

## New Assistant Pastor Named at 1st Baptist

A young minister just back from postgraduate study will join the staff of the First Baptist church in Birmingham.

Dr. Robert A. Macoskey, Ph.D., who begins Sept. 2, to serve as assistant pastor to Dr. Emil Kontz, pastor of the church. This appointment was announced this week by Earl R. Bramblett, moderator of the church.

"Our new assistant pastor," added Mr. Bramblett, "has superior training, broad experience and splendid spirit."

Dr. Macoskey will work with the pastor in all phases of the church's program, including youth work.

DR. MACOSKEY is a native of Rochester, N. Y., and the son of an American Baptist minister. His academic work was at College of Puget Sound and Linfield college, Berkeley Baptist Divinity school in California.

Following the completion of his divinity course, he and Mrs. Macoskey went abroad for further study. Two years were spent in research and study overseas, part of

it in Germany and the rest in Scotland.

In Germany he studied at the University of Tubingen and also pastored a small German church. He traveled extensively on the continent, and thus accumulated the most extensive microfilm record of the writings and history of Balthezar Hubmaier, noted Baptist pioneer.

ON JULY 5 of this year the University of Edinburgh conferred upon him the degree of doctor of philosophy.

Mrs. Macoskey is also a trained and experienced church worker, who has studied along with her husband, while in the British Isles. Dr. Macoskey preached in many churches there.

During his undergraduate and graduate years, he engaged in a wide variety of activities to finance his education. He was a boiler-maker, pipe-fitter, ditch-digger, and even worked on a railroad! He and his wife taught in several schools, including California School for the Blind.

HE IS MUCH interested in music and organized a men's chorus at the divinity school. This musical group has now achieved national importance, with Capital records recently releasing an album of songs by the chorus.

Dr. and Mrs. Macoskey are due to arrive in Birmingham in time to start his work at the church September first. They are expecting a newcomer in the family in January.

Dr. Macoskey's hobbies include color photography and golf. He is a member of the American Society of Church History.

### Retreat Planned By Church School Staff Members

Meeting for their third annual retreat, 50 church school staff members of the Congregational church of Birmingham will gather at the summer cottage of Mrs. Hazel Houck, at Wolf Lake, near Jackson, Friday and Saturday, Sept. 7 and 8.

Mrs. Carl Nielsen, church school superintendent, said that along with discussion and devotional periods, the group will participate in swimming and other recreational activities.

Keynote speaker for the Friday evening program will be the Rev. Bud Loomis, minister of the Charlotte, Mich. Congregational church and "Pilgrim Haven," the Congregational family camp near South Haven, Mich.

Mrs. Harry Hinson, of the First Methodist church of Ferndale, will speak on "How the Child Learns." Mrs. Curt Sinsler and Mrs. Dalton Lamb will lead vesper and devotional periods. Working on ar-



A GOOD FRIEND of the Senior High's Pilgrim Fellowship members at Birmingham Congregational church is along at the youth conference they are attending at Camp Talahi. He is the Rev. Robert D. Dewey (left), minister of the church, who is director of the conference near Brighton. Joining with him in an outdoor seminar are (from left) Stu Cooper, Steve Taylor and Nancy Hagen.

### 18 Young People Attending Conference at Camp

Eighteen teenage members of the Congregational church of Birmingham are at Camp Talahi, near Brighton, this week. With them is their minister, the Rev. Robert D. Dewey, who is dean of the week-long conference there. They are attending the Senior High Pilgrim Fellowship conference, in which 100 young people from Detroit area churches are participating. The conference is sponsored by the Congregational Association of Detroit.

ACTIVITIES HERE will include a number of camp projects and programs planned by the young people themselves, as well as seminars and discussions of the Christian faith and its meaning in the life of young people. Recreational activities are also scheduled at the conference.

Along with these projects, others attending the youth camp are: Joyce Nathan, Peggy Brummer, Barbara Bush, Gabe Pasat, Kathy Vinland, Marge Donaldson, Donald Walsh, David Mortimer, John Kelley, Jack Butler, Ed Busch, Mike Moulton, Mike Sommer, Jim Whang, Bill Davis and Bob Outvoot.

### SUNDAY SERMON TOPICS

- SUNDAY, SEPT. 2
- First Presbyterian — Rev. Robert W. Gibson, Jr., "Pleasure in Toil," 9:45 a.m.
  - Congregational — Rev. Robert D. Dewey, "Think on These Things," 9:30 a.m.
  - Christian Science — Lesson-sermon, "Man," 9:45 a.m.
  - First Methodist — Rev. Allen E. Wittrap, "Workers Together with God," 10 a.m.
  - Unity — Rev. Frank C. Glushko, "The Work of Thy Hands," 11 a.m. at Y.M.C.A. building.
  - Christ Lutheran — Rev. G. M. Krach, "God's Reward for Man," 8:45 and 11:45 a.m.
  - First Baptist — Rev. Dr. Emil Kontz, "Beligion at Work in Work," 11 a.m.
  - Northminster Presbyterian — Rev. Mackay Taylor, "The Laboring Man," 10:30 a.m.

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### Dr. Kontz To Join Labor Sunday Rite

Next Sunday, coming on the day before Labor Day, has been designated as "Labor Sunday" by the joint action of the National Council of Churches, and Dr. Emil Kontz will participate in a special Labor Sunday rally at the state fairgrounds in Detroit.

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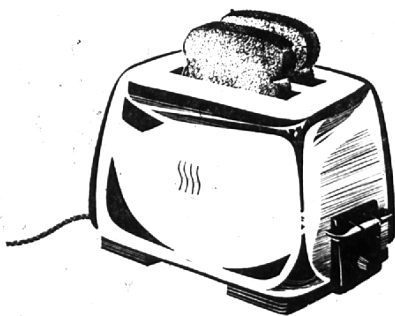


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