

# At the CHURCH DOOR

By JULIE CANDLER

The Presbyterian church has been making news, and we called Rev. Dr. W. Glen Harris for "on-the-spot" reports about it.

First we checked on the news that hit the wires while the minister of Birmingham's First Presbyterian church was attending the Southern Presbyterian general assembly in Birmingham, Ala. earlier this month.

As the only emissary of the northern branch, we asked, did a southern Ku Klux Klan's censure of the northern branch affect him on his visit? (Reason for the Klan criticism of the Presbyterian church, USA: A gift of \$10,000 to the NAACP.)

"THE KLAN CHARGES had no effect at all. The assembly delegates in Alabama were very fine and very Christ-like in their actions toward colored delegates," said Dr. Harris. "There are a number of colored Southern Presbyterian churches, and their delegates ate in the same dining room with the other delegates," Dr. Harris continued.

Actually, he explained, the Southern Presbyterian assembly had previously censured the Klan, which prompted the reprisal against the northern church.

"They have their problems in the South, as we all know," Dr. Harris said, "but I think they are doing as well or better than we are in solving them."

"THEY WERE VERY fine to me and I had a very wonderful experience," he concluded.

The moderator of the Southern Presbyterian church will be speaking at First Presbyterian church next fall, on the invitation of Dr. Harris. He's the Rev. Dr. William M. Elliott, pastor of Highland Park Presbyterian church in Dallas.

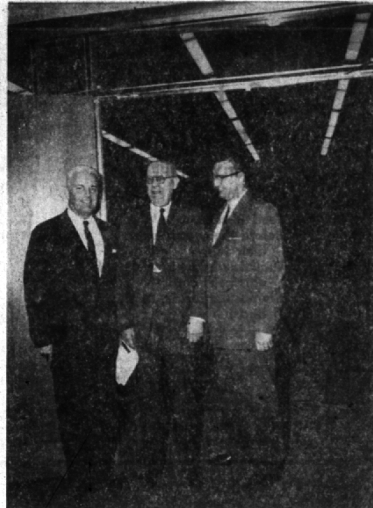
"He's a friend of mine from Texas," explained Dr. Harris.

SECOND BIG STORY in which Dr. Harris had a part was the action of the Presbyterian church, USA, last week. At its general assembly in Omaha, attended by Dr. Harris, it voted in favor of merger with the United Presbyterian church, a smaller church of 250,000 members.

Another local minister was indirectly involved in that important move. He is the Rev. Robert W. Gibson, Jr., minister to youth at First Presbyterian church.

Mr. Gibson's father, Rev. Dr. Robert W. Gibson, president of Monmouth college and moderator of the smaller church, reported at the Omaha assembly that his group favored the merger.

It's fun to be one of the first to see a new wing of a church.



AT THE DOOR to the large Fellowship hall of the new Mabel Ann Long Memorial wing, its donor, Thomas A. Long, (center) chats with the Rev. Ralph Read (left) and Rev. John Metler, ministers of North Congregational church.

Recently we saw the huge, shiny kitchen (with automatic dishwashers, etc.), the spacious fellowship hall—auditorium and stage, the well-lighted classrooms that will be dedicated Sunday at North Congregational church. Makes you think of all the joyful occasions, the hard work and the good work those beautiful new walls will see.

We're talking about the new Mabel Ann Long memorial wing, donated by one man, Thomas A. Long, of Detroit. A plaque on the wall will read, "Fellowship Hall—Entrance to right and rooms to north and south were built as a memorial to Mabel Ann Long, who joined this church December 7, 1919 and took part in its work until her death January 18, 1956."

# Mabel Ann Long Wing Dedication Is Sunday

The new Mabel Ann Long memorial wing of the North Congregational church, built with \$260,000 provided by her husband, Thomas G. Long, one of the church's distinguished members, will be dedicated Sunday.

Dr. Chester B. Emerson, former Dean of the Episcopal cathedral in Cleveland and from 1914 to 1925 pastor of the church at its former home, Woodward and Blaine, will preach the dedication sermon at 4 p.m.

Immediately following, women of the church will serve a tea in Fellowship hall to friends who attend the service.

NORTH CONGREGATIONAL church is located at Northwestern and Labar road and is now under construction.

The newly constructed wing adds an office for the superintendent of the church school and a whole new unit of classrooms for the beginner department. It also includes a dining room and auditorium seating 350 people, and a stage; a large kitchen and store room; besides an apartment for the section of the church.

The Mabel Ann Long memorial wing is of modern architecture like the church edifice. It is built on the church property of 33 acres, and makes the overall investment well over a million dollars. Architects are O'Dell, Hewlett and Luckenbach of Birmingham.

A two story wing will be dedicated at a cost of roughly \$200,000, which will house the expanding junior and senior high school departments. Rev. Ralph H. Read and Rev. John W. Metler

# The Week Ahead

Congregational church of Birmingham's supper club and young adult group will wind up the season with a picnic at Springdale park, Friday, June 7, at 8:30 p.m. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Riemer are chairmen.

