

New Departure at Union Seminary

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Advanced training beyond the usual scope of divinity studies will be offered at Union Theological Seminary, New York, beginning in the fall of 1955. When the program is fully under way, it will include from 20 to 25 young religious leaders from all over the world. Presumably they will be men and women who have shown not only scholastic competence but also ability as leaders of church life. At Union they will work together on "the realities of moral and spiritual problems in the contemporary world," according to the seminary's announcement. But what is unique about that? Why do they have to come to Union to secure what should be available generally? Unfortunately the contemporary world receives too little attention in many seminaries abroad. These students at Union will seek "training in the role of Christianity at the present time; education in the beliefs and practices of the principal non-Christian faiths and the study of ideologies and methodologies of secular and totalitarian movements which seek the allegiance of men." This combining of studies of this

confrontation of the Christian faith by its chief challengers, plus the opportunity of engaging in such studies in a fellowship of Christians from many lands, is unique and highly promising. It should provide the kind of advanced additional training that—to use the only parallel which comes readily to mind—the military services provide at the War College for officers who have proved their capacity for important command responsibilities. Because Dr. Hendrick Kraemer has had experience in this kind of high-level training at the Ecumenical Institute, Bossey, Switzerland, it is good news that he has been invited to help initiate the venture at Union. Kenneth Scott Latourette and M. Searle Bates are to serve on the board of advisers. We hope the project, which is to be financed by a \$525,000 grant from the Rockefeller Foundation, succeeds and becomes an accepted feature of the world Christian movement. Since American church life needs such leadership training as badly if not as immediately as does the church life of other countries, success at Union may lead to similar attempts in other schools.

Spotlight on Children's Day At Central Pres.

Children's Day will be observed at Central Presbyterian Church Sunday, June 13, when the Church School presents a program entitled "Our Church" at 9:30 a.m. in the church sanctuary. Parents and friends are invited to attend. There will be no 11 o'clock session of Church School on that day.

At the 11 o'clock church service, the Rev. Paul S. Mellish will preach the concluding sermon of a series entitled "Lessons From Great Men of the Bible." His subject for this Sunday is "Paul—Temple of the Living God."

Forty-two junior-age children of Central Church will leave Sunday afternoon for Silver Creek Falls for a week of camping, sponsored by Willamette Presbytery. This year two camps are being conducted simultaneously for this age group at Silver Creek. The Rev. Mr. Mellish is serving as dean of one camp and the Rev. Ronald Clarke of Nelscott as dean of the other. A total of 120 boys and girls will be in attendance.

The Senior High Westminster Fellowship will meet in the Parish House at 6 p.m. Sunday for a special meeting.

The Junior High Westminster Fellowship will meet Wednesday from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall for a program of recreation and worship. A snack bar will be provided. The group will meet at this new time throughout the summer.

Catholic Men In Springfield Get Organized

The temporary steering committee of the newly organized Men's Holy Name Society of St. Alice Catholic Church, met recently to make plans for the first regular meeting and election of permanent officers.

Sixty-five members have signed up and they will receive Holy Communion in a group at the 7:30 Mass, Sunday, June 13th. This will be followed by a breakfast and election of officers.

Those in charge of the arrangements are Ed Gross, program; Lee Andrews, notices; and Fred Jenkins, menu. Others on the steering committee are Kenneth Wiley, Ben Rohleder and Art Laughlin.

Reception For Johnsons

The newly appointed pastor of the First Methodist Church, Dr. Reeter W. Johnson, will be the preacher in both the 9:45 and 11:00 o'clock worship services Sunday morning. "The Unforgettable Gospel" will be the sermon title.

Sunday a welcoming reception will be given at 8 p.m. in the church social hall honoring Dr. and Mrs. Johnson, and is open to members and friends of the church.

Dr. and Mrs. Johnson arrived from Yakima, Washington, last week and are established in the parsonage on Charnell Street.

Springfield Churches Are Busy With Graduation, DVBS

By VERA HANSEN

Many churches will open DVBS during the week and several are holding early services Sunday evening, or canceling them, so members may attend Baccalaureate at Springfield High School. Other groups are planning to hold camp sessions in the near future as part of religious training for youth and adults.

