



**DINNER PLANS** — The special "Commitment" dinner for members of the congregation of the Klamath Lutheran Church is scheduled Sunday, Nov. 24, at 5 p.m. at the church. Shown here checking over last minute preparations are James Mosley, left, general chairman, and Rev. Malcolm Unseth, pastor. Congregation members will be asked to commit their time, talents, and treasures to the church effort at this free dinner.

## Sodality Conference Draws SHA Delegates

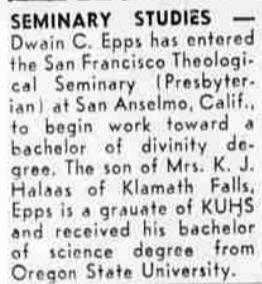
Nine members of the Sodality of the Immaculate Conception at Sacred Heart Academy left yesterday to attend the annual three-day Seattle University High School Sodality Conference on the campus Friday through Sunday.

More than 500 students from 45 high schools and parishes in four Pacific Northwest states and British Columbia are expected to participate. Sodality are religious associations sponsored by most Catholic high schools and parishes.

The delegates representing the Sacred Heart Catholic parish and high school are Frances Dal Broi, prefect president, Goni Negus, Marcia Nicholson, Rosemary DeNault, Janet Borgianni, Paula Andrieu, Karen Van Griethuysen, Christina Caldwell, and Carolyn Knight. The Sodality moderator, Sister Joseph Therese, is accompanying the group.

The general theme of this year's session is the development of the individual. The topics slated for the program deal primarily with the roles of the Catholic in everyday life—as a layman in the church and as a citizen of his country.

Seattle University student Sodality will lead the conference participants in a series of small group discussions on more than a dozen selected subjects touching on contemporary life. Patty Knott of Seattle, a college senior majoring in education, is chairman of the conference.



**SEMINARY STUDIES** — Dwan C. Epps has entered the San Francisco Theological Seminary (Presbyterian) at San Anselmo, Calif., to begin work toward a bachelor of divinity degree. The son of Mrs. K. J. Halaas of Klamath Falls, Epps is a graduate of KUHS and received his bachelor of science degree from Oregon State University.

## Films Present Work In India

Rev. Harlan Brooks will show one of a series of color films on his experiences and work in India at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 22, at the Church of the Brethren, 4273 Bristol Avenue. The program will be preceded by a potluck dinner at 6:30 p.m.

## Liquor Study Prompts Church Policy Change

By ROBERT M. ANDREWS  
United Press International  
The Methodist Church, for years firmly opposed to alcoholic beverages in any form, has taken a closer look at its followers and discovered a shocker: Many Methodists drink.

Four surveys, including two nationwide, indicate that adult Methodists who drink range as high as 85 per cent. As few as 29 per cent agree with the church's demand for total abstinence.

In view of this, the church has drafted a new policy statement on alcohol for Methodists' study and comment. Final action will come at the church's worldwide general conference next May.

So sharp is the statement's break with the past that church officials freely predict that a major denominational controversy will explode soon, sparked mainly by Midwestern and Southern congregations.

The proposed new stand reasserts the old principle that Methodists should abstain from drinking completely. But it takes a milder view of those who don't, and discards a number of long-cherished reasons for abstinence cited by traditionalists.

This statement was explained recently by Roger Burgess, associate general secretary of the Methodist Board of Christian Social Concerns, which approved it.

Burgess questioned, among other things, the idea that Methodist founder John Wesley preached abstinence. Wesley ac-

tually drank beer and wine, he said, while Biblical scholars agree that Jesus Christ drank fermented wine.

Burgess also noted that abstinence has been "traditional" only for about 100 years. Before that, he said, Methodist leaders in temperance societies were not dedicated to a complete ban on drinking but only to "temperance," meaning moderation.

All these historical reasons are "wrong arguments" today, Burgess said. The Methodist case for abstinence must be based on other considerations besides morals, especially the emotional and mental effects of alcoholism, he said.

The statement itself urges, besides abstinence, an attack by non-drinkers on the problems of alcoholism and a bigger effort to help those with a drinking problem.

"We recognize that there are Methodists who use alcoholic beverages," the statement says. "We also recognize that sincere Christians may differ on this question. The Methodist Church has always upheld the right of individual conscience."

Burgess said many Methodists prefer the Presbyterian stand, which he said encourages abstinence but gives "tacit approval to the practice of social drinking."

But Burgess favors restating the Methodist stand "more clearly for the benefit of drinkers and abstainers alike."

As another official put it: "Good Methodists don't drink—but we don't necessarily condemn a fellow Methodist just because he does."

## Flemming Made Head Of Council

EUGENE (UPI) — Dr. Arthur S. Flemming, president of the University of Oregon and a Methodist layman, Wednesday was elected president of the Oregon Council of Churches.

