

HOLDS CHURCH HAS NO PLACE FOR 'PIKERS'

Revolution in Righteousness Predicted as State Pastors End Conference.

Christianity has no place for a "piker," declared Dr. L. D. Young, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, Lincoln, Neb., yesterday at the closing session of the Indiana pastors' conference of the Interchurch World Movement held in Tomlinson hall.

"Churches must function as big business, must do big business, or go to the wall," he said, "for life looks ever large on the horizon, and the spiritual resources of the church are being tested. The church to fall we might as well try to put out the sun with a garden hose, or try to dip the ocean dry with a thimble. We are going to experience a revolution in righteousness."

Dr. Young believed in the interchurch world movement, he said, because it was a big movement; because it had a wonderful, functioning approach; because it was a great opportunity started at the psychological time after a world of destructiveness and was a program of constructive, and because it was for the greatest of all fights for the kingdom of God, can we do less?" asked the speaker.

Dr. W. E. Doughty presided at the afternoon meeting.

Bishop Thomas S. Nicholson, head of the Northern Methodist conference, who presided at a meeting of Methodists at Roberts Park church, declared that the Interchurch World Movement was one of the greatest events in the Christian era.

Interest of Hoosier Methodism in the Interchurch World Movement was evidenced by the discussion of the benefits of the movement.

Rev. F. I. Johnson, Columbus, O., secretary of the Cincinnati area, Methodist church north, who spoke at the Roberts park meeting, insisted that every Methodist devote his unselfish, unstinted attention to the advancement of the movement.

"We've got to put our very souls into the work of the Lord, give up ourselves, lend even ourselves unto agony, if need be, to further the work of the Master," he said in behalf of the movement.

John E. Benson, New York city, educational secretary of the Centenary Movement, who supported wholeheartedly the Interchurch Movement, explained the part that the Centenary work of the Methodist church would play in the interchurch cause.

Denominational meetings were scheduled at the following places: Meridian Street M. E. Zion's conference of the Methodist association, First United Brethren, Second Presbyterian church, First Baptist church, Central Christian church, Y. M. C. A. and the Y. W. C. A.

SEE GREAT CHRISTIAN OPENING.

Out of the various meetings came expressions of support of the movement. Many ministers saw in the movement the greatest opportunity of all Christian history to accomplish world-wide results in Christian service.

At the meeting Tuesday night Dr. W. E. Doughty of New York City presided. Rev. C. M. Dinsmore, Dr. E. C. Rapp, Rev. John McGarran and Dr. Frank E. Rines spoke.

At the afternoon meeting Tuesday Dr. Frederick E. Taylor delivered the principal address.

"Evangelism must be made world-wide now," he declared.

Other speakers during the afternoon session were James P. Chadbourne of Boston, financial director of the movement; Dr. Rines, Frank Rines, financial director of Indiana, and Anson T. Wong, assistant headmaster of the Methodist college in Shanghai. The latter pleaded for support of the movement in behalf of China.

"It is the Christian religion more than gold, more than anything else, that may satisfy our needs," Dr. Wong, a graduate of Columbia university and a student of Oxford university.

TOTAL OF 1,629 MINISTERS PRESENT.

The final registration of the conference showed a total of 1,629 ministers present, exceeding the Ohio record, although that state has more than twice the number of Protestant ministers.

Following the afternoon sessions Tuesday, departmental supper meetings were held at the Y. M. C. A. building, the Y. W. C. A. building and the First United Brethren church, at which Dr. Dinsmore, Rev. Dinsmore and Dr. Clippinger spoke.

At the women's gathering of the conference Dr. C. Blesher of China mission fields, Dr. Rebecca Parrish of the Mary Johnson hospital in Manila and Mrs. Henry Topping, who has spent a quarter of a century in the Orient, spoke. About 350 delegates have registered at the women's conference.

Sweet to Help Take Industrial Census

Frank Street has been appointed assistant to T. J. Stuart, director of the industrial census to be taken here, according to announcement made at the census headquarters in the federal building.

Examination of applicants for assistants will be held next week and when all appointments have been received the work of making an exhaustive survey here will be started.

ALCOHOL DEATHS MADE MURDER. DRS MOINIS, Ia., March 4.—Indictments for murder in the first degree are justified under the Iowa laws in cases where deaths were caused by wood alcohol, given or sold to the person killed as a beverage, Grand Jury Thompson told the Polk county grand jury yesterday in his instructions.

