

# 200 ARE TO ATTEND EPISCOPAL CONVENTION IN ST. PAUL'S NEXT WEEK

## 2-Day Program Is Mapped Out for Delegates

Annual Meeting Is to Mark 100 Years of Service in Indiana.

The closing year which marks end of the Episcopal Church's first century in Indiana is to be celebrated in the annual diocesan convention to be held in St. Paul's Church Wednesday and Thursday.

More than 200 clergymen and lay representatives, including delegates to the House of Churchwomen, are to attend. The Rt. Rev. Joseph M. Francis, bishop of Indianapolis, is to preside.

The bishop's annual report is to be made at the diocesan dinner at the Columbia Club Wednesday night, which is to have the Rev. Karl M. Block, rector of St. Michael and St. George's Church, St. Louis, Mo., as guest speaker. All members of the Episcopal Church, whether delegates or not, are invited to the dinner.

### Program Announced

The convention program, announced today by the Rev. William Burrows, rector of St. Paul's Church and secretary of the convention, is as follows:

Wednesday, conference of clergymen, 10 a.m., at St. Paul's Church; House of Churchwomen, Christ Church at 2 p.m.; diocesan convention, St. Paul's, 3 p.m.; evening prayer at 6 in St. Paul's, and the diocesan dinner at 7:30.

Thursday's program is to include a Corporate Communion in St. Paul's at 7:30, to be followed by a breakfast in the church at 8:30; the diocesan convention meeting at 9:30, and the House of Churchwomen in Christ Church at the same hour; luncheon in St. Paul's at 1, and a combined session at 2.

### Officers Listed

Mrs. R. Hartley Sherwood, Indianapolis, president of the House of Churchwomen, is to preside at the annual sessions of the organization. Other officers are: Mrs. Blair Hughes, Indianapolis, vice president; Mrs. Ernest Steege, Indianapolis, secretary; Mrs. John E. Hollett, Indianapolis, treasurer; Mrs. Joseph Frisby, Richmond, educational secretary; Mrs. Clarence E. Swick, West Lafayette, box secretary; Mrs. William Mullen, Indianapolis, United Thank Offering custodian; Mrs. Overton Sacksteder Jr., Muncie, church school director; Mrs. Raymond Crom, Indianapolis, Little Helpers' director; Mrs. Deborah Moore, Indianapolis, church periodical club director; Mrs. Dennis Dalton, Indianapolis, president of the Girls' Friendly Society, and Mrs. J. F. Morrison, Indianapolis, provincial representative on the national executive board.

## C. M. B. Singers on

### Big Meeting Hour

The C. M. B. Glee Club is to present a half-hour concert at the Y. M. C. A. Big Meeting in Keith's tomorrow afternoon preceding the address by Dr. E. T. Colton on "What's Next in Germany?"

The glee club is composed of 25 members, who have made many public appearances during the last year. They recently were heard over WLW, Cincinnati, and have appeared in Elwood, Knightstown, Plainfield, Trafalgar and Franklin. John Nelson, accordion soloist, is to appear on tomorrow's program. Arthur W. Mason is director of the glee club, and Mrs. Grace Parris is pianist.

## M. E. Women Will Hear Book Review

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The Tabernacle choir under the leadership of C. A. Gerber is to sing, and E. Howard Cadle will preach on the subject "Will the Old Book Stand?"

Tomorrow night a concert by the 70-piece Tabernacle band is to begin the evangelistic service at 7 with Mr. Cadle preaching on "Reds Outside."

## Woman's Auxiliary Is to Meet Monday

Woman's Auxiliary of the City Council and Church Extension Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church is to meet Monday in Fletcher Place M. E. Church.

Mrs. Henry Ostrom is to be the speaker, and Mrs. Wallace C. Calvert is to lead the devotions.

## Negro Quartet to Sing

The Junior Negro quartet will sing at the Sunday school and church services in the First Church of the Nazarene tomorrow. These services are to close the special revival series.

## EASTER GOAL

The Marion County Christian School Association has adopted two Easter goals, which are to be presented to each of the denomination's churches and church schools in the county. They are: 24,000 church school attendance on Easter Sunday, with an offering of \$3100 to be used for missions and benevolences, and 500 church contributions on Palm Sunday and Easter.

The record for Easter, 1935, was 23,512 attendance, \$3015 offering and 402 church additions.

Marion County, the association reports, has the largest number of Disciples of Christ enrolled of any county or city in the world.

