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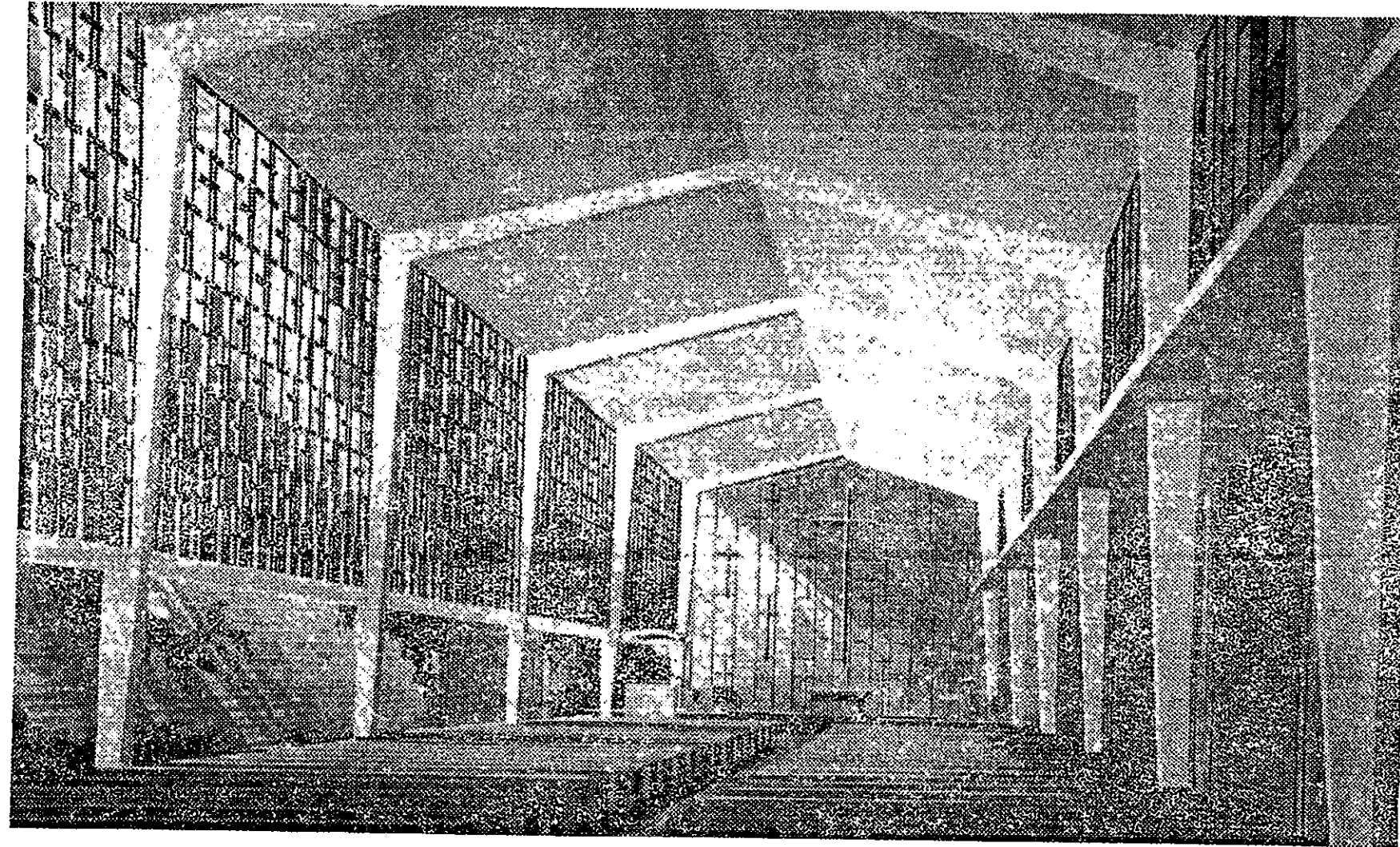
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CORINTH FIRST CHURCH HAS MOMENTOUS OPENING



The first services in the magnificent new church in Corinth was an occasion long to be remembered by the Methodists there. 750 persons attended the service conducted by the pastors Roy A. Grisham and Jack L. Woodward. Present for the occasion was Mrs. Joseph Potts who will be one hundred years old in 1961. Mrs. Potts has been a member of First Church since before the turn of the century.

The thank offering amounted to more than \$4,300 which more than covers the balance due on the church debt. This was in excess of the regular offering for budget purposes.

Open house for church members and townspeople was held from 2:30 until 5:00 in the afternoon. More than 3,000 people toured the church and needless to say, the church members are bursting with pride and thankfulness.

