

Religion in the News

AMA features Lockridge

Dr. S.M. Lockridge will be the featured preacher for the Albina Ministerial Alliance Rally Service to be held Sunday afternoon January 21, 1973, 3:30 p.m., at Vancouver Avenue Baptist Church 3128 N. Vancouver Avenue, Reverend O. B. Williams, pastor.

Not a stranger to Portland, having been a guest preacher for Dr. O.B. Williams on previous occasions, Dr. Lockridge will call attention to the needs of people today for spiritual wholeness, directing our lives toward ways of Christian service. The work of the Christian is to fulfill the three-fold ministry of Christ, preaching, teaching and healing. Frontiers of evangelism and human healing are everywhere about us, and the call of Christ today is to respond actively to the hurts of humanity, the struggles of people in our community for a better life, and the yearning of people for peace, justice and human rights.

Dr. Lockridge has developed a wide reputation for his preaching and evangelism campaigns. He has been pastor of Calvary Baptist Church at San Diego, California for the past 20 years, and is in great demand for revival services in many churches and states. He has been associated with Dr. O.B. Williams in the work of the National Baptist Convention of America, and has also served as an officer in the California Baptist State Convention.

The Rally Service is a call to the religious community to look at the ways that the Christian can be an active agent of healing in the day-by-day world, reflecting the power of God to renew lives and rebuild cities.

The Albina Ministerial Alliance represents the interest of pastors reaching out into many areas of personal and community need. These activities include management of a welfare assistance program, coordination of day care centers, developing summer programs for youth, originating neighborhood clean-up campaigns, providing pastoral counseling for individuals and families in distress, assisting in promoting health-oriented programs such as sickle cell anemia testing, cancer detection services,



DR. S. M. LOCKRIDGE

Loaves and Fishes, and a variety of community oriented projects that show the way for Christian conviction and action. The task of spiritual healing is to assist individuals and community to move toward wholeness, where the welfare of each person, our neighbor, becomes our personal concern, for in serving that person, we serve Christ.

People of all churches are invited to the Rally Service. The message and concern of the Christian community is to gather ourselves for renewal and inspiration, and to know we are working together. There will be music presented by the Vancouver Avenue Baptist Church choir and other musical selections from AMA church groups. Plan to attend the Rally Service, Sunday January 21, 1973, 3:30 p.m. Hear Dr. Lockridge, join in Christian fellowship, share in concern for the ministry of healing to persons and community.

This service is the completion of a series of programs sponsored by the Albina Ministerial Alliance and

School of Christian Learning announces new dates

Burton Alvis, Dean of the School of Christian Learning, announced the dates for the 1973 school as running from Monday January 22 through February 26.

The School for Christian Learning, sponsored by the Greater Portland Council of Churches, has drawn together a wide variety of issues and concerns that reflect the priorities of Christian educators throughout the Portland Metropolitan area. In addition to offering courses that will help church school teachers with the basic age levels, the School of Christian Learning has attempted to offer a number of courses that will help the Christian Community deal with the ethical and moral issues that are now emerging, develop skills which will help members of the Christian community become more effective in our ministries, and provide opportunities to enrich the content of our knowledge.

It is essential that members of the Christian community have the opportunity to continually expand our ministry through an educational exposure that allows us to raise the questions that will move us into a living of the new life that is central to the Gospel message.

The School will begin January 22, 1973 and run six consecutive Monday evenings, lasting two hours each session, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. The school will be held at First United Methodist Church and Zion Lutheran Church. The following courses will be taught in the School this year: Inquiry Method of Education; Sex in Christian Living; Alternatives to the Nuclear Family; New Styles in Family Living; Life Styles and Values of the Elderly; Criminal Justice and the Church; Human Relations Laboratory; Youth Culture Workshop; Signs of Shalom (Peace Education in the Church School); The Family as Religious Educator; The Moving Images of Christ; Focus: Human Nature and Destiny in Contemporary Literature; Right Now, This is Where It's At (Educationally, That is); The Gospel of St. Mark; Bible Meaning for Today; Help in Teaching Four and Five Year Olds; Help in Teaching First and Second Grades; Help in Teaching Third and Fourth Grades; Help in Teaching Grades 5 and 6; Teaching Junior High Youth and Administration of Church Education in the Parish.

