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Redeemer Lutheran Church To Mark 10th Anniversary

Former Pastors To Preach At Sunday Services; Banquet Planned

The 10th anniversary of the founding of the local Redeemer Evangelical Lutheran Church will be celebrated at special services this Sunday, when former Pastors of the Church will preach.

The Rev. R. E. Seagr, now pastor of the Redeemer Evangelical Lutheran Church in Greensboro, N. C., will preach the sermon at the regular 11 A. M. service and the Rev. L. A. Schuessler, now assistant pastor of the Redeemer Lutheran Church in Chicago, will preach at an afternoon service which will begin at 3:30 o'clock.

The church here, which now has 125 members, was organized by Mr. Schuessler in April, 1925, and he served as pastor until the spring of 1926. His successor, Mr. Seagr, was pastor from 1926 to 1930, when he was succeeded by the present pastor, the Rev. Theodore Voss.

In addition to the anniversary services, a banquet and entertainment program will be held at the Community House Sunday evening at 6 o'clock. Among the speakers will be the Rev. Harry Muhly, executive secretary of the American Lutheran Church, and the Rev. A. H. A. Loeber, secretary of the American Lutheran Church.

The committee in charge of arrangements includes L. J. Marcotte, O. G. Brentfield, William Paulus, Mrs. Fred Samuelson, Mrs. Robert A. McKee and Mrs. Walter Modrow.

Rev. R. E. Seagr

HIGH HONOR WON BY LOCAL D'MOLAY

William Merz Elected To Legion Of Honor; Chapter Plans Mother-Son Banquet

William C. Merz, past master counselor of the Hasbeger Chapter, Order of DeMolay of Honor, election to which he was chosen by the DeMolay Legion of Honor, election to which he was chosen by the DeMolay Legion of Honor, election to which he was chosen by the DeMolay Legion of Honor.

Community Council Plans Being Drawn

Committee Of Young People Named To Help Correlate Activities Of Youth Organizations

A committee of six local young people, each representing one of the youth organizations, is organized today in drafting plans for the Community Council. The committee will be headed by the Rev. Robert M. Atkins, former pastor of the First Methodist Church of Birmingham, and now pastor of the central Methodist Church of Pontiac.

Week-End Traffic Violators In Court

Drunk Driver Jailed After Crash; Recharge Driver To Be Sentenced May 25

One man was sent to jail for drunk driving and another pleaded guilty to reckless driving Monday when they were arraigned before Justice Forbes S. Hascall.

Fred Casner, 52 years old, of 309 Hamilton avenue, Birmingham, a laborer, was sentenced to serve 45 days in the County Jail in a drunk driving charge when he was unable to pay a \$50 fine.

Casner was arrested after Saturday evening on East Main avenue after his car had crashed into the rear of another automobile and sideswiped a third one, according to police.

Sentencing of Leonard V. McDonough, 35 years old, of 6408 Coleman avenue, Dearborn, was deferred until May 25 after he had pleaded guilty to a reckless driving charge. He was arrested early Monday morning by police who said they followed him as he drove in the wrong traffic lane from Brown street to Maple avenue on Woodward, turned left on Maple to Bates street, and south on Bates.

McDonough was originally booked for drunk driving in Bloomfield Hills Monday night. Three men were arraigned before Justice Hascall, substituting for Justice H. A. O'Dell, who was out of town.

John Faith, 39 years old, of 222 Hoyt street, Saginaw, arrested while driving north on the west side of Woodward avenue, pleaded guilty to reckless driving and was fined \$35, which the court said he might pay in weekly installments of \$5 each. Faith had been drinking, police said.

Two men, found sleeping in a car on Lone Pine road near Cranbrook School Sunday night, pleaded guilty to being drunk and disorderly. Carl Skibinski, 20 years old, of 10 Park street, Pontiac, paid a \$10 fine, while his companion, Fred Wilkinson, 49, of 363 Erwin avenue, Pontiac, elected to serve 10 days in jail.

DR. HOPKINS TO GIVE LECTURE ON HAWAII
At the evening service Sunday at the First Methodist Church, the Rev. Dr. R. D. Hopkins will speak on "Hawaii." The address will be illustrated by 60 hand-colored slides depicting life in the Islands, and the various services rendered by the Christian Church to the racial groups living and working there. The service will begin at 7:30 P. M.

CITY EXTENDS TAX CAMPAIGN

Commission Decides To Keep Present Staff Intact Another Month

The city's tax collection drive will be continued with the present personnel until at least the end of May, the City Commission decided Monday night.

Several weeks ago, the Commission indicated it would begin to let up in its tax collection efforts about April 30, by dropping K. B. Olson from the staff of special treasurer's assistants. Other members of the tax drive staff are Scott A. Hersey, city manager, and a secretary.

In deciding to continue Mr. Olson's services for at least another month, the Commission was influenced by the recommendation of City Manager James W. Parry, who said that recent developments in the State Legislature would, in his opinion, warrant a continuation of the tax drive on its present level.

Cancellation Bills Doomed
Mr. Parry pointed out that all tax cancellation bills appear to be doomed, at least as far as any action in the present session is concerned, and that therefore "those taxpayers who have been holding out in the expectation that some of their delinquencies would be cancelled, are now good collection prospects."

