

AUTOMOBILISTS PLAY NEW PART IN RELIGIOUS WORK

Make Tours of Principal Cities as Far West as El Paso and Pacific Coast; Find Radical Views Preached in Number of Eastern and Middle West Pulpits; Methodist Men Have New Program Mapped Out.

AUTOMOBILISTS are playing a new part in church affairs this summer. Certain church enthusiasts, owning machines and prevented from going abroad, are touring principal cities from Portland to Kansas City, and Minneapolis and Detroit to New Orleans and El Paso, and are spending Sundays in large cities, attending famous churches. Some of these auto tourists report hearing, in some of these cities, sermons that seem to deny the fundamentals of the Christian faith to an extent they never heard before. One of the number, a Presbyterian elder, who has been a member of two general assemblies, expresses the conviction that there is something the country just now such a wave of liberal religion in American pulpits have not given voice to before. This elder gives particulars.

Methodist laymen to inaugurate new methods. Edwin R. Graham, the one layman who is an agent of the Methodist Book Concern, was recently elected secretary of a new General Conference Laymen's association. Being the work of the laymen in connection with that of publishing agent, he reports setting already the machinery in motion to stir up Methodist laymen of the country, and get into their hands a program for actual work by them that is far in advance of anything ever attempted by Methodists. Mr. Graham reports finding everywhere a desire to help, but quite as widely a lack of all plans, and especially a lack of laymen.

Officials of this new Methodist Laymen's association come from all of the 42 General Conference districts. The president is A. P. Nelson, of Grantsburg, Wis., and one of the secretaries is Frank L. Brown, of the World's Sunday School association. Plans of work include agitation in favor of laymen having membership with ministers in annual conferences. This question has been agitated for some years, but it is said by Methodist leaders that even yet the outlook for such change is not favorable.

Efforts are to be put forward at once to provide Methodist men with a definite program in their respective churches for work for money for local maintenance, for missionary education, for the training of laymen as preachers and evangelists, and for service in behalf of social problems. The entire four years to 1935 are to be kept in mind in the planning of this program. It is held that year in connection with the general conference. As far as possible, such conventions are also to be held in connection with annual conferences and with exhibits of work where practicable. Methodist laymen say they wish to emphasize partnership of laymen with ministers in all that goes to make a complete church.

QUAKERS ABANDON PLAIN DRESS BUT GAIN NUMBERS

A movement is general on the part of most Quaker meetings to get into modern dress. The latest voice to be heard for unity was uttered at Cape May, where was held a biennial convention of Hicksite Friends. More and more this convention, a volunteer one of the Hicksite workers, has attracted orthodox young people to its sessions. Especially has it done so when it has met in the middle west, and at Swarthmore or other colleges in the east.

TEN BANDS TO PLAY CONCERTS

Regular and State Musical Organizations to Be Heard in Cleveland Square.

Through the courtesy of Brig. Gen. George A. Bell, jr., commander of the El Paso district of the border patrol, 10 of the finest band organizations in the service will be heard in sacred concert at the Sunday evening services in Cleveland square during the remainder of the summer months. The militia bands and the regulars will alternate a series of concerts, being started Sunday by the Fourth United States field artillery band.

Civilians and Soldiers Invited. As is the case with the open air services conducted by chaplain J. T. Aaton of Fort Bliss, both civilians and soldiers are invited to the services. The meetings are open to every one who wishes to spend a quiet hour of worship in the cool of the park. In case of rain or threatening weather the services will be transferred to the First Christian church, which lies across the street from the park.

Chaplain Will Speak. An invitation has been extended to a number of the chaplains of the army to speak at these services. The balance of the summer and a number have accepted. In this way the people of El Paso will be able to hear some of the most talented preachers and pastors of the eastern states, who have enlisted with the troops for service.

Band Quartet to Play. As an added feature of the services Sunday a horn quartet from the 16th Pennsylvania infantry will give two numbers. This quartet is composed of chief musician Robbins and privates Johnston, Beakley and Johnson, all of them from El Paso. They have played together for about eight years and their playing will be a treat to El Pasoans. The following is the program for Sunday evening. The services commence at 7:30 instead of 8 o'clock to allow time for the sacred concert.

- Sacred Concert
Fourth U. S. Field Artillery Band
at present stationed at Fort Bliss.
Evening Hymn
My Country, 'Tis of Thee
Accompanied by band.
Horn Quartet, 16th Pa. Infantry Band
Evening Prayer—Scripture Lesson—Horn Quartet.
Offertory
Music by Fourth U. S. Artillery Band
All money received will be used solely to meet certain necessary expenses of these evening services.

Friends in America, the Friends of Great Britain are one body.

In the United States and Canada the really strong Friend body is the Orthodox one. Its chief numbers are not in Pennsylvania, but in Indiana, with Ohio outstripping Pennsylvania, New Jersey and New England combined. In the middle west the old Quaker practices and customs of plain speech and dress have disappeared. The same is true of Hicksite Friends in Pennsylvania. This spring, at the Hicksite yearly meeting in Philadelphia, it was said not a plain dress was seen. Yet Quakers grow in numbers, especially the Orthodox, and now exceed 125,000. The Hicksite body, strongest in Pennsylvania, Maryland, western New York and Canada, is the one now moving for unity. Orthodox Quakers are meeting their advances. In not a few cases propositions have been considered to sell old meeting houses, and combine in the one that remains. Among Orthodox Friends in the middle west there is a distinct demand for ministers. The old prejudice against

AERO SQUADRON COMING TO THE BORDER



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The First Aero squadron of the New York National guard has been mustered into the federal service. The squadron was organized with the help of the Aero club of America. It is the first militia flying unit to join Uncle Sam's forces. It has three machines of the latest design. Within a few days it will go to the Mexican border to join the patrols as the much needed "eyes of the army."