Eastminster guild of First Presbyterian church meets Thursday, June 6, at 1 p.m. for potluck picnic at home of Mrs. A. K. Parrish, 3560 Big Beaver road.

Westminster guild meets the same day at 6:30 p.m. for potluck picnic supper at Elizabeth lake cottage of Mrs. J. H. Curry. There will be a "white elephant" auction.

The Women's mission society of First Baptist church will meet Thursday, June 6, for a potluck picnic at Lake Angelus home of Robert A. DeWitt. Business meeting at 10:30 a.m., picnic lunch at 12:30. Devotions by Mrs. Robert Macoskey.

St. James Episcopal church Women's auxiliary meets Wednesday, June 5, at Pine Lake Holiday house. Board meeting 10 a.m., Communion in the Chapel at 12:15, luncheon and meeting at 1 p.m.

Mrs. Gordon Mathews will speak on migrant work and supply. The auxiliary will honor Mrs. Floyd E. Towne and Mrs. Wallace Ivers. This will be the last meeting before leaving for Rox Chapel, Pennsylvania.

Redeemer Lutheran church Women's society plans picnic for June 6 meeting on church grounds at 6:30 p.m. Games, prizes and short business meeting will follow.

In charge of food and entertainment are Mesdames Donald McNab, chairman; D. H. Mcintosh, Martin Black, Hubert Clark, Theo. Coback, Garrel Burns and Miss Edna Selberg.

Fiesta of Nations sponsored by the Women's auxiliary of St. Peter and Paul Missionaries will be Sunday from 10:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. at the Cathedral gymnasium, Belmont and John R. Detroit. Mrs. John B. Picard, 2850 Hickory Grove road, is chairman of the white elephant booth, representing India.

The Ladies' guild of Peace Lutheran church, 17029 W. 13 Mile road, Birmingham, will have a potluck dinner Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. to celebrate the group's third anniversary. Mrs. Harold Laskowsky is dinner chairman.

# Rev. Carl Baird To Be Installed

The Rev. Carl Baird will be installed as associate minister of the Congregational church of Birmingham June 2. An ecclesiastical council, the minister and one delegate from each of the 27 churches in the Congregational association of Detroit, will attend the service.

A complimentary supper for these guests and members of the church council will be served at 6 p.m. by the Board of Deacons and Deaconesses, under Mrs. Robert Kerly's direction.

The two other parts of this significant recognition event are open to all members and friends of the church. At a 4:15 p.m. examination by the Council, Mr. Baird will read a statement of his religious experience and conviction.

Dr. Phillip W. Searles, association vice moderator, will preside at this open meeting. At the 7:15 p.m. service of installation, Rev. Jack Metler, North church associate minister, will read the sermon. Other participants will be Rev. Gene McCormack, Rev. Paul Clark, Rev. Albert Chastain, Rev. Larry Dool, Dr. Howard Worth, Dr. Edward Wilcox and Rev. Robert D. Dewey.

The church's final service of Holy Communion until October will be Sunday at both services. New members will be received at this time.

# Picnic Fun For Everyone

Prizes and fun will be in store for everyone—any age—who attends the North Congregational church FAMILY Picnic after the morning worship service on Sunday, June 9. It is to be held on the church grounds, rain or shine.

Ham or hot dog luncheon will be served. A ticket for luncheon must be purchased ahead of time from the church office.

Ed Johnson's famous puppet show "Willy Dool," from the Milky and Creamy TV show, will present "Voyage to Nowhere."

Other attractions will be youngsters-oldest soft ball game, horse shoe pitching, volleyball, cartoon movies for children, relaya and races for children and adults, egg throwing contest. There will be favors for all children. All members and friends are invited.

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# To Break Ground at 1st Methodist

Ceremonies Sunday will mark the breaking of ground for a new wing to be constructed at First Methodist church, W. Michigan and Pleasant.

Participating in the 3 p.m. service will be Bishop Marshall R. Reed, who will be speaker, and Dr. Benjamin F. Holme, district superintendent. Music will be supplied by a choir of 150 under direction of Minister of Music Rodney Petersen.

Rev. Dr. Arnold F. Bunkel, Rev. Allen E. Wittrop and Rev. Dr. Harry O. Martin, ministers of the church, will also join in the observance.

Funds for the wing to house additional classrooms were raised in the church's "Complete the Building" campaign last fall.

# Former Medical Missionary To Speak Here

Sunday morning, at 11 a.m., a doctor who served for 15 years in Iran (Persia) will occupy the pulpit at First Baptist church in Birmingham.

He is Dr. Hartman A. Lichtwardt, medical director of Woman's hospital in Detroit. He will be guest preacher in the convention absence of the Rev. Dr. Ernest Kentz. At a little hospital in Meshed, Iran, Dr. Lichtwardt treated rich and poor peasants and tribes, Turks, Afghans, Russians, Armenians and Assyrians. His hospital served a church with a population of over three million, with the nearest hospital over 600 miles away across the desert.

