



What young Birmingham teen-agers consider their most serious problems are revealed in the subjects some of them will discuss in a symposium next Wednesday.

The Methodist high school students are preparing the symposium for presentation at the Women's Society of Christian Service meeting at First Methodist church.

Mrs. Rupert Cortright, Birmingham high school teacher who is in charge of the discussion, checked with Birmingham high school counselors and teachers of a new course entitled "Problems in American Living" to see what concerns the young people.

AS A RESULT, Bill Cortwright will discuss what many serious thinking teen-agers consider top priority, that juvenile delinquency should be de-emphasized.

Barbara Dadd will talk about choosing a life work, and Steve Surridge will view college life when he speaks on "preparing for life work."

The teen-agers feel strongly about prejudice, according to Mrs. Cortright, so Betty Nichols will discuss the matter of "curbing our prejudices." Betty will condemn not only racial and religious prejudice, but prejudices against those who do not agree with us in opinions or ideas—even dress.

Gerry Barber will look at the social problem "following the crowd."

"HE WILL TAKE a firm stand on the matter, insisting that it isn't necessary to follow the crowd to be popular," Mrs. Cortright said.

"Turning to our church" is the subject of Methodist Youth Fellowship President Dick Brown, who will discuss what the church can do to help young people.

Helen Cortright will be moderator. Each of the symposium participants is active in church youth activities.

Says Mrs. Cortright, "They are very forward-looking young people."

We learn that Mrs. John W. Metler, wife of the new associate minister at North Congregational church, hails from this section of the country originally. She's the former Lois Jackson, of London, Ontario.

Following information given us in connection with her recent talk to the Women's alliance of Birmingham Unitarian church, we listed Mrs. Marion Fisk as a psychiatrist. Her correct title is assistant director of social service at Pontiac state hospital.

Buffet Luncheons Again Next Week

Buffet luncheon will be served special dishes, salads and dessert, next Thursday and Friday at St. The luncheons are available from 12 James Episcopal church by the 12:30 p.m., following the Town Council women of St. Elizabeth's church. Hall lectures. Next week's buffet featuring a variety of hot case will be the last of the season.

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Birmingham Congregational Names Officers

With the naming of Harrison Goodhue as moderator of the Congregational church of Birmingham, the church's members recently elected other officers to serve for the coming year.

Mrs. Harri Bird was named to the office of clerk; John Greenhalgh was made treasurer; Darwin Kettering, assistant treasurer; Donald Burnet, financial secretary; and Courtland Burnham, auditor.

Tellers are John Ericson, Robert Johnson, and Donald White; Joseph Whitney is colony plan governor; and new trustees are Thomas Fairhurst, Jack Kinsey and Milton Tapp.

James Moore, Paul Mortimer and Carl Nielsen are new deacons, and Mrs. George Ball, Mrs. Fred Dewey, Mrs. Signor Peterson, Mrs. Robert Gerity, Mrs. Robert Kerley and Mrs. Damon Lindsey are deaconesses.

Varied Subjects To Be Discussed At Women's Meets

Discussing subjects that vary from brotherhood to travel, special speakers are listed on the program of church women's groups meeting next week.

AT FIRST METHODIST church, a whole panel of speakers will be featured after the W.S.C.S. 12:45 luncheon and general business meeting Wednesday. Helen Cortright, Birmingham high school senior, will be moderator of the panel of Methodist high school women who will discuss "Facing Youth's Problems."

Mrs. Richard Sneed, president of the group, will preside at the meeting, to be preceded by an executive board meeting in the chapel at 9:45 a.m. Luncheon will be served by group 7.

HOLY NAME CHURCH'S Alta society meets Monday at 1 p.m. in St. Ann's hall to Mrs. Charles Obermeyer, of 884 Kenosaw, Birmingham, discuss a recent trip to Europe, using color slides as illustrations.

The group will also discuss plans for the spring fashion show slated Feb. 19. St. Helena's guild will serve the tea following the business meeting.



JUDGE ARTHUR MOORE

REDEMER LUTHERAN church's Women's society will have Judge Arthur E. Moore of the juvenile division of Oakland county probate court as speaker when they meet Thursday at 8 p.m. at the church, 1800 W. Maple road. Judge Moore's discussion of his work with youth is open to all members and young people of the church. A free-will offering will be taken, to be given to Judge Moore for a scholarship fund he has established for wards of the probate court.

AT FIRST BAPTIST church, the Women's Mission union meets Thursday in the church parlors. A board meeting at 10:30 a.m. will be followed by a business meeting led by President Mrs. L. W. Criger, at 11:30 a.m.