Springfield Lutheran Church is the only one holding day-long classes, and for grade scholars only. Classes will begin Wednesday and finish Saturday and will be in session from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. Pupils are to bring sack lunches. Beverages will be furnished. Harry Sorenson, assistant pastor, will be superintendent of the school. A pre-school series was held recently.

Babies Parade To Emphasize Home Sermon

The annual Cradle Roll Sunday will be observed with a baby parade at the First Baptist Church Sunday at 11 a.m. After the little ones are carried in the parade and are introduced to the congregation they will be taken to the church nurseries and the parents will occupy a reserved section in the church. The pastor, Dr. Vance H. Webster, will speak on "The Anchors of the Home."

There will be a special children's period at the 7:30 p.m. service with a number of the children participating. The teachers and workers in the Vacation Bible School will participate in a service of dedication. Sermon: "Not for Sale."

The Rev. Leonard Ravenhill of England will speak at a special service at the church Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. and the Rev. Paul Gupta, high caste Hindu who is a Christian, will speak Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

J. Michael Shelley Honored by Church At Farewell Potluck

The Rev. J. Michael Shelley who has pastored the Santa Clara Church of Christ for a number of years, announced recently his retirement from the pastorate. He will be for the present at his ranch in the Lorane district.

His last sermon at Santa Clara will be preached Sunday, June 13, on the topic: "Some Forgotten Truths in the Great Commission." At 7:30 he speaks on "Light and Responsibility." After the morning service the church will honor him with a farewell potluck dinner.

Gordon Thompson, former member of the church, will take over the pastor's duties temporarily. He has been for the past six or seven years a missionary to the Mexican residents of El Paso, Texas, and plans to go to Porto Rico in missionary work in the near future.

Bethel Bible School

BETHEL Christian Church, 2800 Wood Ave., announces the start of its daily vacation Bible school this Monday at 1:30 p.m. Students may register at the Monday session. The term ends June 25. Daily sessions are from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Ebbert Memorial Methodist Church evening service has been canceled so that all may attend services for graduates at the high school. A morning service for graduates will be given at 11 a.m.

The Rev. Harold Shellhart will leave Monday to participate in pre-convention committee meetings before the Oregon Conference which convenes Tuesday thru Saturday in Portland.

Ralph Fullerton will be lay representative to the conference. Thursday will be for Women's Society of Christian Service, and Saturday will be "youth day."

DVBS will begin Monday at 9 a.m. and run thru the 25th for children ages four to 14. Mrs. Harold Shellhart is superintendent.

"Youth Launches Out" will be the sermon topic at the Christian Church Sunday morning. No evening service will be held.

DVBS will begin Wednesday with closing exercises on the 25th. Mrs. Gilbert Cross is in charge with Mrs. E. S. Worden, kindergarten; Mrs. Roland Mosier, primary and Mrs. Jim McLarrin, juniors.

The Rev. Max Fisk is busy building a baptismal tank in Calvary Temple. A new stove has been donated for the kitchens by the Missionary League and will be installed soon.

The Rev. Jess Lanning of Eureka, California will speak Sunday morning.

"All Men are Persons" will be the sermon topic at Presbyterian Church at 11 a.m. It is an outgrowth of the Supreme Court ruling on segregation.

Terry Snyder, son of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Snyder will leave Sunday to participate in a camp program at Silver Creek. Other boys and girls of different ages will attend the camp at other dates.

The Rev. and Mrs. Wesley Graves and 20 adults will go up the McKenzie with youth from the Free Methodist Church Tuesday leaving at 1 p.m. The group will remain up-river until late Saturday. Reservations for the camp period should be made with the pastor at 7:20 p.m.

Marcus Ghl will fill the pulpit in the morning worship time. A 6:30 p.m. vesper service has been arranged to permit attendance at high school Baccalaureate.

DVBS at Conservative Baptist Church is set to begin Monday at 9 a.m. and continue daily (five days) until closing program on the 25th. Mrs. John Benton will be superintendent.

