

# The Birmingham Eclectic

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JUNE 21, 1956

### 2 Congregational Delegates Attend Council in Omaha

Among 16 delegates representing the Congregational association of Detroit at a national denominational meeting, are the Rev. Robert D. Dewey, pastor and Curtis Snider, member of the congregation of Birmingham's Congregational church.

Detroit Council of Churches, will be guest minister.

Mr. Dewey and Snider will participate in study and discussion of the needs, policies and programs of the churches while at the General Council of the Congregational Christian churches in Omaha.

ABOUT 3,000 Congregationalists representing all divisions and departments of the denomination's work will hear outstanding speakers sponsored by denominational boards, councils and commissions.

Mr. Snider will also make the trip to Omaha. Sunday's guest minister at the local Congregational church was formerly assistant director of the health and welfare department of Pittsburgh's Urban league, and director of religious education at Central Baptist church in Pittsburgh.

His educational background includes degrees from Lincoln university, Oberlin college, and the University of Pittsburgh.

Set Time Change Morning worship services will be held at 9:30 instead of 11 at the Congregational church of Birmingham. The new schedule will begin with Sunday, July 1, and continue through the first Sunday in September.

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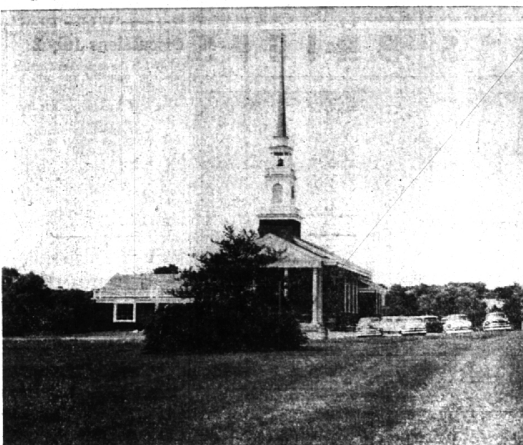
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A NEW LANDMARK in Franklin, the spire of Franklin Community church rises to a height that makes the cross it bears visible for miles. Floodlights illuminate the tall steeple at night. The new structure is located on the Village Green, with wooded hills for a background.

## Franklin Congregation To Move to New Church

"Nothing is constant but change," said Plato, and a momentous change will occur soon in Franklin. For members of the congregation of Franklin Community church will leave their historic church structure to begin services in their new building on the Village Green.

The steeple bell will be ringing for the last time for the congregation's services at the present small church, built in 1860. Early in July, according to building committee chairman Grant L. Sivier, of Franklin, the first services will be held in the larger and stately new structure of colonial design.

Sivier announced the expected July move at the recent annual meeting of the church. At the same time Dr. Benjamin Holme, Detroit district superintendent of the Methodist church, congratulated the board on the new building, which he had just toured and termed "a beautiful structure."

OTHER REPORTS at the annual meet told of a new high in membership and an over-subscribed budget.

The Rev. Robert J. Searls, minister, reported the highest membership in history, with the inclusion of the confirmation class bringing membership gains to 28 for the year, making the total membership 342.

Average attendance, Mr. Searls told the meeting, has quadrupled in a two-year period. He said similar gains were reported by the church school, the Women's society and the choir.

The mission commission reported benevolence funds sent to aid the work of four denominations. Other funds were contributed for projects of the World and National Council of Churches.

THE SUCCESS of the annual budget was reported by Harry F. Barr, finance commission chair-

## Adventists Plan Center

Plans for a welfare center to be operated near their church are being formulated by the Ferndale Seventh-day Adventist church.

Included among charter members of a committee set up to organize the center are Mrs. Lewis L. Pray, of Southfield, and Paul Robertson of Birmingham.

The proposed welfare center, to be located as near as possible to the church at 1545 Pinecrest in Ferndale, will serve all neighboring communities.

Mrs. Pray said that Adventist centers are designed not only for disaster relief, but for year-round aid to unfortunate peoples. They provide food, clothing, toys, books, furnishings, and occasionally aid in securing jobs as well.

The Seventh-day Adventist church maintains 29 of these centers in Michigan. Material for a stockpile which distributed over 13,000 articles of clothing after Michigan's spring tornadoes is supplied by the welfare centers.

The Ferndale church's benevolence society distributed 175 pieces of clothing and helped 24 families in the area during the past year.

Seventh-day Adventists' world-wide membership recently passed the million mark according to an Adventist weekly church paper.

## New Youth Officers Plan Sign Project At Franklin Church

Miss Judith Anderson is the new president of the Senior Youth Fellowship of Franklin Community church following elections held last Sunday.

Others elected were Janet Shafer as vice president and secretary, with Judy Button becoming treasurer.

Principal immediate project of the group is a sign for the new church. Over \$200 has been raised by the group for materials. With assistance from some parents, the young people plan to do most of the labor.

They helped design the colonial sign after consulting with architect J. Macdonald Jacobs.

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MACKAY TAYLOR — MINISTER

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## Rev. L. L. Dobyns To Be Associate At Christ Church

Expected to arrive about August 1, the Rev. Lester L. Dobyns will be associate minister at Christ Church Cranbrook.

He will be coming from State College, Pennsylvania, where he is director of the University Christian association.

Married and the father of two sons, Mr. Dobyns will live on Lone Pine road, on grounds adjacent to the church.

He will replace the Rev. Perry R. Williams, who left to become rector of Grace church in Orange, New Jersey.

**Christian Science Society**

Invites you to attend its services in Franklin Community Hall.

Franklin, Michigan

Sunday Morning 11:00  
Sunday School 11:00  
Wednesday Evening  
Testimony Meeting 8:15

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