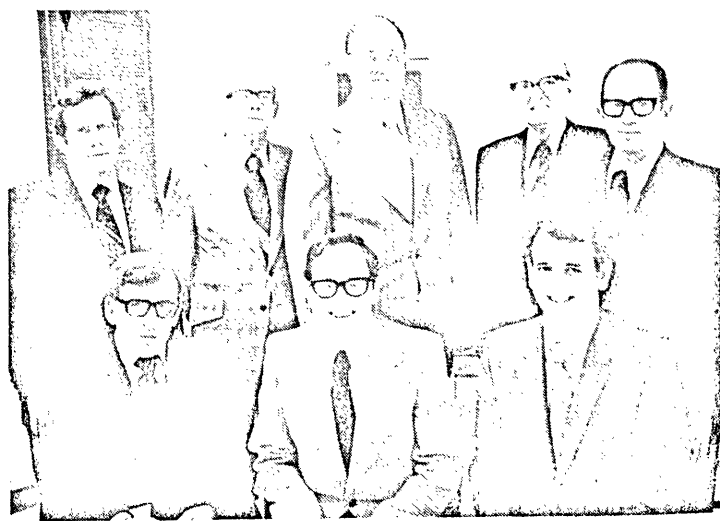
A member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the National Association of College and University Business Officers, Todd is married to the former Janice Kay Harness, a native of Marshall. The couple has two daughters, Rhonda Kay, three years old, and Allison, four months old.

Little Rock YMCA opens new unit

The Central YMCA of Little Rock opened its new Pulaski Heights Skills School on Monday, Nov. 5. The facility, located at 4401 Woodlawn, will be offering a variety of new programs. Among these are gymnastics and pre-school gymnastics. Classes are under the direction of Bob Smith, a former AAU champion gymnast.

Beginning guitar, a class designed for ages 8-14, will be taught by Kris Douglas. Ladies Slimnastics, an exercise program designed for the individual, will be conducted by Patty Hudgins. The Rev. Howard Ritchie will conduct four classes of instruction in karate, covering ages 6 through adult.

The new Pulaski Heights Skills School is located directly next to the Pulaski Heights Presbyterian Church. Persons interested in more information may call the Central YMCA at 372-5421.



The Board of Managers of the Arkansas Methodist met last Friday at the Methodist Headquarters Building in Little Rock. Attending were (left to right), seated: Ken Parker, Little Rock, secretary; Dr. Charles Casteel, Batesville, vice-chairman; the Rev. Edward Matthews, Pine Bluff, chairman. Standing: Cone Magee, Cabot; the Rev. Everett M. Vinson, Monticello; Jim Lane, North Little Rock; the Rev. Floyd G. Villines, Jr., Batesville; and James H. Rice, Little Rock.

Trumann makes gift to Myers Ranch Fund

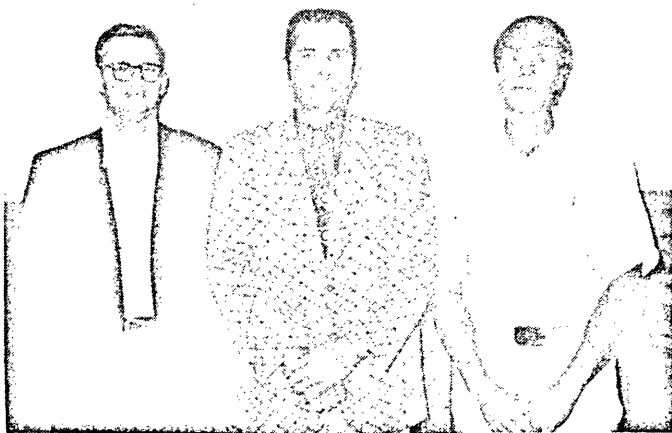
A gift of \$1,148.74 was recently made to the Myers Ranch Fund by First Church in Trumann. The Rev. Leon Wilson, pastor, reports that a drive for funds began when a non-church resident volunteered to match amounts raised by the Trumann people for the North Arkansas Conference camping facility. The report states that "the Trumann people got busy; the church raised enough to pay for several acres (on the Purchase an Acre Plan) and even the American Legion got into the action by raising an acre."

The 1,000 acre Myers Ranch campsite, located near Shirley, Ark., was

purchased by the North Arkansas Conference in 1969 for \$65,000.

The conference Camping Committee is presently in a drive to retire the \$25,600 still due. Churches and individuals may contribute by joining the Purchase an Acre Plan (at \$65 an acre) or by sending partial amounts to the Conference treasurer.

The Rev. William C. Haltom of Walnut Ridge is chairman of the Camping Committee and the Rev. Bob Edwards of Jacksonville is chairman of the Myers Ranch Task Force.



Officers for the newly organized Crawford County United Methodist Men's Club are: Francis Pitts of Alma, president; Charles E. Stockton of Van Buren, vice-president; and Ed Thicksten of Alma, secretary-treasurer.

Crawford County UM Men organize

Men from three United Methodist Churches in the Alma area met at Alma United Methodist Church on Oct. 4 and chartered an Inter-Church United Methodist Men's Club. Participating churches represented at the organizational meeting included Bethel United Methodist Church of Van Buren and Mountain View United Methodist Church of Alma in addition to the host church.

The new group will be known as the Crawford County United Methodist Men's Club. The organizers hope to involve men from as many as six churches in the central Crawford

County area which do not have United Methodist Men's programs.

Newly elected officers are Francis Pitts of Alma, president; Charles E. Stockton of Van Buren, vice president, and Ed Thicksten of Alma, secretary-treasurer. The new club will meet on the first Thursday evening of each month.

The program for the Charter meeting included a showing of color slides of a Holy Land tour by the Rev. Jerry Nichols, pastor of the host church. Dr. Fred Roebuck of Fort Smith was the guest speaker at the Nov. 1 meeting.

CORRECTION

In last week's edition an incorrect date was given for a Community-wide Thanksgiving Service to be held at Mabelvale church in Little Rock. The service will be on Sunday night, Nov. 18 at 7 p.m. instead of Nov. 4 as announced.

The congregation of the host church, St. Andrew's and Geyer Springs will participate. The Rev. Rev. Fred H. Haustein, St. Andrew's pastor, will give the sermon. The Rev. Gerald Fincher and Dennis Spence, pastor and youth director respectively of the host church will assist. The pastor of the Geyer Springs church is the Rev. Rayford L. Diffe.

District Youth Rally in Arkadelphia November 17

First Church in Malvern will be the site of a fall rally on Saturday, Nov. 17, of youth in the Arkadelphia District. District youth president Paul Thompson of St. Andrew church in Arkadelphia will preside at the rally. The Right Now Singers of Hot Springs' Pullman Heights church will participate in the rally's concluding worship service.

Registration is from 9:30 to 10 a.m. in the fellowship hall. The rally is scheduled to conclude at approximately 2:30. Ruth E. Smith is the District youth coordinator.

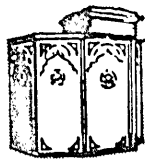
Arkansas Choral Society to present Handel's 'Messiah'

The Arkansas Choral Society's 43rd annual presentation of Handel's Messiah will be given on Sunday, Dec. 2. The event will be at Little Rock's First Baptist Church, 12th and Louisiana Streets. The presentation will be under the direction of Mr. Amon Baker, minister of music at Immanuel Baptist Church of Little Rock.

Mr. Glen Owens, president of the Arkansas Choral Society, has extended an invitation to any interested persons to participate in the presentation. Requirements are that they attend the rehearsals, which are being held at Immanuel Baptist Church, 10th and Marshall streets, on Monday evenings.

United Methodist ministers in the area have been contacted by the Rev. Robert M. VanHook II, a member of the Society's Board of Directors, to encourage participation by their choral members in the presentation. Mr. Van Hook, pastor of Little Rock's Henderson church, is in charge of Church Relations for the Society's board.

The annual presentation of the Messiah has been a high point in the community's Advent celebration. Churches are encouraged to give notice of the event to their membership.



From the Bottom of the Heart.....

TOWARD A THEOLOGY FOR THE COMING AGE OF SCARCITY

Americans face a new age of scarcity and it may be upon us quicker than we realize. And unlike most of the hard times we've experienced in the past quarter-century, which have been spectator-events for most Americans, this one will come home in varied degrees to all of us. It will come to our dining tables, our furnaces, our cars, our businesses and to our schools. This is one hard time we won't sit out.

And as such this age of scarcity will be a new experience for many Americans whose daily way has been that of unprecedented abundance and affluence. Most of us have lived as though we believed we were sucking on a big fat straw dipped into an ice cream soda which would never run dry. But now we've started to suck bubbles and the sound has scared us. The National Observer (Nov. 3) states that "We've not now big on eating a synthetic turkey made from soybeans. Presently we will be — if we don't run out of soybeans."

It is reported that food and fuel will be our major scarcities. We now have about 10 years supply of economically recoverable oil supplies, 11 of natural gas and 300 of coal (The National Observer, Oct. 27). We've been conditioned to believe that our technological know-how can find solutions to all of our problems. But we cannot leave the impact of these new problems to be absorbed by the scientist alone. The human dimensions of these problems are perhaps greater than their scientific, and it is to these that the church must speak its good word.

BOUND TOGETHER IN THE BUNDLE OF LIFE

While we must avoid the error of presenting Christianity as an automatic solution to all problems, the church is entrusted with a relevant, creative and redemptive word that speaks to all human need. And our faith does indeed have a word for such a time as is before us.

One such word is that we ought not consider the hardships before us without remembering that for many, many people throughout the world scarcity and much worse has been a way of life for years. Scarcity is relevant. What is scarcity for us is affluence to others. As a part of a world community, Christians may not approach their own national problems in isolation from the needs of others.

Such an observation may seem little help in solving the immediate problem before Americans. But it is the only way that Christians in America can honestly begin a look at the scope and meaning of our present situation. It ill behooves us to throw a national tantrum because we can't drive our boat to the lake or buy steaks for the cook-out when our brother across the sea must eat his starving milk cow in order to stay alive, and that possibly not for long.

Of all American citizens, the Christian cannot face the fact of our own scarcities without reference to his universal ties. We are a people who are bound together in the bundle of life and have cast our lot with our brother because our Lord has done so before us.

REJOICE IN OUR SUFFERING?

Another word the church may witness to at such a time is a bit more difficult to express. It also runs the risk of being interpreted as dealing lightly with some very real human hardships and difficulties that will result from scarcities to come. But it is in reality a positive word, too. It sees that there can be a creative aspect and even a bright side to the prospect of scarcity. How?

