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## Ecumenicity and a Penance of Silence

By QUIRINIUS BREEN

Ecumenicity means the idea of one universal church, so organized that every part belongs to the whole. It corresponds to the idea of "one world." Whatever happens in one part of the world affects the whole world. One part can not be at cross-purposes with other parts without endangering the whole. This is not less true of the church.

Some, not all, of the leaders of the Amsterdam Conference have in part realized this. Almost everybody affects to believe in ecumenicity, but few have fully counted the cost.

Amsterdam branded our disunion with the strongest word for wrong—sin.

If this confession of sin is taken seriously there should follow penance. I suggest a penance of silence—a 30-year penance of silence. We might begin with a year's silence for practice, then work up to a 30-year period. This were none too long, for our children should grow up in it, and our children's children also. There would be labors undertaken in the epoch of silence for which a generation were short. They would be labors which were inconceivable without years and years of silence.

The silence would not be that of the Quaker meeting. It need not mean a cessation of speech or writing, though there would likely be less of both. As I imagine it the silence would be something as follows:

First, a complete suspension of judgment.

We are judged because we judge. We have earned the right to make judgments on doctrine, polity, ordination, ritual, ethics, and so on. For a long time we might have to go on probabilities, meanwhile realizing that they are only probabilities, and by no means being content with them I can recommend suspension of judgment as a liberating experience. Moreover we might hear overtones we had never imagined existed.

Second, a dedication of every energy and property to study.

It would be an era of intellectual labor intended to achieve an understanding of our religion. That our present religious illiteracy is appalling has often been pointed out. What is not enough realized is that the illiteracy of many who do the pointing is the more appalling because it is a "learned ignorance." There is no ecclesiastical guild of learning by which the jangling opinions can even be tuned to pitch. Instead of knowledge we have opinions which we believe to be knowledge.

I don't suppose that 30 years of study would completely cure our ills. However, I recommend it because a continuous effort to understand is at least a most worthy experience, and I believe that the church would thereby do the world a greatly needed service.

Third, a boundless experimentation with natural and group differentiations, the only stricture being that no individual or group read any other individual or group out of the church, even though individuals or group may not like or trust other individuals or groups.

Any denomination can begin the experiment. All this may be hard, even distasteful. But penance has seldom been easy or pleasant. I do not believe as I do, as Tertullian might, because it is absurd. I consider it good sense.

Meanwhile a man can dream, can't he?

## "We Believe That"

(From the World Council Report, Amsterdam Conference)

"We believe that the Church has a vocation to worship God in His holiness, to proclaim the gospel to every creature. She is equipped by God with the various gifts of the Spirit for the building up on the Body of Christ. She has been set apart in holiness to live for the service of all mankind, in faith and love, by the power of the crucified and risen Lord and according to His example.

She is composed of forgiven sinners yet partaking already by faith in the eternity of the kingdom of God and waiting for the consummation when Christ shall come again in the fullness of His glory and power.

"Within this agreement also we should continue in obedience to God to try to come to a deeper understanding of our differences in order that they may be overcome."

## Buddhist Missionaries

An interesting account in the "Malayan Observer" should make church people who are interested in the missionary movement sit up and take notice.

While our churches take pride in sending two or three hundred missionaries throughout the world, one order of Buddhism initiates 350 monks and nuns, everyone of whom is considered a missionary, to serve in Malaya alone.

"Thousands of Buddhist devotees from all parts of Malaya crowded the world-famous Kek Lok Si Temple from May 8 to 16, when more than 350 of their compatriots underwent initiation rites to become monks and nuns. It was an unique event in the annals of Buddhism in Malaya, for this was the first time such initiation ceremonies had ever been held in the country.

"Normally these ceremonies, which last for 53 days, take place in the main monastery of the Order to which Kek Lok Si belongs; this is the Kor San Monastery in Shanghai. Owing to the great number to be initiated, the High Priest of the Order, the Very Rev. Wan Eng, the Abbot of the Order, made a special journey to Malaya to perform the ceremonies.