## GUEST SPEAKER



## Churches Are to Repay Old Debt to Area

### Federation to Study Means of Aiding Needy Congregations.

BY CLIVE MCGUIRE  
Executive Secretary Indianapolis Baptist Association.

Indications that the churches of Indianapolis will sometime undertake to pay an ancient debt for service rendered by churches on the close-in South and West Side are pointed out by Dr. Ernest N. Evans, executive secretary of the Church Federation of Indianapolis.

Hanging on his office wall is the map prepared several years ago by the Indianapolis Community Plan Committee. They have marked in solid black the area in question. It covers census tracts 20, 22, 57, 58, 76, 77, 78 and 88 and reports a population of about 30,000.

On the map it looks like the two equal sides of a mammoth isosceles triangle with its apex at the corner of Missouri and Washington Streets. It covers an area of about four square miles.

### Prospers Years Ago

A generation ago this district had churches that carried on as "profitably" as any in the city. It was a favorite section for middle-class householders who wanted to live within walking distance of the business district. Now the old churches are largely gone, and only a few of the old householders remain.

The migration farther out that started about the turn of the century turned an army of well-trained leaders into the outlying churches, greatly to the enrichment of those churches but almost to the total undoing of the churches at the center from which the valuable gift of personnel was drawn. Some of the outstanding members on official boards of the strongest churches relate with pride that they used to play in Military Park and around the South Side market.

### Now Present Problem

These sections, in turn, have not fared well in the transaction. They have suffered the fate of other close-in residence sections in other cities. They present today an outstanding home mission problem in Indianapolis. Their population has increased to the sky; the churches that have been able to weather the ordeal of intervening years have done so against untold handicaps and in some cases only by reason of increased persistence on the part of a few of the old saints who stoutly refused to let their "testimony" die.

At the time when financial resources were diminishing to the vanishing point these churches were faced with human problems many times over more difficult and more numerous than they had encountered in their more prosperous days.

Several of the denominations still represented in the field are demonstrating rare strategy in projecting here a vigorous home mission program. Churches that otherwise would not be able to meet the increasing social demands made upon them are given the backing of their denominations.

### Still Carry On

Fletcher Place Methodist Church, Mayer Chapel Presbyterian Church and Garden Baptist Church are cases in point. All of these churches, representing as they do a total denominational attack, are providing their increasing constituency with a varied program of social activities. The character effect of this service can not be tabulated, but it is a strong contributing factor in boys and girls meeting with Mrs. R. L. Seay.

The assembly speakers are to be the Rev. H. G. Rose tomorrow night, Dr. John G. Benson on Tuesday night, and H. Henderson Jan. 26.

At the suggestion of church leaders Dr. Evans is placing information about this close-in community before the committee of the church federation of which Dr. John S. Ferguson is chairman. There is more than a possibility that this step will point the way toward a type of home mission work in Indianapolis very rare in large city centers.

**Sidener Will Greet Class 'Old Timers'**

Presentation of the "52 Timers" members of the Christian Men Builders Class of the Third Christian Church who attended sessions each Sunday last year, is to be made at the class hour tomorrow by Vic Kelly, president. One hundred eighteen men accomplished the feat.

Mrs. Merle Sidener, teacher, is to speak on the subject, "A Little Bit Independent," and special music has been arranged by Elmer A. Wilson, vice president in charge of social affairs.

Station WFBM is to broadcast the entire service, beginning at 9:30.

**Assemblies of God Delegates to Meet**

Delegates from the central district council of the Assemblies of God are to meet in Indianapolis May 4 to 8 for their 1936 convention. Time and place for the convention was set by 17 members of the council's time and place committee in a meeting here this week.

Tomlin Hall is to be the scene of all sessions and more than 1200 delegates from Mid-Western states are expected to attend.

**Continues Sermons**

The second of seven sermons on "Christian Privileges" is to be delivered by the Rev. Luther E. Martin, pastor of the Southport Presbyterian Church, tomorrow morning. His subject is to be "The Privilege of Forgiveness."

**Church to Dedicate Memorial to Its Late Pastor Tomorrow**

Members of Zion Evangelical Church are to dedicate a memorial tablet and portrait of their late pastor, the Rev. J. C. Peters, at special services tomorrow.

The Rev. Frederick R. Daries, pastor, is to give a memorial message at the dedication, and his widow, Mrs. Germany Peters, who is visiting him, is to sing special anthems.