Adversity has a way of bringing people together. It sharpens our sense of values. It focuses attention on priorities. It develops a discipline and regimen which is creative and helpful to the individual and to the community. It is entirely in keeping with the spirit of our faith to say that creative, redemptive results may come from an age of scarcity.

Actually, for a people who have eaten too much, spent too irresponsibly, played too prodigally and generally lived too loosely, the coming of an age of scarcity may even be secretly longed-for though not openly welcomed. Such a time can conceivably do something not only for the body of America but also for its soul.

Unreal? Foolish? Not if we really believe the redemptive word our faith speaks to us.

The word the church has to speak also involves stewardship, compassion, sharing, supporting and other ways of saying love. As we have seen so often in these days, our times seem to be tailor-made for the Christian message. Let us not disappoint the times nor default in our opportunity.

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Off the Top of the Head.....

The last of the big-time spenders....
or....Sole satisfaction

At my age it's pretty late in life to be experiencing firsts. But that's what happened to me this past week. For the first time in my life I actually bought two pairs of shoes at one time. Two pair — at one time! That's something which in my childhood I never envisioned, even in my wildest dreams of affluence. It was enough then just to have the thrill of one new pair.

There are several reasons for this extravagance, three of which are, one, the nice lady who waited on me; two, my wife; and three, the fact that if I didn't quit spending time looking for a suitable pair of shoes we wouldn't be putting out any newspapers here for awhile.

When I finally found a pair that rated possible, and I suggested to my wife and the nice lady that I'd like to think the whole thing over for awhile, the nice lady said that they probably wouldn't be getting any more like these and my wife told me that I liked them and the nice lady said that besides, they only had two pair of this kind left, so I told them that those were what I had wanted all along anyway so I bought them right there on the spot. Cash money.

But what I had really wanted all along were Hush Puppies. And since my wife can't take my pouting for over three weeks at a time she took me right then to the Hush Puppy store and let me buy two of those kind of shoes. She encouraged me by suggesting that I would probably save money doing it since I had already spent about \$76 worth of time looking for shoe anyway.

Can you imagine? Four brand new shoes all at one time! I'm set on footwear now for about the next four years. The trouble is, though, nothing else I have to wear now goes with my shoes. So I guess I'll start with tomorrow's lunch hour looking for a sport coat and a pair of trousers. And from the looks of things on that scene don't expect too much to come from this address for some time yet. How long, O Lord? Or maybe that ought to be O Lord, how long!

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Triple epistle

One nice thing about this job is that you don't have to write letters every week to the kids in college or to the grandparents and other family members. You just send them the paper and, if they'll read it, they can keep up with what's happening on the home front. So if you'll pardon me while I pass on a personal word or two I'll be back in just a moment.

Steve, Mom forgot to send the \$15 in her letter today but we'll get it in the mail tomorrow. Johnny, you forgot to take your blanket back to the dorm with you, so either borrow one from Big Sue until we can get one up to you or come down and get one from home. Mom and Dad: we're enjoying the bookshelves and chair. They're really a great help. Hope your hip is feeling better, Dad. And Mom, don't let Dad cut down that dead tree; it'll fall on him for sure. The kids can help pick up pecans the next time we come up.

There. That saved me three letters.

There may be some law about doing this kind of thing but no one has told me about it. Of course, I haven't asked, so if there is I'll at least be an innocent offender. I figure as long as I'm paying for some of these subscriptions I at least ought to have a few privileges.

P.S.: You all each owe me a letter now.

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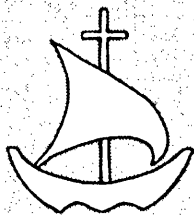
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news and views

OF THE WORLD OF RELIGION

by doris woolard

"You can't just walk away from the Church. Firstly, there's really nowhere else to go. Secondly, keep in mind that the Church is not just priests; it is all of you," Father John J. Wetmore, a St. Louis parish priest, told a recent regional seminar on the role of youth in the church.

Ray Woods, coordinator for youth ministries of the United Presbyterian Church, says, "No matter what we do, if the local congregation does not provide the opportunities and interest, young people won't be attracted to the church." "We're entering an era where young people are asking the church to be authentic in whatever it is. They will support an imperfect institution if it has good goals. The real knock-out comes when they see that we profess one thing and believe another," Woods said.

Youth and institutional religion are responding to each other, and interacting in a variety of ways, according to Darrell Turner, Religious News Service Writer, following extensive research on the subject of American Youth and The Institutional Church. He says: "Activity on the national level is perhaps the most visible, but what happens on the local level may be the most important in the long run."

Christian Broadcasting Network, which owns three television stations and six radio stations in the U.S., is negotiating with the government of Cyprus for permission to build a powerful radio station to beam Christian programs into the Middle East. The Rev. M. G. Robertson, company president, said the proposed station would have broadcast power which would cover a radius of about 1,500 miles, and would air Christian programs in Hebrew, Arabic and English.

"Family cohesiveness must be re-established," said Roland R. Hegstad, editor of the Seventh-day Adventist church's Liberty magazine. "Parents must show their children that they care, that it matters what happens to them and what they do, even if that caring is shown in discipline." The denomination has already scheduled some 250 "family life workshops" for 1974 as part of a program to improve the quality of home life.

East German authorities have rejected a visa application by the Evangelical Lutheran bishop of Hannover in order to participate in a synod meeting in Dresden, West German radio reported. No reason for the refusal was reported. However, at the same time it was announced that the retired United Methodist Bishop Friedrich Wunderlich of Frankfurt had been given a visa to participate in centenary celebrations of the Evangelical Methodist Church, also to be held in Dresden.

An editorial in the November issue of A.D. magazine asserts that fundamentalist preacher, Dr. Carl McIntire has the "right to be heard." The magazine published jointly by the United Church of Christ and the Presbyterian Church, commenting on a recent Federal Communications Commission decision revoking the license of a station where McIntire's broadcasts originated said: "Freedom of expression is so precious to Americans that we believe this governmental action is as repulsive as the efforts to halt the publication of the celebrated Pentagon Papers. More than Mr. McIntire's slander and reactionary views, we fear government control of the media."

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The National Council of Churches, calling on Churches and religious groups to work together in developing a "fitting religious observance" of the U.S. bicentennial in 1976, said this is important "not only because of the intrinsic significance of two centuries of religious vitality, liberty and harmony within diversity, but because of the opportunity it provides for serious moral reflections on the nation's accomplishments and shortcomings, with a view to changes and improvements needed if the nation's third century is to be worthy of its cherished hopes and ideals."

Chile's military regime is expected to expel about 500 Roman Catholic priests — about 40 per cent of the clergy in that country — according to the director of the Latin American Office of the Canadian Catholic Conference. Several have already been ousted by the military regime which recently overthrew the Marxist elected government of the late President Salvador Allende.

Seventh-day Adventists have decided to postpone action on the ordination of women until the Church's 1974 Council meeting. "There is no statement in the Bible or in the teachings of the church that says we should go out and find women who are qualified and ordain them as ministers," said Neal C. Wilson, vice-president of the council. "Neither is there any statement that says we should not," he added.

Age integration is as important as racial integration, Dr. Robert Marshall, president of the Lutheran Church in America, told 300 delegates to LCA's Convo on Aging. Age integration is essential not just in worship but in social gatherings hosted by the church, the LCA president said. And not just for members but for non-members, he added.

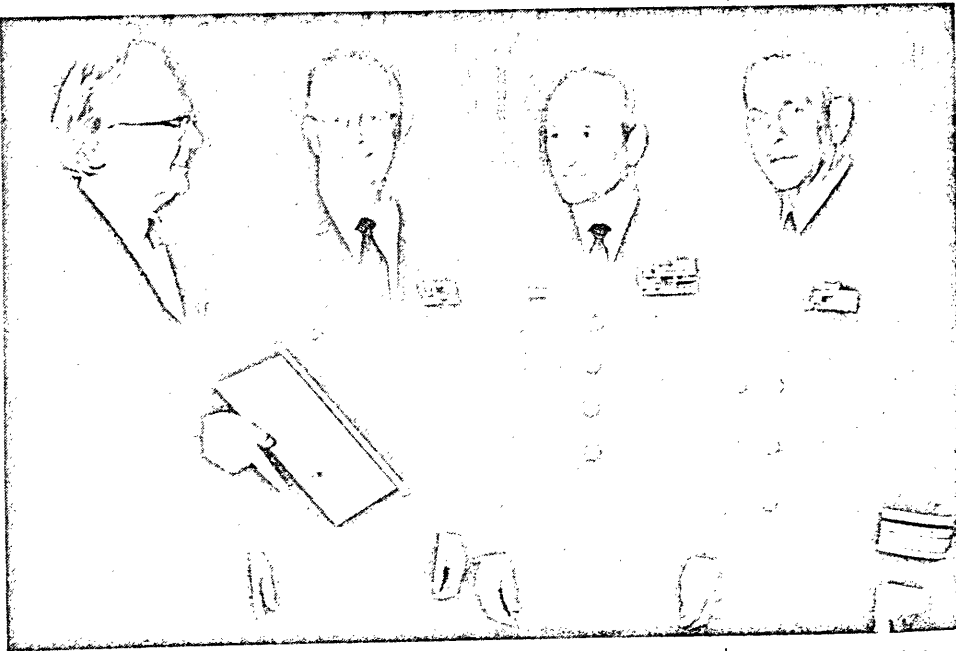
There has been a "slow deterioration" of world press freedom in the past year, Dr. Ernest Meyer, Zurich-based director of the International Press Institute (IPI) told the Central Committee of the World Assn. for Christian Communication in West Berlin. One problem in determining the amount of press freedom in each country, Dr. Meyer indicated, is the lack of a single standard of press freedom or of an agreement on what constitutes press restrictions.

"Women's presence" in the Christian ministry formed a significant part of discussions as 60 seminary administrators and faculty persons met for the Midwest Assn. of Theological Schools' (MATS) annual meeting in Chicago. Under the theme of "A Theology of Ministries," the meeting's agenda included a workshop on women in the ministry.

The Board of World Missions of the Presbyterian Church, U. S. (Southern) held its final meeting in Nashville, as it closed out 84 years in the Tennessee capital. With the formal "phase-out" on Oct. 31, the agency's portfolio in overseas ministries was shifted to the denomination's new General Executive Board in Atlanta. The Church's Bd. of Christian Education held its last meeting in Richmond, Va. It will merge with the General Executive Bd. at the end of the year.

Gov. Reubin D. Askew of Florida, chairman of the Governor's Committee for National Bible Week, has called on governors of the 50 states to participate in the 33rd annual observance of the special week (Nov. 18-25). An elder in the First Presbyterian church of Pensacola, Gov. Askew said: "One of the greatest challenges in America today is to renew a spiritual vision and vitality among our people," adding that "a renewal of America's spiritual vision and vitality depends to a large extent on an understanding of the Bible."

