

# Two Medford Churches to Hold Fifth Anniversaries

Sunday will be the fifth anniversary of the first service held at the Congregational church of Medford. The property purchased by the Congregational Conference of Oregon to start the new church had belonged some years before to the Valley school and the school auditorium had been adapted for use as a church. The Rev. Thomas McCamant preached the first service Oct. 18, 1953. Formal organization of the church came in April, 1954. The church now has 142 members.

The anniversary will be celebrated at the church service Sunday. Laymen's Sunday will be observed at the same time. Mark Smith will preside over the worship. Speaking about "The Beginnings" will be Henry Padgugam and the Rev. Thomas McCamant, while Manville Heisel will speak on "Looking Forward."

The service will be at 10 a.m. The congregation voted last Sunday to continue indefinitely having just one session of church and church school at this hour.

Saturday the Pilgrim Fellowship will observe the annual "work day for Christ". Members of the high school age youth group make themselves available for any kind of jobs. All the money they earn will go to mission pledges of the state Pilgrim Fellowship. Any who have jobs for them to do are asked to call Willard Harwood, Spring 2-7384.

## Unitarians to Study Questions

The first in a study of controversial religious questions will be presented Sunday by the Rogue Valley Unitarian Fellowship. Subject matter will be "God: Person, Force, or Phantom?"

Seven viewpoints ranging from atheistic, through agnosticism to orthodox will be presented. The study is designed to help the individual clarify his own ideas about the nature of God. The free discussion period which is an integral part of all Fellowship meetings gives the individual an opportunity to compare his views with those of others.

The study was originally compiled by Lon Ray Call, Unitarian minister of Long Island, N. Y. Mr. Call was instrumental in starting the Fellowship movement within the Unitarian church. Materials for the study of the unit "Controversial Religious Questions" are supplied through the Fellowship office of the American Unitarian association, Boston.

The adult Fellowship and church school are held at 10 a.m. Sunday, at the Fred Sander home, 408 Oak Grove rd., Medford. All interested persons are invited to attend.

## Adventists Pledge Supports to Program

A message of commendation, pledging continued support, was voted Saturday by members of the Medford Seventh-day Adventist church to go to the international radio program The Voice of Prophecy.

Pastor John D. Trude reports that there are some 100,000 active students enrolled in the program's Bible correspondence course conducted by H. M. S. Richards, the key figure in the radio program. The program is aired on more than 500 stations in North America and some 200 stations overseas.

Medford Adventists are backing this program with their praise and an annual offering received Oct. 11. Adventist congregations are raising \$150,000 to support the broadcast.

## Ashland Church Sets Congregational Meet

Ashland—"The Lesson of Two Brothers" will be the sermon topic Sunday at Grace Lutheran church, Ashland, at 11 a.m. The Lord's supper will be celebrated at the service.

At 6 p.m. the congregational family night potluck supper will be held. A voters assembly, Waltham league, Ladies guild, and children group meetings will be held following the supper.

The pastor, the Rev. E. Paul Riedel, will attend the fall conference of the Oregon district Tuesday through Thursday at Mt. Angel.

## Sermon Topics Announced by Presbyterians

Dr. D. Kirkland West will preach at both morning services at the First Presbyterian church Sunday on the topic "What is a Christian Man?" The Westminster choir will sing the anthem "Our God is a Rock" at the first service and the chancel choir will sing "Breath of God" at the second service. Miss Kathy Barr, soprano, will sing a solo at both services.

A Teacher Training Course will begin Sunday at 11 a.m. for the purpose of giving basic training in doctrine and methods to prospective teachers in the church school. The course will be taught by Mrs. Tom Winniford and will last ten Sundays. Due to the limited facilities, enrollment for the class must be limited to ten people. Prospective teachers may enroll for the course at the church office.

The Junior High Fellowship will meet at 4:45 p.m. at the church to go to the site of the new Westminster Presbyterian church and hear a progress report by the Rev. John Reynolds. After the meeting, fireside will be held at the home of Miss Marilou Garner, 619 1/2 East Main st. All junior high young people are invited to attend. Westminster Fellowship for senior high young people will meet at 7 p.m. in the fireplace room of the church for a meeting led by the outreach commission entitled "Life Without Bombs—A Dream?" Fireside will be held after the meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Rowan, 828 Minnesota ave.

