

Religion in the News

Banquet honors Father Stone

The Reverend Lee Owen Stone retired as Vicar of St. Philip's Episcopal Church on June 30, 1972.

During the past 37 years he has served, not only the parish of St. Philip's, but also civic organizations and the total community tirelessly.

Many organizations, city officials, as well as communicants, will honor him at a Testimonial Dinner, Friday, July 21, 1972, at 7:30 p.m., in the Assembly Hall of the Memorial Coliseum.

All of his many friends, well wishers and the total public is invited to help this become a memorable occasion.

Tickets are \$5.50 per person and may be obtained by



Father L. O. Stone

contacting the ticket chairman, Allan Bowens 2716 N.E. Union Avenue, Portland, Oregon, 97212 or telephone 288-8341 at any hour prior to July 18, 1972.

Migrant workers supported

The General Conference of the United Methodist Church declared that "Migratory and other farm workers, who have long been a special concern of the church's ministry, are by the nature of their way of life, excluded from many of the economic, educational and social benefits enjoyed by other workers. We advocate their right to, and applaud their efforts toward, responsible self-organization and self-determination. We call upon governments and all employers to insure for migratory workers the same economic, educational and social benefits enjoyed by other citizens."

Edgar Triplett dies

Edgar Lewis Triplett, long time waiter on the dining cars, died at Emanuel Hospital on July 13, 1972. Funeral services were held at Caldwell's Colonial Mortuary on July 17, with Reverend O.B. Williams officiating. The Masonic Service was held Sunday, with Enterprise Lodge #1 officiating.

Triplett started in the railroad in 1916. He worked as a waiter on the Vice-President's car on the Northern Pacific line.

In 1935 he moved to Portland and was a waiter at the Portland Hotel.

Triplett was employed for 25 years by SP&S, where he was in charge of the cafe car.

He was a waiter on the first Empire Builder to run out of Portland.

Triplett was a member of Enterprise Lodge #1, F & AM. Triplett leaves his wife, Clara, a daughter, Lily Walker of Portland, two sisters, Katherine Digh and Esterline Boyd of Minnesota and one granddaughter.



THE FAMILY LAWYER

When You Go Dancing

Whenever business was good at a suburban night club, the management would "stretch" their space by putting extra tables and chairs on the edge of the dance floor. One night, a dancing couple stumbled over a stray chair.

The woman suffered painful injuries, and later sued the club for damages. She pointed out that the chair had been shoved several feet into the dancing area.

"If it was," countered the management, "some other customer must have done the shoving. We are not legally liable for what our customers do."

But the court granted the woman's claim. The court said that by placing chairs directly onto the dance floor, the management had set the stage for trouble.



HUD provides services for elderly citizens

Based on a common interest in improving the well being of older Americans living in federally-financed housing, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development has signed an agreement of cooperation with three other national organizations.

The Agreement calls for the establishment of broad social programs that make wider use of volunteers and paraprofessionals from the elderly population, many of them living in federally-subsidized housing. The programs will not only be staffed by older volunteers but will provide a wide range of social services for other older persons, also living in federally-financed housing.

The other participating agencies are the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare's Administration on Aging, ACTION and the National Center for Voluntary Action, a private organization. Special training programs for volunteers are an important feature of the agreement.

"We know that in many towns and cities there is a scarcity of people available or willing to work in social and service-type jobs that retired people can fill with the proper training," said Secretary George Romney, who signed the agreement for HUD. "We believe a deeper involvement of older citizens will provide a sense of usefulness and accomplishment that comes with doing productive work and helping others."

Government-supported programs for older Americans now being carried out such as Foster Grandparents and Retired Senior Volunteer Programs will be incorporated into the overall plan. "Although the program is necessarily limited to public housing tenants at this first stage, we expect that the idea will take hold among other interested individuals which will improve the quality of life for all older citizens," Mr. Romney said.

Each of the four signatory agencies will contribute within its own sphere of responsibility, generally along these lines:

--HUD will provide facilities, usually within the project or nearby, and financial and other support to local housing authorities;

--The HEW/AOA, through its

State organizations, will develop programs and conduct training of those older tenants who wish to participate, also working with local housing authorities;

--ACTION will provide VISTA volunteer workers, mostly elderly, to help in a wide range of services and to mobilize, train and orient other volunteers to expand the program;

--The National Center for Voluntary Action will serve as a national program clearing housing and contact point for national organizations interested in older citizens.

Other officials signing the agreement were John G. Veneman, Under Secretary for HEW; J.H. Blatchford, Director of ACTION, and Douglas K. Kinsey, President, National Center for Voluntary Action. Secretary Elliot Richardson, Secretary of HEW and Walter Howe, Deputy Director of ACTION also attended the formal occasion for the signing of the agreement.

Children's play set

Two children's plays have been scheduled by the YWCA to be presented at the Downtown building, 111 S.W. 10th Ave. The Eastmont Players of Gresham, will present the "Wizard of Oz" on July 26, and "Valerie and Her Magical Woods" on August 9. Both shows will open at 1:30 p.m.