A memorial program and photo-

## FORUM LECTURER



## Church Leader Calls for Life to Be Rebuilt

### Bring Divine Principles Into Politics and Industry, Is His Plea.

Protestant ministers are advised to insist on the rebuilding of present day life on divine principles to avoid modern "isms" and to bring the reign of Christ into politics and industry, by Dr. John McDowell of New York, secretary of the National Board of Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the United States.

Speaking before an interdenominational conference of clergymen in Indianapolis this week, Dr. McDowell discussed "The Christian Minister and the Present Crisis."

In answer to the question, "Is it Christ or chaos for the world?" he said, in part:

"The problems confronting us in the present crisis are well nigh insoluble. The statesmen and economists

are to be served for 11 years.

### Restoration Unwanted

"No attempt to restore the conditions of the past can be successful, or if successful, satisfactory. It is now clear to all thinking men that our social and economic life, our political, national and international life must be rebuilt from the bottom."

Commenting on the choice of Christianity or Christianity plus some modern "ism," Dr. McDowell said, "It is not part of the Christian minister's business to preach any of the modern 'isms,' nor is it his business to preach against them. He has another and larger message to deliver, and a more important work to do."

In answer to the question, "Is the Christian minister to be a spectator or a leader in the present crisis?" he declared that the minister no longer can remain a spectator of social evils or economic wrongs, nor accept with complacency anti-Christian theories and practices in politics, industry and national life.

Dr. George G. Kimsey, chairman of the department of Christian education, will report on the progress of the Baptist Leadership Training School, which has an enrollment of 200 persons from the 29 churches.

### Minister's Function

"It is not the function of the minister to prescribe economic and political programs. It is his function to bring the reign of Christ into all realms of human life; and surely the reign of Christ is not reconcilable with war or sweat shops or slums or economic oppression of race, persecutions or selfish nationalism."

Dr. McDowell asserted that the time has come when, as Christians and as citizens, "we should look less to Washington and more to God and ourselves for the recovery we need and must have if democracy is to continue in America."

### Radio Devotionals on WIRE Program

The Rev. Malcolm McNeal, Prentiss Presbyterian Church pastor, is to conduct devotional broadcasts sponsored by the Church Federation of Indianapolis next week over radio station WIRE. His theme is to be "Strength for a Good Work."

Music during the week is to be provided by Mrs. Ann Spencer, Mrs. Hazel Borsenberger, Mrs. Everett Bayless, Mrs. Lee Peters, Miss Mary Elizabeth Meredith, Miss Mary Margaret McNeal, Miss Alma McNeal and Mrs. Malcolm McNeal.

The program is to be on the air each morning at 6:45.

### Students to Speak at Church Service

Indiana University students are to speak at 10:30 in the afternoon, and at 6:30 a service for young people is to be held.

A two-week Bible conference is to be inaugurated at 7:45 by Dr. S. Edward Long, Bible teacher and evangelist.

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Those participating in the program are to be Cantor Myro Glass, president of the local Zionist District, who is to sing Palestinian melodies, accompanied by Miss Marion Foreman, and Morris Strauss, editor of the Indiana Jewish Chronicle, who is to speak on "Miss Zion."

The service is to be held at 7:45.

### Zionists Will Give Program on Radio

Indianapolis Zionists District is to observe the 50th birthday of Miss Henrietta Solt in a half-hour broadcast over station WIRE at 8:30 tomorrow morning.

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### Authorities of Christian Church Are to Lead Conference Groups

The Loretah Farles Auxiliary of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of Indianapolis is to meet at 10:30 in the Wheeler City Rescue Mission tomorrow morning. Rudolph Kyler is commander of the post and Mrs. Fred C. Hasselbring is president of the auxiliary.

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Six members of the Demegerian Public Speaking Society of Technical High School are to have charge of the service at Tuxedo Park Baptist Church tomorrow night.

"Steps to Living" is to be the theme of the speeches, which are to be delivered by Dorothy Paul, Geneva Senefeld, Alan Gripe, Roland Boughton and Mary Agnes Dunwoody.

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Oliver W. Stewart, president of the Flying Squadron Foundation and one of the organization's charter members, is to speak Sunday night, Jan. 26, in Meridian Heights Presbyterian Church.

Joining in the service are to be Northwood Christian, Broadway Evangelical and Fifty-first Street M. E. churches.

Mrs. Ruth Estes of Union City, Ind., is to have charge of the Young People's Workers discussion group. She is the only full-time minister of Christian education or director of religious education among Indiana churches of the Disciples of Christ, and is active in Y. W. C. A. and summer conference work.

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