

Petition Asks For Tolerance

Jehovah's Witnesses of the Forest Grove congregation met October 4 to approve a petition asking the Dominican Republic to lift its ban of last July 25 restricting the religious activity of the movement there.

According to Harold McFarlan, presiding minister of the Forest Grove congregation, the lengthy petition cited specific names and places of police brutality that were personally authenticated by eight of the ten American missionaries deported August 3 from the Dominican Republic. The missionaries related their experiences at a regional assembly in Baltimore, where the petition was originally adopted August 24 by 33,091 of Jehovah's Witnesses in attendance.

The petition was addressed to Generalissimo Trujillo, acknowledged dictator of the Caribbean republic, and named the Roman Catholic Church as sharing the blame for the government's action.

Reporting on the atrocities described in the petition, Mr. McFarlan said, "In one sector whole families were taken to prison and the male members of the families were beaten senseless before their own wives and children. Other male Witnesses were kicked and hit with rifle butts until they were bleeding and fell exhausted. Some were beaten and left unconscious on the ground in the patio of the prison with blood running out of their ears, nose and mouth."

"Christian people all over the

world abhor such brutality as this," McFarlan said. "We believe freedom-loving people should be informed of it and have published the entire statement of facts with the petition in the October 1 issue of our official magazine, The Watchtower, which is published in 46 languages. At our meeting tonight we determined to try to reach every home in the Vernonia area with this account."

Christian Sunday School Gives Attendance Awards

Last Sunday was promotion and award day at the First Christian Bible school. Mrs. L. L. Wells, superintendent, presented Cross and Crown awards for perfect attendance for one year to Carolyn and Margaret Harris, Paul Roediger and Donald W. Hainar.

Billy Tomlin received a gold wreath to add to his award pin for a perfect attendance of two years. Geneva Sullivan received her ninth year award and Mrs. Ethel Ray received the sixteenth year bar for her perfect attendance for sixteen years here and in Willamina, where she was a teacher until her retirement this year.

Homecoming Planned for Church 70th Anniversary

Plans are underway for a homecoming service to be held at the Evangelical United Brethren church Sunday, October 20 with a special program featured during the 11:00 a.m. service which will be followed by a potluck dinner to give time for visiting and reminiscing. Invitations are being sent to all members and former members who now live elsewhere whose addresses are available and it is hoped there will be a good turnout locally as well as from a distance.

The occasion marks the seventieth anniversary of the organization of the church here.



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Eleven Bible Clubs Organize

The Happy Hour Bible clubs, sponsored by the Child for Christ Crusade of Portland will start this week here. The following homes have been opened for clubs which meet from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.:

Wayne Akers, Treharne, meeting on Tuesday; George Tunnell, 1091 First avenue, Tuesday, Albert Parcel, Ruth avenue, Thursday; Frank Cotton, 458 North street, Thursday; John Cowles, 256 North street, Thursday; Earl Baska, Spencer street, first house back of Oliver Graves, Thursday; Don Wantland, Riverside Drive, Tuesday; Clifford Fowler, Third Street, Riverview, Thursday; Buck Holsey, Scappoose road, Thursday; Albert McMatt, 307 O-A Flat, Monday; Richard Shirk, O-A Flat, Tuesday.

The Bible clubs are for children from three to high school age, except the one at the John Cowles home, which is for boys and girls fifth grade through eighth grade.

Owing to the absence of the Cowles family this week, that club will start October 17.

Retirement Honors Given Mrs. Cassie Livingstone

At the business meeting held by the First Christian church last Friday evening, October 4, Mrs. Cassie Livingstone was honored with the presentation to her of an honored minister's pin, a gift from the church in cooperation with the pension fund of the Disciples of Christ. The occasion marked her official retirement from the Christian ministry.

Mrs. Livingstone was ordained at Concord, Illinois, July 19, 1907. She came to Vernonia in the fall of 1935 and served as co-pastor with her husband, W. O. Livingstone, until 1945. She has served the church faithfully as a lay worker whenever she has lived in Vernonia since that time.

Entertainment for the Friday night meeting was provided by the Christian Endeavor and included a skit, "The Bus Ride," and a duet by Geneva Sullivan and Sherry Roediger.

Boy's Sticks Told God

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The boy learned that God so loved him as to send his own Son, Jesus Christ, to die for his sins. So the boy came to believe that he was loved.

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True popularity is not the popularity which is followed after, but the popularity which follows after.

Popularity is a crime from the moment it is sought; it is only a virtue when men have it whether they will or not.