Toups and Wigs Newest Rage Here; Blame It on Flu

Wigs and toupees are "all the go" in Indianapolis.

So if the pretty brunette across the way flits in some morning sporting a mantle of red hair don't be surprised. Then, too, if our bald headed milkman should suddenly break forth with his cranial region snugly covered with a hair of silken foliage don't be surprised, either.

Yes, it's true, there has been an increase of from 70 to 100 per cent in the demand for wigs and toupees.

The popularity of artificial hair may be due to style, but on the other hand some of our beauty shops claim influenza has caused much baldness.

At Kinsley's hair store it is reported there had been a tremendous increase in the number of wigs and toupees sold. Women particularly are buying wigs, this store reports.

Blame it on the "flu," one clerk said. Della E. Carroll of Carroll's Beauty Parlor, says: "Maybe they don't want to grow old."

"Fever attendant to influenza has caused many men and women to lose their hair," Miss Carroll said. "Of course most of them are not bald, but due to those who suffered from the malady a year ago. Not all cases of the disease caused hair to fall out, but a good average of those stricken have had that embarrassing experience."

Miss Carroll claims that any severe fever is apt to permanently injure the hair. Nervousness and poor blood circulation are other contributing elements, she asserts.

WANTS PAY FOR WASTED POWER

Muncie Company Asks Higher Rate on Excess Dynamos.

Changes beneficial to the public will result from a new basis of charge for electric power, sought in the petition of the Indiana General Service Company of Muncie for a new rate schedule, if the petition is favorably considered by the Indiana public service commission.

The proposed change would affect manufacturers using power, who maintain dynamo equipment greater than is necessary for the operation of their plants.

Loss of power through "wattless energy" would be charged against the consumers responsible for such losses, through the use of a newly invented meter, which records energy wasted as well as energy used.

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CLOTHING DROP LONG WAY OFF

Not a Chance This Year, Retailers Here Told.

Clothing prices will not drop materially during the next year, although dealers would like to see a decrease, according to Charles E. Wry of Chicago, secretary of the National Association of Retail Clothiers' association, addressing the state convention yesterday. He bases his conclusions on a recent nation-wide survey conducted by the national association.

Officers were chosen as follows: Willis Johnson, Seymour, president; A. R. Seewald, Terre Haute, first vice president; Carl Steel, Huntington, second vice president; Albert W. Levi, Indianapolis, secretary-treasurer, and the following directors: L. V. Meyer, Flora; P. M. Polk, Newcastle; L. R. Bing, Anderson; Eli Schloss, Indianapolis, and Max Adler, Indianapolis. Sol-Schloss, Indianapolis, was re-elected as national director.

"And furthermore," Mr. Wry added, "they never will be back to where they were before the war. Conditions have changed. Labor cost to manufacturers has increased more than 200 per cent since 1913. Materials of every description are higher in cost, and every item that enters into the final cost of clothes to the consumer has been advanced, except the dealers' profits."

Mr. Wry said that nobody would welcome a cut in the cost of wearing apparel for men more than the dealers themselves, but that in the face of abnormal costs he did not see how it is possible for a drop to materialize this year.

"I do believe," Mr. Wry explained, "that eventually we will get back to a level of prices lower than the ones now ruling. I do not mean prewar prices, but from the chaotic conditions brought about by the sudden termination of the war, will come a better understanding between laborer, manufacturer, dealer and customer that can only mean every one realizing the other fellow's position and working toward a closer harmony and unity of purpose. Until we get peak production, which we have not now, there can be no decline in the cost of clothes. This is the belief of heads of the national association, as much as I regret to admit, arrived at after exhaustive and careful research and study."

The price of collars came up for consideration before the convention in open discussion. Manufacturers, it appears, have raised the price of collars to \$2.40 a dozen, or 20 cents each.

Whether to continue to sell collars at 25 cents each or to charge 30 cents was the question. It was finally agreed by a large majority of the dealers present that, irrespective of the manufacturers' price, collars would continue to be retailed at 25 cents each.

Secretary A. W. Levi called attention to the remarkable growth of the association. At the age of sixty members in 1918, the year of its birth, the association has expanded until now it numbers 256 members and a goal of 400 is set for the year ending next year. There has not been a single member withdrawn after once joining the association.

The convention closed yesterday afternoon with a meeting of the officers and directors.

