

Christian Science Lecture on Dec. 19

A free public lecture on Christian Science, entitled, "Christian Science: The Promised Comforter" will be given in Baldwin high school auditorium Dec. 19

at 4 p.m. under the auspices of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, Birmingham. The lecturer will be Ralph E. Wagers, C.S.B. of Chicago, a member of the Board of Lectureship of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass.

"The Tinker" to Be Presented at Baptist Church

A complete three-act play, "The Tinker," a religious drama, will be given by the Dramatic club of the First Baptist Church on the evenings of Thursday, Dec. 9 and Friday, Dec. 10. The presentation begins promptly at 8 o'clock in the lower auditorium of the church and is open to the public.

The play portrays a modern family trying, rather inadequately, to observe Christmas in the generally accepted worldly manner of our times. In order to ready the house for the holidays, a tinker is hired to do odd jobs. His gracious, self-effacing but firm philosophy meets an almost immovable force in the ambition and drive of Mrs. Whitney. The two-year children of the family sport themselves in lively fashion, furnishing good entertainment.

Life of St. Francis, professor of biography and drama on the faculty of the University of Chicago, is the author of the play. Its inception grew out of a study of the life of St. Francis of Assisi. He says: "I was not content in writing an historical play about St. Francis, but rather to capture the eternal virtues and the spirit of that noble life and to put them in modern setting. Such beauty of character ought to be contagious, but the spirit could not win without a tremendous struggle against the evils of materialism and acquisitiveness."

The play is under the direction of Mrs. Leland J. Bunyan, who also plays the part of Mrs. Whitney. The other actors are Roger Jackson, William Richardson, Leland J. Bunyan, Miss Merryly Bunyan, Miss Frances Mackay and Carroll B. Griffin. Miss Barbara Peppercorn and James Mitchell are assisting in the production. William Schermersho is business manager of the production.

Kirk in the Hills Church Bulletins

At 12:00 o'clock on Thursday, Dec. 16, the Women's Association of Kirk in the Hills will meet for a luncheon and program. There will be a family night at the Kirk on Friday, Dec. 17, at 6:30 p.m. Each family is asked to bring a basket including dishes for their own family, buttered bread or rolls and a glass of milk.

Plays Title Role



Fay Bainter, distinguished playwright and actress, plays the title role in "The Old Lady Shows Her Medals," one of the dramatizations in G R E A T SCENES FROM GREAT PLAYS, presented by the Protestant Episcopal Church. Plays are presented each Friday at 8 P. M., eastern standard time.

Annual Festival of Gifts Planned for This Sunday

On Sunday afternoon, Dec. 12, at 4:30 p.m., Christ Church Brook will have its traditional Festival of Gifts Service. The congregation will participate in a procession to the manger of the Christ child, bringing gifts of toys and money to be used for the purpose of bringing happiness to children who might not otherwise have an enjoyable Christmas.

A group from the parish will present a tableau depicting the Nativity while the choir and congregation proceed with their gifts, singing traditional Christmas carols. On the following Sunday, Dec. 19, at 4:30 p.m., the choir will present an unusual program of Christmas music, consisting of ancient and modern Christmas carols from around the world.

Have You Met . . .

O'Neil and Mrs. William H. O'Neil, Jr. and their son, Bill, former Detroit residents who are now in their new home at 1419 Cosmopolitan. Mr. O'Neil is with the Cook Construction Company.

Worship services advertisement with various church listings and times.

First Methodist Church Notices

The junior choir rehearses on Friday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock in the Church House under the direction of Miss Anita Peterson. "Love's Final Appeal" will be the subject of the sermon on Sunday morning at 11:00 o'clock which will be delivered by the Rev. Arnold P. Runkel. Small children are cared for by the Wesleyan group during this service.

supper will be served. The following people make up the committee in charge: Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Vergil Gibson, Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Dunbar, Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Spurrick and Mr. and Mrs. Victor Peck. Board Meeting The official board will hold its regular meeting in the Church House on Tuesday, Dec. 14, at 7:30 p.m. John Martz will preside. The youth and senior choirs rehearse in the church on Wednesday evening at 7:00 and 8:15 o'clock respectively under the direction of Victor Ulrich. A Young Adult Fellowship was organized on Friday evening, Dec. 11, with the following officers elected: president, Paul VanderBroek; vice-president, Harold Compton; secretary, Wanda Olin; treasurer, Ed Falters. The next gathering of the fellowship will be on Friday, Dec. 17, at 8:00 p.m.

TOWNSITE COMMUNITY CHURCH (Congregational) Meeting temporarily in LATHRUP SCHOOL Southfield Road at 11 1/2 Mile Church and Church School at 11 A.M. The entire family arrives and leaves together. YOUTH Sunday Evening at seven o'clock MARINERS . . . (young married couples) third Friday Enjoy a church ministering to the spiritual needs of modern men and women. Beautiful choral music. A qualified teaching staff for your children. Rev. John D. House, A.B., B.D., Minister "THE ESSENTIALS OF CHRISTIANITY"

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CHURCH CLUB NOTES Men's Club The Men's Club of the First Presbyterian Church will have its monthly meeting at the church on Thursday, Dec. 16. Dinner will be served at 6:45 p.m. Mr. John R. McAlpine of the J. W. Thompson Company, advertisers, will be the guest speaker addressing the group on the mechanics of advertising.

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