

### 'Spotlighters' To Stage Dance At Country Club

In the limelight for "The Spotlighters," young unmarried group at Holy Name parish, is a dance to be held Saturday evening at the Birmingham country club. Jimmie Stevenson's band will furnish the music for dancers at the semi-formal "Midsummer Swing" from 9:30 to 1:30. Heading the general committee is Bill McGibbon, who is being assisted by Bud and Bert Mulroni. Don Begen and Joanne Mulroni are in charge of tickets, and Don Friedman and Marge Frech are handling publicity. Others working on arrangements are Pete Landino, Nancy Birmingham,

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### Layreaders Help Make Dream Come True

A courageous Episcopal minister, fighting his last illness to build a tiny mission church in Southfield township into a well-established parish, received the help of the Layreaders' guild of St. James church in accomplishing his dream before his untimely death two weeks ago at the age of 51.

"He was very valiant and brave and fought hard to do everything he could until the very last minute," said the Rev. A. Fletcher Plant, head of the Layreaders' guild. Ten members of the guild assisted with services at the Church of the Redeemer, 28140 Cornell, during the last two years when it was under the direction of the Rev. Edson B. Mowers, who was acutely ill.

Each Sunday two of the layreaders visited the little church, a mission of Grace Episcopal church in Detroit.

Some weeks they conducted the entire service when Mr. Mowers was unable to be at the church. They read the service between themselves, one reading the prayers, the other reading the Psalms and scripture and delivering the sermon.

When Mr. Mowers was able to conduct the service, with Mr. Mowers often conducting the rest of the service, with Mr. Mowers delivering the sermon from a chair in the pulpit.

MR. PLANT SAID the ailing minister was aware of the critical nature of his illness. "When he learned of it several years ago," Mr. Plant said, "he told me that he couldn't understand why it had to be that there is a purpose in all God's doings, and therefore it was all right."

He said then that he was going to do everything he could to complete arrangements," Mr. Plant added.

Several times Mr. Mowers went to the church and stayed as long as he could through the services, then returned to his home. On one occasion he sent his sermon message to the church on a tape recording.

His dream of seeing the mission church grow to parish status was realized, and he learned on the day of his death that the members of the church had met just the night before and voted for the change.

THE CONGREGATION, which had grown to over 200 families, had fulfilled the requirements for becoming a self-sustaining parish.

The layreaders who helped to see Mr. Mowers' dream realized, all Birmingham residents, are: Eugene Landman, Roy W. LaMoine, Raymond J. Green, John Chapman, Trevor Hall, Richard H. Mason, Don Gault, and John Schmidt.

"They were unhappy about the reason for their being needed," Mr. Plant added, "but all of them were glad they were able to do it."

The group will carry on at the Church of the Redeemer as long as they are needed. They are under the direction of the Rev. Harold E. Towne, rector of St. James church.



A LESSON IN brotherhood came for these and other pupils at the Community Congregational church vacation Bible school recently. Here three of them wear the black skull caps and look over the booklets in Hebrew which were given to them when they visited the Northwest Congregational synagogue with other fifth and sixth graders and their teacher, Mrs. Woodrow Nelson. From left are Marshall Meseros, Jerry Montano and Douglas Boering. The successful vacation Bible school session was also highlighted by the introduction of a bell choir, directed by Mrs. Edward Caster, the school's music teacher.

### Families, Young People Go Camping

Summer camping at Congregational family and youth camps is on the vacation schedule for a number of members of the Congregational church of Birmingham.

The Rev. Robert D. Dewey, minister of the church, will be a camper himself, when he serves as dean of a senior high Pilgrim fellowship camp at Camp Taldit near Brighton August 26-Sept. 2.

At the same camp conference, Marion Rod and Mrs. Mary Hixon will be counselors.

Camping for the entire family will be enjoyed at Pilgrim Haven, near South Haven on Lake Michigan. Participating will be the families of Rev. Merwin, Ross Sturman, Kenneth Hishox, Clair DeVall, Jack Worth, Philip Bartlett, and Bob Bessinger.

MRS. LESTER OLINSTEAD will be in a women's institute at Pilgrim Haven.

Senior high campers who will be teaching it at Camp Taldit are Sue Gomer, Mike Sommer, Bill Davis, Steve Taylor, Don Walsh, Mike Meuninger, Dave Meuninger, John Kerley, Jack Bottler, and Peg Bessinger.