A banquet was given Tuesday night by the Men's Apparel club, in honor of members of the Clothiers' association.

MARY PICKFORD.

GENOA, Nev., March 4.—Mary Pickford, "America's sweetheart," obtained a divorce from Owen Moore in the district court of Douglas county here Monday afternoon, it became known yesterday.

Not even court attaches knew they were witnessing the divorce of the motion picture star when the hearing was in progress, so successful were the principals in their efforts to keep the affair a secret.

The divorce was granted on the charge of desertion.

Mrs. Moore appeared in court dressed in a shabby suit. She had spent several weeks on a ranch near here incognito.

Moore was not present in the courtroom when the case was called, although he was reported to have been at Minden, Nev., on Monday.

Mrs. Moore was accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Smith. She appeared deeply moved and wept quietly during the proceedings.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF

The domestic science classes of the Lincoln school are preparing for the domestic science exhibit to be held at the school March 9. The little children of the third and fourth grades are preparing dishes for play parties very much.

Rev. and Mrs. Jesse L. Buckley, 1928 Woodlawn avenue, have gone to Columbus, O., to attend the funeral of Rev. Buckley's father.

Mrs. Nanny Toppeck, 1125 Randolph street, who has been ill for some time with the influenza, is reported recovering.

Charles Riddlen, 1210 Dawson street, employed at the Beech Grove shops, is recovering from a long illness.

Shooting craps in a cigar store sometimes is expensive. Judge Pittchard, in city court, fined A. E. Piel, 224 Broadway, \$5 and costs each on gaming charges, it being alleged they shot dice in a cigar store at 37 East Ohio street.

Indians alumni of the Alpha Tau Omega national college fraternity are on record as favoring a state-wide campaign to obtain an increase in teachers' pay. At the alumni luncheon Tuesday afternoon, a committee was appointed to co-operate with leaders in the movement.

Clarence Lawlis, driver of an automobile truck belonging to the National Biscuit company, escaped injury Tuesday afternoon, when a Big Four switch engine, owned by the Shelby street and the Belt railroad. The truck was damaged. It was reported to the police. Lawlis lives at 1418 East Eleventh street.

AUTO PLATE 13 UNLUCKY, CLAIM

Gives It Back After Three Damage Suits.

MUSKOGEE HEIGHTS, Mich., March 4.—Rose Englebrecht of this city, stepped into the police headquarters and handed the chief of police a battered city license plate numbered "13."

"Never give me that number again," said Rose to the chief. "I have driven a car for years and never had an accident and now I just got this number from you an hour ago, and I have been in three accidents since."

"I want my dollar rebate and then I'll buy a new plate with a different number. Come to think about it I will not need any city license because by the time I get my car repaired I shall have my state license."

Needless to say Rose got the dollar rebate, and three damage suits were started simultaneously against her in the local justice court. Rose was not always superstitious.

Marks 15th Year as Health Board Clerk

The fifteenth anniversary of the employment of Miss Ethel Hoffman, chief clerk of the state board of health, by the board was celebrated with a luncheon in the office at the statehouse yesterday. Food was prepared by the young women of the office, an electric sterilizer being improvised for cooking.

Flowers were presented to Miss Hoffman by her associates in the office and room girls. Dr. King, assistant secretary of the state board, in a brief speech congratulated Miss Hoffman on her long and valuable services to the state.

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CITES HOLES IN EDUCATION LAW

Funds Lacking, Truancy Made Easy, Says Supt. Graff.

A new conception of education which will give it a much broader purpose is necessary to meet modern conditions, E. U. Graff, superintendent of the Indianapolis public schools, told members of the Kivans club at the weekly meeting at the Severn hotel yesterday.

Mr. Graff said that in Indiana hundreds of pupils of school age are not attending school because there is no machinery for the enforcement of the truancy laws. He explained that the laws are supposed to be enforced by one officer in each county, who is paid \$2 a day for his services.

The speaker told members of the club that because of inadequate funds for the operation of the schools in Indianapolis 6,000 pupils are attending schools half days. He said there are children in the third grade who never have gone to school more than one half day at a time.

He also explained that there are too many children under each teacher. He said that in some of the schools there are as many as fifty-two pupils under one teacher. He said also that it will be necessary to increase teachers' salaries above the increase granted a year ago.

