

CHRISTIAN CHURCH UNION TO HOLD QUARTERLY MEETING

Membership Drive Plans To Be Made

Dr. Scoville, Evangelist, Is to Be Speaker Friday Night.

Approximately 1000 persons are expected to attend the quarterly meeting of the Christian Church Union in the Centenary Church at 7:30 p. m. Friday, the Rev. E. L. Day, executive secretary and evangelist, announced today.

The meeting is to serve as an inspiration for a membership drive to be conducted by 45 Marion County Christian churches represented in the organization, he said. Goal for the drive which is to end in July is 2000 new members.

This union, the largest group of Christian churches in any city center in the United States, is made up of delegates from congregations having a total membership of more than 22,000.

All Members Invited.

All Christian Church members have been invited to attend the Friday night meeting by the Rev. Harry Bridwell, host church pastor. The Rev. Ephraim D. Lowe, executive committee president and Olive Branch Church pastor, is to be in charge.

Dr. Charles Leigh Scoville, evangelist, is to speak and his wife, Mrs. Ariene Dux Scoville, is to sing. The chorus of the Christian Men Builders Class, Third Church, also is to present a musical program.

The union co-ordinates activities of all Christian churches in the county. It has an administrative board of 18 members which meets every month.

Annual Vesper Rites Arranged

The annual Christmas Vesper service, sponsored by the Life Service Department of the Indianapolis District Epworth League, is to be given at 8 p. m. tomorrow in the Edwin Ray Methodist Church. A choir composed of members of all local Methodist churches, accompanied by Miss Esther Jenkins, organist, and Miss Alice Earle, violinist, is to provide the music. The pageant is under the direction of Miss Edna Outshaw.

