

People's Column

The Eccentric is pleased to receive communications for this column. All communications must be signed, but signatures will be kept confidential. Letters must be limited to 500 words, and must be in the office by Tuesday noon for publication the following Thursday.

'Tinkling Cymbals or Sounding Brass'

Editor, The Eccentric: On the church page of the Free Press of Aug. 15 was a horrible example of either loose thinking or the part of well-known churchmen, often reporting on the part of the Free Press—possibly both.

Dr. Edgar DeWitt Jones can blame the Free Press for the caption and the titling of his picture which accompanied the article, viz: "Takes His Stand" and "Supports War Policy," neither of which is supported by the "statement" signed by 93 Protestant leaders.

The statement as quoted, is a splendid example of what the Bible refers to as "tinkling cymbals of sounding brass" (meaningless noise.)

In general (and the whole statement is confusingly general) it notes what an Axis victory will do to the Christian and democratic way of life and it sets forth those spiritual aims to which the Church is committed. It says: "Totalitarian aggression must be halted." It does not even hint at who must do the halting and, in no place in the statement is there even mention of "supporting war policy."

The 93 signers however are quite specific (they can be specific when it is to their interest to be) in declaring "Our declaration of what the statement says) not is that of individual Christians." Just why did they take that "cagey" precaution? Because it immunizes them from Church criticism.

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8 TROY TOWNSHIP, MICHIGAN

Period July 1, 1941, to June 30, 1942. To the Honorable President and Members of the School Board School District No. 8 Troy Township, Michigan. I submit, herewith, report on the audit of Cash Receipts and Disbursements of School District No. 8, Troy Township, Michigan, for the period July 1, 1941, to June 30, 1942.

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS. Balance July 1, 1941: General Fund \$ 254.12, Debt Fund 3,789.62, \$ 4,043.74. Receipts: Current Taxes—Troy: General 3,099.19, Debt 1,500.11, Delinquent Taxes—Troy: General 2,043.19, Debt 1,097.26, Delinquent Taxes—Birmingham: General 10.40, Debt 34.77, Interest on Delinquent Taxes 274.87, Primary Money 3,295.63, State Aid 3,721.05, Library Money 36.55, Proceeds of Scavenger Sales 340.21, Dividends 123.00, Refund on Retirement Payment 1.00, Miscellaneous 11.27, Settlement with Birmingham Schools 2,785.94, 18,494.44.

Disbursements: General Control: Salary of Board \$ 260.00, Supplies of Board 82.92, Census, Registration and Election 25.00, Treasurer's Bond 18.00, Legal Fees 60.00, Bank Charge .33, Instruction: Teaching Salaries: Women 5,670.00, Teaching Supplies 262.83, Books, Supplementary Readers and Free Text Books 155.67, School Library: Books and Expense 68.41, Forward \$6,641.17, \$22,538.17. Teacher's Retirement 170.10, Miscellaneous Instruction Expense 28.84, Operation of School Plant: Janitor's Salary 1,420.00, Fuel, Light and Water 642.99, Janitors' Supplies 521.17, Other Operation Expenses 4.69, Fixed Charges: Insurance 96.67, Maintenance: Repairs on Buildings and Ground 733.26, Repairs on Mechanical Equipment 110.76, Other Repairs and Replacements 196.94, Capital Outlay: Purchase and Improvement of Site 594.28, New Furniture and Instruction Equipment 314.65, Miscellaneous Capital Outlay 237.20, Debt Service: Bonds Paid 2,000.00, Interest Paid 200.00, Agent's Fee 10.00, 13,926.72. Balance June 30, 1942: General Fund \$ 4,309.70, Debt Fund 4,361.76, \$ 8,671.46.

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ism? Dare they not speak thus in the names of their churches? Not as long as their churches are "open-minded objectors" to war, military service and our Nation's war policy, they aren't.

Do these church leaders have one code as individual Christians and another as official spokesmen for their churches? Is it any wonder that so many intelligent men and women refuse to waste their time listening to such confused gospel?

Oxford Garden Club Announces Show

The eighth annual flower show sponsored by the Oxford Garden Club will be held in the Oxford High School Auditorium Wednesday and Thursday, Sept. 2 and 3. All exhibits are to be placed by 11:30 a. m. the first day.

The show this year promises to be exceptionally good as the recent rains have brought forth many blooms of late perennials and annuals. Everyone is cordially invited to attend. Admission is free.

Clawson Defense Council Has Three New Members

New appointments to the Clawson Civilian Defense Council, confirmed this week by Governor Murray D. Van Wageningen, are Mayor Carlos R. Allen to succeed Supt. Wesley H. Boyce, resigned; Dr. Fred T. Reid to succeed Dr. H. W. Huston, resigned; and Mrs. Thelma Hunter.

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