

Sacrifice Will Keynote Lent as World at War Leaves Stamp on Life

Observance Will Begin on Ash Wednesday; Women of Church Aid Armed Forces During 40-Day Fast and Prayer.

By EMMA RIVERS MILNER

The season of Lent, now beginning, is different from any the world has ever known.

The observance will begin next week on Ash Wednesday and close on April 4, the day before Easter.

Each of the six Sundays will mark a high point. The season will rise to a series of spiritual climaxes in Holy Week—on Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday.

The most deadly war the nations have ever fought, necessarily, leaves its stamp on all of life. Lent is a part of life, made so by Jesus when he went into the wilderness to fast and pray for 40 days.

Chance for All to Serve

This Lent, 1942, as of old, sounds the keynote of sacrifice. But with the entrance of the United States into the war, a greater opportunity for sacrifice was pointed out by the churches.

Never before, in any age, have private citizens been enabled voluntarily to pour out their blood with the assurance that they may save the lives of others and yet not lose their own. The church people and all others are urged to support the blood banks.

Since last Lent, two little white frame chapels for the use of Protestant, Catholic and Jew, have been built at Ft. Harrison. The pointed steeples, and the lamps which light the entrances of the chapels each evening, are symbols of brotherhood and of consequently expected sacrifice.

Knit for Armed Forces

In church buildings all over the nation, women busily ply their needles and roll bandages, daily, for the Red Cross. Countless letters and gifts go forth constantly from the congregations to the armed forces.

Not a Sunday passes but what sailors and soldiers have their hearts warmed as they are entertained for dinner in Indianapolis homes.

Church people everywhere are buying and promoting the sale of defense stamps. More than 20 denominations, millions of persons, including many here, are asked "to give until it hurts" to world emergency funds. These will be spent for welfare work among the armed forces, for homeless refugees, for the starving, for orphaned missions and other causes arising out of the war.

The foregoing are only a few of the ways of sacrifice suggested to Christians for the celebration of the most solemn and holy season of the religious year. An adequate description of the sacrifices all Americans are being urged to make, and most undoubtedly will make, in Lent, 1942, and after, would fill many pages.

Kirchhoffer to Preach

The Rt. Rev. Richard Ainslie Kirchhoffer, Bishop of the Diocese of Indianapolis, will preach at the noonday services, 12:05 to 12:35 p. m., Ash Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at CHRIST CHURCH ON THE CIRCLE.

All during Lent, there will be Holy Communion at 10 a. m. on Tuesdays; Litany and penitential office at 11 a. m. and Holy Communion at 7:30 a. m. on Wednesdays, and Litany and penitential office at 10:45 a. m. and Holy Communion at 11 a. m. on Fridays at Christ Church. Noonday services will continue daily, Monday through Friday, from 12:05 to 12:35 p. m.

Following Bishop Kirchhoffer, guests from various parts of the country will speak at the noonday services at Christ Church. The current noonday speaker will give the address on Wednesdays at 7:45 p. m. at ALL SAINTS CATHEDRAL.

The prayer book, vestments, ritual and customs of the Episcopal Church will be explained in a series of Lenten lectures at 4 p. m. on Sundays by the Rev. George S. Southworth, rector, in the CHURCH OF THE ADVENT. Holy Communion is scheduled for 7:30 a. m. and 9:30 a. m. and evening prayer and penitential office for 8 p. m. Ash Wednesday. Holy Communion will be celebrated the remaining Wednesdays in Lent at 9:30 a. m.

Teach With Movies

Moving pictures of the life of Christ, accompanied by talks based on the picture episodes, will be presented by Dr. E. R. Klingel each Thursday during Lent at 7:30 p. m. in ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL AND REFORMED CHURCH.

Service Men Urged to Contact Their Own Church at Camps

Parting sailors and soldiers are asked to get in touch with a church of their denomination as soon as they reach the post where they are to be trained or stationed.

There is also a movement afoot among ministers in the country to keep files of information concerning men of their congregations in service. Whenever possible, ministers attempt to help their parishioners who are in uniform by writing letters about them to ministers of churches in the towns where the young men are stationed.