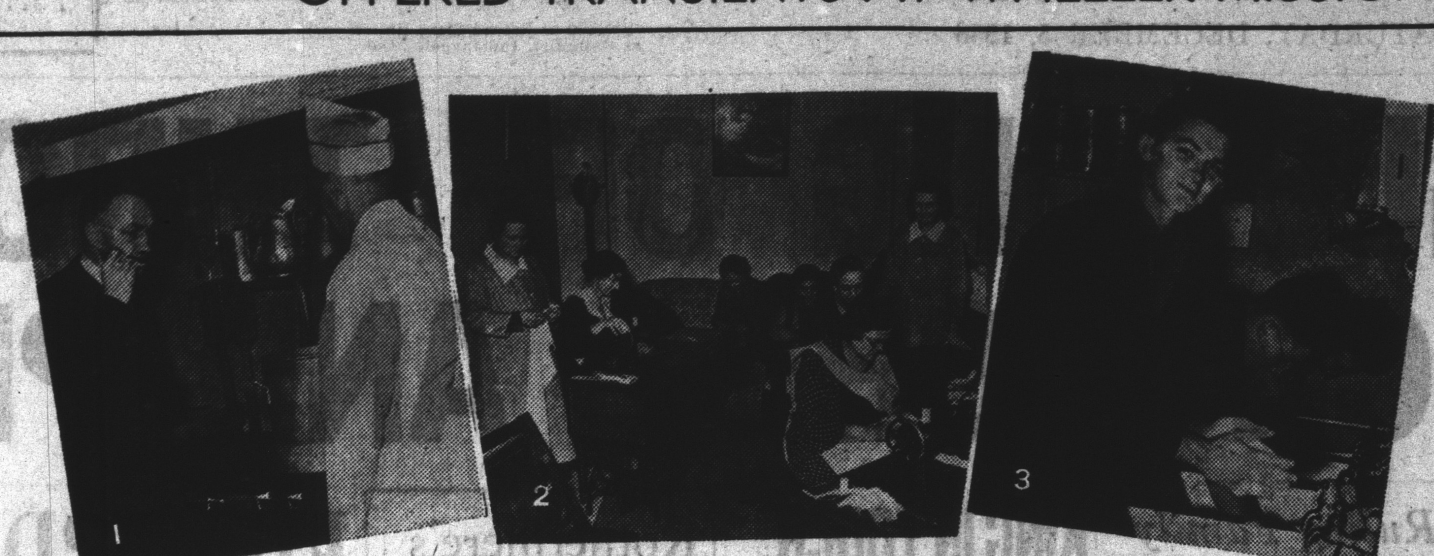
C.M.B. Glee Club To Give Concert

The C. M. B. Glee Club, affiliated with the Christian Men Builders Class of the Third Christian Church, will appear in concert at the Centenary Christian Church, 1035 Oxford-st., Dec. 11. The group is directed by F. A. Barker, who has had extensive musical training in Indiana, New York, Chicago, and Boston, and now is music director at Technical High School. Mrs. Grace Paris is the accompanist.

Pastors To Make Pulpit Exchange

The Rev. Richard O. McRae, Edwin Ray M. E. Church pastor, and the Rev. Charles Alexander, Roberts Park Church minister, are to exchange pulpits for morning services tomorrow. Mr. Alexander is to deliver the annual sermon before the church missionary group, at the church service in the Edwin Ray Church, the Manual High School Glee Club is to sing.

HELPING HAND AND CONTACT WITH RELIGION OFFERED TRANSIENTS AT WHEELER MISSION



A helping hand and contact with religion is accorded the unfortunate at the Wheeler City Rescue Mission, supported by numerous Indianapolis churches of varied denominations, individual donors and the Community Fund.

1. Supt. Herbert Eberhardt samples soup prepared by Chef Guy Roser for transients stopping at the mission.

Churches, Individuals and Community Fund Supporters.

BY HERBERT K. LEWIS

"To put a new suit on a man is not enough; a new man must be put in the suit."

This formula for salvaging souls belongs to the Rev. Herbert E. Eberhardt, who this week observed the fifteenth anniversary of his successful operation under his direction at the Wheeler City Rescue Mission, 245 N. Delaware-st.

Mr. Eberhardt's anniversary was one of three at the Mission this week. Also observed were the beginning of the twelfth year of radio broadcasts and the eighth year of occupancy in the present building. The work which Mr. Eberhardt supervises has grown from the individual efforts of an Indianapolis hardware salesman, William B. Wheeler, who in 1893 conducted open air meetings in what was then known as the "Rolling Mill District." The mission now conducts city-wide welfare activities and is aided by scores of local churches, individual donations and the city as a whole through the Community Fund.

Month's Activities

As an example of what the mission is doing, here is the report for one month's activities: Services held in and outside the mission building, 124; attendance at building services, 6129; decisions, 47; jail services, 8; visits in homes, hospitals and jail, 11; meals given, 5197; lodgings, 2337; individuals aided, 735; families aided, 115; garments given men and families, 1677; average Sunday School attendance, 409; average Sunday morning Bible school attendance, 95.

How the mission grew is a story of individual courage and interdenominational church co-operation. Mr. Wheeler, a class leader at the Central Avenue Methodist Church, continued his evangelistic work in the fall of 1893 by moving into a building on South-st., secured through the aid of the Methodist Church W. C. T. U. and William B. Roll, a business man. Mr. Wheeler abandoned his business and served as mission superintendent until his death in 1908.

Work Consolidated Shortly afterwards, the work was consolidated with that of the City Mission on E. Washington-st. and headquarters moved to the old Em-

2. A corner of the sewing room where volunteer workers and relief clients make over garments to clothe the children of destitute families.

3. A trio of overnight mission guests, "washing up" before supper and evening services. They are James Borthwick, 18, Pittsburgh, Harold Owens, 19, Aurora, Ill., and Jerry Miller, 23, who said he has no address but most recently "hauled from Duluth."

major part of the program, other welfare activities are conducted on a large scale. Children of needy families are clothed through a sewing program, carried out in co-operation with the WPA and church women who volunteer as seamstresses.