He succeeds the Rev. A. Raymond Grant, resident bishop of the Alaska-Oregon Conference of Methodist Churches.

Flemming was elected on the final day of the council's 29th annual general assembly here. He will take office Jan. 1.

New vice presidents representing the council's various denominations are:

The Rev. George A. Ashwood, Jr., Eugene, Presbyterian; the Rev. Land W. Barton, Bend, Episcopal; the Rev. Dwight S. Dodson, Portland, Baptist; Mrs. P.L. Herbig, Eugene, Episcopal; the Rev. A. J. Buttery, Portland, United Church of Christ; the Rev. Dwight Russell, Lake Oswego, Presbyterian; and the Rev. Henry L. Searle, Portland, Disciples of Christ.

The Rev. Charles H. Addleman of Woodburn was elected secretary and James L. Sampson, Portland, treasurer. New members of the board of trustees are John W. Pugh and Mark A. Talney of Portland and James Whipple, Drain.

## Fellowship Dinner Set

The Wesleyan Fellowship will meet for dinner in the dining room of the First Methodist Church following the second worship service this Sunday. A film will be shown later in the Fireside Room.

All OTI students Kingsley Field personnel, and recent college graduates are invited to attend.

A Fellowship dinner has not been scheduled on Dec. 1, as members are requested to participate in the church potluck supper to be held in the evening. The program will include a film on Japan.



**FELLOWSHIP OFFICERS** — Elected to head the activities of the Wesleyan Fellowship for the coming year are, from left, Mr. and Mrs. William Russell, social chairman; Larry Cardozo, secretary pro tem; Roger Edick, vice president; and Mrs. Richard Jallings, president. The college-age group, which includes OTI students and Kingsley Field personnel, is sponsored by the First Methodist Church and meets each Sunday afternoon.

## Meet Hosts Rummage Sale Funds Told Local Man

Ross Ragland, one of 48 members of the United Presbyterian Board of Christian Education, attended a meeting of the group in Philadelphia, Nov. 18-21. He is a member of the Peace Memorial Presbyterian Church.

Composed of selected ministers and laymen who represent all sections of the United States, the board meets twice each year to assist some 9,200 United Presbyterian congregations in their educational efforts.

It produces printed materials and provides leadership guidance necessary for the operation of Sunday church schools, weekday study groups, youth groups, and related enterprises. The board also has oversight in the church's relations with 46 colleges and its ministry on 155 university campuses, as well as operating the Westminster Press for the church.

Sucre, Bolivia, is known as the "White City" because all its churches have white towers.

**UNITARIAN FELLOWSHIP**  
11 a.m., Sunday, Nov. 24  
**THANKSGIVING SERVICE**  
PINE GROVE MEETING HOUSE

# In Our Churches

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## Christmas Kettle Appeal Set

Preparations are well under way for the annual Salvation Army Christmas Kettle Appeal to assure a memorable holiday for the less fortunate in Klamath Falls.

On the day after Thanksgiving, Salvationists will take their appointed places on the street corners with the familiar red kettles to ring for contributions.

Capt. Dale E. Johnson, c.o.m.

manding officer of the local Corps of the Salvation Army, said a group of eight citizens met last week to plan this year's appeal.

Serving as chairman of the Christmas Committee for 1963 is Harold Ashley, district clerk and agent for the Klamath County School Districts No. 1 and 2. Working with him are Ted S. Durment, Martin Swanson, Fran Hales, Carl Kelly,

Mrs. Calvin Jordan, and Captain and Mrs. Johnson.

Other groups and service clubs in the community will be invited to assist in the entire Christmas program sponsored by the Salvation Army, including the Kettle Appeal, gift giving, and Christmas parties. Residents of Klamath Falls will be asked by committee members to help finance the program, according to Captain Johnson.

The Christmas Kettle Appeal, opening Friday, Nov. 29, will continue through Christmas Eve. The commanding officer said the Salvation Army will be able to carry out its program of service in behalf of the needy only to the extent that the community supports the appeal.

Funds raised are to benefit the less fortunate throughout the coming year, as well as during the Christmas season.

## Parish Worker Receives Assignment In Lakeview

LAKEVIEW—The transfer of Deaconess Evelyn E. Seymour as a parish worker to St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Lakeview was announced by the Rt. Rev. Lane W. Barton, D.D., bishop of the Episcopal Missionary District of Eastern Oregon. She will also work at Summer Lake.

Deaconess Seymour is a graduate of the New York Training School for Deaconesses, formerly on the Close of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine in New York City.

A deaconess in the Episcopal Church for 25 years, she has studied at Columbia University in New York, the University of Wisconsin at Madison, and Scarce College in Nashville, Tenn.