The Rev. L. C. E. Packler, pastor of St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, says good comes of this effort for the armed forces, and cites a letter he has just received from Ashland, O., which follows in part:

"Clyde Bachman, one of our boys (stationed at the Naval Armory), saved me the trouble of sending a letter of introduction. Loyal to his church, he followed my instruction in looking up your church.

"He has been home a number of times and has told us of the royal reception and entertainment you and your kind folks have been giving him.

"Not only does Clyde appreciate all this but we, here at home, want to express our hearty thanks to you and your people."

No show gratitude for the sacrifice the boys are making by being hospitable to them is the least the civilian population can do, the Rev. Mr. Packler thinks.

SPECIAL EVENTS

With thoughts of other mothers and the boys they lost in the present war, Mrs. Thelma Turner will attend memorial services tomorrow for her son Harry Keyes who died 44 years ago.

Harry was the only native of Indiana to lose his life in the sinking of the Maine in Havana Harbor.

The service in the Fletcher Place Methodist Church, is an important annual event for Mrs. Turner. Tomorrow, with the world in the grip of another major war, and many men in uniform invited to attend, it assumes an added significance.

The Rev. Howard Lytle, pastor, will preach on "The Kind of World We Will Make." There will be special military hymns and a solo by Alvin Hamblin.

Special invitations have been sent to the Harold C. McGraw Camp 84, the William E. English Camp 84, United Spanish War Veterans and their auxiliaries and men at the Naval Armory and the naval recruiting station.

Sermons on Bible

A series of eight sermon-lectures on "The Values of the Bible for Men of the Modern Mind" will be delivered by Dr. E. Burdette Backus at 11 a. m. on Sundays, beginning tomorrow, in All Souls Unitarian Church.

The sermon-lectures will be concluded on Easter with one titled "Immortality in the Bible." The preceding ones in order are "A Source Book of History," "Living Literature," "The Story of Religion," "The Prophets," "The Apocrypha," "The Four Gospels," and "The Missionary to the Gentiles."

"Abraham Lincoln" is the title of a lecture to be presented by Richard James, state auditor, at the men's fellowship dinner Friday, Feb. 27, at 6:30 p. m. in the Wallace Street Presbyterian Church. Mr. James has made a study of Lincoln for many years.

The Young Churchmen of the Indianapolis Episcopal Diocese are holding a conference this week-end at Terre Haute. The Rt. Rev. Richard Ainslie Kirchhoffer, bishop of the Diocese of Indianapolis, is in attendance. The Malverne Manifesto is the conference theme.

41 on Cradle Roll

Forty-one babies and children of pre-school age are listed on the new Cradle Roll of the Indianapolis Hebrew Congregation. Mrs. Fred Feibleman and Mrs. Liebert I. Mosser are co-chairmen for the organization.

Plan Silver Tea

A silver tea will be held by Group 4 of the Women's Missionary Society of the Central Christian Church Tuesday at 3 p. m. at the residence of Mrs. Guy W. Seaton, 3816 Coliseum Ave. Mrs. John Seaton and Mrs. Rita Doolittle will each play piano solos; Mrs. Edward Schock will sing and Mrs. Arthur Hupp will give a reading.

List Several Speakers

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, North Branch, 18th and New Jersey Sts., will present a number of speakers tomorrow at 7 p. m. Included are Mrs. Ellen Clayton, Elder Corwin Bills and Elder Tell Cunningham. Several young women from different parts of the country, now serving as missionaries in Indianapolis, will sing and Emily Proctor will play the organ. Elder John Sullivan presides over the North Branch.

The Rev. Hoyt Canary, pastor of the Hillside Christian Church, will preach the evangelistic sermon for the two-week meeting beginning Sunday, Feb. 22, in the West Park Christian Church. Opal Nance will be in charge of the music.

Class to Hear Dordill

Members of the 101 Men's Class of the Broadway Baptist Church will assemble in the main auditorium and be addressed by the Rev. R. M. Dordill tomorrow at 9:30 a. m. The Rev. Mr. Dordill will speak on "The Healing Ministry of Jesus."