Family Relief Given Family relief is administered under the direction of Mrs. Charles Miller, representing the Council of Federated Church Women. Medical aid is supervised by a resident medical student. A demonstration home for instructing mothers in economical home management is operated in co-operation with the WPA.

Sunday morning breakfasts and services for transients are sponsored by various organizations, which often must apply for dates weeks in advance.

Frequently, Mr. Eberhardt said, mission workers are called upon to save lives.

"We had two such instances this week," he said. "One was that of a young woman who came to us after purchasing poison with which she intended suicide. Before she left she gave the package to our staff member, with the promise that she would not commit the act."

The second case is similar, except that we do not know yet whether we have been successful. Our staff worker has been called by friends to visit a would-be suicide this afternoon. I am confident that she will be able to give new hope and save a life."

Nanking University Head To Give Series of Talks

Dr. Y. G. Chen, Nanking University president, Nanking, China, is to arrive here tonight for a conference with the United Christian Missionary board of trustees, to meet here next week, and for a series of talks in churches and institutions.

Dr. Chen, accompanied by Dr. W. Reginald Wheeler, Nanking faculty member, is in this country on a promotional tour for the interdenominational supported institution.

An incomplete schedule of Dr. Chen's engagements was announced by the mission society as follows: Tomorrow morning, Irvington Presbyterian Church; night, Traub Memorial Presbyterian Church. Tuesday morning, missionary society chapel, 222 Downey-av.; Wednesday morning, Butler University college of religion chapel; Thursday noon, luncheon, Central Y. M. C. A.

Dr. Chen is a graduate of the university which he now heads, and received a Ph. D. from Columbia University, New York. After his return to China in 1922, he held several positions as an educator and became president of the university in 1927.

Dr. Wheeler was sent to China in 1916 by the Presbyterian missions board, and has been a member of the Nanking faculty four years.

D. L. Moody Celebration Is Changed to an. 10-12

A change in dates for the Dwight L. Moody centennial celebration, scheduled to have been held here Jan. 20-22, was announced today.

The celebration, sponsored by a group of Indianapolis clergy and laymen, in honor of the Moody Bible Institute founder, is to be held Jan. 10-12 in the First Baptist Church.

The changes were made because of a conference scheduled here by Stanley E. Jones on the dates first selected, Mrs. Henry Ostrom, celebration publicity committee chairman, said.

A meeting of the local executive committee has been called for Monday at the Columbia Club by R. C. Hiller, chairman.

Committee members are the Rev. H. Lee Strat, Mrs. C. F. Finch, Mr.

Remodeling Near Finish

SS. Peter and Paul to Be Ready for Christmas.

Alterations at SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral, 1339 N. Meridian-st., are to be completed before Christmas, the Rt. Rev. Raymond R. Noll, diocesan vicar general and Cathedral pastor, has announced.

The new Romanesque stone front has increased the seating capacity to 1000. The front is completed except for minor work on the doors.

The sanctuary, lighted by concealed spotlights, is finished in five kinds of marble with a dome of gold leaf and figures of Christ, St. Peter and St. Paul. The nave is lighted with reflectors that control the intensity of the light.

The organ loft enlarged. New windows were included in the remodeling and the Cathedral has been equipped with an air condition unit. Total cost was approximately \$200,000.

Husbands to Be Sermon Target

Husbands are to be the target of the Rev. W. E. Gillett, Broad Ripple M. E. Church pastor, when he gives the second of his series of sermons on "Ten Practical Commandments," tomorrow at 7:30 p. m.

He is to include warnings against criticism of wives' clothes, complexion and hair; against allowing the woman to be both wife and wage earner and admonitions to cheerfulness.

"I should not allow any one to criticize my wife to think wife and get away with it, neither father nor mother." Reminders that the wife is "man's first partner and prophet," also are to be given by the Broad Ripple pastor.