The Ecclesiastical Insurance Office Ltd. of London which insures more than \$50 million worth of church property, has alerted cathedral officials and country clergy that a gang of thieves known to specialize in religious treasures is on the rampage. Serious losses of silver and paintings, especially in rural churches, have occurred.



WASHINGTON, D.C. — The chief of chaplains of the three main branches of the armed forces are awarded the 1973 Upper Room citations "honoring all military and civilian chaplains." Dr. Wilson O. Weldon (left), editor of The Upper Room, presents the framed awards to, from second left: Chaplain (Maj. Gen.) Roy M. Terry, chief of Air Force chaplains; Chaplain (Maj. Gen.) Gerhardt W. Hyatt, Army chief of chaplains; and the Navy's chief of chaplains, Rear Admiral Francis L. Garrett. Gen. Terry and Adm. Garrett are United Methodist clergymen while Gen. Hyatt is a Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod clergyman. The Upper Room, a daily devotional guide published six times a year, has been giving its annual award for 25 years. Generally given to individuals for their contributions to the cause of world Christianity, this year it was given to a large group — chaplains. (RNS Photo)

NOVEMBER 8, 1973

ARKANSAS METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME

The Methodist Children's Home is one of our greatest institutions. Recently an attractive brochure about the home came to the Council Office. The facts contained in the brochure were so significant that we are emphasizing them in this column.

The property owned by the Home was purchased by leaders of the Methodist Church in 1945 with the expressed purpose of caring for homeless children. Since that time, the need to care for more children has increased along with the necessity to expand and upgrade the services and facilities.

The fact that the Home could not and should not depend solely on the offerings of the Church for full support became evident. Last year the operating budget was \$271,049.30

and the Home received only \$180,699 from the Churches. Additional money needed was received from special sources which cannot always be counted upon. As the Home has no endowment funds to enable it to meet the needs of the children, the decision was made to sell a portion of the land belonging to the Home.

After much earnest negotiation a deal has been consummated with the University of Arkansas to sell to them approximately 56 acres of the 84 acres for \$1,500,000. This money will be placed in a permanent endowment fund with only the income to be used for Home operation and expansion.

This expansion will be in two basic areas — residential and non-residential.

The majority of children coming in to care come from homes that have broken down because of mental illness, drugs, desertion, alcoholism, neglect or abuse. These children, who have been deprived of love and care are more damaged and more disturbed and therefore the need for the home to become more treatment-oriented is increasing.

Emphasis must be placed on rehabilitating the child and its family when possible. In order to achieve this type of program it will be necessary to increase the professional staff in size and scope. The present staff will be upgraded through workshops, in-service training, and summer seminars.

Expansion of facilities will involve establishing additional group homes such as those in Magnolia, Fort Smith,

and Searcy as well as increasing the number of foster homes. The Home's non-residential services will include day care programs, neighborhood playground activities, after school programs, out-patient diagnostic and counseling services, family planning, and services to single parent families.

The cost of merely providing the basic necessities has increased and this along with providing the additional services, expanding our facilities and upgrading the total program will increase the need for money.

Fortunately with the sale of the property and the continued support of the Church, resources will be available to more vigorously serve the needy child more efficiently, both in residential and non-residential services.

Stoody Fellowship applications asked

DAYTON, Ohio (UMC) — Applications for the Ralph Stoody Fellowship for graduate study in religious journalism are now being received by the Joint Committee on Communications of the United Methodist Church.

The Rev. Curtis A. Chambers said that announcements of the annual \$3,000 fellowship have been sent to colleges and universities and church leaders. Dr. Chambers is executive secretary of the Joint Committee on Communications, popularly known as United Methodist Communications.

The fellowship honors the Rev. Ralph Stoody of Pompano Beach, Florida. Dr. Stoody served as director of public relations for the former Methodist Church for 24 years prior to his retirement in 1964.

Application blanks for the Stoody Fellowship are available from United Methodist Communication's New York Office. Inquiries should be addressed to Mrs. Charlotte O'Neal, United Methodist Communications, Room 1370A, 475 Riverside Drive, New York, N. Y. Deadline is Feb. 1, 1974.

MARKHAM CHURCH HOSTS BLOOD BANK

The American Red Cross blood bank will be stationed at Markham United Methodist Church, 9820 W. Markham, Little Rock, this coming Sunday, Nov. 11. Persons may donate blood between the hours of one to five p.m.

Historic site acquired

WASHINGTON, D.C. (UMC) — For only 16 times the 1940 price, United Methodism has acquired one of its shrines, the home of one of the first Methodists in America, Robert Strawbridge.

Some 50 miles north of Washington, the house where Strawbridge lived c. 1760-66 is being purchased by the Strawbridge Shrine Association. The price is \$56,000, compared to the \$3,500 for which the property was available in 1940, when General Conference designated it a historic shrine. The association launched a campaign on Oct. 27 to raise \$105,000 to pay off a major mortgage, to restore the building and to develop the property.

Seven ministers in We Care Mission at Washington Avenue

Seven ministers participated in a We Care Mission Oct. 17-19 at the Washington Avenue church in North Little Rock. The Rev. Kenneth Renfro, host pastor, reports a very successful mission which included study groups meeting for an hour before the services each of the three evenings. Topics considered in the discussion groups were Take a Look at the Church, at Jesus Christ, and at Your-

self.

Participating ministers were the Rev. James Barton, Hickory Ridge; the Rev. Osborne White, England; the Rev. Max Whitfield, St. Paul Parish, Harrison; the Rev. Muriel H. Peters, Amboy, North Little Rock; Dr. Charles C. Casteel, Central Avenue, Batesville; and the Rev. Alan E. Hilliard, Cabot.

"Your Child and Drugs" theme for November 11 emphasis

WASHINGTON, D.C. (UMC) — Help for parents in discussing the drug issue with their children is the focus for this year's observance by United Methodists of Drug and Alcohol Concerns Sunday.

In preparation for the Nov. 11 emphasis, the church's Board of Church and Society has published a pamphlet, "Ten Points for Parents Perplexed About Drugs," and is recommending a

book, "You, Your Child and Drugs," and is publicizing others in the same category. "When parents do not understand the meaning of their child's drug taking, the damage that can result can often be worse than that resulting from the drug use itself," according to the Rev. Thomas E. Price, the board's director of alcohol and drug issues.

Cavanaugh pastor receives writing awards

The Rev. Larry D. Powell, serving in his fifth year as minister of Cavanaugh United Methodist Church in Fort Smith is the recent recipient of three cash awards for writings submitted during the observance of National Poetry Day on Oct. 13, under sponsorship of the Poets' Roundtable of Arkansas.

The awards were presented to the Fort Smith pastor for first place for a historical poem in the Vernon Wyatt Memorial Award Contest; second place for a poem in the Laura H. Browne Memorial Award Contest, and third place in the annual Edsel Ford Memorial Award contest.

In May of this year Powell won first prize in the Arkansas Festival of Arts' Literary Division with an inspirational essay. In June he won first place with a spiritual essay in the annual Arkan-

sas Writers' Conference contests.

Other poems have appeared in A Place For Poets in the Southwest Times Record, published in Fort Smith and Rural Arkansas.

In addition to pastoral duties, Barksdale teaches a Bible course at Fort Smith Junior College. Next semester he will continue with a course on the New Testament.

MRS. HAZEL DABNEY of Pine Bluff was the teacher for the training school held in First Church, Harrison, Oct. 21, 22 and 23. "Contemporary Christian Leaders and their Writings" was the subject. The Rev. John M. McCormack is the Harrison pastor.



First Church, Jacksonville, dedicated a new set of Schulmerick handbells on Sunday, Oct. 21. The bells were given by the late Mrs. Luceil Vansant. Twenty-three bell ringers participated in the service which was the first public appearance since the group was formed. Shown above are (from left), front row: Tim Hibbs, Cindy Wright, and Harry Wheeler. Back row: Dennis Edwards, John Paul Moory, and Jeff Moore. Bonda Sue Deere is the director. The Rev. Bob Edwards is the pastor.

NEWS and NOTES

WALNUT RIDGE FIRST United Methodist Church had as guest speaker on Oct. 28, Dr. Jack Nicholas who is president of Southern Baptist College in Walnut Ridge. Special music was by the Children's Choir, directed by Mrs. Sue Brand. The Rev. William Haltom is pastor.

DR. JOEL A. COOPER, pastor of Central Church, Fayetteville, attended the meeting of the General Board of Discipleship at Nashville, Tenn., the week of Oct. 29. Mrs. Cooper accompanied him and afterward they went to Duke University, Durham, N.C., to visit their son, Chris, a student in the School of Divinity, and to participate in the reunion of the Divinity Class of 1943, of which Dr. Cooper was a member.

DR. ROBERT E. L. BEARDEN of First Church, Little Rock, was the Sunday night speaker at special services held at First Church in Wynne, Oct. 28-Nov. 1. The Rev. Ben Hines of First Church, West Memphis, was the speaker on Monday evening. On Tuesday the Alpha Omega Players of Dallas presented "The Diary of Adam and Eve," based on the short stories of Mark Twain. The speaker for Wednesday was Dr. Earl Hughes of First Church, Forrest City. The Rev. Lloyd Conyers of Osceola was speaker on the final night. The Rev. W. M. Wilder is pastor at Wynne.

JUDSONIA UNITED METHODIST Church observed Laity Day with Robert Corder of Dogwood United Methodist Church, Batesville District, as guest speaker. Buddy Pruitt was in charge of the service; W. E. Orr led the morning prayer. The Rev. Everne Hunter is pastor.

CAVANAUGH UNITED Methodist Church, Fort Smith, is holding a renewal series this week. A prayer vigil was held on Sunday evening and there were meetings held to prepare for the climaxing nights. Dr. Clint Burleson of Camden is the guest preacher on Nov. 7, 8, and 9. Sunday, Nov. 11, will be Commitment Sunday. The Rev. Larry Powell is the Cavanaugh minister.

BAZAAR AT ST. LUKE'S

The public is invited to attend a bazaar which will be held at St. Luke's United Methodist Church in Pine Bluff on Friday, Nov. 9 from 5 to 8 p.m. and Saturday beginning at 9:30 a.m. The event, sponsored by the women of the church, will feature Christmas decorations, ornaments, children's clothing, a "knick-knack" corner, and numerous other items. The Rev. Larry R. Williams is pastor at St. Luke's Church.

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THE HOPE DISTRICT LAITY Banquet is to be held Thursday, Nov. 8, in Ashdown at the Franks Elementary School Cafeteria at seven o'clock. Bishop Eugene M. Frank is the guest speaker. The Nicene Creed Choir of the Ashdown Church will provide special music. The Rev. William Cheyne is host pastor. Dr. Mouzon Mann is superintendent of the Hope District.