Vespers for Veterans

The Rev. Charles R. Lizenby, chaplain, will conduct Protestant vespers tomorrow afternoon at the Veterans Hospital. The Paramount Four, Fred Koehn, Maurice Pennicke, Richard Thorpe and Ernest Heberlein, will sing.

Lutherans Plan New Unity Step

The first step toward Lutheran Unity which took place during World War I seems about to be followed by a second step during World War II. Unity, when consummated, will affect 12 local churches.

During the first World War, the National Lutheran Council was formed, bringing together about two-thirds of the Lutherans in the country for consultation and discussion of matters of mutual interest.

At a meeting of the council in Pittsburgh recently, it was proposed that a new American Lutheran Convention be inaugurated to handle wartime activities and other common concerns.

The new convention would not involve doctrinal commitments but arrangements for work. Membership would include representatives of the United Lutheran and American Lutheran churches but not the Missouri Synod.

Add to Mite Box During Lent



SINCE FAMILIES just naturally remember to eat, the Keeslings and others of the North Methodist Church have adopted the plan of dropping offerings in the church's mite box at meal time during Lent.

Ready with their coins (above) are Mrs. C. M. Keesling, Mr. Keesling, Robert and the twins, Carolyn Jean (left) and Marilyn Jane.

CHOIR WILL SING MUSICAL SETTING

One of the features in observance of Lent by the choir and congregation of All Saints Cathedral, 18th St. and Central Ave., will be the singing of a musical setting of the Benedictine Omnia Opera, composed by Arnold Spencer, cathedral organist and choirmaster.

The words comprise one of the canticles of Morning Prayer, sung generally in churches during Lent, and are taken from the song of the Three Children in the Fiery Furnace, from the Apocrypha of the Old Testament.

Ash Wednesday services at the cathedral will be held at 6:30 and 10 a. m., and at 7:30 p. m. The Rev. J. M. Nelson, cathedral vicar, will officiate at all services. Service tomorrow will be at 7:30 and 10:45 a. m., and at 6 p. m. with the vicar's sermon at the latter morning service. The church school session will be held at 9:30 a. m.

Church Bids For Support

Visitors from 13 East Side congregations are calling on families of defense workers with a view to interesting them in church attendance.

The calls are being made as a result of an East Side religious survey conducted some weeks ago by the East Side Council of Churches. About 500 workers visited nearly 13,000 new families in the city during the survey.

The families were asked a few simple questions concerning their church preferences and the answers, noted down on the visitors' cards.

Nearly all the families expressed a leaning toward some particular denomination or congregation, while a few said their interest in churches was confined to such occasions as weddings and funerals, reports the Rev. A. M. Brown.

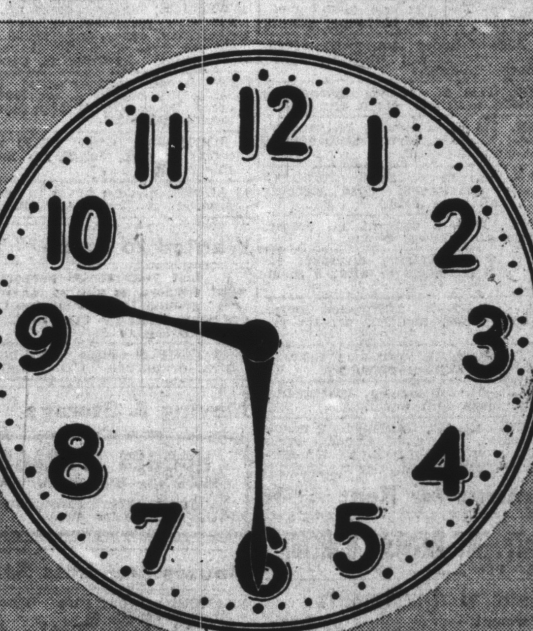
BACKUS WILL SPEAK AT HEBREW TEMPLE

Dr. E. Burdette Backus, minister of All Souls Unitarian Church, will address the Temple Sisterhood Monday at 2 p. m. in the auditorium of the Indianapolis Hebrew Congregation.