Dr. Lichtwardt has spoken previously in Birmingham and has a large and loyal group of friends here. He is a national leader in the treatment of Hansen's disease (leprosy) on which he has lectured locally. Next Sunday his subject will be "Life's Best Age."

Dr. Lichtwardt is one of the few surgeons who have been ordained into the Christian ministry. While still active in his practice of medicine, he is a frequent preacher in churches of various denominations.

Dr. Lichtwardt will be presented and assisted by Louis J. Crooks, chairman of the board of Deacons of the church.

1-14 CENT I.T.L.—SUMMER SCHE Northminster Presbyterians church is changing its schedule of services beginning Sunday and continuing through Sept. 1. New hours are 8:30 a.m. and 10 a.m. in place of the winter schedule of 9:30 and 11 a.m.

# NOTICE OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION OF THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF BLOOMFIELD HILLS SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2, COUNTY OF OAKLAND, MICHIGAN TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF SAID SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Please Take Notice that the Board of Education of Bloomfield Hills School District No. 2, County of Oakland, Michigan, has called an annual election to be held in said School District on June 10, 1957.

Section (532), Chapter 8, Part II, Act 269, Public Acts of Michigan, 1955, provides as follows:

"The inspectors of election at any annual or special election shall not receive the vote of any person residing in a registration school district whose name is not registered as an elector in the city or township in which he resides . . ."

THE LAST DAY on which persons may register with the Clerk of the City or Township in which they reside in order to be eligible to vote at said annual election called to be held June 10, 1957, is Friday, May 31, 1957. Persons registering after 5:00 o'clock p.m., Eastern Standard Time, on said Friday, May 31, are not eligible to vote at said annual election.

Under the provisions of Act 269, Public Acts of Michigan, 1955, registration will not be taken by school officials, and only persons who have registered as general electors with the Clerk of the City or Township in which they reside are registered school electors. Persons planning to register with City and Township Clerks must ascertain the days and hours on which the Clerk's office is open for registration.

This Notice is given by order of the Board of Education of Bloomfield Hills School District No. 2, County of Oakland, Michigan.

Dated May 13, 1957

Douglas L. Jocelyn, Secretary  
Bloomfield Hills Board of Education

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Sunday Worship Service 9:30 A. M.  
Church School 9:30 A. M.  
Nursery School—3 and under at 1296 Lenox  
Minister—Rev. Barton Lloyd

**EVERGREEN EPISCOPAL MISSION**  
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Beverly Rd. (13 1/2 Mile) West of Southfield  
Sunday Worship Service 11:15 A.M.  
Minister—Rev. Barton Lloyd MI 6-3432

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Sunday School 10:00 A.M.  
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Thurs. Bible Study 7:30 P.M.  
MI 6-2802 Ch. FE 5-9572 Res.  
Charles J. Whitfield, Pastor

**NORTH CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**  
Northwestern at Labar  
21600 West 10 1/2 Mile Road  
11:00 A.M. MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE  
Ministers: Reverend Ralph H. Read  
Reverend John W. Metler  
11:00 a.m. Church School  
Pilgrim Fellowship Choir Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.  
Pilgrim Fellowship Meeting 7:30 p.m.  
(Junior and Senior High School People)  
(Children will be cared for at both Services)  
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A National Lutheran Council Church  
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Labar Road at W. Maple Road  
Worship Service 11: A.M.  
Sunday School 9:30 A.M.  
Parsonage: 2247 W. Lincoln Ave. Phone: MI 6-6119  
Rev. R. F. Fuller  
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**Northminster Presbyterian Church**  
3633 W. Big Beaver Rd. (East of Adams)  
MACKAY TAYLOR—MINISTER  
WORSHIP SERVICES & CHURCH SCHOOL  
8:30 A.M. and 10:00 A.M.

**Franklin Community Church**  
On Franklin's Village Green  
1 block west of Franklin Rd., at Wellington and Normandy.  
MORNING WORSHIP SERVICES AND CHURCH SCHOOL  
10 A.M.  
Robert J. Searls, Minister

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READING ROOM, 355 East Maple Ave.  
Open 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Except Sundays and Holidays.  
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Here the Bible and all authorized Christian Science literature may be read, borrowed or purchased.

**Beverly Hills Baptist Church**  
Temporary Building GREENFIELD AT 13 MILE ROAD  
Permanent Location—13 Mile and Fairfax  
Church School 9:45 A.M.  
Morning Worship 11:00 A.M.  
Youth Meeting 6:15 P.M.  
Evening Service 7:30 P.M.  
Midweek Service—Wednesday 7:45 P.M.  
Minister—Rev. Roy A. Pitts  
LI 9-2984  
Choir Director—Mrs. C. Christman

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