A FALL CHORAL FESTIVAL was presented in First Church, West Memphis, under the direction of Al Berthouix. The Chancel Choir offered the biblical opera "Ruth" by Isaac Van Grove. The Junior Choir was under the direction of Roxanne Woods and the Carillon Choir was directed by Jane Reece. The Rev. Ben Hines is their pastor.

THE YOUTH CHOIR from First United Methodist Church of Newport performed the musical "Tell It Like It Is" at the evening worship service at Swifton United Methodist Church recently. The United Methodist Women gave a reception following the service. The Rev. David Conyers is the Newport pastor and the Rev. David L. Driver is the pastor at Swifton.

PRIMROSE UNITED METHODIST Church extends an invitation to all United Methodists to attend their annual bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 10. The bazaar will be open from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. and will feature Christmas decorations, needlework, flower arrangements, antiques and "delectable delights for the pantry." Primrose United Methodist Church is at 4000 Dixon Road, Little Rock.

THE HEBRON UNITED Methodist Church observed its 103rd anniversary on Sunday, Oct. 7. Speakers included men of the community who have entered the ministry, and included the Rev. Herston Holland, the Rev. Tommy King, the Rev. Corbet Mask, the Rev. Kelly Jones, the Rev. Roy Matlock and the Rev. Wayne Matlock. The Rev. Steve Barker was host pastor.

FORREST CITY DISTRICT Parsonettes held an overnight retreat Oct. 26 and 27 at Hunter's Rest Camp near Wynne. Friday afternoon was spent in fellowship and meditation. After a pot luck supper the ladies enjoyed games and singing led by Betty Sellars. The theme for the retreat was "For and About Women." The discussions held were "The Minister's Wife . . . and Her Husband" led by Irma Thomason, "The Minister's Wife . . . and Her Children" led by Lynne Hughes, and "The Minister's Wife . . . and Her Church" led by Betty Nance. Mauzel Beal was retreat chairwoman.

ST. ANDREW United Methodist Church will hold the annual bazaar on Friday, Nov. 9, from 1:30-8:00 p.m. at the church, 4600 Baseline Road, Little Rock. The Rev. Fred Haustein is pastor.

CHAPLAIN ASHLEY POGUE of the Little Rock Air Force Base announces that the folk music team Dust and Ashes will be at the base on January 13 and would be available for additional appearances while here on that date. Interested churches may phone him at 988-3242.

WILLARD BURKS was recently named "Layman of the Year" by the Pine Bluff Kiwanis Club. Mr. Burks is administrative board chairman at Lakeside United Methodist Church.

THE REV. JAMES RANDLE, Wesley Foundation director at Arkansas State University, presented a program on the Wesley Foundation to the Methodist Men of First Church, Trumann, on Oct. 28. The Rev. J. Leon Wilson is the Trumann pastor.

LAITY DAY SPEAKER at the morning worship service at Washington Avenue Church in North Little Rock was Dr. Matt L. Ellis of Conway. Speaking at the evening service was David Bentley of Little Rock. The Rev. Kenneth Renfro is pastor.

JAMES M. BRYANT, II, Little Rock attorney and member of Trinity United Methodist Church, was the guest speaker for Laity Sunday at the United Methodist Church of Berryville. The Rev. Victor H. Nixon is pastor.

THE REV. VICTOR GREEN, pastor of Wesley United Methodist Church in Fort Smith, was the guest minister for a Healing Mission at the Centerton Church, Fayetteville District, Oct. 21-24. During the Monday service, three members of Wesley Church gave personal witness to healing. Messages dealt with the "History of Spiritual Healing" and "The Biblical Basis for Spiritual Healing of Spirit, Soul, and Body." The mission concluded with the sacrament of the Lord's Supper and the laying on of hands for those who desired special prayer and healing of either spirit, soul, or body. The Rev. John W. Lee was host pastor.

THE "REACH OUT SINGERS" from Sylvan Hills Methodist Church, under the direction of Mrs. Nancy Hall presented the program for the Grand Prairie Sub-District meeting held at the Mt. Zion United Methodist Church, Austin Circuit, Oct. 14. There were 167 youth and adult visitors present for one of the largest crowds ever at sub-district. Mt. Zion won the attendance banner. The program was enjoyed by all. The pastor at Mt. Zion is the Rev. George Bailey.

BILL JUSTICE was the Laity Day speaker at the Decatur-Centerton Charge. Bill is working on his master's degree in history at the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville. He is the son-in-law of Fayetteville's district superintendent, the Rev. Harold Spence. Pastor of the Decatur-Centerton Charge is the Rev. John W. Lee.

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.

Nov. 11—Sunday	Luke 20:19-26
Nov. 12	Matt. 9:10-15
Nov. 13	Matt. 21:23-32
Nov. 14	Matt. 21:33-46
Nov. 15	Matt. 15:1-20
Nov. 16	John 8:37-59
Nov. 17	Luke 22:66-71
Nov. 18—Sunday	Deut. 5:1-10
	Matt. 7:7-14

THE ASHDOWN UMY sponsored their UNICEF drive on Sunday evening, Oct. 28. The 35 youth collected a total of \$194.22. Afterwards they attended a Halloween party at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Jim Cauthron, who along with Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Williams, are the UMYF counselors. The Rev. William A. Cheyne is their pastor.

PARK VIEW UNITED Methodist Youth of Benton collected \$125 for UNICEF on Oct. 24. After the "Trick or Treat for UNICEF" project, the youth were treated to a pizza party. The Rev. Dan C. George is their pastor.

LAY LEADER Paul Alexander arranged the service for Laity Sunday in First Church, Harrison. Leland W. Smith, a member of the Jasper United Methodist Church, brought the message on "Going to Church - Blessing or Burden?" Special music was by a men's choir. The Rev. John H. McCormack is the pastor.

A NOTE FROM Mrs. Norma Baker Prothro, sister of Dr. Clem Baker, retired member of the Little Rock Conference now living in Clovis, New Mexico (Box 421), conveys appreciation from Dr. Baker to the many persons who remembered him with cards and letters on his 92nd birthday. She reports that he is not physically able to answer each one personally but wishes to express appreciation for the joy which the remembrances brought to him.

P.K. (Preacher's Kids) KORNER

DOBBS FRANKS and Ruth Pearl, husband and wife musicians, presented a piano and violin concert in First United Methodist Church at Paragould, Oct. 7. Dobbs is the son of Dr. Raymond Franks, pastor of First Church, and his wife. Dobbs is a graduate of Hendrix College and studied at the Julliard School of Music, New York. He has served as assistant conductor for the Robert Shaw Chorale and musical director of the National Opera Company. He has conducted musicals throughout the United States, Australia, New Zealand, Israel, Canada and Mexico. Ruth Pearl is a British violinist and has served as concertmaster of the New Zealand Broadcasting Corporation's Concert Orchestra.

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Mrs. Joe H. (Betty) Smith of Chattanooga, Tenn., will be the featured speaker when United Methodist Women of the Forrest City District hold the fall meeting in Brinkley on Saturday, Nov. 10. Mrs. Smith shares her knowledge and experience of Christ in family life and in the business world. A Presbyterian, she teaches Bible classes for children and adults. The Brinkley meeting begins with registration at 9:30 a.m. Hostesses will furnish dessert and drinks for sack lunches.

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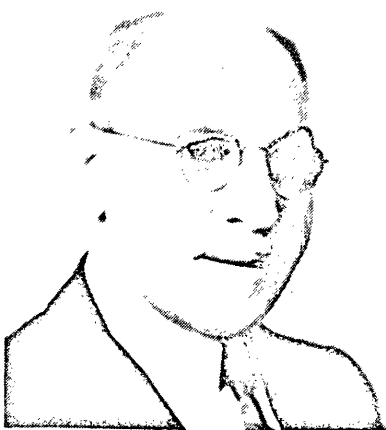
Little Rock District Parsonettes sponsoring Aldersgate Prayer Retreat

Dr. John Biegeleisen, retired professor of Eden Theological Seminary in St. Louis and widely known Bible teacher and lecturer will be the guest speaker at a retreat sponsored by the Little Rock District Parsonettes. The retreat will be held on Saturday, Nov. 10, at Aldersgate Camp, beginning with a coffee hour at 8:30 a.m. and closing at 3 p.m. Husbands of the parsonettes are invited. Bishop and Mrs. Eugene M. Frank will be among the leaders of the retreat, the theme of which is "Reach Out . . . to the Infinite." Dr. Biegeleisen's topic will be "The Holy Spirit — Who He is and What He Does."

Dr. Biegeleisen, a former Jewish rabbi, is an ordained minister of The United Church of Christ. He spent ten years in the active ministry in Texas and Missouri before becoming professor of Old Testament Religion and New Testament Literature at the denomination's seminary in St. Louis.

Since his retirement in 1956, Dr. Biegeleisen has lectured in India, Japan and Central America. He has participated in Camps Farthest Out and in Christian ashrams, having been closely associated with Dr. E. Stanley Jones through the years. He has published two devotional books, *Morning Dew* and *Glimpses of Truth*.

Stated purpose for the retreat is "to find a new reality of God's presence and power through prayer and Bible study." A luncheon will be served at



Dr. Biegeleisen

the cost of \$2.00 each and the registration fee will be 50 cents. A free-will offering will be received for the speaker. Persons attending have been asked to bring their favorite translation of the Bible plus favorite devotional books. These are to be placed on browsing tables. The retreat will include a "reaching out to each other" through "singing, and sharing and through breaking of bread together."

Dr. Biegeleisen will also speak on Friday, Nov. 9, at 10 a.m. at First Methodist Church in Little Rock on the subject of prayer, his topic being "Where is the Inner Room? Invitation is extended to all lay persons and ministers and especially to Bible study classes and prayer groups.

1974 Prayer Calendar to have new format

NEW YORK (UMC) — With both familiar and new features, the 1974 Prayer Calendar of the United Methodist Board of Global Ministries is scheduled to come off the press in November, says the editor, Nancy E. Sartin, of the Board's editorial staff here.

Among familiar features are the listing of missionaries and deaconesses on their birthdays with the field of service given; a directory with names and addresses of mission workers, Board members and staff, and names and addresses of retired workers; prayers; quotes; vignettes of mission; messages from workers, and Scripture passages.

The 1974 Prayer Calendar has a new size and format with listings of projects and areas of work intended to help guide users in daily prayer. The editor says that through the

Prayer Calendar users can "join in a circle of prayer for the work and workers of the Board of Global Ministries."