He referred also to the fact that the so-called "custodian" bill appears likely to be passed within the next week or two. Under this bill, home-owning property on which the taxes are delinquent would be turned over to a custodian who would divert the income to pay the taxes. The custodian would be appointed either by the Public Trust Commission or the Circuit Court, and in the latter case, either the county treasurer or city treasurer would be appointed.

Results Recorded
Results of the drive to date, in terms of the amount of taxes actually collected since the campaign opened on Jan. 19, are reflected in a letter sent last week by City Treasurer Harold H. Corson to the Board of Education in response to the latter's request for information to guide it in reaching a decision as to whether the school district should shoulder part of the expense of the drive.

According to this letter, \$18,335.82 in 1934 city taxes and \$55,750 in 1935 school taxes, and an undetermined amount of delinquent taxes of other years were collected between the time the drive began and the rolls were closed on Mar. 16. During the corresponding period last year, the letter points out, approximately \$10,000 in 1933 city taxes and \$24,000 in 1933 school taxes were collected. The school district levy was approximately the same in both years, whereas the city's levy was \$25,000 higher in 1935.

Detroit Contractor Awarded Sewer Job
Bid Of \$1458 Is Lowest Of Six Submitted On Warren Subdivision Project

Ferdinand Porath, Detroit contractor, was awarded the contract for laying the Warren sanitary sewer by the City Commission Monday evening. The job was valued at \$14,580 for the job was the lowest of six submitted. The next lowest bid was \$16,000 and the highest was \$27,174.00.

The sewer will serve the six lots in the Warren subdivision, located north of Willis street a short distance northwest of the Baptist Church. It will extend about 380 feet from Warren court to the trunk line sewer north of the River Rouge.

It will be built in accordance with an agreement made several years ago between the city and Charles W. Warren, whereby the latter offered to deed about two acres of property lying north of the subdivision to the city for addition to its park site, in exchange for which the city would lay the sewer for the subdivision.

City Manager James W. Parry estimated the job would require about three weeks for completion. Leaving uncovered a spot of live coal climaxed the danger of the explosion from carbon monoxide gases in furnaces.

WE HEARD IT SAID BY—

Edward H. Laird, landscape architect: "Spring, as indicated by the budding of trees and other vegetation, is about two weeks earlier this year than it was last."

DEATH TAKES C. E. ASPER, 49

Popular Birmingham Resident Had Been In Furniture Business 25 Years

Widely attended funeral services were held from St. James' Episcopal Church Tuesday morning for Charles E. Asper, prominent who died Saturday night at his home, 220 Ravine road. He was 49 years old. Little hope had been held for his recovery after he was taken ill the week ago.

Up to the time of his illness, Mr. Asper had been in the furniture business for 25 years, and was the Michigan sales representative for a number of different companies. Among these were the J. L. Wirtz Furniture Company, of Detroit, which he had represented for 20 years, and Saffran and Gulekman of Waynesboro, Va.

He was born in Chillicothe, Mo., and came to Detroit 20 years ago. He had lived in Birmingham the last 12 years. Following the funeral services, the body was returned to Chillicothe for burial.

Mr. Asper had a wide circle of friends in both Birmingham and Detroit. He was a member of St. James' Episcopal Church, Birmingham Lodge No. 44, F. and A. M., Detroit Commandery No. 1, and the Birmingham Village Players.

He leaves his wife, Mrs. Inez Barton Asper; a sister, Mrs. F. N. John H. Gordon; two brothers, B. K. Asper of Chicago, Ill., and Sam P. Asper of Ft. Worth, Tex., and a niece, Miss Ruth Asper, who made her home with Mr. and Mrs. Asper in Birmingham.

Active pallbearers for the funeral were Robert Holton, Charles Franklin, John Stuart, George T. Hendrie, Lane Bishop and Charles (Jack) Pyle.

Honorary bearers were W. J. Shain, Edgar T. Coombs, E. W. Lett, Richard C. Fowler, L. M. Baker, Waldo E. Fellows, Frederick A. Carey, H. H. Stuart, L. A. Farquhar, L. C. Minor, Dr. Y. M. A. A. and others.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p. m. Tuesday at St. James' Episcopal Church. The Rev. J. L. Raynolds, Donald T. Stanton, Fred S. Cole, J. B. Howarth, John S. Horton, Robert M. Mandell, Edna A. F. Plant, Homer Leonard, C. C. Coulter, J. J. Roura, Norman James, John J. Gaddy, Bruce A. Swaine, Warren Pease, J. R. C. G. Hemmiller, J. R. Hughes.

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Non-fiction—"Gerald: A Portrait," by Daphne Du Maurier; "Queen Victoria," by E. F. Benson.

Fiction—"The First Woman," by Margaret Culkin Banning; "The Proud Sheriff," by Eugene Manlove Rhodes; "Out of the Rough," by Joseph T. Shaw; "Where Nothing Ever Happens," by Lee Shiprey.

The "obey" has been barred from the wedding service by 1100 Methodist ministers in England.