"Replete with ceremonial colours and tradition, the initiation presented a fascinating and unique spectacle. The climax came in the last few days when all the participants had their heads shaved and permanent scars of priesthood and nunhood burned into their heads with joss-sticks; the women had the choice to have these scars burnt on their forearms. During the whole period of the ceremonies, both male and female novitiates remained within the temple precincts, living on a simple and austere vegetarian diet—a diet they will eat for the rest of their lives."

Even more than Buddhism, Islam is carrying on a vigorous missionary effort, especially among animistic peoples, and every year adds many new Moslems to its roll.

Christianity has a great opportunity in the Orient but it also has powerful rivals.

## Catholic Message to Protestants

The German Roman Catholic Day took place at the beginning of September in Mainz. The meeting sent a message to its "separated brethren" of which we quote the following extract:

"The oppression under which we have all suffered has created a feeling of unity between us, which fills us with joy and hope... a new sense of fellowship.

The theological discussions between Catholics and non-Catholics have now reached a stage when there is no question of polemical arguments or attempts to bridge differences, but when both sides are seeking for the heart of the truth. This is the responsibility of the clergy and of all who have been entrusted, by the Shepherd, with the care of His Church. We rejoice to see that this state of things is recognized and approved also by the leaders of the ecumenical movement.

"We are thinking especially of the help we have received in those parts of Germany which were formerly almost entirely Protestant.

Not only have the Protestants—both pastors and laymen—placed their churches and meeting-halls at our disposal, they have also helped the Roman Catholic priests in many personal ways in their difficult work.

We should like to thank them today with all our hearts, asking them not to flag in their help to their brethren."

—Christianity and Crisis, Nov. 15

"Sixty-two European theological students will study in the United States and Canada during the 1948-49 academic year on scholarships sponsored by the reconstruction department of the World Council of Churches and affiliated organizations."

This statement in "The Christian Century" tells us of just one of many concrete projects of the World Council of Churches to help the church in Europe to reestablish itself.

"We do not need more material development, we need more spiritual development. We do not need more intellectual power, we need more moral power. We do not need more knowledge, we need more character. We do not need more government, we need more culture. We do not need more of the things that are seen, we need more of the things that are unseen."

—Calvin Coolidge

## Presbyterians Hear Third of Sermon Series

At Central Presbyterian Church Sunday at 11 a. m., Rev. Paul S. Melish will give the third sermon in the series "What I Believe." His theme will be "The Holy Spirit." The choir, directed by Mrs. Edna Pearson and with Andrew Flanders at the organ will sing "Cherubim Song No. 7," Bortniansky.

Church school begins at 9:45 a. m. The young married couples and the young adults meet at 9:30 a. m. for coffee and rolls and their lessons and discussion. The former class meets in the Parish House, 1040 Pearl, to study Bible history with Dr. Breen and the latter class gather in the church kitchen, 1010 1/2 Pearl, with Rev. Melish as teacher.

Sunday at 7:45 p. m. will be the first of four Sunday Evening Conventions. Rev. Robert Bulkley of the Federated Churches of Corvallis will speak on "For Such An Hour As This" (The Place and Purpose of the Christian Church in the World). This will be followed by a discussion period and a social tea in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is welcome.

The Westminster Fellowship of Central Presbyterian Church meet Sunday evening as follows: Junior High will meet in the Parish House at 5 p. m. with Martha Quam as leader. Topic—"Mindful of Others." The Senior Highs will meet in the Parish House at 6:15 p. m. Leader, Mary Ann McKy. Topic—"Not a Perfect Marriage-Unless." The Genevas, young adults, will meet in the Fellowship Hall at 8:15 p. m. with Frank Cothrell in charge.

## 'Merge' Plans

Editor's Note: Some fast-growing Lane County communities will be particularly interested in the story below, which comes from the public relations department of the Federal Council of Churches.

CINCINNATI, Ohio—Protestant church leaders have been studying such problems of the rural and smaller churches, as over-churching villages, shifting population, and competition with self-supporting city churches.

They will consider two plans to remedy such problems, at their meeting here, Nov. 30: the "federated church" and the "united church."

In the "federated church" plan, the congregations of several denominations unite, without changing their denominational affiliation. Missionary funds are divided according to proportion of membership, between the various denominations. The minister is chosen from one denomination, and his successor will be chosen from another. Such a church is the Federated Churches (Presbyterian-Congregational) at Corvallis.