Central Point—Laymen's Sunday will be observed at Central Point First Presbyterian church Oct. 19 with James A. Johnston, Medford, guest speaker. Johnston is a teacher on the staff of Medford High school and is active in the Medford church as clerk of the session and assistant superintendent of the Sunday school.

Assisting Johnston will be Bill Abbott, treasurer of the Central Point church. The Rev. Harold Roberts will serve as moderator for a congregational meeting to be held following the church service.

Members of the church who attended the Presbytery meeting last week were Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Smith, Mrs. Lewis Kilbourne, Russell Fair, and Dr. Norman K. Tully, pastor. A congregational meeting was held Wednesday evening with a potluck dinner honoring Dr. Tully who is leaving for Salem following his retirement Oct. 31.

Ashland—"What About Stewardship?" will be the sermon topic Sunday at both the 9:45 and 11 a.m. worship services at Ashland First Presbyterian church. The Rev. B. J. Holland will speak.

At 7:30 p.m. Sunday a congregational meeting will be held. Phoenix—The Rev. William A. Saladin, pastor of Phoenix First Presbyterian church, will speak on "The Faith That Saves" at the 11 a.m. worship service Sunday. At 8 p.m. he will continue the study in the book of Revelation.

Jacksonville—"The Church, a Witnessing Church" will be the sermon topic Sunday at First Presbyterian church, Jacksonville, by King K. Jones Jr., pastor, at 11 a.m. The Jacksonville Westminster Fellowship will meet Sunday at 7:30 p.m. The fellowship is for young people and officers will be elected at the Sunday meeting.

The world's biggest Christmas tree, a 90-foot-tall water oak, is located in Wilmington, N.C. Each year it is decorated with more than 4,000 colored lights and with tons of Spanish moss.

The Oregon Trail, used by pioneers in the early 1800's, stretched about 2,000 miles from Kansas City, Mo., to Omaha, Neb., to Portland, Ore.

Eastwood Baptist church, North Keene Way dr. at Ridgeway ave., will celebrate their fifth anniversary Sunday with a fellowship hour and program following the morning worship service. Although the church was chartered early in the year of 1953, the church building was dedicated and put in use in October of that year.

During the five years since dedication, the church has grown steadily in membership and has added a tower and foyer to the structure as well as other improvements. Much of the work has been done by volunteer labor.

The pastor, the Rev. Richard M. Jones, will speak at the 11 a.m. service on "The Inertia of Inspiration." The chancel choir will sing. Nursery care will be provided.

At 6:30 p.m. the young people will meet for their fellowship meeting. "Beliefs That Matter" is the general theme of a series of sermons being given by the pastor at the 7:30 p.m. service. The title Sunday evening is, "Beliefs That Let Me Sleep." Carroll Graber is song leader for the service.

Eastwood Baptist church is located north of Hedrick Junior High school and is affiliated with the American Baptist convention. Visitors are welcome at its services.

## Methodist Men Conduct Sunday Services Here

The men of First Methodist church will have charge of the 9:30 and 11 a.m. worship services Sunday in observance of Methodist Men's Sunday. Richard Fanger, charge lay leader, and Morris Boughner, president, will have charge of the service with Dr. Milton Snow as director of the men's choir. Accompanist will be Robert Faber and the pastor, Dr. George G. Roseberry.

Theme for the service will be "Seek Ye First the Kingdom" with addresses by Robert W. Sage and Charles H. Thompson Jr. The men's choir will sing two anthems "Rise Up O Men of God" and "Onward Christian Soldiers." Mrs. Leslie Boardman will be the organist.

The Methodist Men's dinner will be held at the Methodist church Thursday, Oct. 23, with Dr. Roseberry speaking on "Salt of Earth." The Sunday evening School of Christian Living continues to show an increase of attendance each week.