Dr. Backus will speak on "Living Under Tension." Music will be presented by Jeanne Ruth Sawin, soloist, and Mary Traub Busch, soloist and pianist. Mrs. Harry B. Jacobs, dressed in colonial costume, will deliver a tribute to Washington and Lincoln.

There will be a patriotic tea following the program and sale of defense stamps with Mrs. Harold I. Platt, presiding throughout the afternoon.

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Tomorrow Night and Every Sunday Night

Urges More Prayer Now

Bishop Cites Added Need For Lenten Devotion.

"If an added incentive is necessary during these crucial days to prompt us to pray and to do penance, it is provided by the approaching holy season of Lent," says the Most Rev. Joseph E. Ritter.

Bishop Ritter, of the Diocese of Indianapolis, expressed the thought in his pastoral letter to the churches under his jurisdiction and published in the Indiana Catholic and Record.

The present time calls to mind the warfare between the spirit and the flesh, which engages the true follower of Christ and in which there can be no truce or period of relaxation, writes the bishop.

Warning Sounded

The purpose of Lent is to keep us spiritually strong for our daily combat with the world, the flesh and the devil, he says.

A warning not to lose the war from within, within our own spirits, is sounded. That the present catastrophe is perhaps God's "loving means of awakening men and thereby enabling them to rebuild a Christian life" is suggested.

Urges Self-Inspection

The letter tells what the spirit of all Christians ought to be today. It urges self-examination and criticism of one's own life at home and in business and points to recent messages of His Holiness, Pope Pius XII.

Published with it are the rules for fasting and abstinence during Lent. And the letter ends with a statement of the belief that with the proper spirit and effort we can hope for answers to prayer and a lasting peace.

Baptist Men, Inc., Will Hold Dinner

The four hundred members of the Baptist Men, Inc., will meet for the seventh annual men's dinner and hear President Roosevelt's broadcast Monday evening, Feb. 23.

The dinner, at the Woodruff Place Church, also will be addressed by President William Gear Spencer of Franklin College and by Will E. Barr of Bluffton. New officers will be elected and Dr. Herbert F. Thurston, president of Baptist Men, will preside.

Plans for the summer camp for boys and girls will be made at the meeting of the Baptist Superintendents' League Monday evening at the Hillcrest Baptist Church. Officers and teachers from Baptist churches have been invited to be present and hear Dr. Floyd Carr of New York, field secretary of the board of education of the Northern Baptist Convention, speak.

Dr. Charles Taylor Sr. advance director of the Taylor Brothers, nationally known evangelists, will outline an autumn evangelistic campaign with Baptists of this area Thursday evening. Dr. Taylor will meet the church people in the First Baptist Church.

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LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS

Fidelity Review to Meet—Fidelity Review 140, Woman's Benefit Association, will hold a business meeting at 2:15 p. m. Wednesday in Castle Hall, 230 E. Ohio St. Mrs. Hannah Hlatz will preside. The organization will hold a card party at 1:30 p. m. Friday at the home of Mrs. Grace Kirkpatrick, 2126 Webb St.

Club to Hear Engineer—S. E. Rowe, Marmion-Herrington engineer who recently spent six months in Java, will speak on the Far East at the Service Club luncheon Monday.

O. E. S. Unit Plans Luncheon—Golden Rule Auxiliary, O. E. S., will hold a covered dish luncheon at noon Monday at the home of Mrs. Barbara Fuller, 6118 Haverford Ave. Mrs. Sarah Watson will preside.

Lodge Auxiliary to Meet—Indianapolis Lodge No. 137, Ladies Society to the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers, will meet at 2 p. m. Tuesday at Castle Hall.

O. E. S. Memorial Service—Brookside Chapter 481, O. E. S., will have a memorial service Tuesday evening at the Brookside Masonic Temple. Mrs. Harriett Reeve is in charge of the program and Mrs. Bess Evans Dean is worthy matron and Elmer T. Jones is worthy patron.

Wayne Club Party Today—The Wayne Club will hold a card party at 8:30 p. m. today in the club rooms, 2829 Jackson St.