A dedication of babies will take place at Nazarene Church at 11 a.m.

DVBS will start Wednesday running through the 29th from 9 a.m. until noon Monday through Friday. The pastor will be in charge with 20 teachers and workers under him.

The Rev. and Mrs. Herbert Sackett who will leave soon for a new pastorate at Port Angeles, Wash., are leaving now on a vacation. They will spend part of it house hunting. The Rev. Mr. Sackett has just completed the building of a home for his family at 1733 N. 18th when they accepted the call to the north. Everything has worked out well because a newly married couple who were members of the church have purchased the home.

BEREAN BAPTIST Chapel recently became Berean Baptist Church, fully independent of the parent organization, First Baptist Church. Here we see the minister, Norman Wetter, looking over the church constitution in his office with some visitors. Seated, left to right, Gary Poppings, deacon, The Rev. Mr. Wetter, and Dr. Robert Butler, lay member. Standing, George Hammock, lay member, and Nelson Chamberlain, deacon. In the exterior view, the minister and deacon Chamberlain stand before the church building, at 12th and Chambers. The sign, reading "Chapel" will soon be changed to read "Berean Baptist Church." The church is named for the early church at Berea, which received the teachings of Paul and Silas with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily. (Acts: 17:11.)

Bereans Move To Full Status Of a Church

By unanimous vote of the membership, Berean Baptist Church became Berean Baptist Church last Wednesday evening. By virtue of this action, the Board of Trustees was authorized to execute and file articles of incorporation, thus establishing the body as an independent Baptist church.

Steady growth and progress have characterized the history of Berean Chapel from the start. Through the First Baptist Church, the chapel had its beginning as a mission Sunday school in December, 1942. The first classes were held in a store building (now Jensen's Drugstore) on the corner of West 11th and Chambers with an initial attendance of 34.

Situated in a rapidly-growing area of Southwest Eugene, the Sunday school personnel soon felt the need of more space as attendance increased. Property was purchased one block south of the original meeting place and plans for a building were begun. The new chapel building was dedicated July 9, 1950, under the leadership of its pastor, the Rev. Earl Peden.

In August, 1951, the chapel called as its first full-time pastor the Rev. Norman Wetter, a graduate of Fuller Theological Seminary in Pasadena, Calif. Since that time, a full church program has been developed including a men's fellowship and women's missionary circle.

All chapel indebtedness was cleared in April, 1953. At that time the chapel voted to seek its independence in accordance with the established policy of First Baptist Church. Following a "trial year" during which the chapel functioned independently as a church, with the membership raising a budget of \$14,749, independence was granted by a unanimous vote of the members of First Baptist Church.

The names of 184 members will constitute the charter membership of the new church. As to the Sunday school constituency, during the past year the attendance average was 207 a Sunday. Because of increased attendance, a building committee was elected to make plans for expansion of existing facilities. At present the church building and property are valued at \$30,000.

The articles of incorporation will be signed by the present Board of Trustees consisting of Arthur Morrow, chairman, Lawrence Cagle, Ivan Hayes, Dallas Schiwe and Claude Williams. As the chapel has now matured to a church status, the members have again expressed their acknowledgment and sincere gratitude to the pastor and members of First Baptist Church whose vision, labor, prayer and finances have made Berean Baptist Church a reality today.

Christian Scientists Select President

William R. Knox of Boston, Mass., has been named president of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass., at the annual meeting of The Mother Church attended by Christian Scientists from many parts of the world. Knox has been an authorized Christian Science practitioner in Boston—the world headquarters of the Christian Science movement—for almost 30 years.



Coles to Open New Church In Eugene

The Rev. and Mrs. W. C. Cole, former pastors of the Lighthouse Temple, whose pastorate there terminated with May 17 services, have announced that they will be pastors of a new church in the city of Eugene. Negotiations are being made for a building site, the location to be announced soon.

