

# GOODWILL INDUSTRIES GIVES MATERIAL AND SPIRITUAL HELP TO UNFORTUNATE

## Church Group's Fall Activities Are Announced

95 New Jobs Created, Wages of \$4000 Paid in '36 Directors Say.

BY SAM TYNDALL

Dedicated to rebuilding the lives and fortunes of the needy through brotherly co-operation, the Fletcher Place M. E. Church Goodwill Industries opened the fall program of its seventh year of operation today.

Organized in 1929 in an effort to convert material waste into human well-being, Goodwill Industries now gives steady employment to about 40 unfortunate. It also partially supports a score of spiritual welfare activities including clinics, kindergarten, library, high school, social groups and church schools.

Every year the shop salvages thousands of cast-off materials and pays fair wages to hundreds of needy persons.

The Rev. Howard G. Lytle, graduate of De Pauw and Boston Universities, is director of the industries at 625 Fletcher-av.

He said more than \$4000 has been paid in wages, 95 new jobs have been created since Jan. 1, and 12,600 articles have been sold in the store.

**Contributions Sold**

Bags are distributed to homes, hospitals and women's clubs, to be filled with cast-off clothing and other articles. The contents are packed and placed in the shop for sale. Several hundred bags each month are collected in this way.

Mr. Lytle said the saturation point for the Indianapolis goodwill unit is estimated at \$65,000 annually in sales and \$45,000 in wages. There are 98 such goodwill enterprises throughout the country, paying over \$2,000,000 annually in wages.

Mr. Lytle carries on his work with the belief that "you can not bring about personal or spiritual rehabilitation before you give a man a self-respecting job."

**Sees Self-Respect Restored**

"Any method of economic help or assistance which paupers will not work," Mr. Lytle said. "You could pay \$2,000,000 in wages and if it doesn't develop self-respect, you have failed in your purpose to restore the needy, unfortunate, crippled as productive and good citizens in society."

He said that a man's story of his own piety is not enough for him to gain help from the Goodwill Industries. "He must be willing to work for his food and clothes."

**Nursing Course Planned**

In addition to activities already underway, Mr. Lytle said a home nursing course is to begin in November.

With books salvaged from the collections and those donated, a library of 500 volumes has been established in the community center building.

A game and social room is to be opened soon. He also said that Goodwill boys' and girls' basketball teams are to be organized next week.

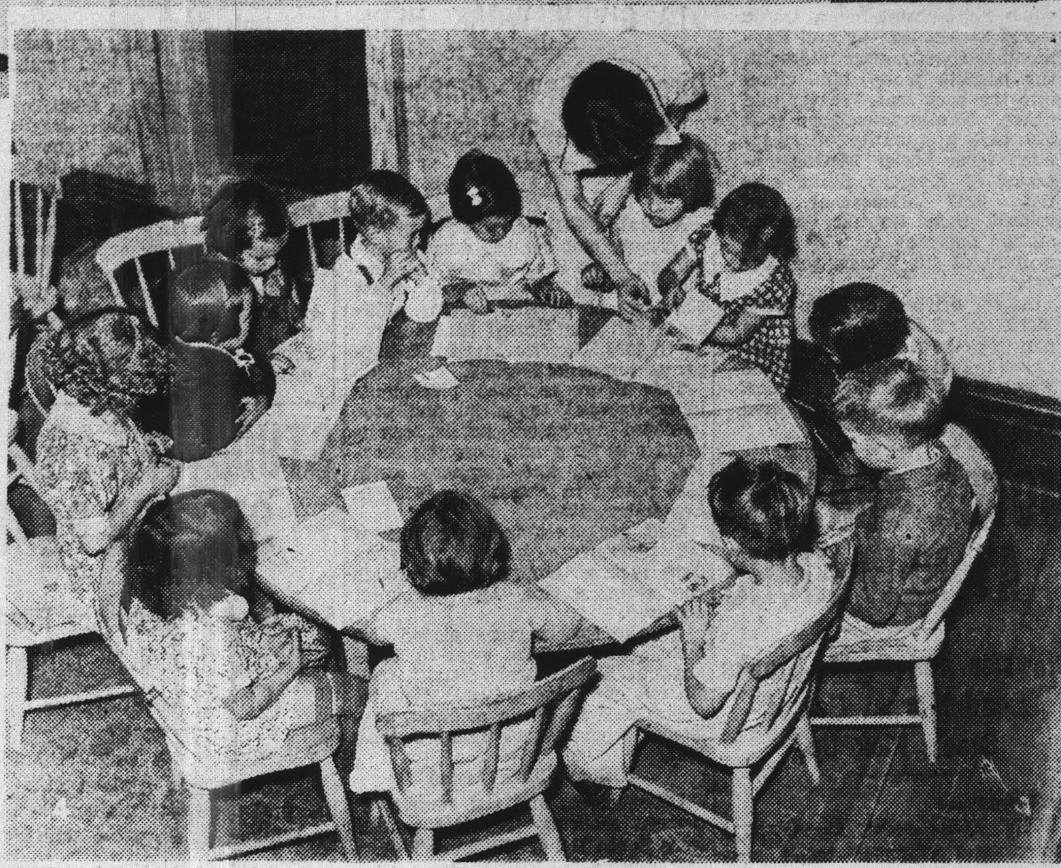
Mr. Lytle concluded his explanation with the suggestion that "perhaps in the Goodwill Industries God is calling the church back to her primary purpose."

## EVERYONE, OLD AND YOUNG ALIKE, HAS HAND IN CHURCH ENTERPRISE



### Truman Hayes to Be Ordained

Dr. Sidney B. Snow to Speak at Unitarian Service.



### Sidener Talk Series to End Tomorrow

Merle Sidener, third Christian Church Men Builders Bible Class teacher, is to conclude a series of talks on "The Business of Living" when he addresses the class tomorrow on "Balancing Life's Budget."

Ray and Webb Pickeral, Trafalgar, are to provide instrumental and martyrdom could find no more striking, direct, and colorful illustration than in the conversion of the Phillipian jailer.

Because of the uproar that had aroused, Paul and Silas were arrested and thrust into prison after they had had "many stripes laid upon them," or, as we would say in modern terms, "had been severely flogged."

So intense was the zeal of the persecutors that they had the jailer make sure the prisoners could not escape. For his own protection as well as for the safe-keeping of his prisoners, the jailer not only thrust them into the inner prison, but made their feet fast in the stocks.

Could prisoners in such a plight find any occasion for light or rejoicing? Here, it would seem, was a circumstance that might have daunted the stoutest soul, but Paul and Silas, out of the joy and inspiration of their faith, were praying and singing hymns to God while their fellow prisoners listened.

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ALL truly vital Christian experience has some such beginning. It is with a new understanding that man discovers his soul's need, the reality of truth that he had not known before, and the power of God's grace giving him new convictions and a new will. This, however, is only a beginning.

In the verses of the lesson from the third chapter of Philippians, we have a suggestion of the true nature and goal of the Christian life. It is the life of the complete consecration and surrender in which the presence and power of Christ fill the heart, thrusting out ignorance and fear and self-will, and everything that keeps the soul of man in bondage.

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