Before coming to Eastern Oregon, Deaconess Seymour worked for a number of years at the Episcopal Church headquarters in New York City. She was also employed by the City Missions Society to work at Bellevue Hospital through the Protestant Chaplain's office and served as a part-time parish worker at Holy Trinity Church.

Her background includes rural work in Virginia, Wisconsin, and Kansas. Just prior to the Lakeview appointment, the deaconess was in residence at the Culver Migrant Camp, where she worked under the auspices of the Jefferson County Ministerial Association.

## National Church Council Reports Protestants Reach High In Giving

By ROBERT M. ANDREWS  
United Press International

Members of Protestant churches in the United States put a record \$2,722,271,673 in the collection plate last year.

In reporting this, the National Council of Churches attributed the all-time high in church giving to an increase in total Protestant membership.

But, the council added, there was no corresponding increase in dollars contributed per member, so the average annual gift of the Protestant church-goer

actually was less than in 1961. He gave \$66.85 for all church causes in 1962, a decline of 3.1 per cent from the previous year.

Of the 42 churches, the smaller ones accounted generally for the biggest per-member gifts during the year. The major denominations were concentrated toward the bottom of the list.

The 52,535-member Free Methodist Church led with a whopping \$312.58 average for each follower. The even smaller Wesleyan Methodist Church was second with \$246.40 per member, and the Evangelical Free Church of America followed with \$222.49 per member.

Among the bigger denominations, the United Presbyterian Church in the USA was 20th with \$88.06 per member, the Protestant Episcopal Church was 31st with \$69.80 per member, the Methodist Church was 38th (\$38.53), the Southern Baptist Convention was 39th (\$33.06) and the Lutheran Church in America was 40th (\$39.46).

Roman Catholic bishops from nine English-speaking nations are busy in Rome preparing a common English version of the Mass and the Sacraments.

## New Pastor Welcomed

The Pentecostal Church of God, 4637 Shasta Way, recently welcomed a new pastor, Rev. Bert Stewart. He succeeds Rev. Lawrence Haddock, who has accepted a pastorate in Madras, Ore.

Active in the ministry for a number of years, Reverend Stewart has held pastorates in Westlake, Tex.; Dugginsville, Mo.; and San Bernardino, Calif. He has also served as a missionary to the interior of Mexico on two separate appointments.

## "MESSIAH" DATED

The Merrill, Malin, and Tulelake combined community choir has set Sunday, Dec. 15, as the date for its annual presentation of Handel's "Messiah." The choir is composed of all interested vocalists in the three communities.

## Hope Dinner To Kick Off Debt Reduction Program

A congregational dinner to kick off the church debt reduction program is planned by the Hope Lutheran Church on Sunday at 5:30 p.m.

The featured speaker for the evening will be Alvin H. Randall of Salem, a member of the board of Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary at Berkeley, Calif., and of Pacific Lutheran University at Tacoma, Wash.

Active in many areas of church and civic work, Randall has been general manager and executive vice president of a cooperative canning and freezing plant at Salem-United-Growers, Inc., since 1957.

Dr. Don Michaelson will head the general committee for the church program, it was announced by Rev. Warren Pechman, pastor.

Others on the committee are Ed Isensee, advance visits chairman; Robert Krusmark, organization chairman; Deane Sacher, audit chairman; Dean Krenz, publicity chairman; Mrs. David Lewis, chief hostess; and

Mrs. Robert Nelson, dinner arrangements chairman.



ALVIN H. RANDALL

Dr. Michaelson will serve as master of ceremonies at the dinner, and members of the Luther League will entertain with a skit and a hootenanny.

## Altar Society Election, Sale Plans Head Agenda

MOUNT SHASTA—Election of officers was the main order of business at the November meeting of St. Anthony's Altar Society in Mount Shasta.

Following the presentation of the slate by the nominating committee, the four nominees were elected by a unanimous vote.

The officers for 1964 are Mrs. Jerry Moon, president; Mrs. S. Bill Cannon, vice president;

Mrs. John Isoardi, secretary; and Mrs. Charles Howard, treasurer. They will be installed in January.

New committee heads include Mrs. William Freeman, inspirational; Mrs. Bernard Slingerland, greeting; and Mrs. Roy Marin, publicity.

In other business, members decided to hold a ravioli sale on Dec. 8, beginning at 11 a.m. in the parish hall. It was announced that the next altar society meeting will be the annual Christmas party with an exchange of gifts.

Hostesses for the meeting were Mrs. Ben Solanti, Mrs. Ann Singianni, and Mrs. Slingerland.