## Men's Fellowship To Conduct Service

Sunday will be observed as "Laymen's Day" at the First Christian church and the Christian Men's Fellowship will be in charge of the morning worship. Allen Curry will preside at the service and talks will be given by Earl Purdy, Herbert Osborn, and Price Shafer. Junior deacons will serve. Music by the choir will be the anthem "Use My Life for Thee."

The Christian Youth Fellowship will present a dramatization of "The Parable of the Lost Coin" at the evening service. The Youth Fellowship will meet at 6:30 in Fellowship Hall to begin a series of studies on "Christian Concerns of North American Neighbors." George Lindemann will lead the study on Alaska and Hawaii. Miss Julie Latham will have charge of the worship period.

## Ascension Lutheran Announces Events

"Occupy 'Till I Come" be the worship service topic Sunday at 11 a.m. at Ascension Lutheran church, 2501 Barnett rd. by the Rev. Elvin S. Tollefson. The service will include consecration of visitors. Laymen of the church will assist in the service.

Visitation will be conducted by members of the church from 2 until 6 p.m. with reports to be given at 8 p.m. Monday at 8 p.m. the council will meet.



LT. ROGER CRADDOCK Arrives from Portland

## Assistant Officer At Salvation Army

New assistant officer at the Medford corps of the Salvation Army is Lt. Roger Craddock, who arrived in the valley this week from the Portland Harbor Lights corps where he had been assigned for 17 months.

The officer was graduated from Salvation Army Training school for officers in San Francisco, Calif., where he received his commission in June 1957.

His home is Billings, Mont. Commanding officers of the corps are Capt. and Mrs. William Ricken.

## Adventists Tell Sermon Topics

What the Bible says about the age-old question, "Why Doesn't God Kill the Devil?" will be discussed by Evangelist Floyd Breesee tonight at 7:30 o'clock in the Oregon National Guard armory.

A feature of the service tonight will be the presentation of two framed pictures of Christ, one to a junior and one to an adult selected from the audience. The picture chosen for the junior age group is "The Good Shepherd," and the one for the adult level is "Christ in the Garden."

A Walt Disney nature film, "Water Birds," will be shown in color Saturday at 7:30 p.m. preceding the sermon. "How Men Are Saved" will be the subject of study.

Sunday a night Evangelist Breesee has chosen the topic, "The End of the World—Fact or Fiction?" Musical selections will be a part of the program each night and services will begin with an audience participation song service while hymns are illustrated on the screen.

## Ashland Church to Hold Layman's Day

Ashland—The annual Layman's Day observance of the Methodist church, Ashland, will be held Sunday at 11 a.m. At the same time a story hour will be conducted by Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Pettit for first, second and third graders while Mrs. Gregg Monroe will present the story hour for fourth through sixth graders.

Monday at 6:30 p.m. a family potluck dinner will be held at the church with the quarterly conference to be conducted by the Rev. Meredith Grove, district superintendent of the Eugene district, following the meal.

SERMON SUBJECT "Doctrine of Atonement" will be the subject of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, sermon at 11 a.m. Sunday, at the church, 100 Windsor ave. Everyone is welcome to attend.

# Society Supplies Bibles to Countries Throughout World

By LOUIS CASSELS United Press International Not long ago, the American Bible society received an urgent letter from one of its distribution agents in Northern Japan.

He reported he was being "grievously molested" by bears in his mountainous territory. He wanted a "good loud bell" to scare them off.

The society shipped him a bell by return mail. "You have to be prepared for this sort of thing," said Dr. Robert T. Taylor, general secretary of the society, "if you are going to distribute bibles on a global basis."

The American Bible Society was founded in 1816 to supply bibles to families who were moving westward with America's frontier. The thoroughness with which it performed this mission was at least partly responsible for the fact that 19th Century America became a "bible-reading nation."

Americans today are abundantly supplied with Bibles, whether they read them or not. So the society concentrates its efforts primarily on making the scriptures available in other lands.

Distributes Millions of Bibles Last year it distributed more than 15,000,000 Bibles. Testaments and Gospels on every continent of the globe. This year it hopes to surpass the record.