There will be no admission charge and all children and their parents may attend.

The "Wizard of Oz" will be directed by Jo Anne Dunn, English-drama teacher at

Dexter McCarty School, Gresham, assisted by Jeff Woodford, a high school student. Cast includes 30 seventh, eighth and ninth graders.

"Valerie and Her Magical Woods", an original musical production by Pat Drapela, script, and Serena Wright, music, who also will direct the show, has a cast of 25, all under 10 years of age. Mette Jo Furnish will assist musical director.

Elks retain racist policy

The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks has again rejected a resolution to delete a "whites only" clause from its constitution.

The vote, the fifth in as many years on the controversial issue, was 1798 to 921 to oppose the motion. It was

filed earlier by the Elks Grand Advisory Committee and seconded by Madison, Wis., Lodge 410.

Last April, the Advisory Committee, composed of past exalted rulers, recommended the constitution be amended to admit non-whites.

Zest of Life

By Carnegie "Happy" Pullen

Death is not the door to Heaven! Christians, and non-Christians have persistently refused to consider the literal meaning of the words which Christ spoke. They insist His words have a spiritual or a figurative meaning, rather than a literal meaning of what the words say.

Jesus said distinctly, "No man hath ascended up to Heaven, but He that came down from Heaven, even the Son of man which is in Heaven." John 3:13. At another place He said, "God is not the God of the dead, but of the living." Matt 22:32.

Again He said unto His disciples: "Whither I go, ye cannot come." John 13:33. In the same chapter He said,

"Whither I go, thou canst not follow me now; but thou shalt follow me afterwards." John 13:36.

Again he said, "Strait is the gate, and narrow is the way that leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it. . . Strive to enter into the strait gate; for I say unto you, many shall seek to enter in, and shall not be able." Luke 13:24.

Jesus spoke a commandment when He said to the helpless man He healed by the pool, when He saw him later in the Temple giving thanks: "Sin no more, lest a worse thing come unto thee." John 5:14. Again He said, "Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whosoever committeth sin is the servant of

sin. And the servant abideth not in the house for ever." John 8:34-35.

The Apostle Paul stated eloquently that, "The wages of sin is death!" Many Christians persistently sin until death takes and destroys their bodies; and after entering the door of death they expect to enter the door of Heaven and receive the regard of the obedient righteous ones which is immortal life with God in Heaven. Men do not work for two paymasters. They cannot receive the reward for sin, which is death, because of the deeds of sin done in the body; then expect to receive the rewards of Heaven for the same deeds of sin done in that body.

Jesus pointed out to the rich young ruler how difficult it is for a rich man to enter into the Kingdom of Heaven. The disciples were astonished and said to Jesus, "Who then can be saved?" Jesus did not mitigate the difficulty, but said, "All things are possible with God."

Later Peter wrote: "What shall the end be of them that obey not the Gospel of God? And if the righteous scarcely be saved, where shall the ungodly and the sinner appear?" 1 Pe. 4:17-18.

Most Christians are taught by ministers and evangelists who are out for a high count of "decisions for Christ," that if they will, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, thou shalt be saved. . . ." Acts 16:31. But they don't explain that to believe Jesus Christ means also to believe on His words enough to do what He says to do. A Christian cannot believe on Christ;

without believing on and doing His word.

He said, "I am the WAY . . . no man cometh unto God but by me." (By my way). John 14:6 And: "I am the Door: By me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and SHALL GO IN AND OUT, and find pasture." John 10:9.

Death is not the door to Heaven; and Christians have no promise of Christ that by dying they will arrive in Heaven. Men enter Heaven by the door of Christ, by living totally obedient Christ-like lives. Men do not 'go to Heaven,' but Heaven comes to them when they emulate the very godlike life of Christ, being as obedient as Christ, who did always those things that pleased God. God promises to do nothing for the unwilling and the disobedient. Heaven is Here and to be entered Here!



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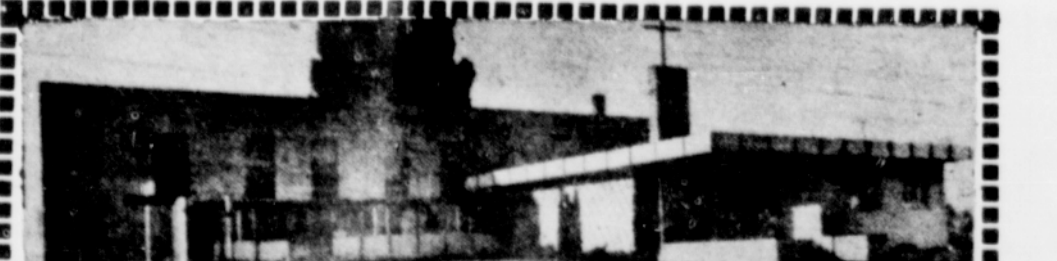
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