The truly illustrious are they who do not court the praise of the world, but perform the actions which deserve it.

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—Anne Morrow Lindbergh

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Christian Church to Honor Former Pastor October 20

The F. Claude Stevens, former pastor of the First Christian church, will be honored guests of the church on October 20. This is in celebration of the Week of Ministry.

The Stevens would be glad to see all of their friends who remember their ministry here during the late 1920's and early 1930's. There will be a potluck dinner in their honor in the dining room of the church immediately after the morning service.

All members and friends of the church and friends of the Stevens are invited and urged to attend.

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AT THE CHURCHES

VERNONIA EVANGELICAL UNITED BRETHREN
Rev. F. M. Knoll
Sunday, October 13, 1957
9:45 a.m. — Sunday school. Mrs. George Johnson in charge.
11:00 a.m. — Morning worship. Sermon: "What We Believe About Sin."
6:30 p.m. — Youth Fellowship.
7:30 p.m. — Evening service. Theme: "One Thing Desired and Sought."
Wednesday, October 16
1:30 p.m. — Ruth Circle at home of Mrs. Harry Junken.
7:00 p.m. — Choir practice at the church.
8:00 p.m. — Midweek service at church.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
Donald W. Hainer, Minister
9:45 a.m. Bible school.
11:00 a.m. Morning worship.
6:30 p.m. — Christian Endeavor.
7:30 p.m. — Evening service. Mr. and Mrs. Hainer will be at the parsonage week ends where they may be reached by calling HA 9-5242.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
A. L. Argo, Pastor
9:45 a.m. — Sunday school.
11:00 a.m. — Morning worship.
6:30 p.m. — Training union.
7:30 p.m. — Evening service.
7:30 p.m. each Wednesday — Prayer meeting and Bible study at the church.

VERNONIA BRANCH LDS
9:30 a.m. Sunday — Priesthood meeting.
10:30 a.m. Sunday — Sunday school convenes under supervision of Russell R. Snook.
7:00 p.m. Sunday — Sacrament service under direction of Axel Olson, Branch President.
7:30 p.m. Tuesday — Relief Society convenes under supervision of Erlene Olson.
7:30 p.m. Wednesday — Young people's M.I.A. group meets at Vernonia chapel.
TIMBER FRIENDS CHURCH
Pastor, Harold Ankeny
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Worship Hour 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7:30 p.m.
The pastor's phone is 17T21.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD
2nd and Maple
9:45 a.m. — Sunday school. Classes for all ages.
11:00 a.m. — Morning worship.
7:45 — Evangelistic service.
10:30 p.m. — Radio program — KGO, San Francisco.
7:30 p.m. Wednesdays — Mid-week service and church.

SDA Church Has New Pastor

The new pastor of the St. Helens district, which includes the Seventh-day Adventist churches at Rainier, Vernonia, Pioneer, St. Helens and Clatskanie is E. L. Broder, who has come from Southern California recently. Elder Broder is an experienced worker, having labored in Washington, Alaska, and the Hawaiian Islands, as well as in Southern California. Both Elder and Mrs. Broder are talented singers. Next Saturday at 2 p.m. the new pastor will speak at the Vernonia S.D.A. church, Second and Nehalem streets.

A gossip is a person with no talent except the ability to put this and that together and come up with the wrong answer.

A minor operation can be defined as one that someone else had.

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC
Rev. William Delplanche
First and second Sundays Mass at 7:30 a.m. Third, Fourth and Fifth Sundays Mass at 11:15 a.m.

NAZARENE CHURCH
Brooks Ackerman, Pastor
9:45 a.m. — Sunday school.
B. L. Mitchell, Sup't.
11:00 a.m. — Morning worship
7:30 p.m. — Evening service.
Wednesday 7:30 p.m. — Prayer meeting.

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST
E. L. Broder
Services on Saturday:
9:30 a.m. — Sabbath School.
10:45 a.m. — Preaching, missionary programs or Bible study.

VERNONIA BIBLE CHURCH
John Cowles, Pastor
Paul Weller, Sunday School Sup't.
9:45 a.m. — Sunday School.
11:00 a.m. — Morning Service.
6:30 p.m. — Classes for all ages.
7:30 p.m. — Evening Service.
7:30 p.m. Wednesday — Mid-week prayer meeting.

CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST (Colored)
J. C. Foster, Pastor
9:45 a.m. — Sunday school.
11-12 a.m. — Morning worship.
6:30 p.m. — Young Peoples service
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