Others are Kathy Olmstead,

### Embury Methodist's Former Pastor To Visit Sunday

Returning to the pulpit at Embury Methodist church for his annual visit, the Rev. Jesse Epps, pastor of Bristol Methodist church in Flint, will preach at 10 a.m. services here Sunday.

He will be guest minister during the vacation absence of the Rev. Reginald Becker, as he has done each of the seven years since he left the local church.

Mr. Epps was pastor of Embury Methodist church for four years, during which time the congregation acquired the land on which the present church structure stands at 14 Mile road and Croft.

Joeey Nelson, Nancy Hagen, Barbara Beach, Judy Frost and Marjorie Donaldson.

Young campers who will be visiting earlier sessions at the youth camp are Donald Feather, Jane Hopner, Janet Wood, Diane Starman, Meredith Menden, Paul Richards, Jr., Sharlene Hinshaw, James Jones, Mike Morden, Jerry Penttila, Nancy Rimon, Judy Burns, Ann Bailey and Nancy Cowen.

Other campers are sponsored by the Michigan Congregational conference and the Congregational association of Detroit, and include John Kerley, Jack Bottler, and Peg Bessinger.

### Schedule Changed

A change has been made in the schedule of services at the First Church of Christ Scientist, located at Chester and Willets. For the months of July and August, the first Sunday in September, services will be held at 9:45 a.m. only, with the 11:30 a.m. services omitted.

### 7th-Day Adventist Youth Attend Camp

Among the eight young people from Ferndale Seventh-Day Adventist church attending a church-sponsored camp are Jimmy Wilson and Cheryl Robertson, both of Birmingham.

Use this page to keep everyone in your church and its several organizations fully informed on what's going on. News items and pictures are needed to make this church page a valuable medium. Northern Michigan last week, and Cheryl is participating this week in the girls' session at the 88-acre Camp Au Sable.

### Christian Science Society

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 THE REV. MR. MINORU MOCHIZUKI  
 Assistant Pastor, First Presbyterian Church, Dearborn

### SUNDAY SERMON TOPICS

SUNDAY, JULY 15  
 Christian Science - Lesson sermon, "Life," 9:45 a.m.  
 Congregational - Rev. Robert D. Dewey, "A Still, Small Voice," 11 a.m. (Services to be held at church picnic at Blanchard Hayride lodge near Rochester).  
 First Methodist - Rev. Allen E. Witzrap, "Being the Right Size," 10 a.m.  
 First Presbyterian - Rev. Robert Grabau, "God Is at Hand," 9:45 a.m.  
 Northminster Presbyterian - Guest minister, Rev. Minoru Mochizuki, assistant pastor, First Presbyterian church, Dearborn, 10:30 a.m.  
 Christ Lutheran - Rev. G. M. Kraeh, "Life Cleaning," 8:45 and 11:15 a.m.  
 First Baptist - Dr. Emil Korte, "Christ and His Church," 11 a.m.  
 Embury Methodist - Guest minister, Rev. Jesse Epps, "The Ear of the Hearer," 10 a.m.

### Counselor Gets A Carload of Fun

Mrs. Phyllis Orr last week drove a car loaded with ten young people, plus lunches, blankets, cameras, snorkels, fins, masks, towels and suits, to Elizabeth lake.

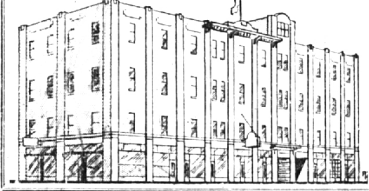
Mrs. Orr is superintendent of the intermediate department of First Methodist church's Sunday school, and the seventh and eighth grade youngsters make Tuesday outings a weekly event during the summer, with Mrs. Orr going along as a counselor.

"We would have had two cars to take the group," said Mrs. Orr, "but we planned for only five, and the rest decided to go at the last minute. Then it was too late to get another car."

"THE YOUNG PEOPLE are really enthusiastic about springing up for the Tuesday outings when they come to Sunday school every week," Mrs. Orr said.

Enjoying the swim and picnic lunch at last week's event were Lesley Greenwood, Fern Anders, Garry Poole, Paul Simmons, Dan Schmidt, John Gehm, Tim Herter, Richard Rowe, Stan Legene and Herb Kettler.

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