There is an increasing world demand for the Scriptures. "In the undeveloped countries, 20,000,000 adults are learning to read each year. For many of them, a Gospel in their own language could be their first reader—if supplies were adequate."

Taylor said Bible distribution is one form of Christian evangelism that has not been affected by the rising nationalism of Asian and African countries. The Bible is a product of the Middle East, and it is still welcome in many countries where foreign missionaries find their work severely handicapped by antagonism toward the Western white man.

It is easy to talk glibly about the Bible being "a universal book," Taylor said. "But after a lifetime in this business I am still awed by the way it seems to transcend all barriers of race, nationality and culture."

"It can be translated into any language, and the people who read it will find a message they can understand—a message that speaks to their deepest needs."

Has Been Widely Translated Through the efforts of the American Bible Society and companion groups in 22 other countries, the entire Bible has now been translated into 215 languages. The New Testament is available in an additional 270 languages, and individual Gospels in 642 others, a grand total of 1,127 languages.

"This sounds like an impressive accomplishment," said Taylor, "until you remember that there are still more than 1,500 languages and dialects, spoken by more than 100,000,000 people, without any Bible at all."

Publication of the Bible in a new language is not merely a matter of translation. In many instances, the society has had to design type faces for a language in which no printing has been done before. Occasionally, it is necessary to reduce a spoken dialect to writing in order to produce a Bible in that tongue.

As a matter of long-standing policy, the society tries to sell Bibles rather than give them away. "We have learned," Taylor explained, "that people are much more likely to read a book that they have bought than one which was simply handed to them."

Doesn't Cover Costs But the price tag which the society places on its Bibles is usually only a fraction of the printing costs. The selling price is always based on the amount that the buyer is able to pay. The rule of thumb is to charge the equivalent of one day's pay at the wage rates prevailing in the area.

If a person wants a Bible and is unable to pay even a token sum for it, the society gives him one free. Its losses are covered by contributions from 55 U.S. Prot-

estant denominations which have appointed the society as their joint Bible distribution agency, and from about 500,000 individuals who buy the society's distinctive Christmas seals.

Income from these sources has been running about \$3,000,000 a year. Taylor's ambition is to double this budget—and double the society's worldwide distribution of the Bibles—within the next five years.

"There is a great need for haste," he said. "Doors which are open now may close."

## 1957 Award of Merit Winner



## CHURCH NEWS

National Religious Publicity Council

## St. Mark's Episcopal Laymen Attend Meet

Three laymen of St. Mark's Episcopal church will be among the 600 Episcopalians meeting this week and next to begin a new program for the diocese of Oregon.

Representatives from 64 parishes and missions are expected to meet in Corvallis, Coquille, Roseburg and Portland to hear reports from the Right Rev. James W. F. Carman, bishop of Oregon, as to the effects of the recent Lambeth conference and the national general convention upon communicants here.

Initial plans for an intensive campaign to arouse awareness of the need for personal evangelism, church attendance, and Christian giving will be announced. This program is being developed from a directive from the diocesan convention which met this spring in Portland.

Attending the meeting in Roseburg on Oct. 21 from St. Mark's church will be Frank C. Bash, canvass chairman, Fred J. Carr, treasurer, and Peter Thomas, lay reader. They will be accompanied by the Rev. George Bolster, rector, and the Rev. John Power, assistant.

Bishop Carman will be accompanied by the Rev. Robert F. Grate, chairman of the department of promotion, and the Rev. Leslie Dunton and Mrs. W. B. Clegg who have recently returned from the general convention in Miami Beach.

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## St. Luke's Schedules Laymen's Sunday

Laymen's Day is to be observed Sunday during the worship service at 11 a.m. at St. Luke's Methodist church, 2940 Siskiyou blvd. The entire service will be conducted by laymen of the church, according to the Rev. Melvin Dixon, pastor.

The speaker will be Leon Myers, who will talk on "The Priority of the Kingdom." Sunday school convenes at 9:45 a.m., with classes for all ages. The public is invited to attend the services.