News Items From Hazlehurst

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The month of January was the month of Missions on the Belmont Charge. The four churches on the charge, Belmont, Golden, Old Bethel, Patterson Chapel, conducted a charge-wide church-wide School of

Missions with great results and much enthusiasm. The school lasted four nights and was held in the Belmont Church.

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The Methodist Church at Hazlehurst is planning to celebrate its one hundredth anniversary. On June 21, 1860 the first deed to the church property was given. It was sometime during that year the church was organized. On June 5th of this present year 1960, the church plans a special day of celebration.

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Young Walters succeeds Larry Bradley, president elect of the Mississippi Southern Student Body, who has served the past two years.

Other officers elected to serve included, Vice-president, Randa Kay Ray, Collins; Secretary, Adalyn Koen, Broad Street, Hattiesburg; Treasurer, Pat Collins, Waynesboro; Publicity Chairman, Marilyn Dickson, Franklin Church, Laurel; Chairman of Christian Faith, Carolyn Henderson, Sand Hill Church, Richton; Chairman of Christian Witness, Lovell Upton, Collins; Chairman of Christian Outreach, Sherrin Walley, Richton; Chairman of Christian Citizenship, Kitty Punesen, Parkway Heights Church, Hattiesburg; and Chairman of Christian Fellowship, Lynda Tanner, Heidelberg.

Sandra Walley, Outreach Chairman for the past year, led the worship service at the Installation Service, and Dr. B. M. Hunt, district superintendent of the Hattiesburg District, installed the officers.

Miss Margaret Norsworthy of Waynesboro is the District Director of Youth Work.

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Mississippi Conference Study Club

The Mississippi Conference Study Club will meet Thursday, March 24th at 10:00 A.M., at Parkway Heights Methodist Church, Hattiesburg. The meeting will conclude at 3:00 P.M. The ladies of the church will serve lunch.

Rev. William Lowry, minister of the Lovely Lane Methodist Church, Natchez, will give a book review on "Conversion" by E. Stanley Jones. Rev. Elton Brown, minister of the Pachuta Methodist Church will read a paper on "Prayer."

The officers of the Club are:
 President—Inman Moore, Jr.
 Vice-President—Warren E. Pittman
 2nd Vice-Pres.—Lavell Woodrick
 Secretary—B. M. Lawrence
 Treasurer—Hollis Youngblood

Resolution Of Appreciation

March 6, 1960

Whereas, John T. Carley, who went to his eternal reward in April, 1959, had been such a faithful and useful member and official of the Richton Methodist Church for many years.

And whereas, during his life he showed so much interest and concern for the youth of the church and community.

And whereas, Mrs. Ruth Carley and her two sons, John T. Carley, Jr. and E. Carley and her two daughters, Mrs. Beth Carley Sims and Mrs. June Carley Cassibry, have established a Methodist Student Loan Fund in memory of him in the Richton Methodist Church to be known as the JOHN T. CARLEY MEMORIAL Fund to be used by Methodist young people who will go into full-time Christian service.

Therefore, be it resolved that the quarterly Conference meeting this 6th of March, 1960, express appreciation to the John T. Carley Family for this most beautiful and useful act and that a copy of this resolution be sent to the family and a copy be spread in the minutes of this Quarterly Conference and that copies be sent to the Mississippi Methodist Advocate and the Richton Dispatch.

Respectfully submitted,

OTHO M. BRANTLEY.

District IV. Choral Festival



The thirteenth annual District IV

METHODIST STUDENT MOVEMENT COUNCIL PLANS



Pictured above, left to right: Betty Coker, Northeast Junior College; Nell Tucker, MSCW; Edith Ann Miller, Mary E. Granberry, Mississippi Southern; Gayle Graham, Gaylen Roberts, Ole Miss.; Carol Tyler, Tommy Richardson, Rudy Williams, East Central Junior College; and Jim Carr, Mississippi State University.

The officers of MSM are pictured on the right. Seated, left to right: Edith Ann Miller, secretary; Gayle Graham, president. Standing, Tommy Richardson treasurer; and Carol Tyler, vice-president.



At the state conference which was held at Millsaps in February the new council of the Mississippi Methodist Student Movement met and organized for planning for a new year. The week-end of March 4-6, the council met to formulate plans for the coming year. It was an exciting meeting, though many schools were not represented.

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Mr. Draper has formerly organized and directed the male chorus at the Keesler Air Force Base, Biloxi, Mississippi, singing with such stars as Mimi Benzelle, Stan Kenton, and Bill Sullivan. During the summer months he serves as Director of Music at Lake Junaluska, the Methodist Assembly Grounds, where he provides music for conferences and also conducts the Lake Junaluska Summer School of Music. He is a graduate of Indiana University, and will receive his Master of Music degree from Southern Methodist University this June.

His choral groups have performed for "Voice of America," Billy Graham's Hour of Decision and Crusade, Radio Pulpit of the Air, as well as many other groups.