The resource is available at \$1.50 per copy from: Service Center, Board of Global Ministries, 7820 Reading Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45237.

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UNITED METHODIST WOMEN of Wheatley Church held their October meeting in the home of the president, Mrs. Bobby Henard. Mrs. Howard Williamson gave the devotional and the program. After the program the ladies adjourned to the church where they had a potluck meal and continued their weekly period on Chrismon decorations. The Rev. Charles Nance is their pastor.

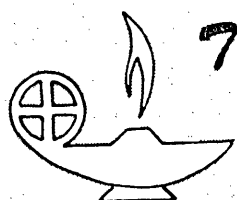
Financial Statement

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN
NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE
July 3, 1973 - October 11, 1973
Third Quarter

RECEIPTS		
Pledge to Missions	\$25,610.57	
Special Memberships	660.00	
In Honor and Remembrance	10.00	
World Thank Offering	63.92	
TOTAL RECEIVED ON PLEDGE	\$26,344.49	\$26,344.49
Supplemental		
Aldersgate	105.00	
Call to Prayer	99.38	
Arkansas School of Christian Missions	180.00	
Christian Civic Foundation	609.00	
Transfer from Savings Account	500.00	
Miscellaneous	127.35	
Assembly Offering	486.14	
TOTAL OTHER RECEIPTS	\$ 2,206.87	\$ 2,206.87
TOTAL RECEIPTS		28,551.36
Savings Account		5,620.04
Balance in Bank - July 2, 1973		3,770.83
TOTAL TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR		\$37,942.23
DISBURSEMENTS		
Pledge to Missions	\$23,049.52	
Special Memberships	660.00	
In Honor and Remembrance	10.00	
World Thank Offering	63.92	
TOTAL PAID ON PLEDGE	\$23,783.44	\$23,783.44
Supplemental		
Aldersgate	105.00	
Call to Prayer	99.38	
Christian Civic Foundation	609.00	
Mallalieu Community Center	500.00	
Assembly Offering	486.14	
District Cultivation	875.00	
*Conference Cultivation	2,411.04	
TOTAL OTHER DISBURSEMENTS	\$ 5,185.56	\$ 5,185.56
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		\$28,969.00
Savings Account		5,620.04
Balance in Bank - October 11, 1973		3,353.19
TOTAL ACCOUNTED FOR		\$37,942.23

*Conference Cultivation disbursement includes \$1,075 for the District - Conference week-end at Aldersgate and \$930 for Assembly expenses and scholarships to districts.

Mrs. Jim Lloyd
Conference Treasurer



The Sunday School Lesson

by the Editor

LESSON FOR NOVEMBER 18:

"The Strong and the Weak"

ORIENTATION: We are in the first quarter (Sept.-Oct.-Nov.) of the 1973-74 church school year. The theme for this quarter is **THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO PAUL**. We are in Unit #3 (Nov. 4-25) of the quarter. The unit subject is **THE LIFE OF RECONCILIATION**. (Subjects of the previous units were **MINISTRY of Reconciliation** and **The MESSAGE of Reconciliation**). Our lesson for Nov. 18 is the third in this unit of four lessons and is entitled **The Strong and the Weak**.

BACKGROUND SCRIPTURE: Romans 14; 1 Corinthians 8:1 through 11:1.

MEMORY SELECTION: We who are strong ought to bear with the failings of the weak, and not to please ourselves. — Romans 15:1

PURPOSE OF THE LESSON: To look at the meaning of Christian freedom and responsibility; to see its uses and abuses; to examine the power and responsibility of Christian example; to discover principles which can guide us in making moral choices; and to see what mutual responsibilities are laid upon us by life in the Christian community.

THE USES AND ABUSES OF FREEDOM

While the title of our lesson is **The Strong and the Weak**, it might well be sub-titled **The Uses and Abuses of Christian Freedom**. For our subject is freedom and the questions posed are how free is freedom?, what responsibilities does freedom impose upon us?, and what claims does my brother's weakness lay upon me as a Christian?

It will be helpful if we begin our lesson with a word of orientation. We are talking about **The Life of Reconciliation** (the title of our unit). Our focus of attention today is on the fact that life in the Christian community greets us with the blessing and challenge of association with persons of many varied beliefs and stages of growth in the Christian faith. Life in the Christian community is marked by diversity, though a diversity unified in its mission and message and by allegiance to one master. One element of this diversity is the difference in "maturity in faith" among members of the Christian fellowship. How are Christians to respond to such a diversity?

While our scripture concerns a practice related to the past — the eating of meat sacrificed to idols — it reveals some abiding principles which relate to many contemporary concerns. Review today's scripture and see if you are not impressed with the timeliness and authenticity of the principles revealed. It will be helpful if you try to restate those principles in your own language.

HOW FREE IS FREEDOM?

In Paul's "gospel" we have discovered that man has been freed from a slavish observance of the law in order to win his acceptance with God. This acceptance is God's free gift to believing man. By grace are we saved through faith. But does our freedom mean that we are licensed to do as we please? How free is this new freedom?

The framework for discussing this great theme is the practice of eating meat sacrificed to an idol, a practice which the completely free man might have no qualms over but which would be abhorrent to a more conservative and less mature-in-the-faith person. It is in Paul's treatment of this practice that

we discover the basic and abiding principles upon which we can rely in making moral choices today.

Paul is saying that for the Christian man, freedom is limited by the weaknesses or differing viewpoints of our fellow man. The author of our lesson quarterly presents, on page 82, an interesting situation which demonstrates how the issue at hand can present real dilemmas to the "free" man. The situation there presented raises the question of whether or not to serve alcoholic beverages at a holiday office party. I suggest that your class read this page near the beginning of today's session and return to it near the close of your study and share your responses or answers to the dilemma it presents. How would you settle the situation?

Our treatment of today's lesson will follow the pattern we have used previously in this unit, that of looking at highlights of the scriptural passages. All quotations, unless otherwise identified, are from **The New Testament in Modern English** by J. B. Phillips.

WELCOME THE DIFFERENT

Welcome a man whose faith is weak, but not with the idea of arguing over his scruples. One man believes that he may eat anything; another man, without this strong conviction, is a vegetarian. The meat eater should not despise the vegetarian, nor should the vegetarian condemn the meat eater — they should reflect that God has accepted them both.—Romans 14:1-3

We are again greeted by the fact that the Christian fellowship is a diverse fellowship, a gathering of the different. How are we to respond to such a blessing and challenge? A look at the background of the scriptural situation will better prepare us to discuss this question.

The Christians in Rome were largely converted Jews, and as Jews they were very strict in customs regarding food, particularly about eating meat. William Barclay tells us that "every butcher in Rome sold meat that had come from some animal slaughtered in a pagan Roman temple." The Christians could either eat it or go hungry. But if he ate it he might wonder if he were not approving heathen worship. If he ate anything but "kosher," wasn't he denying the faith of his father? Maybe he shouldn't eat any meat at all. Such was the point of view of the legalist, the conservative traditionalist, or the one Paul refers to as "a man whose faith is weak."

On the other hand the liberals took the point of view that "it wasn't the beefsteaks that were heathen, but the people." They couldn't believe that "beefsteak could be infected with heresy," as Frank Mead says in *Revell's Teacher's Guide*. Paul's sympathies were very much with this broader, "freer" point of view; but his great message is that the man who is so freed from former outward observances has a great responsibility toward his brother who sees the matter quite differently.

ALL DAY IN A FROG POND

Two principles emerge from the above scripture passages. First, Christians are not to argue; one is not to ridicule another. No Christian has the right to demean what another holds sacred. As Paul says, "After all, who are you to criticize the servant of somebody else, especially when that somebody else is God?" (Romans 14:4). An important key to Christian brotherhood is respecting the other person's point of view even if we can't accept it. Your class might find discussion on this point helpful.

A second principle, though closely associated with the first, is that Christians are to make a determined effort to understand the other person's point of view. Henry David Thoreau once spent a whole

day in Walden Pond up to his neck in water. His point was that he wanted to see the world as a frog sees it. The Christian might well ponder the parable suggested by this example. Do we really go to pains to see the world as our neighbor sees it? How does the senior citizen, the teenager, the prisoner, the poor man, the minority group member, the Asian, the rich man see the issues about which you feel strongly?

Paul concludes of the vegetarian and the meat eater, that "God has accepted them both." The Christian community is a diverse one in which "freedom" means that one will carefully ponder the power of his influence and example; and that that influence will be always designed to foster his brother's welfare.

THE NATURE OF CHRISTIAN RESPONSIBILITY

Let no man, then, set his own advantage as his objective, but rather the good of his neighbor . . . Now why should my freedom to eat be at the mercy of someone else's conscience? . . . Because, whatever you do, eating . . . or anything else, everything should be done to bring glory to God . . . I . . . will try to adapt myself to all men without considering my own advantage but their advantage, that if possible they may be saved.—I Corinthians 10: 24, 29, 32, 33.

Jesus has been described as "the man for others." Paul is suggesting in these passages that nothing less than this is the ideal for the Christian. He is one who puts the welfare of his brother completely above his own. How radical a point of view and how difficult a way of life!

We can detect three distinct principles emerging from Paul's treatment of this issue, the responsible use of freedom. These illustrate for us the nature of Christian responsibility.

The first of these principles is that of love. "If your habit of unrestricted diet seriously upsets your brother, you are no longer living in love toward him . . ." (Romans 14:15). Again we see the principle of love as the most transforming of all forces. It changes one's attitude toward another person. It no longer sees him as "weak," or as "meat eater" or as "vegetarian" but as brother. Love is the one attitude and relationship which puts all things in proper focus. Its significance is suggested by the response of the little boy who was asked what salt was. "Salt," he said, "is what ruins the potatoes when it's left out." Love is what ruins life when it's left out.

The second principle is restraint. Paul says to the Corinthians "You must be careful that your freedom to eat meat does not in any way hinder anyone whose faith is not as robust as yours (I Cor. 8:9). Such restraint is not a rule of law to be obeyed; it is an act of love growing out of Christian community and fellowship.

The third principle evident in Paul's treatment of this entire subject is that of mutual service. The church is a fellowship for mutual service. Our decisions are determined by what is good for the whole fellowship. Christianity is not just a matter of individual morality but of social morality and responsibility. "We who have strong faith ought to shoulder the burden . . . of others and not just go our own sweet way . . ." (Romans 15:1).

The Christian is truly a free man. But his freedom is to serve. His freedom is to sacrifice. His freedom is to live as a man for others.

NEXT WEEK: Always of Good Courage — 2 Corinthians 4:1 through 5:10

Psychiatrist Karl Menninger concerned about 'Sin'

NEW YORK (RNS) — "Sin" really does exist, according to Dr. Karl Menninger.

