

# Methodists May Begin Balloting Today On 4 New Bishops

## Delegates to Continue Casting Votes Until Vacancies Are Filled

Conference Begins Plenary Sessions After Banquet; Committee to Pick Chairman

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You will see a novel way of conducting an election if you attend the North Central Jurisdictional Methodist Conference sessions.

Delegates of the conference were expecting to start balloting this afternoon for four new bishops in the Roberts Park Methodist Church. And the voting will be different from anything political conventions are able to demonstrate. Interest runs high, to fever heat.

The conference began its plenary sessions this morning in the church following the opening banquet last night in the Scottish Rite Cathedral. It will close Sunday with the consecration of the four new bishops.

Bishop Lowe to Speak

At a popular meeting at 8 o'clock tonight in the church, Bishop Lowe will give the Episcopal address as the representative of the College of Bishops of the North Central jurisdiction. He will retire during this conference.

The episcopacy committee of the conference went into closed session today in the neighboring Second Presbyterian Church. They will elect a chairman who later will start the conference voting for the four bishops. The committee also will determine how many votes, that is what percentage, a candidate must poll to be elected.

No nominations will be made and the voting will resolve itself into a weeding out or sifting down process. Herein it differs from elections held by most organizations.

Brings Flood of Names

The first ballot usually brings a flood of names of candidates precluding the possibility of the election of any one man. The delegates simply go on casting their ballots until enough votes are given to one man for him to be elected.

This will continue here until four bishops are named. They will fill vacancies in the council of bishops vacated by the retirement of Bishop Lowe, Bishop Raymond J. Wade, Detroit, and Bishop H. Lester Smith of Columbus, O. A successor to Bishop Schuyler E. Garth of Madison Wis., who was killed in an airplane crash in China, will make the fourth.

Bishop Lowe opened the conference this morning with the devotions, a memorial service and Holy Communion for delegates. The official organization of the conference and the appointment of delegates for work in standing committees followed.

1200 in Attendance

Twelve hundred of the general handshaking Methodists sat down to the banquet last night in the Scottish Rite Cathedral. Farm folk, small-town preachers, bis-

Ralph Wright directed the



AT THE SPEAKERS' TABLE—Bishop Raymond Wade of Detroit and Mrs. Wade, left, chat with President Clyde Wildman of DePauw University, right, and Mrs. Wildman, beside him at the dinner of the North Central Jurisdictional Conference in the Scottish Rite Cathedral.



LITTLE CLUSTERS OF FRIENDS—Friendly Methodists gathered in small groups to exchange greetings at the reception preceding the dinner for the Jurisdictional Conference last night in the Scottish Rite Cathedral. This party, left to right, is Mrs. Richard James, Mr. James, Ray Holcomb, Mrs. Holcomb and Mrs. Logan Hall.

group singing; Charles Hamilton sang two solos, and the Indianapolis High School Alumni Orchestra played under the direction of Renato Pacini.

### Thieves Get \$3800

NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y., July 7 (UPI)—Three bandits scaled the 100-foot precipice of the Niagara River gorge by rope yesterday to escape after a robbery. The thieves stole \$3800 from an office at the American Maid of the Mist landing.

Lawrence Parker, 10, of 1651 E. Tabor St., received a two-inch cut over his left eye when he dove on top of another bather at Ellerberger pool.

Oliver W. Purdy, 15, of 3110 4th Ave. East, Mars Hill, was treated at General Hospital for an eye injury after he was struck by a baseball in a game at Rhodus Park.

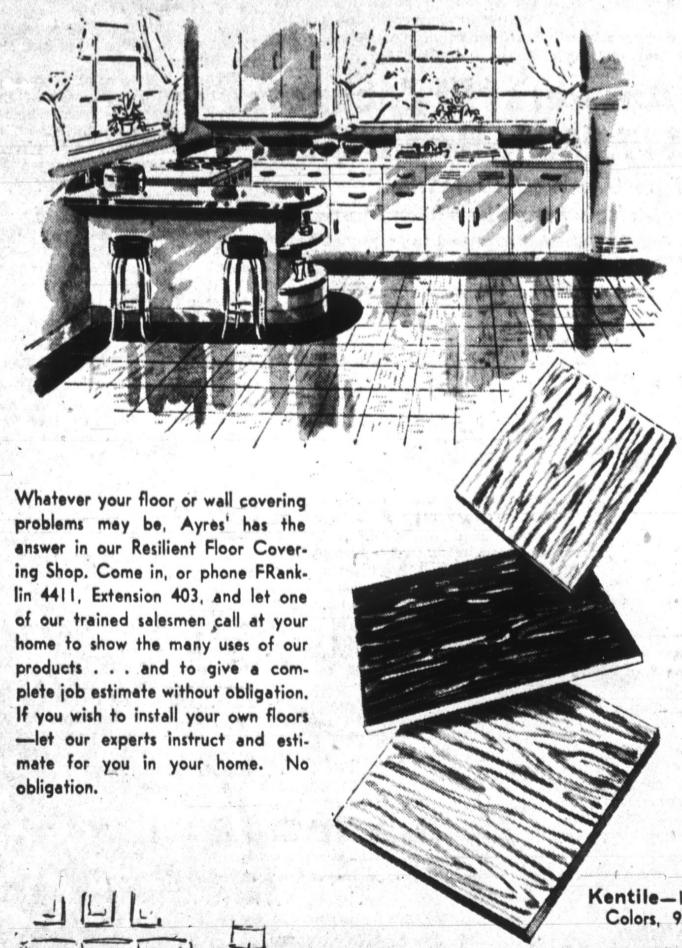
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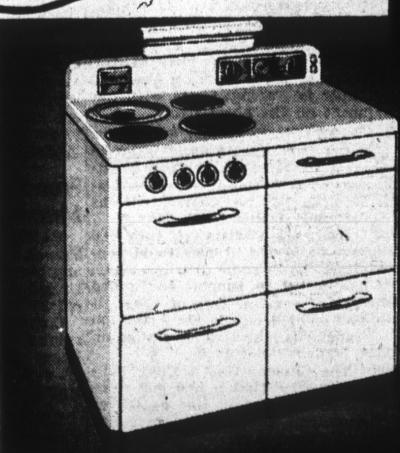
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## Annual Carmelite Novena To Open Tomorrow Night

Rev. Fr. Francis Corley, S. G., to Conduct Outdoor Devotions at Monastery

The Rt. Rev. Msgr. Raymond R. Noll tomorrow at 8 p. m. will open the 10th annual outdoor novena devotions on the grounds of the Carmelite Monastery on the Cold Spring Road. Msgr. Noll is the rector of St. Peter and Paul Cathedral.

The Rev. Fr. Francis Corley, S. J., who recently returned from studying religious and social conditions abroad, will conduct the nightly devotions. The services will come to a picturesque closing on July 16, the Feast of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, titular patroness of the Carmelite nuns.

The Most Rev. Paul C. Schulte, archbishop of Indianapolis, will preside at the final night.

Pastors, Choi's Take Part

Pastors of the various Catholic churches of the city will take part in the services each night when their respective chanceries will sing. The Schille Caemmerers of the Cathedral will give the music on the closing night, and the Columbians of the Knights of Columbus, tomorrow night. The St. Thomas Aquinas Church Choir will sing Friday night.

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