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The state conference for next year will again be in the first part of February. This conference will deal with the theological implication of the "Church on the College and University campus."

Plans are also being made now for those students who will attend the Regional MSM Leadership Train-

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"Religion is not expressed through the doing of eccentric things."

American Bible Society Sets Up New Offices

Regional offices have recently been established by the American Bible Society in Chicago, Los Angeles, and New York. They will be responsible for encouraging churches and related Christian organizations to distribute the scriptures more widely, with special emphasis on missionary and evangelistic distribution to groups that are politically, economically, racially and socially disenfranchised. These include prisoners in local, state and federal prisons; delinquent youth and their families; migrants; the blind; the unreached masses in large cities; ethnic groups and military personnel.

CHALLENGE

Religion should mean several things. It should give us hope, faith, security, refuge, help and self-confidence. It should give one a winsome personality and the ability to meet the needs of others. But above all religion should mean one thing more and that is CHALLENGE.

Higher Call



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Two consecrated and devoted members of the Methodist Church recently passed to their reward. On January 1, 1960 Miss Elizabeth B. Stearns, aged 88 years and on March 2, 1960, her sister Miss E. Josephine Stearns, aged 90 years. They lived in Dorchester for many years and were members of the Stanton Avenue Methodist Church where they were active in every possible way. Previous to coming to Dorchester, Elizabeth was actively engaged in the Hyde Park Methodist Church. They were loyal to their pastors who found them always ready to give them support and encouragement. They were active workers on several Commissions of the Church; namely, Finance, Missions and Evangelism. Both of these sisters were "Life" members of the New England Deaconess Association, Inc., and Elizabeth was an untiring worker for that organization. Both were interested in District and Conference activities and every good cause and attended many meetings.

E. Josephine was employed, until her retirement, by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts at the State House

and had a responsible position. Elizabeth was employed for 38 years by the Monsanto Chemical Company and next to her Church interests that organization was very much a part of her and at a recent Quarter Century Club meeting she was described as one who had "Good Company-Employee relationship."

These two are survived by their sister, Mrs. Minnie G. Pillsbury formerly of Saco, Me., who in recent years came to make her home with them.

The funerals of these "girls," as they were familiarly called by their friends, were in charge of their former pastor, the Rev. Leroy A. Lyon and the Rev. William Ramsden, present pastor of the Stanton Avenue Methodist Church. Burial took place in the family lot in Fairview Cemetery, Hyde Park.

The Rev. Edwin Fairbrother, 72, of 86 West Central St., Natick, former minister of the Newton Falls Methodist Church, died Feb. 28 at Newton-Wellesley (Mass.) hospital.

Born in Rochdale, Lancashire, England, he studied at Cliff College there. He also studied at Alberta University in Canada and at the Boston University School of Theology.

He was ordained at the Genesee Conference in Buffalo, N. Y., and he was a missionary in the western prairies during the early part of his career. After his marriage in 1913 to Grace Edna (Wright) he held pastorates in Delevan, N. Y., Pennsylvania, Iowa and North Dakota. In 1927 he became minister of the Newton Lower Falls Methodist Church where he remained for 18 years until his retirement in 1947. Since his retirement he has acted as credit manager for many concerns including Frazier Florists of Wellesley; Grossman's in Newton; the *Wellesley Townsman* newspaper and the Newton-Wellesley Hospital. Besides his wife, he leaves two daughters, Mrs. Henry Bacon of Norwood; Mrs. Myron Schoffner of Freeport, Penn., and three grandchildren.

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ZIONS HERALD

The Reverend George E. Heath, D.D.

A Memorial

by Azariah F. Reimer

Alfred Lord Tennyson, in his poem "In Memoriam" tells of his heartbreak over the death of his beloved friend Arthur Hallam. So deep was his sorrow that he continues his verses on and on almost inteminably. Such is the loss I feel in the passing of my confidential friend of all the years of my own ministry, Dr. George E. Heath.

I knew him so well, and admired him so deeply, that it would be easier to write his biography than a brief memorial for ZIONS HERALD. Where to begin, what to tell, and where to stop is the problem.

Dr. Heath grew up in an almost ideal home of devout parents in Springfield, Mass. When he was about fifteen years old his family moved to Malden, and he attended the Maplewood Methodist Church, of which Dr. Henry L. Wriston was then pastor. Under that preaching and influence, he had a deep and moving religious experience which inevitably led him into the Christian ministry. Dr. Wriston's friendship played a large part in making George Heath the preacher, pastor and all around leader in the ministry of his generation.