The "united church" calls for selection of a clergyman who confines his sermons and teachings to the evangelical and strictly non-sectarian channel. Persons of two or several denominations come into the church membership without particular segregation.

Sample constitutions for a "federated church" and a "united church" will be presented for consideration.

The plan for a united church is designed to meet the Christian needs of a churchless community where Protestants of different denominations either prefer to join in worship under one roof, or lack the numbers and resources to establish separate churches. Known as the "Los Alamos" plan it has been adopted by a church organized in October, 1947, in the atomic industrial research center in New Mexico.

Eligible for membership are Protestants who are members of a church or who declare their faith.

Baptism may be administered according to the form desired by the candidate. The government of the church is vested in its members.

On specific questions on which a wider expression of opinion is desired, the members may permit all regular contributors and workers in the church and church school 18 years of age and over to vote.

The minister shall be a clergyman, the constitution declares, "regularly ordained by some Protestant denomination affiliated with, or eligible to be affiliated with the Federal Council of Churches."

In its ecumenical relations it is declared, that while not subject to the control of any other ecclesiastical body the "united church" shall cultivate the fellowship of other churches and cooperate with them. It shall establish cooperative relations with the Federal Council of Churches, the Home Missions Council, and other ecumenical agencies as seem to it desirable.

## Churches, Too, Eye Pollsters

"How Religious Is America? How Correct Are the Religious Pollsters?" will be the theme of Dr. Vance H. Webster at the First Baptist Church Sunday at 11 a. m. The service will be broadcast over KASH. The choir, under the direction of Estley Schick, will sing.

Eight young people from the Western Baptist Theological Seminary in Portland will participate in the evening service at 7:30 p. m. They will give special musical numbers and testimonies. Dr. Webster will speak on "Drinking From Wells Or Broken Cisterns?"

The Go-To-Sunday-School-in-November campaign closes this Sunday. Everyone is invited at 9:45 a. m. The Young Married Couples class, taught by Dr. Webster, is discussing the question "How to Make the Home Christian." The seven fellowship groups will meet at 6:30.

The Women's Union is having a Christmas party with potluck dinner Tuesday at 6:15 p. m.

Friday at 6:45 p. m. Rev. Louis Lehman of Portland will be the speaker at the eighth annual banquet of the Baptist Men's Fellowship. There will be election of officers.

## First Christian

"Recapturing The Thrill of Advent" will be the message of Hugh N. McCallum of the First Christian Church at the 11 a. m. service. Special music by the choir.

Theme of the Youth Service is "The Time Observance of Holy Spirit." At 7:30 p. m. Larry Moore will conduct the song service and Joy White will provide the special music. The youth speakers are Kathleen Taylor, Gwen Haines, Joan Daniels and Bob Griffith.

Bible school 9:45 a. m. Nursery service is maintained during both morning services. Junior church is held in the junior department rooms from 11 until 12.

Junior High group meets at 5 p. m. for a social and recreation period and Christian Endeavor. High School Christian Endeavor meets at 6:15 p. m. in the annex, and the Town and Campus group in the White Room at 6.

Fellowship dinner (potluck) Wednesday at 6:30 p. m. in the church dining hall. Professor Victor E. Hoven of Northwest Christian College will bring a Bible study on the "Significance of the Virgin Birth."

## 'Live Like Christ' Van Lierop's Topic

At Fairmount Presbyterian. "How To Live Like Christ," is the Rev. John H. Van Lierop's topic at the 11 a. m. service.

At 3:30 p. m. the new Intermediate group will meet, directed by Mrs. Van Lierop, for children eight to 11, at the church.

At 6:30 p. m. the senior high Westminster Fellowship meets in the church. J. Taylor will give the talk, Junior High Westminster Fellowship also meets at the church, 6:30 p. m. This is the first meeting for the newly-organized junior group.

## At Temple Baptist

Temple Baptist Church meets in Bible School at 9:45 a. m. with John Tallant leading. At 11 a. m. the pastor, Rev. Frank Nixon, will speak on "The Church."

