

COUNTY CONFERENCE TO BE HELD IN APRIL

Interchurch World Movement to Send Big "Team" Here.

TO SHOW RESULTS OF SURVEYS

All Local Protestant Churches Co-operating in Movement Will Be Represented.

Early in April the Interchurch World Movement will hold its conference in this county. Representatives are now being selected by the local Protestant churches of denominations associated with the movement, and from present reports the attendance at the conference will number well into the hundreds. In addition to the representatives selected by the churches, the conference will be open to all church members and friendly citizens who wish to attend.

The meeting place probably will be the county seat, and the attendance will be composed of the membership of the Protestant churches of the county.

The conferences will last one day only. During that day will be presented the whole program of the Interchurch World Movement for promoting co-operation in missionary and general church activities among the Protestant churches. Time will also be given to discussion of the local problems revealed by the Interchurch Movement's survey of religious conditions throughout the United States.

This county conference will be just one of the 2600-odd to be held throughout the United States on approximately the same dates.

No Sidestepping of Problems.

It will be, it is said, a very exceptional county that does not hear some more or less unpalatable truths concerning unchurched areas, or wasteful competition, or underpaid and absentee preachers. Not many counties, it is stated, are able to show an average ministerial salary higher than the average for the whole United States, which is \$937, while barely one-third of the entire Protestant population of the United States, according to estimates made by the Interchurch survey, has an opportunity for regular church attendance.

Besides a full consideration of local problems, the program at the county conference will present the outstanding results of the world-wide survey of religious, social and economic conditions made by the Interchurch Movement, the material for which has been gathered from every corner of the earth. Special emphasis will also be laid on the place of prayer in Christian life, the importance of assisting young people in the right choice of their life work and the duty of laying aside a definite proportion of income for religious purposes. Lantern slides will be freely used to illustrate the various addresses.

The conference will be managed by local committees, and the various topics under discussion will be handled by a team of from five to eight men and women, recognized as church leaders in the county or state. This team, in addition to the local meetings, will be responsible for conducting the conferences in seven other counties.

Big Educational Campaign Prepared.

This series of conferences represents only an intermediate stage in a great campaign of intensive education in practical Christianity preparatory to the united appeal for missionary funds and workers which will be held by the Protestant denominations co-operating in the Interchurch Movement between April 25 and May 2. The members of the team that will address the county conference were themselves trained as a "faculty" of specialists in the various aspects of the Movement at a series of state and pastors' conferences. Similarly, those who attend the county conference will in turn form a "faculty" for interpreting the message of the Interchurch Movement to their local churches.

Thus it is expected that before April 20 the ideal of church co-operation advocated by the Interchurch World Movement, in place of church competition, and the program of evangelization that goes with it, will be familiar to every one of the fifty million Protestants in the United States.

EXTENSIVE SLIDE EQUIPMENT TO BE USED IN CONFERENCE

Interchurch World officers having in charge the conference which will be held in this county early in April declare the local church workers exceptionally fortunate, as the stereopticon slides and other apparatus used in the State Pastors' Conference in Oregon have been left for use in the county conference. The slides in particular are said to be exceptionally interesting, covering very completely the results of the world-wide survey made by the Interchurch World Movement, as well as illustrating conditions throughout the United States.

Slides to illustrate hymns which were used in the State Pastors' Conference by the New York "team" also have been left for use of the county conference. All in all, it is said that the equipment afforded for this county will be equal that used at any of the state conferences. An experienced operator with high-grade lantern equipment will accompany the team.

INTERCHURCH WORLD MOVEMENT DIRECTOR FOR SIMULTANEOUS FINANCIAL CAMPAIGN

Nineteen Protestant Churches of Oregon Are Associated in the Project, Which Has a 1920 Campaign Budget of \$336,772.572.



LYMAN L. PIERCE Director General of the United Simultaneous Financial Campaign of the Interchurch World Movement.

PROTESTANT PASTORS CHURCHES PLAN TO AID RURAL LIFE IN NEED OF RELIEF

Survey By Interchurch World Movement Reveals Ful-pit's Poverty.

\$1242 IS HIGH AVERAGE SALARY

Local County Conference in April Will Show Necessity for Clinics and Homes for Aged and Infirm.