Because of limited financial means in his family, he had to earn and pay his way for his higher education. He chose Wilbraham for his Preparatory School, and came there under the teaching and influence of Dr. William R. Newhall, who was then the principal. From this noted educator and preacher he gained much in shaping his character and the techniques of his ministry. Often he told me of his admiration for Dr. Newhall. Then in Wesleyan University at Middletown, Conn., he secured his college degree, paying the way by his own labors, especially in the vacations, in some of New England's summer hotels. Boston University School of Theology completed his academic training for the ministry in 1908.

For his first Church he was assigned to Barham Memorial in South Boston. This church was then in debt and greatly in need of repairs, and the genius of the new minister was shown in the working of an utter change in the church's conditions. Discouragement was soon replaced by hope and enthusiasm. The debts were paid, repairs and additions came and the membership was greatly increased. Dr. Heath here gained the reputation as a miracle worker in churches, which followed him in all his ministry. He was the healer of divisions, the creator of optimism, the eraser of debts, the builder of churches and, above all, the tireless pastor and superb preacher who "added to the church daily such as are being saved."

In the homes of his people was where he did his greatest work. Like the Great Shepherd, he was always seeking the lost sheep, and also caring diligently for all the flock. His membership always increased, sometimes by leaps and bounds. It was no wonder that the greatest churches sought for him, especially those in trouble and need, and he never failed to meet the emergencies where he was sent.

April, 1960

When he went to Boston Street Church, Lynn, it was to a parish where the tide was flowing out. In the four years of that pastorate he turned that tide, and "Old Boston Street" became outstanding among all the eleven Methodist Churches in that city. Park Avenue, Somerville, was an old church and in deeply worn ruts. In the ten years of that pastorate, his leadership achieved the well nigh impossible. That cathedral, College Avenue, Somerville, was built at a cost of about \$350,000 and soon after entirely paid for, and the membership arose to more than 2,000. Then the great Malden Centre Church was in divisions and discouragement, and Dr. Heath was the physician in three years to cure those ills and restore harmony, faith and love. Then the new \$1,000,000 cathedral, Wesley Church, Worcester, was well nigh in despair with its debt of about a quarter of a million dollars. Dr. Heath, the infallible turner of defeat to victory, was sent there, and in the decade of that pastorate the church was cleared of its crushing load, and the membership became the largest of any church in the New England Conference.

To place the final climax upon his great ministry, Dr. Heath was made the Executive Secretary of the Conference Claimants' Fund, and in that six years he raised about \$350,000 to establish the New Entrants' Fund, and render the pensions of the retired ministers and their families among the best paid of all the conferences of Methodism.

But I cannot close this brief, rambling resumé without capping it with the home of George and Marian Heath which is the poem of all that great ministry. Here were two lovers whose hearts beat as one. They two lived for each other and their ideal family, and they all lived for the Living Christ, their Head and Master.

Here was a Christian ministry worthy of being the model for all who are called into this discipleship. George Heath, the modest pastor, who sought nothing for himself, was the beloved brother of all the ministers, the humble as well as the great. George was my best beloved friend. Who can wonder now that I am sad since he has gone home to his God.

Bishop John Wesley Lord urged the need for recapturing the ideals of America's Founding Fathers in an address before members of the Boston Baptist Social Union anniversary dinner March 7.

"Our great sin is our willingness to adjust to evil," he said. "Whatever the crowd is doing or wants to do, we must do. The only justification is that everyone is doing it. It is in this atmosphere of acquiescence that basic principles will be denied. Here is where the malignancy begins."

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and the city of Denver itself.

In Chicago, the office of Dr. J. Otis Young of the Entertainment Committee has been swamped with a record 15,000-plus requests for guest tickets.

In Denver Area headquarters, the offices of Bishop Glenn R. Phillips and District Superintendent T. Bruce McDivitt buzz with activity while at the switchboard Mrs. Frank Goris, the receptionist, tries to calculate the number of calls she will handle for what the bishop calls "a friendly invasion of Methodists."

Five Denver churches, all within a few blocks of the convention hall, are providing extra meeting rooms: Central Christian, Central Presbyterian, First Baptist, First United Presbyterian, and Trinity Methodist.

In Denver's big municipal auditorium, true Western hospitality and information will be dispensed in two friendship centers, with redwood furniture contributed by Montgomery Ward and Company.

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The funeral services were held on March 9, in Hamline Church, St. Paul, with the large sanctuary crowded with hundreds of ministers, their wives, laymen, and laywomen of the Minnesota Conference.

A second service was held on March 10, in Central Church, Lansing, Mich., where Dr. Coors had served as pastor for 14 years, before his election as bishop. The burial was at Lansing.

Bishop Coors had reached the age of compulsory retirement for bishops of the Church, and was to have taken part in his last General Conference, in Denver. He had become seriously ill in December while visiting in Michigan, and was hospitalized there, his condition requiring a number of blood transfusions.