CHICAGO SUGAR SALES OPENED

First Car on Market Eliminating Middleman.

CHICAGO, March 4.—For the first time since the organization of the present sugar beet industry in the United States, sugar reached here yesterday directly consigned from the refiner to the consumer. It was the first of fifty-two carloads bought by the Chicago Valley Company.

The sugar, untouched by the hand of the "middleman," will be sold to consumers for 18½ cents a pound.

Plan to Forfeit \$1,000 Bond in Boozie Case

Proceedings to forfeit a \$1,000 bond for Tony Rinkus of Hammond, Ind., signed by John Dorvans, also of Hammond, were instituted in federal court yesterday by Fred VanVeen, United States district attorney.

It is alleged Rinkus was arrested Oct. 19, 1918, on a charge of transporting liquor from Chicago. He was arraigned before United States Commissioner Charles L. Surridge of Hammond and released on a \$1,000 bond. Rinkus afterward was indicted by the grand jury and his bond was renewed. When the case was called in court Rinkus failed to appear to answer charges.

There was a scramble, but twice of the fourteen men who were engaged in the crap game in the basement of a machine shop at Washington and Gelsdorf streets, at noon were rounded up. S. W. McIntyre, 20, 1814 Dexter avenue, foreman of the machine shop, was slated on charges of keeping a gambling house and gambling. The eleven others were slated for visiting a gambling house.

The police made the raid on a tip given them over the phone from the neighborhood.

CHECKROOM GIRLS SUE HOTELS.

CHICAGO, March 4.—Many hotel checkroom girls here have started suit against the hotel management, seeking the recovery of tips which, they charge, were collected by their employers. The amounts to date aggregate \$155,000.

HAWKINS GETS CITY POSITION

Appointed Assistant Street Commissioner by Board.

Omer Hawkins, 1115 North Capitol avenue, was yesterday appointed by the board of works as assistant street commissioner, to have charge of unimproved streets.

Close estimates on the part of contractors marked the opening bids on street improvements. On the improvement of Thirty-fourth street there was a difference of only 4 cents in four bids.

The following were received: Thirty-fourth street, permanent improvement from College avenue to Fall Creek Parkway, material asphalt—American Contracting Company, \$7,320; per lineal foot; Mansfield Engineering Company, \$7,331; Indiana Asphalt Paving Company, \$7,330; J. N. Morgan and Son, \$7,29.

EWING STREET WORK DRAWS \$4.25 BID.

Ewing street, permanent improvement from Tenth to Sixteenth streets, material, bituminous concrete—Union Asphalt Company, \$4.25.

No bids were received for the improvement of Twenty-sixth street, from Dearborn to Olney streets; the installing of cement sidewalks on Tecumseh street from St. Clair street to streets, and the improvement of the first alley north of Thirtieth street, from Parker avenue to Oxford street.

Petitions were confirmed for the permanent improvement of the first alley east of Washington boulevard, from Twenty-eighth to Twenty-ninth streets, the laying of cement walks on Forty-eighth street from Central street to Central avenue, the grading and graveling of Forty-eighth street, from Pennsylvania street to Central avenue, and the improvement of Burgess avenue, from Emerson to Spencer avenues.

Plans were ordered for the opening and widening of Bancroft street, from the Pennsylvania railroad to University avenue; the improvement of the first alley east of Virginia avenue, from Woodlawn avenue to Shelby streets; the improvement of the first alley west of Kenwood avenue, from Fourth street to Forty-second street, and the laying of sidewalks on Forty-fourth street, from Lincoln street to Lincoln street.

Specifications were passed for the laying of sewers on Tecumseh street, from Pratt street to St. Clair street, and on New York street, from Beauty avenue to Limestone street.

Assessment rolls were approved for the permanent improvement of Webster avenue from Washington street to Lowell avenue at an estimated cost of \$10,599 and the laying of concrete on Graceland avenue and improvement of Graceland avenue from Forty-second to Forty-third streets at an estimated cost of \$2,118.33.

Earl Walker, 1830 Keating avenue, declared, appointed mechanic at the municipal garage.

SERB EMISSARY ASKS U. S. HELP

Miss Losaintch Paints Horror Picture of Conditions.

NEW YORK, March 4.—Authorized to speak for Prince Regent Alexander of Serbia, Miss Helen Losaintch, daughter of a member of the Serbian nobility, is now in the United States to plead the cause of half a million homeless Serbian children.