Sponsor Chicken Dinner—Members of the Altar Society of the Holy Name Catholic Church of Beech Grove will serve a chicken dinner in the school auditorium from noon tomorrow until 2 p. m. and a supper from 5 to 7 p. m. Mrs. William Holle is general chairman.

O. E. S. to Receive Gift—Officers of Brightwood Chapter, O. E. S., will present a gift to the chapter Monday night in Veritas Masonic Temple, 3350 Roosevelt Ave. A musical program will feature the compositions of Mrs. Carolyn Turner. Miss Hazel Silvey Hill is worthy matron and Thomas Halladay, worthy patron.

Metals Group to Meet—The Indianapolis chapter, American Society for Metals, will meet at 8:30 p. m. Monday to hear J. D. Armour, chief metallurgist, Union Drawn Steel Co., discuss "Principles of Machining Applied to Defense Metals." H. H. Lurie, society chairman, will preside.

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"HITLER VS. NEBUCHADNEZZAR"

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COME to CHURCH

Over 300 Indianapolis Churches extend a sincere welcome to their services tomorrow. . . . Plan to attend—especially you thousands of newcomers who have recently arrived in our city, you'll find it will be time well spent.

"THE HIDDEN VALUES OF FAITHFUL CHURCH ATTENDANCE"

—by—

Adjutant Ernest R. Orchard,

Officer-in-Charge of The Salvation Army Citadel Corps, 26 S. Capitol Ave.

There is a price tag on almost every commodity of life today. What has seemed usual and commonplace during pre-war days, has suddenly taken on values that became very real with the sudden and treacherous attacks which were made upon us. The skilled worker who a very few months ago stood in the line at the employment window, hearing the discouraging "nothing today" reply, now finds himself in demand. Rubber, sugar, metals . . . all taken as a matter of course by you and I, until their true value is now firmly established, due to the emergency and resultant demand.

Considering the associated spiritual emergency that comes with desperate times such as these, I propose a price-tag, if you will, upon the services and contributions which the CHURCH is offering to every man, woman and child in our great democracy.

Who will attempt to evaluate the privilege of associating oneself with God-fearing, decent and upright fellow men at the church service or the inner-church clubs and circles? Every person who walks through the church door to clasp hands with such friends should sense their inability to repay such a privilege as they walk away from the screaming headlines which tell of other men's depredations and lawlessness.

Have you become conscious of the hidden values to be found in a sermon given by the servant of God . . . filled with the message of hope and cheer, ever pointing upward and upward to a day "when all tears shall be wiped away." Put your own price-tag on this when you contrast its effect upon you with that of the news-commentator's recital of today's further plunder.

The greatest value you may discover, is God's Holy presence in his house and your house of worship. Make no mistake, he does abide therein. There are many others that could be mentioned but perhaps it would be good strategy to suggest in closing, that you, dear reader, visit his house this coming Sabbath Day and with these mentioned discover for yourself the others to be found. I'd be glad to hear from you as to the result.

Lodge Meets Tomorrow—The Ellen Rebekah lodge 520 will meet at 1:30 p. m. tomorrow in Castle Hall, 230 E. Ohio St. Madge Kretsch is in charge.

O. E. S. Meeting Wednesday—Southport Chapter 442, O. E. S., will hold a stated meeting at 8 p. m. Wednesday at the Southport Masonic Temple. Mrs. Alma Spencer is worthy matron and D. S. Elder is worthy patron.

Irrington Circle to Meet—Members of the Irrington Circle will meet at 1:30 p. m. Tuesday in the home of Mrs. Martha Hall, 6410 E. Washington St.

CORNELIA SKINNER WILL VISIT CULVER

Times Special

CULVER, Ind., Feb. 14.—Cornelia Skinner will present a character sketch program to the cadet corps of Culver Military Academy next Saturday.

It will be the famed actress' first visit to Culver and her program is sponsored by the Alexander Fleet Fine Arts Endowment Fund.

Old Fashion Revival Charles E. Miller, Director Old Hymns and Gospel Teaching WRCB-5300 P. M. Sunday 10:30 P. M. Continuous International Gospel Broadcast

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