Upon his return to Minnesota with Mrs. Coors, in January, he was hospitalized in the Methodist hospital in Rochester, where he received treatment for a persistent blood ailment. He was able to return home in February, and had been able to resume a portion of his church duties as he seemed to be convalescing satisfactorily, until the day on which he was fatally stricken.

Elected Bishop in 1952

A native of Michigan, he was elected a bishop of the Church in a North Central Jurisdictional election, at Milwaukee, in 1952. He was assigned immediately to the Minnesota Area, he and Mrs. Coors moving into the residence at 1987 Summit Ave., in St. Paul.

During his 14 years in the Lansing church, Dr. Coors had carried on an extensive counseling program and participated widely in community affairs, including the State Mental Health Society, the first chapter of which he founded in Ingham County and served as chairman. He also held pastorates previously in Roosevelt, N.Y., Grand Rapids, Kalamazoo, and Muskegon, Mich.

He had been a delegate to six quadrennial sessions of the General Conference, having headed the Michigan delegation five times. He also was a delegate to the Uniting Conference, in 1939, to four North Central Jurisdictional quadrennial sessions, and to the Meth-



D. Stanley Coors—1889-1960

odist Ecumenical Conference, at Oxford, England, in 1951.

He had received his education at Albion College, Drew Theological Seminary, and Columbia University. He had been vitally interested in the co-operative work of the churches, having served

as the president of the Michigan and the Minnesota Councils of Churches respectively.

The bishop had served as a member of the General Board of Education of the Church and of the Board of Temperance. He was a past vice-president of the National Temperance League.

Trustee of Hamline University

At the time of his death, he was also a member of the Board of Trustees of Hamline University, in St. Paul.

Since his election in 1952, he had been assigned by the Council of Bishops to visit Methodist churches in the northern European countries, but illness at the time shortened that trip.

The bishop's survivors, besides Mrs. Coors, are: a son, R. S. Coors of Milwaukee, Wis.; two daughters—Mrs. M. S. Van Keuren of LaMesa, Calif., and Mrs. H. W. Lynn of Lansing; and two sisters—Mrs. B. F. Lamb of Columbus, Ohio, and Mrs. D. M. Snell of East Lansing, Mich. Eight grandchildren also survive.

A committee representing the entire Minnesota Conference, and including the Woman's Society of Christian Service and Methodist Men, had been selected to arrange for a farewell gift looking ahead to the bishop's anticipated retirement. This will now become a Coors Memorial committee, and all Methodists in the churches throughout the state will have an opportunity to contribute to a suitable memorial to the memory of Bishop Coors and his ministry in Minnesota.



Six district superintendents were the pallbearers as the body of Bishop Coors was carried from Hamline Church, at the close of the funeral service. More than 200 ministers sang at the service, formed two lines of reverent tribute, shown above.

Bishop Voigt Gives Tribute at Funeral

Bishop Edwin E. Voigt, of the Dakotas Area, was called upon to give the meditation in the funeral service for Bishop Coors, in St. Paul.

Others representing the College of Bishops of the North Central Jurisdiction included: Bishop Charles W. Brashares, of Illinois, who gave a brief tribute on behalf of his colleagues; Bishops F. Gerald Ensley, of Iowa, and H. Clifford Northcott, of Wisconsin.

Because most of Minnesota's Methodist lay people were unable to attend the service, Bishop Voigt's words are recorded here, as follows:

D. STANLEY COORS

"We are buffeted but not cast down. We gather in the spirit of deep sadness, but also in a sense of triumph. We have tears that one so beloved has gone out from us, but the magnificent quality of his spirit will be our inspiration during all our days.

"No one would be more adverse to having an eulogy over him than D. Stanley Coors, and on one would be more deserving. Most of us here have known him less than eight years. I myself met him the first time on the rostrum in Milwaukee, where I joined him as bishop-elect of the Church. It did not require years to feel the deep impact of his character. We have not known him long out here in the Northwest, but our love for him goes deep, and we want his beloved to know that we join in fellowship of sorrow that is poignant and sincere. We are present with you here today, not for statistical showing, but because, to use the words of Shakespeare put in the mouth of Mark Anthony, our hearts lie down there with his.

"We loved him because of the winsome way he walked into our lives. When we met, he elicited a quick response—the response of affection. He was our senior and our leader, but he led, not as the lords of the Gentiles do, but by the pull of his personality.

"Only a few weeks ago, I read these words in Francis Asbury's letter to Joseph Benson, written only about two months before he died in March of 1916:

"With us a bishop is a plain man, altogether like his brethren, wearing no marks of distinction. . . . Called upon to labor and suffer more than any of his brethren; not negative or positive in forming church rules; raised to a small degree of constituted and elective authority above . . . his brethren. . . . It is an established maxim with us that if a man is not well taught and practiced in obedience to know how to serve, he will never know how to take any office in the church of God. . . ."