Choirs Planning Carol Service

The United Lutheran church choir of the city are to present a Christmas carol service at St. Mark's Lutheran Church Sunday night, Dec. 13.

Each choir is to sing a Christmas anthem in addition to the usual carols. The program is to be directed by the Rev. H. Grady Davis, Whitestown.

Lebanon Priest To Lead Service

The Rev. M. A. Seymour, Lebanon Redeemptorist Father, is to conduct a triduum, beginning tomorrow at 7:45 p. m. in Holy Cross Church.

The ceremonies, in honor of the Feast of the Miraculous Conception, are being sponsored by the arch-confraternity of Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

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Lay Retreat To Be Held At Butler U.

150 Expected at Ninth Annual Session Starting This Afternoon.

The ninth annual layman's retreat, sponsored by the Indianapolis Church Federation, was to be held this afternoon and tonight at Butler University, according to Dr. Ernest N. Evans, Federation executive secretary.

More than 150 were expected to attend the discussion group this afternoon at 2:30 and the dinner to-night in the Campus Club at 6.

"The Kingdom of God on Earth Practical" has been chosen the topic for discussion, to be led by W. S. Barnhart.

Reservations from more than 50 congregations have been received, Dr. Evans said.

The committee in charge includes Dr. J. E. Holman, C. L. Harkness, A. C. Waggoner, C. A. Breese, Dr. Orren E. Smith, Francis M. Hughes and Mr. Barnhart. Discussion is to follow the dinner, Dr. Evans said.

Special Music Is to Be Given

Baptist Choir and Soloists To Present Cantata.

A sacred Cantata, "God Is Our Hope and Strength," by E. Villiers Stanford and "The One Hundred Fiftieth Psalm," by Cesar Frank, are to be presented at the First Baptist Church tomorrow night at 7:30 o'clock. The suggested church choir, directed by Percival Owen, and four soloists, formerly with the Mendelssohn choir which Mr. Owen directed, are to take part.

There are 35 persons in the choir, and the 24-piece church orchestra, directed by F. L. Warner, also is to take part. The program is to be directed by the Rev. Vernon Roth, pastor.

Dr. E. M. Dill, Indiana Boys Scout superintendent, Plainfield, is to discuss "Juvenile Delinquency" and Carl Ferguson, Federal Housing Project district manager, also is to speak. Eugene C. Foster, Indianapolis Foundation executive director, is to discuss "Church and Social Work."

Paul's Parting Counsels

Devotional Reading: Psalm 121

BY WM. E. GILROY, D. D. International Uniform Sunday School

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A man may make the mistake of assuming too readily that God is on his side, as Paul did in the days of his persecuting zeal. But when, with open mind and heart, a man has given his life to the doing of the will of God, when all worldly considerations are denied, and all years are passed, the sense of peace that fills the soul of a man dependent on God is also a source of power.

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The Rev. R. M. Dorrill, church pastor, is concluding a revival meeting at Big Walnut and is to return as class leader tomorrow.

Miss Addie Robbins, daughter of the Rev. M. C. Robbins, who was with the Indo-Anglian girls' school at Congor, India, will speak at the morning service tomorrow at Fletcher Place M. E. Church.

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CAST IN PLAY



"Barter," a four-act religious play, is to be presented by the Tabernacle Presbyterian Church Dramatic Club tomorrow at 7:30 p. m. in the church, 948-st. and Central-av. The cast includes Mrs. Beth Woodruff (above), Betty E. Rhodes, Mary Alice Bartlow, J. W. Tucker, Emily Andrews, Virginia Woods, L. C. Ziegler, Hayden Hill, Vern Hutchinson, Arthur Caster, Mr. and Mrs. Josephine MacDougal. The play, directed by Mrs. Katherine Dalsheimer, is being presented as a part of the religious education program.

Pastors Meet On Monday

Social Trends in Church Theme for Session.

"Social Trends and the Churches" is to be the theme of the Indianapolis Ministers Association meeting Monday at 10:30 a. m. at Roberts Park M. E. Church.