The famed psychiatrist is distressed that modern society tries to figure out its problems and talk about morality without ever mentioning the word "sin." He is convinced that the only way to raise the moral tone of present-day civilization and deal with the depression and worries that plague clergy, psychiatrists and every day folk is to revive an understanding of what "sin" is.

Whatever Became of Sin? is the title of Dr. Menninger's new book, published here by Hawthorn.

The now retired founder of the Menninger Center in Topeka, Kansas, makes it clear from the outset that he is not equating

"sin" with "crime." Neither does he want to join forces with the "moralistic bullyboys" nor do anything to escalate feelings of guilt in persons.

He writes of "sin as transgression of the law of God; disobedience of the divine will; moral failure . . . Sin has a willful, defiant, or disloyal quality; someone is defied or offended or hurt."

In an epilogue, which serves as a "displaced preface" in the book, Dr. Menninger agrees with historian Arnold Toynbee in saying "human egocentricity" is the fundamental problem in the world.

Call it egocentrism, "selfishness, narcissism, pride" or other terms, he says, electing himself at this point in history to call

the condition "sin."

Dr. Menninger points out that sin is not defined in civil and criminal law codes. Quite apart from what may be called crime, he insists, there is "immorality; there is unethical behavior; there is wrongdoing" — sin.

Dr. Menninger discusses sin as "collective irresponsibility" and then launches into a lengthy chapter on "The Old Seven Deadly Sins (and Some New Ones)."

He lists pride; lust (allowing for shifts in the social code); gluttony in food, drink and drugs; anger, violence and aggression; sloth; envy; affluence; waste, cheating and stealing; lying; cruelty to adults, children and animals.

Dr. Menninger is bothered by

reports of bewilderment and disillusionment among clergymen and seminarians (as well, he says, as among social scientists).

Ministers and priests, he states have a "golden opportunity to prevent some of the accumulated misapprehensions, guilt, aggressive actions, and other roots of later mental suffering and mental disease" in modern society.

And, he reminds the clergy, they can preach, "What shall we cry?" he says the preachers ask. His answer is:

"Cry comfort, cry repentance, cry hope. Because recognition of our part in the world transgression is the only remaining hope."

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From Our Readers

Contributions for this column should be written briefly and bear the signature and address of the writer. What appears here does not necessarily represent the point of view of this publication and the editor reserves the right to withhold, edit for space, or print contributions.

SEMINARIAN ASKS HELP WITH HOMEWORK

Dear Friends:

Are you interested in the rural Church? So am I. In fact, I am doing research on the subject as a part of my seminary work at Perkins School of Theology, but I need your help. If you have information pertinent to the subject, I would like to hear from you.

This information could cover a wide range of subjects, both positive and negative. For example, if you know of a rural Methodist Church that is succeeding and you think you know why, let me know. On the other hand, if you are aware of some mistakes made at a rural church, I also need that type of information. Perhaps you have an idea for a program in a rural church that would help. Those who wish to contribute to this project may do so by writing to me, address below. Thank you.

Rev. Roger E. Glover
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Josephine, Texas 75064

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TWO "THANK YOUS"

Dear Sir:

Just read your page in LOUISIANA METHODIST for Oct. 25. Thanks for "Look what they've done to our song." Also rest of the page. They express my thoughts . . . just wanted to say Amen. Also want to say your sense of humor is appreciated. You know we have almost lost that commodity.

Mrs. G. O. Morgan
Springhill, La.

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Dear John:

We wandering sheep of the North Arkansas fold here in Germany really do appreciate the news, editorials, and "folksies" of the paper . . . Our thanks! Remember us in the work of the church over here in Germany.

James H. Robnolt, Chaplain (Cpt.)
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RADIO SERIES MARKS DECADE

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (UMC) — "The Word — and Music," a scripted half-hour radio program provided by United Methodist Communications, is celebrating its 10th anniversary this year.

As the title of the programs suggests, about half of the format is comment and half music. Professionally written, timed scripts are provided free of charge by United Methodist Communications and record albums with the listed music can be purchased for \$65 by any United Methodist pastor or group of churches which will present the program on the air. It is recommended by the producers that the program be sponsored ecumenically.

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Minnesota Poll interviews 600 residents on interpretation of Bible stories

MINNEAPOLIS (RNS) — Adam and Eve were really people and Jesus literally walked on the water, in the opinions of most Minnesotans interviewed by the Minneapolis Tribune's Minnesota Poll.

The account of Jonah and the whale, however, is symbolic rather than literal, according to a majority of the 600 residents questioned about the way they interpret the Bible.

Slightly more than half of the respondents in the survey believe the question of whether biblical accounts are literally true or symbolic is an important one.

"It can happen that a literal interpretation of the Bible gets stressed too strongly," said a Lutheran Wilkin County pastor, 65, who thought the question was important. "But people have a way of twisting things into what they want them to mean," he added.

A 23-year-old Minneapolis payroll clerk, a Baptist, disagreed. "Whether Bible stories are truly true or not isn't as important as belief in God," she said.

Sixty-seven per cent of those interviewed said the Biblical account of Jesus walking on the water was literally true, 28 per cent said it was symbolic, and 5 per cent had no opinion or gave other answers.

"Jesus was actually treading water," said a 68-year-old woman.

"I believe that it 'appeared' that Jesus walked on the water," said a 37-year-old Minneapolis woman, who thinks the account was symbolic.

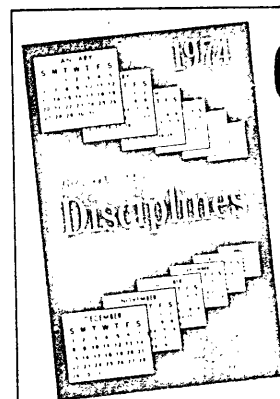
People who haven't finished high school, older people and women were more likely than other groups to believe literally in the biblical accounts.

In the case of Adam and Eve, 85 per cent of respondents having grade school educations, 76 per cent of those 60 and over, and 71 per cent of the women believed them to have been real people.

By contrast, 64 per cent of the people interviewed in the population at large believed Adam and Eve were real, 32 per cent thought they were part of a symbolic account and 4 per cent had no opinion or gave other answers.

Jonah and the whale is accepted as true by 39 per cent of the Minnesotans interviewed, and as a symbolic story by 51 per cent. Nine per cent were undecided and 1 per cent gave other answers.

Fifty-six per cent of those surveyed said the question of whether biblical accounts are literal or symbolic stories is important. Forty-one per cent said the question was unimportant, and 3 per cent had no opinion or gave other answers.



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Evangelism: topic of jurisdictional events

SCJ Council sponsoring 'Celebration 73'

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla. (UMC) — "Celebrating the Life of the Spirit in Christian Birth and Growth" will be the theme of a conference at First United Methodist Church here Nov. 30-Dec. 2.

Sponsoring the "Celebration 73" is the Council of Evangelism of the South Central Jurisdiction and the Division of Evangelism, Worship, and Stewardship of the United Methodist Board of Discipleship.

Major addresses will be given by Kansas Area Bishop Ernest T. Dixon who will speak on "The Whole Gospel for the Whole Man;" Dr. Ira Gallaway, Board of Discipleship Associate General Secretary, who will speak on "Life in the Spirit," and "Life from the Spirit;" and Dr. Larry Lacour, pastor of First United Methodist Church, Colorado Springs, who will speak on "The New Winds of the Spirit," "Experiencing the Holy Spirit in the Methodist Tradition," and "Why we Need the Holy Spirit."

Seminars and leaders will be "Music and Evangelism," James Bass, Nashville, Tenn.; "Steps into the New Life," Charles D. Whittle, Nashville; "A Program of Evangelism for the Local Church," Roberto Escamilla, Nashville; "Types of Evangelism," Poe Williams, Nashville; "Evangelistic Preaching," George G. Hunter, III, Dallas, Tex.; "Lay Witness Missions," Jack Archer, Corpus Christi, Tex.; "Mission Crusades in the Local Church," Jack Gray, Dallas; and "Marriage-Family Enrichment," Byron Wolfe, Enid, Okla.

Other program participants will include Oklahoma Bishop Paul W. Milhouse and Mrs. Lee Ritchie, Arlington, Tex., song leader.

The Jurisdictional Council of Evangelism, organized in January, 1973, is affiliated with the National Council of Evangelism and serves as an auxiliary organization of the Division of Evangelism, Worship, and Stewardship of

Dallas to host Evangelism Congress

DALLAS, Tex. (UMC) — The first of seven regional evangelism congresses to be held around the world in 1974 will convene here Jan. 8-10 under the sponsorship of the World Methodist Council.

The North American Regional Congress will involve six denominations which share the same Wesleyan heritage: Free Methodist, African Methodist Episcopal, Christian Methodist Episcopal, The Wesleyan Church, African Methodist Episcopal Zion, and the United Methodist Church.

Dr. Ira Gallaway, Nashville, Tenn., Associate General Secretary of the United Methodist Board of Discipleship, is chairman of the Congress program committee.

Meeting one day in advance of the Congress will be the United Methodist Council of Evangelism, an organization of district and conference evangelism leaders. The abbreviated annual meeting of the Council Jan. 7 will feature Bishop W. McFerrin Stowe, Dallas, Tex.; Dr. Charles L. Allen, First United Methodist Church, Houston, Tex.; and Dr. Raoul C. Calkins, Columbus, Ohio, administrative assistant to the World Methodist Evangelism Committee. President of the Council is Dr. Emerson S. Colaw, pastor of the Hyde Park Community United Methodist Church, Cincinnati, Ohio.

All meetings of the Council and Congress will be held at the Adolphus Hotel in Dallas.

Among those persons presenting major addresses at the Congress will be United Methodist Bishops William R. Cannon, Atlanta, Ga., Roy C. Nichols, Pittsburgh, Pa., and Gerald F. Ensley, Columbus, Ohio.

the Board of Discipleship. Chairman is Dr. LeRoy Sewell, pastor of First United Methodist Church, Oklahoma City.

Academy for Evangelism formed at Perkins

"The Academy for Evangelism in Theological Education" was organized on Sept. 29th, climaxing a two-day meeting of Seminary professors of Evangelism from across the continent who convened at the Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University.

Dr. George Sweazey of Princeton Theological Seminary was elected as the new academy's first president for a two-year term. Asbury Theological Seminary's Dr. Robert Coleman was elected to a two-year vice presidency. Dr. George Hunter of the Perkins School of Theology faculty was the founder and convener of the Academy for Evangelism, and was elected to the academy's ongoing secretariat.