The program will feature the film "Though I Walk Through the Valley" directed by former Portland YEC Film Director Mel White and deals with the issue of death. Included on the program will be the Youth for Christ music ensemble the FOREVER FREE in concert, along with Ron Marrs, guitarist, and other special music. The public is invited.

Reverend Booker is also leading a Pastoral Counseling Seminar for Albina Ministerial Alliance members, Saturday, January 20 at 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Emanuel Hospital Extended Care Facility, Community Room. At this seminar he will use video taped counseling resources as an aid in assisting the pastors in strengthening their counseling skills in ministry.

The Emanuel Hospital Chaplaincy Department, on Friday, January 19, the Portland area clergy are invited to a pastoral workshop, "The Church and the Ministry of Healing - Toward Personal and Social Wholeness". This program is held at Emanuel Hospital School of Nursing. The speaker for the workshop is Reverend Merrel D. Booker, professor of pastoral psychology at Garrett Theological Seminary, Evanston, Illinois, and also director of chaplain services at Community Hospital in Evanston, and Provident Hospital in Chicago.

YFC holds Rally

Portland Youth for Christ will present its single winter Rally Happening on Saturday, January 20, at Marshall High School, S.E. 91st and Powell Blvd., at 7:30 p.m. No admission charge.

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OBITUARIES

Helen McDaniel

Funeral service for Helen McDaniel, was held Monday, January 8, 1973, from the chapel of Vann Mortuary. She resided at 2947 N.E. 7th Ave. She is survived by her husband, Moses. She was formerly employed by the State employment service, and also quite active in anti-poverty programs, and the rehabilitation program of Oregon State prison.

She was born in Seattle, Washington. She passed away January 3, 1973.

E. (Sheik) Palmer

Died January 8, 1973 in a local hospital. Age 75. A resident of Portland since 1941. Born in Levanworth, Kansas.

He was retired worker from the dining car department of the Union Pacific Railroad.

He was a member of the Urban League of Portland Railroad Senior Citizens Association, Accacia Masonic Lodge, Prince Hall Affiliation, Willamette Consistory #23, Shriners Mina Temple #6.

Funeral service was held Friday January 12, 1973, with

WELCOME TO ST. MARK'S BAPTIST CHURCH

119 N. E. Morris Sunday Service 9:15/11:00 a.m. Evening Service 7:30 p.m. Reverend Edward Wilder

Masonic Memorial service

under auspices of Accacia Masonic Lodge.

Consistory and Shiner service was held Thursday Evening at Van's, at 8 p.m.

The widow, Mrs. Bonnie Palmer survives. Interment will be in Rose City Cemetery.

Mattie Calvin

Funeral service for Mrs. Mattie Martha Calvin was held at 11 a.m., Wednesday, at Morning Star Baptist Church, Interment was at RiverView Cemetery.

She is survived by 4 daughters and three sons, and 18 grandchildren.

Mrs. Calvin had been a

member of Morning Star Baptist Church for 23 years.

She resided at 8606 N. Bayard.

Raymond Lomax

Funeral service for Raymond S. Lomax was held at 1 p.m., Thursday, January 11, 1973, at Vann's Mortuary. He is survived by his widow Jo Ann.

Mr. Lomax was born in Oakland, California 31 years ago. He was employed as a health coordinator by the Kaiser Foundation. He had been a resident of Portland for three years.

He passed away at the residence of 5906 N.E. Cleveland.

Church and School for Community
ST. ANDREW'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
802 N.E. ALBERTA
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MORNING 9:00 am Prayers 10:30 am Choir
12:00 pm Holy Mass

ALLEN TEMPLE CME CHURCH
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Christian Youth Fellowship 6:00 p.m.
(Second and Fourth Sundays)
Reverend Thomas L. Strayhand, Minister

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T. U. 6:00 p.m. Evening Service 7:30 p.m.
Prayer Service Wednesdays 7:30 p.m.
Junior Church Friday 7:30 p.m.
Pastor Rev. S. Green III

Soul Purpose

by Chuck Singleton

Human Being or Human Doing

The young cat sat on the corner as the well-dressed gentleman walked up. "Boy, why don't you get up and do something. Are you human or are you just another post in the sidewalk." The young brother turned his head toward the street and said, "Just existing, Daddy-O, just existing." "Young man, you can't just sit there and rot, get up, Yo' human, ain't you?" "Just existing, man, just existing," said the youngster sternly. "Why you can't do that, you can't just exist. You're human, you gotta do something, humans can't just exist, they gotta do." The young cat turned over, yawned, and said, "The word is human being, man, human being, not human doing."

