

In the Church Role Unclear To Laymen

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Christian laymen have progressed—if that is the right word—from apathy to confusion about their role in the church.

In recent years, they have been told time and again, by the highest ecclesiastical authorities, that they are supposed to be leaders rather than lackeys. They have been exhorted to bestir themselves and become working partners of the clergy in the advancement of Christ's kingdom.

But when they try to respond to these appeals, they find that many clergymen are unwilling to move over and make room for them. Frustrated in their attempts to play an important role in the church, some laymen have concluded that what the clergy actually want is more active lackeys, not real lay leaders.

Frustration breeds resentment. A noted Roman Catholic scholar, Msgr. John Tracy Ellis, warned recently that the "virus of anti-clericalism" is beginning to appear in America. He said it is likely to spread unless the clergy can be "persuaded that present conditions call for relaxing some of the power and authority that they have been accustomed to exercise."

The Protestant magazine Christian Century reported last week that "Protestantism also shows tendencies toward anti-clericalism. It said, 'the patience of the Protestant laity is being strained' by 'clerical manipulation' of the reins of power, which gives laymen the illusion but not the reality of leadership in church affairs.

The Christian Century suggested that much of the current criticism of the National Council of Churches comes from embittered laymen who make the council "The scapegoat for a generalized bias against the clergy."

Another Side

Without detracting from the gravity of these warnings, it is only fair to point out that the strain in lay-clerical relations cannot be blamed entirely on the clergy. There is another side to the story.

Clergymen complain privately that some laymen are trying to take over their pastors' jobs, while ignoring the tremendous task which is the laity's rightful responsibility in the total mission of the church.

That task was clearly defined by a report from the New Delhi assembly of the World Council of Churches last fall:

"If the Christian witness is to penetrate into all those areas where the work of the world is carried on, it must be carried there by laymen. They alone can bring Christian judgment to bear upon all the issues of life in the spheres of industry and commerce, scientific research and social organization, and all the other activities which make up the workaday world."

Primary Calling

Much of the friction noted by Msgr. Ellis and the Christian Century might be eliminated if laymen understood that their primary calling is not to operate inside the institutional church—as leaders or lackeys—but to serve as Christ's representatives in "the workaday world."

Through their daily associations, laymen can communicate the Christian message to millions of people who are beyond the reach of the clergy. It is true that many laymen feel unprepared for this kind of ministry. But churches are now opening up many opportunities for laymen to overcome their Biblical and theological illiteracy, and to become articulate ambassadors of the Christian faith. The layman who fails to take advantage of these training opportunities cannot be very serious about wanting to pull his full weight in the mission of the church.

Love One Another

But personal evangelism, however important, is not the only dimension of the layman's responsibility. By the express teaching and example of Christ, the church is concerned with the physical as well as the spiritual welfare of human beings. The one test of discipleship that Jesus laid down was that "ye love one another." And he made clear that loving your neighbor involves such highly practical matters as caring whether he has enough food to eat, a decent

On Mixed Marriages Last Word Changed By Pastors

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For many years, pastors had one word of advice for couples contemplating a religious mixed marriage.

The word was: "Don't."

This is still the first and best counsel they have to offer to the young people who are thinking of marrying outside their faith.

But they now recognize that it cannot be their last word on the subject. In spite of all warnings, mixed marriages are taking place in large numbers. Unable to prevent them, pastors are seeking ways to make them work.

"There has been no change in the church's opposition to mixed marriages," Fr. John C. Knott, director of the Catholic Family Life Bureau, said in an interview.

"We still say they're hazardous and ought to be avoided. But we are trying to take a positive approach to the ones which do occur."

A similar view was expressed from the Protestant side by David R. Mace, president of the National Council on Family Relations. In a recent issue of the Christian Advocate, Methodist magazine for clergymen, he pointed out that interfaith marriages have a breakdown rate "between two and three times higher than that of marriages within the same faith."

"It is still good policy to warn young people of the hazards involved—and to do it in time," Dr. Mace said. "But the stern realities of the situation demand that we consider what to do if such a marriage does develop."

Both Fr. Knott and Mace are convinced that a mixed marriage has a far better chance of survival if the partners avoid the temptation to treat religion as a taboo subject.