"Francis Asbury really was describing D. Stanley Coors. How perfectly he exemplified the good bishop, the pastor

pastor, the true shepherd of the flock. The tokens of his apostleship, as in the case of Saint Paul, were wrought among us in patience with signs and wonders of fortitude and works of extraordinary devotion to duty.

Had Common Touch

"We loved him, because he had the common touch, but he was not common. He too knew how to be all things to all men, but he never lowered himself to the vulgar level. There was always something of the patrician about him—the true patrician who is a prince of the Spirit. We felt his outreach of interest and quick discernment, and patient kindness, but he communicated it with dignity and delicate good taste. And the refiner's fire that made him one of God's noblemen, worked its purification in us, so that meeting him, we went away a little cleaner, with our backs a little straighter, and with a higher conception of the potential residing in human nature.

"Yes, a Prince in Israel is fallen this day, and here we solemnly vow that some of the nobility he possessed and passed on to us shall not die in us forever.

"We loved him because of the way he exemplified the reality of the Christian Life. In Rufus Jones' words, for him the Good Life was not the top of a ladder of arguments, but it was the Word made flesh. We in North Dakota shall never forget how he read excerpts of Phillips' translation of Saint Peter's letters, and how in the reading the words took on reality, for we became aware of their reality in him as he stood there before us. I am not yielding to overstatement, but I say in all restraint, that on that day we saw something of the Eternal in him. Now in retrospect, it becomes easier to understand Jesus' words, as Saint John reports them:

"Whosoever liveth and believeth on me shall never die." (11:26) The process of Eternity had already taken hold, and he was demonstrating not by clever turn of words, even though he had the gift of gracious phrases, but by the grace present in him that incarnation was not something that happened 1,900 years ago, but could and did take place in our day.

"So now we yield that which is mortal to the elements, knowing the Spirit so full of beauty and loveliness has now been freed to pass from its earthly into its Eternal home. The fetters that bound it to this earthly house of time are now loosened, and he is released to awake in that house not made by hands where time is no more.

"Think—
Of stepping on shore and finding it Heaven,

Of taking hold of a hand and finding it God's hand,

Of breathing a new air and finding it Celestial air,

Of feeling invigorated and finding it Immortality,

Of passing from storm and suffering, to an unbroken calm,

Of waking up—and finding it Home."

Will Conduct Conference

Following the death of Bishop Coors, the Council of Bishops requested Bishop Edwin E. Voigt of Aberdeen, S.D., to add the Minnesota Area to his episcopal responsibilities.

Bishop Voigt consented to serve in the leadership of the Minnesota churches until a successor to Bishop Coors is elected, consecrated, and assigned in the Jurisdictional meeting, scheduled in Grand Rapids, in July.

Once before, in June, 1958 Bishop Voigt was asked by his colleagues to give leadership in Minnesota when Bishop Coors was hospitalized, in Rochester. Bishop Voigt conducted the Annual Conference in Hamline field house that year, and was much appreciated for his gifts of leadership.

He will again conduct the Annual Conference, June 14-17.

Laymen's Appreciation

Larry Whiteley of Minneapolis, the Conference lay leader, made this statement of appreciation on behalf of all of the Methodist laymen in Minnesota:

"Laymen throughout the entire state will miss the presence of Bishop Coors. His victory to be with the One whom he served every day will be our loss. Words do not express the inspiration that Bishop Coors brought into the lives of the laymen of our Conference.

"My first opportunity to meet him was in a district retreat, at Frontenac, in 1952. As he was introduced to us at the evening dinner table, a man next to me said, 'Can that be the new bishop? He was my partner in a game of horseshoes this afternoon.' This was typical of his common, yet winsome way of bringing men closer to God.

"After the bishop's visit to our state laymen's conference at Winona last year, he wrote an article, *Thank God for Christian laymen*.

"As laymen of Minnesota, we can only answer, 'Thank God for the life of Bishop D. Stanley Coors.'

"Certainly, no Methodist man who attended that Winona conference will ever forget the bishop's challenge, 'Be Christians from head to foot.'"

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Minnesotans Express Their Deep Affection

The affection and regard in which Bishop Coors was held in Minnesota has been expressed to Mrs. Hayes Coors and to leaders at the Methodist headquarters in many ways.

Among those that should be recorded was the expression made at the funeral service by Dr. Paul E. Hayes, of Rochester, on behalf of the Conference, both pastors and lay people.

As chairman of the Cabinet of District Superintendents, Dr. Hayes said:

"Because Christ lives, we shall live also." These are the closing words of the last message which our beloved Bishop Coors wrote to us as his fellow workers in the Minnesota Conference.