Prisoners in England Blackmail Rich Fellows. London, Eng., July 27.—Some objection was made at first to having women conductresses on London omnibuses because, it was asserted, they could not do the heavier work required of the job. A girl conductress in west London answered this when she threw an intoxicated man off her bus and then had him arrested. Magistrate Fordham, fining the obstreperous man \$4, said: "Everyone ought to assist these women who are doing their bit by conducting omnibuses. As far as I have been able to observe, these women do their duty exceedingly well. They are particularly civil and pleasant."

Girl Bus Conductress Throws Drunken Man Off; Has Him Arrested.

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Infantile Paralysis is Hitting Vacation Schools. The Vacation Bible schools, which have opened for a six weeks term, are interfered with in a number of cities by infantile paralysis, and restrictions imposed by boards of health. In many cities conductors of the schools have given notice that they will observe strictly the conditions laid down by the boards. The schools have extended to southern cities this year, westward to Kansas City, and are far more numerous than is indicated by the 360000 people reported in the schools of one national association. The reason is that many schools are maintained by churches in which they are held, and have no connection with the national body. These schools are peculiarly summer

institutions. They are also for quite poor children. Distinction is not made but children of well to do families are able to leave the city, at least to get off hot streets. The three factors are children of the very poor, balls belonging to churches that but for these vacation schools would remain unused, and students of colleges and theological seminaries who seek summer work to help them with expenses the balance of the year. Putting all of these factors together costs little and helps much. The vacation school idea started 15 years ago in the mind of a Baptist minister, the Rev. Dr. R. G. Boville, by name. It has grown steadily each year, until now the schools are numbered by hundreds. Differences between religious bodies have played havoc in some cities, impaired efficiency, and duplicated machinery for their promotion. But this July at least 200,000 children of very deserving families will be in these schools, and be taught some Bible truths, some handicraft work, and a good deal of helpful amusement, and how to provide it for themselves.

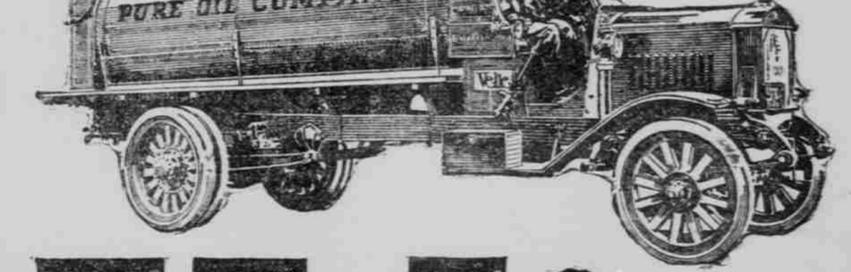
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TIGERISH JAW OF SHARK & STANLEY FISHER, A VICTIM. This picture shows the tigerish jaw of a shark with its pointed and twisted teeth with which it seizes its prey and makes rescue practically impossible. Also the picture of Stanley Fisher, who died of injury in attempting the rescue of Lester Stillwell, who was attacked and killed at Matawan Creek, N. J.

Sentence Sermons by El Paso Ministers

IF I WERE called upon to give, in one sentence, the teachings of the Bible from the love story of creation in the first chapter of Genesis to the last invitation to "come take the water of life" in Revelations 22; I would say: "God is love."—Rev. Charles H. Riddle, of East El Paso Baptist church.

Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due season; casting all your care upon him, for he careth for you. 1 Pet. 5: 6-7.—Rev. Watson M. Fairley, of Westminster Presbyterian church.

"If every man would do his best to do right, this world would be a much better place in which to live."—Rev. W. C. Baber, of the Altura Presbyterian church.

That "righteousness exalteth a nation and sin is a reproach to any people," is as true today as it was when spoken centuries ago by God's inspired messenger of truth. "Be strong. Quit you like men." "Endure hardness as good soldiers of Jesus Christ."—Rev. H. P. Bond, of East El Paso Methodist church.

The wise and true crave not for lofty tasks, but turn the small to greatness by the great heart doing all for God.—Rev. I. N. Langston, of Highland Park Baptist church.

When life has been finished, will I be ashamed, satisfied or proud of what I have done for my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ?—Rev. Asher A. Davis, of East El Paso Presbyterian church.

If the man who thinks himself too big to go to church would only compare his Sunday program with the average church service perhaps, he'd find, after all, that he was capable of doing some things rather small.—Rev. J. H. Allen, of Austin Park Christian church.

Christians are a separate people and they are enjoined to live the separate life. "Come ye out from among them and be ye separate, saith the Lord." They should prove to the world that this line between them and worldly people is real. What is the good of making a profession of Christianity if the lives of disciples of Christ are just like those who lay no claim to being Christians?—Rev. J. F. Williams, D. D., of First Baptist church.

If you would be happy, be righteous in thought, word and deed. "For the eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous and his ears open unto their supplications."—Rev. Paul G. Birkmann, of the Evangelical Lutheran church.

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