Instead of shying away from religion as a potential source of friction, Fr. Knott said, a Protestant-Catholic couple should "try to build up the religious life of the family from the common elements of their belief."

"They may find," he said, "that they share more important convictions than they had realized. After all, both of them are Christians."

He suggested, for example, that Protestant and Catholic mates join in grace at meals, in saying the Lord's Prayer, and in reading the Bible.

"They can start a little ecumenical movement on the domestic level," he said.

Mace said it is extremely important for partners in an interfaith marriage to "study carefully the meaning of each other's faith."

★ TELEVISION SCHEDULES ★					
KVAL-TV NBC Channel 3 Cable 3	KEZI-TV ABC Channel 9 Cable 5	KOIN-TV CBS Channel 5 Cable 8	KPTV ABC Chan. 12 Cable 12, 4	KGW-TV NBC Channel 8 Cable 10	
SATURDAY, JUNE 23, 1962					
5:00 Shotgun Slade	Roller Derby	Red Gunning	Riverboat	Movie	
5:15 Shotgun Slade	Roller Derby	Hollywood Park	Wanted Dead	Movie	
5:30 Miami Undercover	Roller Derby	Time for Sports	Or Alive	Casey Jones	
5:45 Miami Undercover	Roller Derby			Casey Jones	
6:00 Sat. Night Report	Emerald Bowling	Flying Doctor	Pinbusters	Trackdown	
6:15 Feature Shorts	Emerald Bowling	Flying Doctor	Pinbusters	Trackdown	
6:30 Pete & Gladys	Emerald Bowling	The Californians	Pinbusters	Sat. News	
6:45 Pete & Gladys	Emerald Bowling			Sandus Vancow	
7:00 Mr. Ed	Fight of Week	The Third Man	Fight of Week	Chet Huntley	
7:15 Mr. Ed	Fight of Week	The Third Man	Fight of Week	Chet Huntley	
7:30 Wells Fargo (c)	Fight of Week	Perry Mason	Fight of Week	Wells Fargo	
7:45 Wells Fargo (c)	Fight of Week	Perry Mason	Fight of Week	Wells Fargo	
8:00 Wells Fargo (c)	Calvin and the Colonel	Perry Mason	Calvin and Col.	Wells Fargo	
8:15 Wells Fargo (c)	Leave It to Beaver	The Defenders	Calvin and Col.	Wells Fargo	
8:30 Tall Man	Leave It to Beaver	The Defenders	Leave It to Beaver	Tall Man	
8:45 Tall Man	Leave It to Beaver	The Defenders		Tall Man	
9:00 Sat. Night Movies	Lawrence Welk	The Defenders	Lawrence Welk	Sat. Night Movies	
9:15 "With A Song In My Heart"	Lawrence Welk	The Defenders	Lawrence Welk	"With A Song In My Heart"	
9:30 Sat. Night Movies	Lawrence Welk	The Defenders	Lawrence Welk	Sat. Night Movies	
9:45 Sat. Night Movies	Lawrence Welk	The Defenders	Lawrence Welk	Sat. Night Movies	
10:00 Sat. Night Movies	Room for One More	Gunslinger	Room for One More	Sat. Night Movies	
10:15 Sat. Night Movies	Room for One More	Gunslinger	Room for One More	Sat. Night Movies	
10:30 Sat. Night Movies	Famous Playhouse	Gunslinger	Peter Gunn	Sat. Night Movies	
10:45 Sat. Night Movies	Famous Playhouse	Gunslinger	Peter Gunn	Sat. Night Movies	
11:00 Sat. Night Movies	News 9	Sat. Night Movies	Sat. News	Sat. Night Movies	
11:15 "Eddie Cantor Story"	Movie	Movie	Movie	Movie	
11:30 "Eddie Cantor Story"	Movie	Movie	Movie	Movie	
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FCC Asked To Switch TV Channel

Owners of a Eugene radio station are requesting the Federal Communications Commission to permit establishment of a new television channel here.

Richard B. Thompson, president of the Emerald Broadcasting Corp., which operates station KPIR, said Wednesday a formal request has been made to the FCC to have Channel 3 in Salem transferred to Eugene.