"We find them in the Minnesota insert in the April issue of TOGETHER. This familiar statement of our faith will now have even greater meaning because we will, from this day forward, associate it significantly with one who has woven himself so deeply into our lives.

"That last message also contained these words, 'I love you all, and thank you all for your thoughtful remembrance of Mrs. Coors and myself, during these recent anxious months. I greet you in the spirit of our living faith.' How typical of this great soul who shared with us during these years the riches of love in Christ Jesus.

"We who worked with him in the Cabinet knew him at closer range and in more frequent fellowship than otherwise would have been possible. But I know that I represent not only the superintendents, but also the ministers of this Conference, and the lay members of the churches, when I speak these words of appreciation for our leader for these eight years.

"Bishop Coors was an understanding friend to every pastor on every district. And a friend not only to the pastors, but also to the official leaders and to the members of the churches, hundreds of whom he knew by name.

"There was no part of this great state which he did not visit repeatedly; there was no church too small for his personal ministry; he responded to every call that came to him, provided only that there was sufficient time in his busy schedule for him to get there and back in time for the other duties that awaited him.

"If I were to continue for many minutes, I would not exhaust the words of appreciation and love that our hearts prompt us to speak on this occasion. Even so, when I should finish, we would all agree that what was said was still inadequate.

"Let me say it then, briefly, in this way. Under all circumstances, we found Bishop Coors to be understanding, reasonable, thoughtful, and exceedingly kind.

"No matter how tense, or how unpleasant a situation became, he never

showed impatience or resentment. He never failed to love and respect those who differed from him.

"He gave us a demonstration of true and humble discipleship to the Lord and Master who was the constant Guide and Companion of his life. He stimulated us to do our very best for the cause of Christ, and for the Church of our Lord.

"During the long illness that added so many handicaps to his ministry, he showed us how true Christians can and do triumph over pain and suffering. He faced each day with courage, with faith, with hope, never complaining, absolutely certain that the Father's mercy enfolded him in an embrace of steadfast love.

"He literally gave himself for us. If I may paraphrase one of Paul's great words, Bishop Coors spared not his own life, but gave it up for us all. Because Christ lives, Stanley Coors lives, and we too shall live."

Cabinet Appreciation

In Minnesota Methodism, the seven district superintendents, sitting with the bishop, server as the Cabinet in directing church matters between the Annual Conferences.

In addition to the expression of Dr. Paul E. Hayes at the funeral, the district superintendents gave these statements in appreciation of the life and ministry of Bishop Coors:

Central District, Dr. Charles W. Spear:

"We are among those who humbly wish to thank God for bringing Bishop Coors into our fellowship of recent years, in the Minnesota churches. It has ever been an inspiration to work with him, to pray with him, to plan with him, for the good of the churches and in our efforts to bring men into fellowship with the Saviour. Bishop Coors helped us all to a brighter vision of the harmony, peace, and hope which God wills for all the world."

Minneapolis District, Dr. Paul J. Snyder:

"We have lost a dear friend as well as a devoted and greatly beloved leader, but instead of remaining in the church militant, Bishop Coors has taken his place in the church triumphant, and what a glorious place it must be.

"Bishop Coors was an extraordinarily Christlike person, whose love, patience, and gracious understanding were uppermost in every decision and relationship. He never permitted prerogative or authority to affect his warm fellowship with ministers or laymen, and at the same time, he evoked great respect for the office of Bishop.

"Minnesota Methodism will be blessed and enriched by the contribution which Bishop Coors made to it, long after none of us are left to remember him."

Northeast District, Dr. Olin J. Jackson:

"Bishop Coors' presence in our midst as a minister of Jesus Christ, as an ad-

ministrator of the Church, and as a Christian gentleman, has been a constant blessing and benediction to all of us. He created the atmosphere in which our Area has made its most remarkable growth.

"Anyone closely associated with him could not help but be impressed with one quality that stood out in his work as an administrator. It was his high regard for the office of a Methodist minister, and his great concern lest the slightest reflection might bring harm to any of his preachers. Never, by a single word or look, did anyone ever detect the least touch of vindictiveness or a desire to belittle any man.

"His concern for his preachers was matched by an equal concern for his churches. Each deserved the best, and he strove to do his best for both. The very suggestion of any hurt to either was damage to his beloved Methodism and to the Kingdom of Christ, and therefore the cause for sorrow. He lived among us for eight years, and his spirit still lives, beckoning us to higher and better ways."

Northwest District, Dr. Ira B. Allen:

"Bishop Coors was a great man, not because of his prominence, but because of his humility. He loved people—that is why he spent so much time among them. He literally gave his life serving the church in this unselfish way."