Director Ollie Allen will lead the Training Union at 6:30 p. m. followed by the evening worship service at 7:30. The pastor's evening message will be on "The New Testament Churches Commission." Mid-week prayer service at 7:30 p. m. each Thursday. Temple Baptist services are held at the S.D.A. Church, corner Seventh and Charlelton. Their affiliation is with Southern Baptist.

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## Registry for Communion at Grace Lutheran

"When Christmas Comes" will be sermon subject of Rev. W. B. Maier in the 11 a. m. Sunday service at Grace Lutheran Church. There will be special music.

Registry for holy communion on the first Sunday in December may be made immediately after the Sunday service.

The initial rehearsal of the children's Christmas Eve program will be held in the church Sunday at 3 p. m.

The Lutheran Laymen's League will meet in the church parlor at 8 p. m. on Sunday. Henry Dodge will preside. John V. Sullivan will lead the topic discussion.

Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. At 9:30 a. m. the Lutheran Hour will be broadcast over KORE. The adult membership class will meet in the church parlor Monday at 8 p. m. Choir rehearsal Wednesday 7:30 p. m.

The congregation of United Lutheran Church worships at the Music Chapel of Northwest Christian College, East Eleventh and Kincaid.

At the 11 o'clock service, Rev. J. L. Sawyer, pastor, will speak on "The Advent of the King." The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed.

The Luther League meets at 5:30 p. m. at the W. A. Erickson residence, 1625 Hilyard. Church School Association meets Monday at 8 p. m. at the E. J. Jullis residence, 1391 Agate St. Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.

## 'Uncle John' Opens At Temple Sunday

"Uncle John" Meredith of Chicago will be speaking three times at Lighthouse Temple—11 a. m., then at an interdenominational N. A. E. (National Association of Evangelicals) rally at 2:30 p. m. and at 7:30 p. m.

Meredith is the founder of the "Family Bible League," and the editor of "The Bible and the News." He was also the originator of the first "Family Worship" radio broadcast in America. His tour on the west coast is being sponsored by the Portland office of the N. A. E. He is considered to be one of the foremost authorities on Bible prophecy in the world today, having devoted 31 years in research work.

Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. and don't forget that this is the last Sunday of the GO TO SUNDAY SCHOOL month drive. The young people's group known as Overcomers meet at 8 p. m.

Tuesday at 7:30 p. m. "The Lights of the World," the Missionary Union of the Bible Standard Institute, will be presenting a missionary service. Friday night at 7:30 p. m. a youth service will be conducted.

## 'Advent' Series at Trinity Methodist

"Man's Need," the first of a series of advent meditations, is the sermon topic of Rev. R. W. Burtner, preaching at 11 a. m., Trinity Methodist Church, meeting in the River Road School.

Music will be provided by Mrs. P. L. Wallace, who will play "Barcarolle" by Offenbach and "Elegie" by Massenet. Church school begins at 9:45 a. m. Nursery supervision is provided during the church hour.

The Methodist Youth Fellowship meets at 6:30 p. m. at the parsonage, 1610 Horn Lane, with Lawrence Bell in charge.

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## Teddy Leavitt At Marcola

MARCOLA—Teddy Leavitt, of Thorpe, Wash., well-known evangelist, will be holding revival services at the Marcola Church of Christ, starting Nov. 28, Sunday, and until Sunday, Dec. 12.

Everyone is welcome to come. The services will be each evening except Monday, 7:30 p. m. Bible prophecy science and the Bible, second coming of Christ, and interpretations of the New Testament will be among the subjects to be treated by the speaker. Local and Northwest Christian College musicians and singers will be heard at some of the meetings.

## Mission at Episcopalian

A teaching mission will begin St. Mary's Episcopal in beginning Sunday evening, Dec. 28 and continuing every until Friday, Dec. 31.

The conductor is the Rev. Charles M. Guilbert, pastor, Stephen's Cathedral, Portland. The mission is at once to the public and stranger be cordially welcomed.

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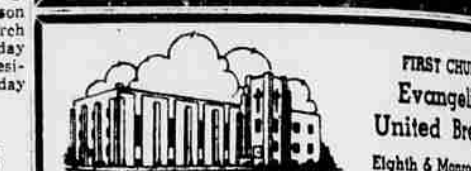
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## How "Good" Are You?

