

Religion

A.M.E. Bishop speaks

Prelate criticizes President

The Right Reverend Harrison J. Bryant, Presiding Bishop of the Fifth Episcopal District of the African Methodist Episcopal Church will preach at Bethel A.M.E. Church Easter Sunday at 11:00 a.m.

Criticism of President Nixon was voiced here in Portland by Bishop Harrison J. Bryant representing 2.2 million members of the A.M.E. Church.

Bishop Bryant forecast that it will be a long time before demonominations merge with white denominations, either on an individual basis or through the Consultation on Church Union.

Bishop Bryant, whose home is at Baltimore, oversees the work of his denomination in 17 states and has offices at both Kansas City and Los Angeles.

"There is a general feeling among our people that Pres. Nixon is Anti-Black and is not so friendly as some other presidents have been," said the Bishop.

"The office is much bigger!" He seems to think the black people didn't support him. He is dead wrong."

"He got millions of blacks votes, even though the majority of black people were not for him. On church union, Bishop Bryant said:

"Consultation on church union? I'm against it." "My



Bishop Harrison J. Bryant feeling is that the same conditions exist that led our founders to walk out (of a white Methodist Church) in 1787.

"There has been some improvement. But the problems have not been worked out well enough for black and white to be in the same church and treated as brothers.

"A good indication showing that the time is right will be when we can move into a white community or a white congregation without seeing the white people run from us. We need to feel that they will treat us like brother before we merge.

Tid Bits for Living

By REV. T.L. STRAYHAND

Church and U.

Did you ever feel that your church was not what you felt it should be and wondered why? Here is a list of things you might review to find the answer. The church is composed of people like me. We make it what it is. I want it to be a church that is a light on the path of pilgrims leading them to Goodness. Truth and Beauty. It will be, if I am. It will be friendly, if I am. Its pews will be filled, if I help to fill them. It will do a great work, if I work. It will bring other people into its worship and fellowship, if I bring them. It will be a church of loyalty and love, of fearlessness and



Rev. T. L. Strayhand.

faith: if I who make it what it is, am filled with these. A statistician has figured that 5% of all church members do not exist; 10% of them cannot be found; 25% never go to church; 50% never contribute a cent to the church; 75% never attend a midweek prayer service; 90% do not have family worship in their homes, and more than 95% have never tried to win a soul to Christ.

Are you satisfied with your church? Are you doing what you can for it? If not, dedicate yourself to the task of being what you want your church to be.



Reverend John Jackson, president of AMA attends NAACP membership drive at Vancouver Baptist Avenue Church. Dr. O. B. Williams, pastor.



Can you imagine a Catholic Youth group singing in an AME Church? Father Gordon Dickey delivered the morning message at Bethel A.M.E.



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