A large portion of the funds to be raised in the United Simultaneous Campaign of the Protestant denominations associated with the Interchurch World Movement will be used for American Ministerial support and relief. It is greatly needed, according to leaders of the Interchurch Movement, who early in April are to hold the conference in this county.

As a result of the campaign now being made by the Interchurch World Movement the combined Protestant churches of America will provide many more hospitals, clinics and homes for the aged and infirm. An interesting feature of these Protestant hospitals will be free treatment for ministers, as recent surveys made by the Interchurch organization have made the need for special dispensations very obvious.

The following startling facts were divulged as to the average salaries in the various denominations. Starting with the highest, the average for Episcopal ministers is \$1,242; the average for Presbyterian (North), \$1,177; for the United Presbyterians, \$1,096; for the Reformed Church (Dutch), \$1,170; for the Methodist Episcopal (North), \$1,176; Congregational, \$1,042; and for the Baptists (Northern), \$950.

With government experts announcing that \$1,500 is the lowest salary upon which a family can be decently maintained and suggesting budgets for none lower, ministers have a discouraging outlook. Such things as hospital bills are almost impossible to meet, and yet every normal family has some illness in its midst every year. Accordingly the Interchurch Movement, while on its way to obtain higher averages in salaries, will assist by providing free care in its institutions.

INTERCHURCH MOVEMENT PLANS MEDICAL AID FOR CHINA

In no part of China is there a medical force at all adequate to the needs of the situation. In one province there is but one doctor to five millions of people, and missionaries living in lonely stations must travel many days to procure medical help in case of need.

The program of the Interchurch World Movement, based on a careful survey, will include the strengthening of present institutions and the opening of a large number of hospitals in new areas where they are most needed.

CHURCHES PLAN TO AID RURAL LIFE

Interchurch World Movement Surveyors Find Lethargy in Oregon.

The church used to have to compete with the saloon as the center of recreation. Now it has to compete with the movie, the dance-hall and the motor car.

This is the view of the problem facing rural churches Oregon, of surveyors for the Interchurch World Movement who have spent months making investigations of conditions in the state. "We cannot complain because these other attractions are drawing the people away from the church," said one, "so long as we do not provide any alternative social attractions. The church has to meet the demands of the community in which it exists, physical and recreational as well as spiritual, and so long as it does not meet them it cannot protest against the fact that the dance-hall and movies occupy the leisure time of the younger people, while the whole family is lured by the prospect of a motor trip rather than by what the church at present has to offer.

"The church has to offer something better. It will not accomplish much by denouncing the dance-hall and other amusements of which it disapproves so long as its criticism is merely negative. It has to take a positive course and provide entertainment and recreation of genuine attraction and so out the bad with the good. I know of one Sunday school that faced this problem in a vigorous way. It found that the local pool hall was attracting large numbers of young men, so it bought the pool tables, thus closing the pool hall. But it did not stop there. It offered entertainment which effectively reached these young men who had previously spent their time at the pool hall. We can have movies in the church too, especially those educational films which can easily be got from the Government departments."

Some surveyors found that there was a general lack of interest in the church and religious things in the rural districts which they visited. "Pastors are becoming discouraged," one said, "and spend part of their time working on farms instead of putting all their effort into church work."

The results of these surveys will form an important part of the program at the conference to be held in this county early in April.

NO SCHOOLS FOR CHINESE.

There are at least 60,000,000 young people of school age in China for whom there are at present no educational facilities at all. Included in the program of the Interchurch World Movement which will be explained at the conference to be held in this county early in April are five universities in China each involving the cooperation of from four to six denominations.

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It appears, incidentally, that the allies are still indulging in their favorite pastime of trying the kaiser — on paper.

BROTHERLY LOVE IN LETTER AND SPIRIT



Brotherly love, both in letter and spirit, has been presented in a war romance which is now interesting the nation. Miss Emily Knowles, a young English girl, was wooed by Lieutenant Perley A. Spiker, U. S. aviation service, while he was stationed there during the war. Lieutenant Spiker was married, his wife living here at the home in Baltimore. Now Emily Knowles comes to America with her three-months-old baby, upon the invitation of Cora Spiker, wife of the aviator. Then enters Guy Spiker, an aviator brother of the father of the baby, who offered to marry the English girl and give the baby name and home. The pictures are of Emily Knowles and her baby, Mrs. Cora Spiker, wife of the baby's father, and Guy Spiker, the brother who is making the sacrifice for the girl and babe.

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