Work parties have been busy completing the necessary work for the consecration service, Nov. 9. The remainder of the colored class has been installed making the rooms available to heat facility.

Tuesday evening the missions and membership and evangelism commissions will meet at 7:30 and 8:30 respectively at the church.

## Laymen to Speak at Cave Junction Church

Cave Junction—In observance of Laymen's Sunday, Oct. 19, a group of laymen from Cave Junction Methodist church will appear in Wilderville to conduct the services at T. L. Jones Memorial church, and laymen from the Wilderville church will be in Cave Junction for a similar responsibility. Lay leaders of the two churches, Vernon Larson and Paul Robinson are responsible for making the arrangements.

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# Ministers Hear Doctor-Reports

Dr. Earl Lawson, medical advisor to the American Cancer society in this area, spoke on "The Layman Looks at Cancer" at the Tuesday meeting of the Medford Ministerial association. The doctor reviewed the history of the society, explained the research program, and mentioned the psychological aspect of the disease. He also displayed the instruments used in examinations for cancer.

A letter from Governor Robert D. Holmes regarding the scheduling of Sunday drills by the National Guard was read and the group voted to postpone further action at this time.

Introduced were John Pederson, director of the Klamath Falls Rescue mission, and Fred Robinson, committee member of the group organizing the proposed Medford Gospel Mission.

## Bible History Teachers to Talk

The next meeting of the association will be held Wednesday, Nov. 12, at Eastwood Baptist church, North Keene Way dr. at Ridgeway ave., since the second Tuesday in November falls on Veterans day. The meeting will start at 10 a.m. with a fellowship hour to be followed at 10:25 with devotions, and the program to start at 10:30 a.m. The business session will start at approximately 11:15, it was announced.

Programs aired on the local radio and television stations by the association were announced. TV Devotions are scheduled Monday through Thursday on KBES-TV at 5 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. on Fridays. Radio Devotions on KMED are heard Monday through Fridays at 10:55 a.m. while the Minister's Roundtable is broadcast Sundays at 8:30 a.m. on the same station.

The Rev. James W. Neely, president and pastor of First Baptist church, presided at the meeting.

A report to the Journal of Pediatrics said 89 per cent of a group of infants accepted cool or cold formulas without any harmful effects.

## UNITY CENTER

of MEDFORD 995 S. Oakdale Affiliated Unity School of Christianity, Lee's Summit, Mo. Regular Sunday Devotional Services—11:30 a.m. As usual at PLYMOUTH HALL 5th and Grape Sts. All weekly classes and Study Groups will be held at the Center, 995 S. Oakdale. Center Rm. Open Daily 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. For Further Information—Call Katherine Bosworth, Minister Office SP 2-6902



SPEAKER—Earl P. Wuth, Denver, Colo., a member of The Christian Science Board of Lectureship, will speak Tuesday, Oct. 21 at 8 p.m. in the auditorium of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, 100 Windsor ave. He will speak on Christian Science: The Power of Spiritual Right Thinking. The speaker was formerly the moderator on the television program "How Christian Science Heals."

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## Join Singing Evangelists

Monty Jones and Harold Turner

This Week-end at the BRESEE Evangelistic Series

Friday: Why Doesn't God Kill the Devil? If God Is Almighty, Why Does He Permit Human Suffering? Saturday: How Men Are Saved. Disney Movie, "Water Birds" in Color Sunday: The End of The World—Fact or Fiction? 7:30 P.M.—Medford Armory Free Nursery—Bring the Kids

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH United Church of Christ Groveland Ave. and Oakwood Drive NOTICE Worship Service and Church School 10 A.M. ONLY

First Christian Church "The Friendly Church" Welcomes You TO ALL SERVICES Bible School - 9:45 a.m. Morning Service - 10:50 a.m. Youth Meeting - 6:30 p.m. Evening Service - 7:30 p.m. William C. Piper Minister 9th and Oakdale • Medford, Ore.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND A GOSPEL MEETING at the CHURCH OF CHRIST 1056 Court Street Medford, Oregon October 19 through 26, 7:30 each evening Carroll H. Christmas, Evangelist