After luncheon served at 12:45 by Mrs. Currell Stanger, chairman, and members of the Lydia circle, Mrs. Jesse J. McNeil, state vice president of Michigan United Church Women, will speak on "All About Brotherhood." Members of Detroit's Tabernacle Baptist church, of which Mrs. McNeil's husband is pastor, will present special music.

Mrs. Robert Boltwood will lead devotions.

BIRMINGHAM CONGREGATIONAL church's Women's fellowship plans a 12:45 luncheon Tuesday, when Mrs. Donald R. Olson, of 3110 Dogwood court, Bloomfield township, will discuss her tour of Europe with a group of Congregational churchwomen last fall.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN church's Eastminster guild meets Thursday at 1 p.m. at the home of Mrs. John B. Mitchell, of 18184 Kinross. Mrs. Mitchell will speak on missionaries.

Westminster guild meets in the central hall that same day for a potluck dinner and program at 7 p.m.



AT REV. ROBERT D. DEWEY's home, the Congregational church of Birmingham's minister gets to work on his sermon Saturday night after the children are in bed. Here he gives 2 1/2-year-old Martha her goodnight kiss, while 16-month-old Paula (left) and Janet 4, wait their turns.

How He Writes His Sermons:

Sermons Completed at Parsonage

BY JULIE CANDLER

"Saturday night is what I call 'agony night' says the Rev. Robert D. Dewey, minister of the Congregational church of Birmingham.

"By then I have what I want to say fairly well out together, but not yet a sermon," says the handsome, 32-year-old minister. He starts the task in a living room easy chair at the parsonage at 12:00 p.m. After the children have settled down for their Saturday night's sleep. For their dad, sleep on Saturday night begins much later, occasionally as late as 4 a.m.

To him, a sermon should have power. If it has the power to meet people's needs, then, says Mr. Dewey, "it isn't my doing. That power comes from God."

HE TELLS OF A young couple, new to the church, whom he had noticed in the congregation for several weeks before he could speak to them one Sunday and learn their names.

That same afternoon he received a phone call.

"I want to tell you," said the young husband, "that my wife and I have been having some serious problems, partly connected with my vocation. Your sermons have been just the guide we needed to work out these problems."

"Were moving to Chicago this week," the man continued, "and I am accepting a position there. Be-

fore we left, we wanted to thank you for the help your sermons gave us."

SAID MR. DEWEY, "I had no idea of this young couple's problem when I prepared those sermons. But at least to that pair those sermons had the power to meet their needs."

That's why on "agony night" Mr. Dewey tackles the difficult task of trying to divorce himself from his role as minister, to see in the sermon what others would see in it.

He begins the sermon the first of the week in his small, book-filled study at the church. He first selects a text, then researches for the meaning of that Biblical truth.

What does it say, he asks himself, to me, and all the people as I know them? He keeps this question on his mind when he makes up a rough sermon outline on Thursday or Friday.

HE USES NO SET pattern in preparing notes to take to the pulpit Sunday morning. Sometimes, if the week hasn't been too busy, he might have the typed complete sermon before him. Other times, it's just an outline.

Even as he gets ready for church Sunday morning, "agony night" isn't completely over. He reviews the sermon mentally when he's sleeping.

He keeps a rote pad nearby, and occasionally emerges from the shower ready to scribble down a complete revision of his outline.

Unitarian Meet To Hear Teens View World Scene

"How youth looks at modern world problems" will be the subject for a panel discussion at the monthly meeting of the Laymen's league of Birmingham Unitarian church at Birmingham Community House Tuesday, Feb. 5, at 8 p.m.

Carol Williams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harter W. Williams, of 282 1/2 Doychester, Birmingham, president of the church's Unitarian group, will moderate a group of eight teen-agers in a discussion of current world problems.

The meeting, which is open to everyone, will be preceded by a 6 p.m. dinner for the men of the League.

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Detroit Baptists To Move Church To Southfield

Until their new church at 8 Mile road and Southfield, Southfield township, is completed, Detroit's First Baptist church Sunday begins holding services at Warren How school, Penrose and Prevoist, Detroit.

Only 9:45 a.m. church school and 11 a.m. worship services will be held at the school, with evening services continuing at the church at Woodward and Figliore. Rev. Emil Gavriluk said the present building has been sold to the Peoples' Community church. He said construction of the new church's first unit, a fellowship hall to seat 700, should get underway this spring.

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