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McNutt Asks Support for Bible Sunday

Observance Throughout Nation Scheduled for Tomorrow.

Gov. McNutt has issued a proclamation urging the churches of Indianapolis to join the nation's churches in observing Universal Bible Sunday tomorrow.

The celebration is sponsored by the American Bible Society, which, during the last 120 years, has distributed more than 268,000,000 volumes of the scriptures to 40 countries in 175 languages.

In his proclamation, Gov. McNutt said:

"As a masterpiece of literature the Bible is of priceless value to humanity. Among our greatest writers there is scarcely one whose works do not reveal its influence.

"The Bible reflects the spectrum of men's consciousness from their early and crude beginnings to the later and larger life of the age in which we live. Within its pages there is found abundant evidence of the fact that the causes of the great crisis out of which we are emerging trace back to the character and conduct of men rather than to material conditions. Lack of force, money and material resources did not occasion the human want and suffering of the last few years, but rather were they caused by the greed of entrenched selfish forces, unwilling to observe the Golden Rule rather than the rule of gold.

"All through the Bible the sure sense of the reality of God is the light which gives distinction to the growing pattern of its thoughts. For this reason, if for no other, it should be to all men the 'lamp to light their path.' We are confident that the Bible will continue to inspire, encourage and aid us."

Rev. Couillard Returns to City

The Rev. Vernon W. Couillard, formerly Second Moravian Episcopal Church pastor here, has returned to take charge of the Indianapolis Moravian Parish, located at the First Church, 15th-st. and College-av. and the Second Church, 34th and Hovey-sts. He will deliver messages at both churches tomorrow, at 11 a. m. at the First Church and 7:45 p. m. at the Second Church. His theme will be "The Gospel We Preach." Mr. Couillard has been pastor of the Dover (O.) Moravian Church for the last six years.

The Rev. Guy Carpenter, Central Avenue M. E. pastor, is to speak at a celebration marking the forty-second anniversary of the First Moravian Church founding at 3 p. m. tomorrow.

Noon Mass Set For Feast Day

Persons employed in the downtown district will have an opportunity to attend a noon mass on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception Tuesday, it was announced today.

The mass is to be celebrated at St. John's Church, 128 W. Georgia-st., starting at 12:10 p. m. Other Masses there will be observed beginning at 5 p. m. and concluding with a high mass at 9 p. m.

A noon mass also is to be celebrated at St. Mary's Church, with other masses set an hour earlier than the Sunday schedule. All Catholic churches in the city have announced special masses in honor of the feast.

Holmes to Give Talk on Peace

Dr. Arthur Holmes, psychology and philosophy department head at Butler University, is to speak at the Garden City Christian Church at 10:30 a. m. tomorrow on "Peace."

Dr. Holmes, former president of Drake University, was for 10 years head of the psychology department at the University of Pennsylvania. He is a well known Christian Church lecturer and has written several books on psychology.

Advent Season Is Service Topic

Worship services at the North Methodist Church for the next three Sundays will be based on the Advent season. Dr. C. A. McPheeters, pastor, has announced he will use the following sermon themes: "Looking for the Messiah," "The Christmas Mother" and "The Christmas Child."

THE SALVATION ARMY

Corps No. 1-26 South Capitol Ave. Corps No. 3-101 West Washington St. Corps No. 5-1011 Howard St. Gospel Services—11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Everybody Welcome

Christian Science Churches

Branches of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, Boston, Mass. Dec. 6—God the Only Cause and Creator. Sunday Morning Services, 11 a. m. FIRST CHURCH—Meridian at 20th St. SECOND CHURCH—Delaware at 15th St. THIRD CHURCH—Wash. Blvd. at 34th St. FOURTH CHURCH—Pleasant Run Parkway (S. Drive) at Butler Ave. FIFTH CHURCH—College at 62d St. Little Flower School, All Churches. Reading Rooms are open to the Public.