The two-day meeting featured a major address by Dean M. Kelley, author of the widely influential book, *Why Conservative Churches Are Growing*. Kelley spoke on "The Religion 'Business' and What Makes It 'Take.'". Kelley stated that "the function of religion is to explain the meaning of life in ultimate terms," and that churches that accept this task are the churches that grow. Kelley also emphasized that churches which place "strict demands" upon adherents tend to grow, for this connotes "seriousness" and "convincingness" for the group's truth-claims. Kelley explained that churches which do not explain the meaning of life nor place strong claims upon people are forfeiting the uniqueness of religion and therefore are understandably declining.

George Sweazey delivered the Academy for Evangelism's keynote address. Sweazey bemoaned the usual expectations placed upon a new minister — "to take care of the people he finds already in his membership." He proclaimed the mandate to "reach those outside," and suggested that the developing minister must be "propelled by the Seminary" into evangelistic ministry.

The bulk of the two-day meeting was taken with the members sharing with one another their "models for a basic course" in evangelism. The new Academy for Evangelism in Theological Education begins with twenty-seven charter members from as many seminaries. The academy represents the geographical and theological spectrum of North American Protestant Christianity. The headquarters are presently at the Perkins School of Theology, S.M.U. The academy will meet annually. Meeting sites will move among the member institutions.

ROMAN CATHOLICS AND METHODISTS TO STUDY 'COMMON WITNESS AND EVANGELIZATION'

NEW YORK (UMC) — "Common witness and evangelization" are to be given special study by Roman Catholics and Methodists on the world level in preparation for the Catholic Synod of Bishops in 1974 and World Methodism's 1975 "Year of Evangelism."

The decision for special study was made by the Joint Commission of the Roman Catholic Church and the World Methodist Council recently in Reuti, Switzerland. Meeting for their second session in the current series of dialogues, the Joint Commission said study was authorized "in the hope that the distinctive contributions of the two churches to these themes may prove complementary and mutually enlightening."

The Joint Commission of the Roman Catholic Church and the World Methodist Council held the second meeting of the present series from Oct. 1 to 4 at Reuti, Switzerland. The Roman Catholic representatives were Bishop Michael Bowen, Mgr. C. Moeller, Fr. T. F. Stransky, C. S. P., Mgr. W. A. Purdy and Fr. Michael Hurley, S. S., and the Methodist representatives were Bishop W. R. Cannon, Bishop Prince Taylor, Dr. Lee F. Tuttle, Professor Jose Miguez-Bonino and the Rev. A. Raymond George.

World's hunger a priority concern

by Arthur Moore, Jr., and Connie Meyer

NEW ORLEANS, La., Oct. 26 (UMC) — The fact that church people and other citizens are willing to contribute their own funds for help to hungry people in other areas of the world is a great political fact insuring the passage of U.S. government aid bills, according to the former deputy director of the Food for Peace program of USAID.

Frank Ellis, a private consultant who retired last year after 37 years of government service including ten years as deputy chief of Food for Peace, made the assertion in a presentation on world famine to the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR), meeting here as part of the denomination's Board of Global Ministries.

Citing the world population growth, with a projected world population of seven billion persons by the year 2,000, and increased food consumption in affluent societies as causes of world hunger, Mr. Ellis found some encouraging signs in U.S. food and aid policy. The Food for Peace program has been extended for four more years and the Senate

version of the bill, now ready for joint House-Senate negotiations, would allow portions of exports to be set aside for humanitarian purposes without waiting for the export crop to be sold first as has been previous policy. In addition, more and more aid is now going to programs administered by voluntary agencies.

Reacting to Mr. Ellis' presentation were the Rev. J. Harry Haines, associate general secretary of UMCOR, and Victor Lamont, a British photo-journalist and former mission worker in Africa. Mr. Lamont pointed out that many discussions of the subject of world famine assume that the affluent West has the solution to the problem, which is not true, and ignore the need for poor countries to develop their own solutions. Third World countries can develop "appropriate technology" rather than importing Western technology not suited to their needs.

Speaking of family planning, Mr. Lamont said that families in poor villages where 85 per cent of the persons in those countries live have no real in-

centive to reduce their number of children until their quality of life is made more worthwhile.

Dr. Haines spoke of the difficulties relief organizations face in a time of soaring farm prices in purchasing food for export to hunger areas, citing particularly the sharp cost rise of multi-purpose food as a result of soybean demand around the world.

UMCOR also heard Dr. Haines report that 50 per cent of the food required to avert starvation in six northwest African countries has been delivered by outside agencies.

"The immediate threat of death has been averted," he said, "but it is only a stopgap operation. The real answer lies in long-term development of water resources in the countries involved, plus extensive reforestation along the Sahara."

A severe drought, caused by lack of rain for 5½ years, had threatened the lives of up to 6,000,000 people. UMCOR sent an initial grant of \$10,000 for relief supplies, and in cooperation with the Board's World Division sent Miss Marjorie Nellis, a nurse, to join a mobile medical team in Niger.

Patience a product of suffering, says Hendrix prof

by Bill Whitten

Want to lose 16 pounds in a hurry and improve your self-concept at the same time? Then contact Dr. Cecil McDermott, professor of mathematics at Hendrix College. During a period of 26 days this past summer McDermott accomplished both feats as a participant in the Texas "Outward Bound" school.

McDermott received a grant from the Lilly Foundation to take part in the program, which was held in Big Bend State Park, July 23 through Aug. 18. The purpose of the program, according to McDermott, was the educational development of the "total" person.

The 37-year old math instructor trained on his own for several weeks in preparation for the course. He did push-ups, chin-ups, sit-ups, in addition to jogging and hiking with a 50-pound pack. He also began to reduce his daily intake of food.

When he arrived at the site, McDermott learned that he was in for another six days of conditioning. During that period the 80 campers, ranging in age from 18 to 37 years (McDermott was the oldest), began to learn basic camping skills and the fundamentals of mountain climbing and rappelling. The campers also began to familiarize their digestive systems with high protein foods such as peanut butter, rice and "granola," a type of cereal.

"My most traumatic moment of the entire program occurred during the initial six days," said a trim and sun-bronzed McDermott. "I was climbing a 200 foot high cliff and was about 15 feet from the summit."

"In order to reach the peak I was forced to try a 'do' step (either you do or you don't). I thought about it for 10 long minutes before I tried it. If I had failed the step, I would have had to start all over. Fortunately, I made it."

McDermott enjoyed the rappelling, which is the art of descending a cliff somewhat like a lumberjack rambles down a pine. "It is perfectly safe and really quite easy after you start," McDermott related, "but the hard part is the first move when you have to back off of the cliff."

The campers were split into groups of ten and the groups went their separate ways into the desert for about five days. Leadership of the groups was rotated among the members. Each group had one member who was an experienced "Outward Bound" employee. He stayed out of sight and observed the group but was always within "whistle distance" in



Dr. Cecil McDermott

case of an emergency.

About the ninth day, a student from New Jersey wandered off and became lost. McDermott's group was only about 20 miles away and thus was instructed to interrupt its trek and begin a search for him. However, there were no direct roads to the scene, so the quickest way was to haul the group by pick-up truck 180 miles over rough roads. To its relief, when the group arrived at the location where the student was supposed to be, he had already been found.

The next three days proved alternately exciting and boring for McDermott on his solo excursion. "I was allowed to take with me a sleeping bag, a tarpaulin and two gallons of water," said McDermott. "I had no map, flashlight, knife or food."

The Hendrix professor subsisted on the prickly pear and the strawberry cactus during those three days, which may account for some of his weight loss.

The first night got extremely cold for McDermott, so he constructed a rock wall three feet in height to shield him from the wind. After he solved that problem, McDermott then had to contend with ants.

"The only solution to the ant dilemma was to feed them," said McDermott, "so I put a few rem-

nants of my prickly pears in strategic locations well away from me!"

Besides the cold temperatures and the ants, the solo was rather uneventful for McDermott. "I read two books, but the last two days were really quite boring."

After exchanging thoughts about their solo experiences, the campers began their final expedition. McDermott's group was required to travel about 40 miles in three days to the Rio Grande River. The group lost its way and was 36 hours overdue, which caused some concern.

When they reached the Rio Grande, they traveled in rafts for three days and rested one day. Then came the marathon.

At 6 a.m. on the 23rd day, the marathon began. McDermott had run in some age-group AAU marathons, before, but these were much younger men and women competing against him.

Two students pushed the Hendrix teacher to his limits, but he was able to win in what was his best time ever. McDermott covered the rocky terrain of 14 miles in one hour and 34 minutes. His closest competitor was three minutes behind him.

After the marathon, the groups reassembled at the camp headquarters to exchange ideas and suggestions. The members traded opinions of each other in an encounter session, which McDermott termed "interesting and helpful."

On Aug. 18, Cecil McDermott left the badlands of southwest Texas to return to Conway, his family and to civilization. He has now settled down to the daily routine of a college math teacher.

What did he learn from his 26 day ordeal of physical and emotional stress? "I learned not to fear anything physical, if, in reality, it is safe," McDermott said.

"The experience greatly improved everyone's self-image," McDermott explained. "Being in really top physical shape gives one boundless confidence in one's ability."

"If there is only one thing I have gained from this experience," said McDermott, "it is the knowledge that one has to learn to be able to suffer."

"What is the value of suffering? It is in suffering or states of discomfort or inconvenience that one learns patience. Patience is one of the things that can help us to succeed when our thoughts tell us we are defeated."

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Twenty-two Hendrix seniors named to 'Who's Who'

Twenty-two seniors at Hendrix College have been selected for membership in "Who's Who in American Universities and Colleges."

The honorees include Yvonne B. Glien, Dennis T. Officer and Grady J. Perryman of Pine Bluff; G. Lawrence Jegley, Carol K. St. John and Leslie Swindler of Little Rock; J. Phillip Price and J. Lynn Robinson of Dumas; Thomas M. Carpenter and J. Kent Chrisman of North Little Rock.

Other new members include Wiley B. Coley, III, of Ashdown; James R. Cooley, formerly of Arkadelphia; Mrs. James Smith Cooley, formerly of Hot Springs; George G. Gleason, III, of Dardanelle; M. Frances Keathley of Danville; Larry P. Lowman of Cabot; John W. Mann, III, of Forrest City; Michael E. Mills of Lowell (Benton County); Mary W. Parker of Newport; J. William Spivey of Hamburg; Mrs. Mary Margrave Weber, formerly of Camden, and Jimmie S. Wiedower of Conway.

The students were chosen by a fac-

DeWITT CHURCH OBSERVES ANNIVERSARY

The fiftieth anniversary of the present building of First United Methodist Church of DeWitt was observed on Sunday, Oct. 21. Dr. Leland Clegg of Magnolia, who came to DeWitt as pastor in 1925, was the guest speaker at the morning worship service.