The request, filed Tuesday of this week, pointed out that Channel 3 has been assigned to Salem for ten years, during which time the channel has remained inactive. The letter further states, said Thompson, that Salem is adequately served by four commercial television stations in Portland. But Eugene—too far from Portland to receive direct broadcasts from those stations—has two commercial TV channels and an educational channel from Corvallis.

Thompson said this request to the FCC is merely to have Channel 3 allocated to Eugene. It is not an application for the Emerald Broadcasting Corp. to operate that channel here. But he acknowledged that his firm would have an interest in applying for such a permit should the channel be assigned to Eugene.

Radio station KPIR went on the air in Eugene last February. Other officers in the corporation, besides Thompson, are Thompson's brother, T. F. Thompson, vice president, and J. Hobart Wilson, secretary-treasurer.

Farewell Luncheon To Be Held Sunday

Emmaus Lutheran Church, 1250 W. 18th Ave., Eugene, will have a farewell luncheon for Mr. and Mrs. Don Moore of Eugene and the Moores' children, Douglas and Cheryl, Sunday after the 10 a.m. standard, 11 a.m. daylight, service.

Moore, a member of the Eugene church, has just graduated from the University of Oregon and has enrolled at Pacific Lutheran Seminary at Berkeley, Calif., to begin theological studies.

Television Previews 'Finders, Keepers' Problem for Perry

Daylight Time
Television Previews below, and radio and television schedules elsewhere on this page, are all given in Pacific Daylight Time.

Perry Mason is somewhat startled when he finds a 13-year-old lad seeking his legal advice to-night at 7:30 on Channel 6.

The boy refuses to answer Mason's questions but insists upon knowing if "finders, keepers" is legal. He becomes more cooperative when his grandfather is charged with murder and detectives find part of the money stolen from a finance company in his home.

Other Saturday previews:
7 p.m., **Fight of the Week** (9-12)—Joey Archer, New York City, meets Jose Gonzales, Puerto Rico, in a 10-round middleweight bout at Madison Square Garden.

8:30 p.m., **The Defenders** (6)—A repeat showing of "The Trial of Jenny Scott." A man is allegedly shot by his wife and the father-son team is appointed to defend her in what appears to be an open and shut case of murder in the first degree. Most of the play revolves around the trial itself and Pat Hingle is given a chance to shine in the role of star witness.

8:30 p.m., **Leave It To Beaver** (9-12)—The Cleaver boys are buying stock out of their savings in tonight's show. Dad Cleaver offers some sound advice but Eddie Haskell interferences.

Movies

7 p.m. (2)—"The Late George Apley." Ronald Colman, Peggy Cummins, J. P. Marquand's pungent satire on stuffy Boston society emerges on the screen as a pleasing family comedy, milder than "Life With Father" and not half as good. (1947—good).

9 p.m. (13-8)—"With A Song In My Heart." Susan Hayward, David Wayne, Rory Calhoun, Thelma Ritter. A very entertaining film despite a bad script. Miss Hayward stars as singer Jane Forman, who makes a comeback after a near

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7:00 p.m. OBSERVATIONS OF SOUTHEAST ASIA
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Reception Set Sunday at Church

Sunday is filled with a busy schedule at First Baptist Church, Eugene.

It will be the final day at the church for the Rev. Marvin Webster, minister of youth and youngest son of the church's pastor, the Rev. Vance Webster.

Marvin Webster will be leaving Eugene for the pastorate at University Baptist Church, Santa Cruz, Calif.

A farewell reception for him will be held after the church's evening service at 7 p.m. standard, 8 p.m. daylight. Everyone is welcome.

At the evening service, the Daily Vacation Bible School students will present a program, "An Adventure in Time."



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Don't Miss These Meetings
8 P.M. D.S.T. Rev. Don Smith. Returning to Africa next week.
• Closing Program D.V.B.S. Don't Miss
• Farewell Reception for "Marv" Webster following the evening program—all welcome.
11 A.M. D.S.T. "WHAT IS THE CHURCH FOR?" DR. WEBSTER, speaking
• KASH Broadcast
Monday, June 25th, Jr. Hi Camp - Harlow Lodge
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10:45 "MEASURING UP TO LIFE" Dr. Carlton Buck 7:30 p.m.
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