REV. CARL H. BENSENE

## Churchmen Slate Visit

Rev. Norbert E. Dey has announced that the Zion Lutheran Church congregation will be honored Sunday, Nov. 24, with an official visit by Rev. Carl H. Bensene, president of the Northwest District of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and Rev. Carl F. Nitz, synodical in education and stewardship of the Northwest District.

The officials, both of Portland, will visit the Sunday Bible classes beginning at 9:45 a.m. and the worship service at 11 a.m., when Reverend Bensene will address the congregation. His subject will be "Faith Forward," a report on the world-wide work of the Missouri Synod Lutheran Church.

Following the service there will be a reception in the parish hall to give members an opportunity to meet Reverend Nitz and Reverend Bensene. The Zion Lutheran Elders are in charge of arrangements.

Organized in 1948 by the four oldest Claiborne brothers, the quartet sang for several years until they were forced to disband to fulfill military obligations. In 1956 the ministry was resumed, and the group has made many radio and television appearances, as well as sacred music recordings.

The present members include Byron Claiborne of South Gate, Calif.; Wayne Hall of Macon, Ga.; Burl Sanders of Springfield, Ore.; and John Ballard of Denver, Colo.

## Pastor's Letter Prompts Religious Motto On Coins

Although so many pennies now come to church every Sunday, it was not until 1864 that the inscription, "In God We Trust," first appeared on a U.S. coin—the two-cent piece.

After 1864 the phrase appeared on many coins, but only since 1938, with coinage of the Jefferson nickel, have all U.S. coins carried this simple affirmation of a nation's faith, according to a Catholic Digest report.

A Protestant minister was responsible for the action taken by the mint. A Rev. Mr. Watkinson of Ridleyville, Pa., was worried about Union defeats at Fort Sumter and Bull Run, and he was also concerned about the godlessness of a nation which set brother against brother in a civil war.

One November day in 1861, he wrote to Treasury Secretary Salmon P. Chase. "One fact touching our currency has hitherto been seriously overlooked," the minister said. "I mean the recognition of the Almighty God in some form on our coins. What if our Republic were now shattered

beyond reconstruction? Would not the antiquaries of succeeding centuries rightly reason from our past that we were a heathen nation?"

In consequence of Reverend Watkinson's letter, the Philadelphia mint director, James Pollock, was ordered to prepare a motto expressing the nation's recognition of its dependence upon God. Thus, "In God We Trust" was conceived.

## Baptists Get Pastor

LAKEVIEW—Assigned as the new pastor of the First Baptist Church in Lakeview, Rev. Elmer Atkinson of Portland conducted his first services on Sunday, Nov. 17.

He fills the vacancy left by Dr. Alfred U. Russell, who resigned in September to engage in church extension work in Portland.

**FOOD FOR THOUGHT**  
"THE LOVE OF GOD"

A husband's love is strong, but many times jealous and carnal; a brother's love is precious, but often poisoned with envy, as Joseph well knew; the love of a son is frequently stained with the spirit of rebellion, as that of Absalom for David; that of a friend is many times spotted with flattery and deceit; only the love of a Father toward his child is pure and perfect love—a love stripped of all selfishness. God is our heavenly Father, bestowing upon us pure, unselfish love.

We imitate this love of God in showing a genuine, unselfish love for our fellow-men. This badge of our discipleship (John 13:35).

C. WAYNE LOWE, Evangelist

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## Meet Hosts Rummage Sale Funds Told Local Man

MALIN—A potluck luncheon followed a work session staged by the Women's Association of the Malin Community Presbyterian Church on Nov. 7. The morning was spent sorting rummage and selecting suitable clothing for the overseas clothing drive.

During the business meeting, conducted by Mrs. A. E. Street in the absence of the president, the date was set for the annual bazaar and spaghetti dinner. The event will be held Dec. 14 in the Malin Community Hall.

It was reported that profits from the recent rummage sale totaled more than \$300. The members voted to donate \$145 of the proceeds to the church treasury for outstanding bills, with the balance to be used for the Sunday School room repair project.

The next meeting of the Women's Association will be held at the home of Mrs. Norman Jacob on Nov. 21.

## Women Ready Annual Bazaar

The Women's Society of Christian Service will sponsor its annual "Holiday Harvest" bazaar at the First Methodist Church on Saturday, Nov. 23, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Coffee and doughnuts will be available throughout the day, with a luncheon served from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Tickets will be \$1.25 for adults, 75 cents for children under 12, or \$4.75 for a family.

The bazaar will feature fancy work, aprons, children's wear, Christmas novelties and gifts, white elephants, and baked goods.

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A Branch of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass. 10th and Washington Services: Sunday Service 11:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Wednesday Evening Testimony Meeting 8:00 O'Clock Lesson-Sermon Subject November 24, 1963 "SOUL AND BODY"

Golden Text: II Corinthians 3:18. We all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.

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