Don Mooney directed the Chancel Choir, with Mrs. Claude Jenkins as soloist.

Preceding the worship service, all adult classes assembled in the sanctuary for a "Tour down Memory Lane," conducted by Harold Lloyd Stephenson.

Mementos displayed on the bulletin board included photos and bulletins of special occasions, such as: the dedication of the church building in Sept., 1942, and the presentation of the organ in April, 1950 when Bishop Ivan Lee Holt, a native of DeWitt, officiated.

"Sunday dinner" at 12:30 was served by the women of the church.

ulty committee on the basis of their scholarship, participation and leadership in academic and extracurricular activities, service to the school and promise of future usefulness.

who had also decorated fellowship hall to carry out the Golden Anniversary theme. Members and guests were registered by Robin Stephenson, Karen Hill, Judy Bryant and Robin Pattillo, UMY members.

The Rev. Thurston Masters is pastor of the DeWitt Church.

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TEXAS AND HENDRIX SCULPTORS IN EXCHANGE EXHIBITS

An art exhibit by John Daniel, a Texas sculptor, will begin at Hendrix College on Friday, Nov. 2. Daniel, an instructor in sculpture at Stephen F. Austin State University, taught at the University of Manitoba in Winnipeg, Canada, before coming to the Nacagdoches, Tex. institution. He specializes in wood sculpture.

Daniel's exhibit will be held in the Trieschmann Fine Arts Building and will run until mid-December. He is represented by the Smither Gallery of Dallas.

In a reciprocal agreement, a sculpture exhibit by William Hawes, assistant professor of art at Hendrix, will be shown at Daniel's home institution at the same time. Hawes, a native of Wichita, Kan., has been at Hendrix since 1967.

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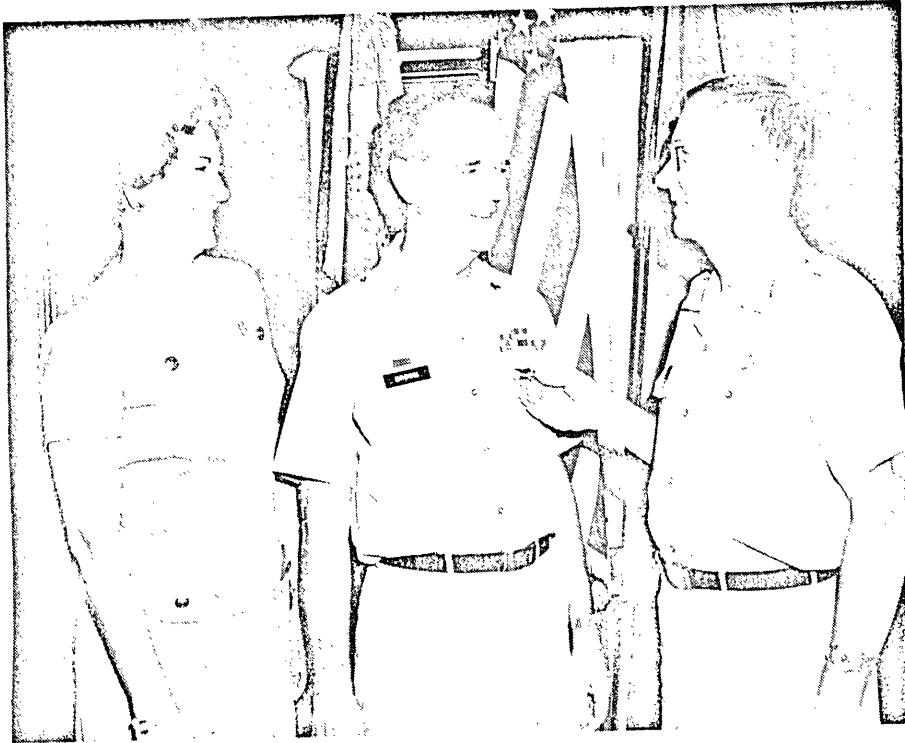
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Chaplain (Maj.) Winslow E. Brown receives the first Oak Leaf Cluster to the Army Commendation Medal, at Indiantown Gap Military Reservation, from Post Commander Col. Oran K. Henderson. Looking on is the chaplain's wife, Lottie May. The Browns, both natives of Arkansas, reside at 976 East Maple Street, Palmyra, Penn.

Arkansas Army Chaplain commended

Chaplain (Maj.) Winslow Brown began active Army duty in May, 1959. During World War II, from May 1943 to April 1946, he served in the Navy and for three years was in the Asiatic Theater, and served in Vietnam for a one-year period.

A graduate of the U.S. Army Chaplains' Basic and Career Courses, Chaplain Brown has served as chaplain at Fort Sill, Okla.; Fort Lewis, Wash.; and Fort Polk, La.

Chaplain Brown is a native of Centerton, Arkansas. He is a graduate of the University of Arkansas School of Theology, Southern Methodist University, and the Graduate School of Southern Methodist University. Before Army duty he served as a Methodist minister in a number of churches in

Arkansas.

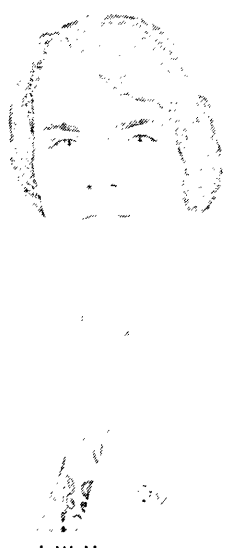
The Chaplain numbers among his awards and decorations: the Bronze Star, Army Commendation Medal, American Campaign Medal, Asiatic Campaign Medal, World War II Victory Medal, Naval Occupation Medal, National Defense Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, U.S. Reserve Forces Medal, and Unit Citation.

Chaplain Brown is married to the former Lottie May Palmer of Fayetteville, Ark. They are the parents of two children, Deborah, a student at the University of Arkansas, and David, who is attending Palmyra Area High School.

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Miss Vickie Lynn Buchanan, freshman student in the Methodist Hospital School of Nursing at Memphis, has received a full \$3,000 scholarship from Weight Watchers of Memphis.



Terry David Williamson, medical technologist at Methodist Central and student at Memphis' Methodist Hospital Blood Bank Training Center is the recipient of a \$1,000 scholarship from the American Association of Blood Banks, and has received a \$500 grant from the American Society of Clinical Pathologists to attend a seminar in advanced techniques in blood banking, Nov. 26-30 in Chicago.

Next 18 months will determine future of COCU, leader says

NEW ORLEANS, La. Oct. 24 (UMC)—Roman Catholics have given impetus to a major Protestant church union movement in the U. S. in many local communities, the chief executive officer of that movement said here Wednesday.

The Rev. Paul A. Crow, Jr., Prince-

ton, N.J., general secretary of the Consultation on Church Union (COCU), told a division of the United Methodist Board of Global Ministries during its annual meeting that frequently Catholic interest in the Consultation has motivated Protestants in a particular community to become involved in study of the movement.

Dr. Crow also said that the future of COCU depends on what local congregations of the nine churches across the nation do in the next 18 months.

Although the Consultation has maintained union of the participating denominations as its basic goal, a major focus at present is on local and regional experimentation, the ecumenical leader noted. There are at least three ways in which local congregations can get involved in the process—sharing Holy Communion on a regular basis, joining together in various forms of Christian witness, and banding together over an extended period in what the Consultation terms "generating communities."

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Founder of New Life Movement dies

FRONT ROYAL, Va. (RNS) — Dr. Albert Edward Day, founder of the New Life Movement that flourished in the 1940s, died here Oct. 12 at the age of 89. A United Methodist clergyman who held pastorates in several states, he was a popular author and lecturer.

Dr. Day, a native of Ohio, gained national prominence following World War II with evangelistic crusades which sought to bring both church members and the unchurched to a "more abundant life." In 1945 he became head of a New Life department within the Board of Evangelism of the former Methodist Church.

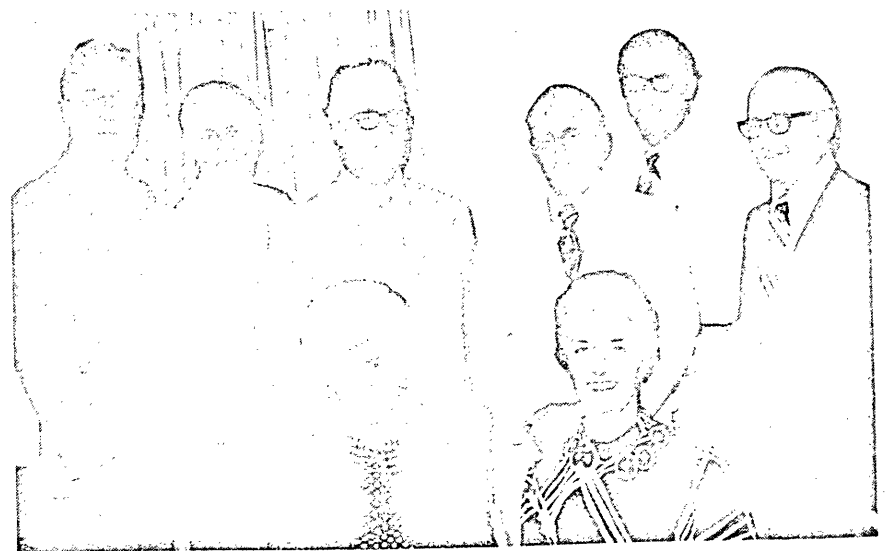
Later, he was closely identified with the Disciplined Order of Christ, a movement made up of clergy and laity who pledged themselves to daily Bible study, prayer and devotion.

After his retirement in 1933, he lectured at Wesley Theological Seminary, Washington, D.C. Dr. Day was for many years the pastor of Baltimore's Mt. Vernon Place Methodist church. He was overjoyed with the fellowship between Protestants and

Roman Catholics made possible by the Second Vatican Council. He saw the contact across church lines as indication of "that comprehensive unity" promising creative fellowship in a strife-torn world.

Dr. Day wrote many books, held some of the most prestigious pulpits in his denomination and was extremely active in national level Methodist organizations.

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Leaders for the Oct. 26-28 Youth Ministry Learning Center for the Paragould Area conducted at First Church, Paragould. SEATED: Mrs. Walter Lindley, Jonesboro; Mrs. Hardy Sims, chairman of Work Area on Education in host church. STANDING: The Rev. Arvill C. Brannon, coordinator; the Rev. Herschel McClurkin, Dr. Raymond L. Franks, host pastor; the Revs. Wayne C. Jarvis and David Moose, and the Rev. Ben F. Jordan, host district superintendent. The event designed to train youth leaders and adult workers with youth in the total youth ministry of the church, was the first of its kind in the North Arkansas Conference.