The brother just wanted to be. He had no hangup about activity. That was one thing, but HE was something else. This dude knew that activity could never be a person, it could only represent a person.

Maybe that's why young folks are saying today, "Junk

the Monopoly games, baby, I'm tired of acquiring, acquiring, and I don't even know who I am yet".

Despite the accused laziness, there is much to be gained from close observation. This philosophy has a very deep point to it.

You ever wonder why so many on the littles side of the generation gap are dropping out of society? Well, just ask the parent a few questions like "Why do you work so hard?" "To earn money", he'll say. Ask him why. "To live and save it up", he'll say. Ask him why. "To retire," he'll say. Dig it, to retire. Retire, that's just what his son does at 15 years of age, he's got the same values. He just beat his old man to it by 50 years.

There's a one word question people are asking quite a bit lately - that one-word question is "Why?" Nobody has the answers to that question.

When you tell a man to do something, he's liable to ask

you why, and he has every right to ask that question.

Many young people ask "why" to the work ethic, and they want to hear more than just plain "survive", because Uncle Sam, two babies, and Welfare can handle survival.

At the base of this questioning attitude is that one truth. That a person is not a HUMAN BEING, he's a "HUMAN BEING", and he wants to BE before he can DO. He wants to know the basis of his existence. He must know "Why am I here." "Why am I here." "What's it all about, Alfie?"

Jesus was hip to this problem. This is why he got himself together, went into an untethered world, told the world to get itself together, and the only way to do it was through him. What He was saying is "People, be something. Be a spiritual being, at one with God." Jesus' actions were an outgrowth of what he was. A man must be before he can do.

Zest of Life

Carnegie 'Happy' Pullen

THE CHURCH OF SCIENTOLOGY has some doctrines and activities which suggest they may have been contrived by a Science-Fiction writer; and indeed the founder of the Church got his start as a Science-Fiction writer.

The Church of Scientology is a spin-off from the Masterwork of L. Ron Hubbard, entitled, "Dianetics: The Modern Science of Mental Health." The slogan of the Church is, "Step into the exciting world of the totally free." There are hundreds of thousands of members in the U.S., in England, Australia, in Europe and Africa. Churches are called "Orgs."

In Portland, Oregon, where this column is written, the Church of Scientology is located at 1607 N.E. 41st Avenue. It is a converted family house where people live and the Church conducts its business. It has little resemblance to a religious organization. Its meetings are more like a sales-pitch, and the name of God is seldom invoked.

Scientology is called, "the applied philosophy of knowing." "Dianetics," is a radical, and to the layman, a confusing textbook full of innovative technical terms, requiring a glossary to comprehend.

Scientology is an advanced and highly organized program consisting of sharp incisive analyses in the form of startlingly intimate questions and answers while the applicant, or patient, is connected up to an E-meter, consisting of something like "two empty V-8 vegetable cans" hooked up with wires and batteries. It has been called a "lie detector" but Scientologists prefer to call it a "truth detector." Listening to tapes by the founder, and watching specially prepared movies are also part of the course of instruction and analysis which are

basic features of Scientology. Persons first coming to Scientology are called "pre-clears". Those whose treatments are successful are called "clears." Scientology claims to cure a larger percentage of persons than psychiatrists, and do it more quickly.

The person approaching Scientology is said to be bedeviled by any number of "engrams." These are the hang-ups resulting from traumas.

While on the E-Meter the subject is asked a long list of exceedingly intimate and often embarrassing questions. The questions are asked and the emotional responses are recorded by an "auditor". The organization also has "Reverends", who counsel with members. Everybody needs Scientology according to spokesmen of the organization.

Paulette Cooper has written a paper-back book, Published by Tower Publications, New York, entitled, "The Scandal of Scientology." It is subtitled, "A chilling examination of the nature, beliefs, and practices of the 'New Religion.'"

In the deeper analyses Scientologists claim their subjects can be led to remember events which happened in early

childhood, and even back into the womb. Some claim to recall conversations between their parents at the time of their conception. Then they follow the trail back into former lifetimes; and some claim to remember having lived on other planets.

Headquarters of Scientology is a flotilla of three ships, called "The Sea Org" of which the Flagship is the Royal Scotsman; which carry about 200 uniformed Scientologists. Ron Hubbard, usually aboard the Flagship, is usually inaccessible even there.

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288-7241
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