After a course of sixteen lectures, Mr. Martin was accepted into membership with the Church. "I must admit," says Mr. Martin later, "all my life I had understood the Church and the Christian religion. I had thought that being a Christian meant being good, and I thought that I was as good as most Christians."

There are thousands of Mr. Martins. Somewhere along the line they get ideas that to be a Christian meant simply to be good. And so they stayed away from the church, either because they were "good" and thought they didn't need a church, or because they were "bad" and were not interested in making a change.

But being a Christian involves far more than merely being good. For one thing, no matter how "good" you are, you are still a sinner. That is, in God's sight, "There is no difference," says, "for all have sinned." "There is not a just man upon earth that doeth good and sinneth not."

Being a Christian means, first of all, acknowledging we are bad, hopelessly bad, and then relying solely and upon Christ for our salvation. By His death in our place He has atoned for our wickedness; by His resurrection He has shown that His atonement will avail; and by His ascension to the Father's House above He has assured us that He is enthroned on high, mightily able to guide us and protect us. Yes, there is a whole lot more to being a Christian than just being "good." There is a world of comfort, assurance, strength for the man who has tasted the real glory of Christian faith. That is what millions of Mr. Martins have learned.

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## "The CHURCHES OF CHRIST salute you"

There Is Something in A Name

You may feel that names make little difference. "It is the quality of what is represented you might think, rather than the mere word in representation, which is important." On the other hand, consider the following reasons which show that names used by followers of Christ either individually or collectively are important and should be thought used.

The followers of Christ have been given names to wear in the Word of God. Individually they are called "brother," "disciple," "Christian," "believer." Collectively, the Bible speaks of Christians as the "church," the "church of God," the "churches of Christ." Obedience to implies using what He has provided. Therefore, in obeying Him completely we must use the names which He has given for us.

Names convey meanings. This is almost universally true in the Bible. God called Abram's name to "Abraham" because the latter name had a meaning that God wanted understood. It meant "father of multitudes." In turn, Abraham and his wife named Isaac, "Isaac" meaning "laughter." They wanted a name to remind them of the way Sarah laughed in doubt when a son was first promised. So it goes throughout the Bible. Names used by both God and man as a way of conveying significant meanings. God has given names "Christian," "churches of Christ," etc., and through these names He speaks to the world.

Names are often bestowed on one to honor or another. A wife takes her husband's name as a token of honor and respect for him. A family honors a favorite aunt by naming a child after her. Religiously, when we wear the name of some man, some doctrine, or church, we honor that. To honor our Savior, we should bear his name and none other. His name that every knee shall bow. There is something in a name!

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## Youth Meetings At Streamlined

The Seventh Day Adventist Church is sponsoring meetings for youth, Sundays at 7:30 p. m. at the Streamlined Auditorium. In its Youth Crusade for Christ program, Melvin Atwood, student at the vocational school, will speak on "Qualifications For Heavenly Citizenship."

## Rev. Taylor Gives Course

Rev. Richard S. Taylor, pastor of the Church of the Nazarene, will address the student body of Cascade College, Portland, next week in a series of lectures running Monday through Friday on the theme, "The Historical and Doctrinal Implications of Pentecost." This will be his second annual course of lectures at the College.

## Hans C. Nielsen Speaks at Emmaus

Morning worship will be at 11 a. m. Hans C. Nielsen will conduct the service at Emmaus Lutheran Church in the absence of Pastor Svendsen, who will install the new pastor in the Bethany Lutheran Church at Portland Sunday school and Bible classes will be at 9:45 a. m.

## Bethesda Lutheran

DANEBO—Rev. N. A. Eggen will preach at 11 a. m. Sunday at the Bethesda Lutheran Church in the absence of Rev. Ingrid Olson, who is in Idaho on account of the death of his mother in a traffic accident, last Sunday, in Shoshone, Idaho. He expected to return the early part of next week, after attending burial services at Racine, Wis.

Sunday school and bible classes at 9:45 a. m. The choir will sing "Prayer of Thanksgiving."