For the past two Sundays services were conducted by the Coles in the Lincoln School. This coming Sunday meetings will be held in the new River Road School, on Hilliard Lane just off River Road. Sunday School classes will be held at 9:45 a.m., with church at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. The Rev. Edythe Cole speaks in the morning, the Rev. W. C. Cole in the evening.

Assisting the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Cole in their new venture will be the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Phil Holsington, former pastors of the Open Bible Standard Church at Sprague River, Ore. The Holsingtons will be the directors of the youth program.

Also working with the Coles will be Miss Mildred Thompson, former secretary and music director of the Lighthouse Temple. She will be serving in the same capacity in the new church.

The Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Cole are affiliated with the Open Bible Standard Churches, Inc., which has its national headquarters in Des Moines, Iowa. During the four and a half years the couple pastored the Lighthouse Temple, a \$35,000 improvement program was engaged in. This included a new heating system, new tile flooring, new opera chairs and pews, new drapes and a complete redecoration program for the building inside and out. A \$25,000 parsonage, located at 295 West 22nd Ave., was built during the past year. During this time the annual church budget was increased \$27,000.

First Baptist DVBS

June 14-25 are the dates for the Daily Vacation Bible School to be held at the First Baptist Church of Eugene, with four departments, Kindergarten, Primary, Junior, and Junior High. The theme of the school is "Pioneering With Christ." There will be Bible instruction periods, memory work, and interesting handcraft plus a program of music, films, and missionary speakers.

Nazarenes Reveal DVBS Schedules

Church of the Nazarene announces its Daily Vacation Bible School for June 14 through 25, nursery through junior high age, at the church 8th and Madison. Hours will be 9 a.m. to noon, with mid-morning snack for children through the first grade age. Transportation will be furnished, with Mrs. Gordon Olsen, Ph. 5-3659, in charge. Alternate number to call for transportation is that of Mrs. Harold Yancy, 5-7605, supervisor for the school.

Theme for this year is "Adventures With Jesus." There will be craft work for all ages, including ceramics and copperware. Color slides will be shown, and some of the lessons will be in flannel-graph. There will be supervised play periods.

GOSPEL SERVICES

Conducted by
Rev. and Mrs. W. C. Cole
—SUNDAY—
Sunday School 9:45
Morning Worship 11:00
Sermon by Rev. Edythe Cole
Youth Service 6:00
Rev. and Mrs. Phil Holsington in charge
Evangelistic Service 7:30
Sermon by Rev. W. C. Cole
EVERYONE WELCOME

SERVICES WILL BE HELD IN THE . . .
NEW RIVER ROAD SCHOOL
HILLIARD LANE (just off River Road)



Report From the Orient!
Sunday 11 A. M.
MISSIONARY MARGARET CARLOW
at the
First Assembly of God
710 W. 13th Ave.
EUGENE
9:45 A. M. Sunday School—
A Welcome and a Class for YOU!
7:45 P. M. "Startling Facts About the Days Preceding the Flood of Noah's Day"
Rev. Krogstad Preaching
11 P. M. Listen! "PEACE IN THE VALLEY"—KUGN—Dial 590
Rev. E. Elsworth Krogstad, Pastor—Rev. Norm Campbell, Asst.

Eugene Youth For Christ
7:30 TONIGHT
7:30 at Friendly Street Church of God,
23rd & Friendly
Speaker—Leonard Ravenhill,
English Evangelist
Film—Featuring Mrs. Graham
—YFC CHOIR—

FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
8th & MADISON
9:45 A. M. — Sunday School
11:00 A. M. — Morning Worship
MESSAGE:
"HOLINESS AND MODERN PROBLEMS"
6:30 p.m. Youth Services
7:30 p.m. Evening Service
Sermon:
"Holiness and Compromise"
DUANE E. MUTH
PASTOR
"The Church With the Lighted Spire"

DAILY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
June 14-24
"Sunday School Contest in Full Swing"
Rev. Wendell Wallace
dynamic Negro Evangelistic Guest Speaker
For Both A.M. and P.M. Services
The Friendly St. CHURCH of GOD
23rd & Friendly Sts.
Wilma I. Perry, Minister

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