Her native land wrecked after six continuous years of war, Serbia today is a country of homeless women and children. Miss Losaintch declared, and unless expedient is exercised in relieving the distress and destitution of the juvenile population Serbia is threatened with bankruptcy by its humanity.

"For six years Serbia has been at war," Miss Losaintch stated at the headquarters of the Serbian Child Welfare Association of America, 700 East Eighth street, New York city, to which organization, she came to report on present-day conditions.

"During the two years preceding the great war, Serbia was engaged in the Balkan campaign, and throughout the entire time her resources and energies were devoted to equipping and maintaining its army. Now it is a land of old men, women and children."

"All through the war she has been giving first consideration to women and children was reversed; women and children gave way to the fighting forces, and men were given every comfort that they might be physically fit to protect the country."

ALL JOIN HANDS TO AID TEACHERS

Speakers Named for Special Campaign March 7-14.

College and public school organizations are joining forces in the campaign to win better conditions for the teaching profession throughout Indiana. It was announced at the office of the state superintendent of public instruction yesterday.

Speakers are being provided for meetings in every high school in the state during teachers' week, March 7 to 14, by Oscar H. Williams, who is in charge of the work at the superintendent's office. Efforts to popularize the teaching profession will be centered in such meetings. Practically all colleges in the state have set aside one day to be devoted to the teachers' campaign.

Alumni of Wabash, Franklin, Indiana, Purdue, State Normal and Earlham are working on the campaign. Herbert Hickman of Indianapolis, to obtain salary increases for college professors.

The Greater Terre Haute club, operating in the city, is planning to work with twenty-four teams of the club. Letters have been received from Terre Haute, Richmond, Muncie and other cities of the state outlining plans for educational campaigns within the cities.

Coyotes Invade Farms

HIYAWATHA, Kas., March 4.—Due to it is believed, to their inability to obtain food during the last protracted cold spell, coyotes in this vicinity are becoming daring and are making inroads on such livestock as pigs and lambs on farms near by.

Many of the animals have fallen victims to charges of buckshot, but it is believed that it will take an organized drive to clear this county of the pests.

Mayor Indorses Selecting May 1 as American Day

Charles W. Jewett, mayor, yesterday sent a telegram to Charles D. Orth, president of the National Security league, heartily indorsing plans for the setting aside of May 1 as American day.

"In response to your telegram we are in hearty accord with your plans for American day May 1 and will gladly co-operate in carrying out any suggestions that may be proposed. Anarchism, bolshevism and other schemes tending to destroy our constitution should not be tolerated in any community of our country. American day should be an opportune time to depict the leaders of these movements who are not satisfied to be real Americans," the mayor said.

SMALL BOOST SEEN FOR ICE

Wyckoff Says Costs Shouldn't Increase Price Materially.

"If there is any increase in the price of ice during the coming summer in Indianapolis, it probably will not be more than 2½ cents per hundred pounds wholesale, or 5 cents a hundred pounds retail," said Stanley Wyckoff, fair price commissioner, yesterday.

Ice men, Mr. Wyckoff said, had asked him as fair price commissioner to consider data submitted by them on increases in the cost of ammonia, coal, labor and some other items.

Mr. Wyckoff has recommended that the ice companies of the city follow the zoning system which was planned by him in the following years in which the territory of the city is divided between the ice companies.

Better service than last year for ordinary districts, such as the territory between Thirty-eighth street and Broadway, and north of Irvington, must be given if the zoning system is followed, the fair price commissioner declared.

"Figures I have from other cities show that the price of ice in Indianapolis is much lower than in most cities of this size," said Mr. Wyckoff.

There has been an increase in the cost of ammonia, coal and in the labor cost of mechanical engineers and others, according to Mr. Wyckoff. He has not finished his probe of the increase in his examination thus far has convinced him that a large increase in the price of ice will not be necessary to cover the cost, he said.

Mr. Wyckoff said he declared, a real saving for consumers.

MEET TOMORROW.

Ice men and state are meeting here today. President W. K. Martin of Crawfordville will preside at the opening session tomorrow morning.

Leslie Smith, secretary of the National Ice Dealers' association of New York City, will also speak.

E. W. Wickley of East Chicago, owner of a large ice plant, will discuss "The High Cost of Making Ice," and Mr. Wyckoff will talk.

About 150 members of the organization are expected to attend the convention.