St. Paul District, Dr. William G. Law:

"Bishop Coors was one of the finest Christian gentlemen I have ever known. His mind was incisive and creative, and he had a tremendous sense of duty, but the emotional color of his life was that of a great and gentle kindness. In all things, he wished to be brotherly and fair. Those of us who worked closely with him are grateful that we could be a part of so splendid a life."

Southwest District, Dr. John Gresham:

"Bishop Coors was an episcopal leader with a shepherd's heart and mind. As one of his cabinet, I was always moved by his reading and knowledge of the Holy Scriptures—the very spirit in which he conducted our devotionals.

"Certainly laymen and ministers were alive to his being led by the Holy Spirit. Here was a disciple with a consecration in depth through the grace of Jesus Christ. It was his concern that his flock of Minnesota Methodist Christians be persons of high principle and devotion, that they might be evangelists to all people in need. The Bishop had a keen mind, he was a good administrator, one with a counselor's ear.

"He was a pastor. During recent years when his physical body was not strong, one marveled at his strength to serve in every corner and area of his Conference. This strength came through a communion with his God and Father, who gave him immeasurable power. His spirit will continue to live in our hearts and minds through the years as a good servant of Jesus Christ."

RIDING THE CIRCUIT

General Conference delegates from the Minnesota Conference will meet in Denver for the session scheduled, April 27-May 11. Dr. Olin D. Jackson, of Duluth, will head the delegation. Other clergy members are: Russell A. Huffman, Wilbur D. Grose, George W. Chant, and Paul J. Snyder. The lay members of the delegation are: Francis H. Faber, Lawrence E. Whiteley, Mrs. Floyd Bell, Mrs. Charles W. Spear, and George James.

First speaker scheduled at Denver is Dr. Chester A. Pennington of Minneapolis. He will address the Wesley Society, at 8 p.m., April 26, in Trinity Church. His topic will be *Neo-Orthodoxy, Neo-Wesleyanism and the New Testament*.

Minnesotans who have received tickets for General Conference sessions and find they cannot attend, please return them to: Dr. J. Otis Young, the Denver-Hilton Hotel, Denver, Colo. Please mark the envelope "HOLD FOR ARRIVAL."

Seven ministers will take part in the Good Friday evening service, in Lake Harriet Church, Minneapolis: the Rev. Dennis Nyberg, pastor; the Rev. Glenn Martin, assistant; the Rev. Robert Kendall, director of religious education; Dr. Paul Snyder, district superintendent; the Rev. Fred Smith, Conference Board of Education; the Rev. Donald Woodward, Methodist hospital chaplain; and Dr. Edward Foote, Conference finance director.

First Conference for Older Youth was held at Austin, in the Southeast District, with the second rally following in the Lake City Church, on April 3.

Methodist Students from campuses of Minnesota colleges attended the annual Student Movement Conference, in St. Paul, February 19-21. The St. Paul



Stewart, Brounton, and Buffalo Lake Churches joined in a Methodist historical program. Girls in costumes of early days, from left, are: Mary Larson, Mary Elder, Karen Jaekel, Billie Lambertson, Norma Schwarze, Mary Bryan, Paul Lambertson, and Virginia Hubin. The joint service was held in Brounton, the pastor arriving in a horse-drawn sled.

campus Wesley Foundation was the host. The guest pastor was the Rev. Robert Hamill, director of the Wesley Foundation at the University of Wisconsin.

Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam, of Washington, D.C., came to St. Paul on March 8, addressing a public meeting in Mount Zion Hebrew Temple on the subject, *The Nature of the Present World Crisis*.

Pre-Lenten retreat was held in the Sleepy Eye Church, the guest leader being the Rev. Charles Sweet, Minneapolis.

Christian citizenship seminar for students, held in Washington and New York February 14-20, was attended by three Minnesota collegians, who represented the Methodist Student Movement: James Gagen, Minneapolis, University of Minnesota; Susan Adams, of Bird Island, and Macalester College; Robert Slaney of St. Cloud, St. Cloud State College.

Wednesday night sessions of visiting and preaching have been a Lenten feature, with ministers aiding one another, in several churches of the Northwest District. Two laymen and four pastors have taken part in the weekly sessions visiting from church to church. Those aiding in the project were: Don Nolte, Beltrami; Wayne Ewing, Beltrami; the Rev. Allan Tingley, Ada-Beltrami; the Rev. Roy Harris, Breckenridge; the Rev. Ollie Mattson, Hawley; the Rev. William O. Ramsey, Moorhead. Basis of the programs has been Bishop Lloyd Wicke's book, *Christ and Our Freedoms*.

Special Lenten meetings were conducted at Vergas Church, by the Rev. Roy Thompson, and at the Dent Church, by the Rev. Solomon A. Bass.

Minnesota delegate at the National Seminar on Alcohol and Gambling Legislation in Washington, D.C., was the Rev. Forrest A. Pierce, of Delano Church.

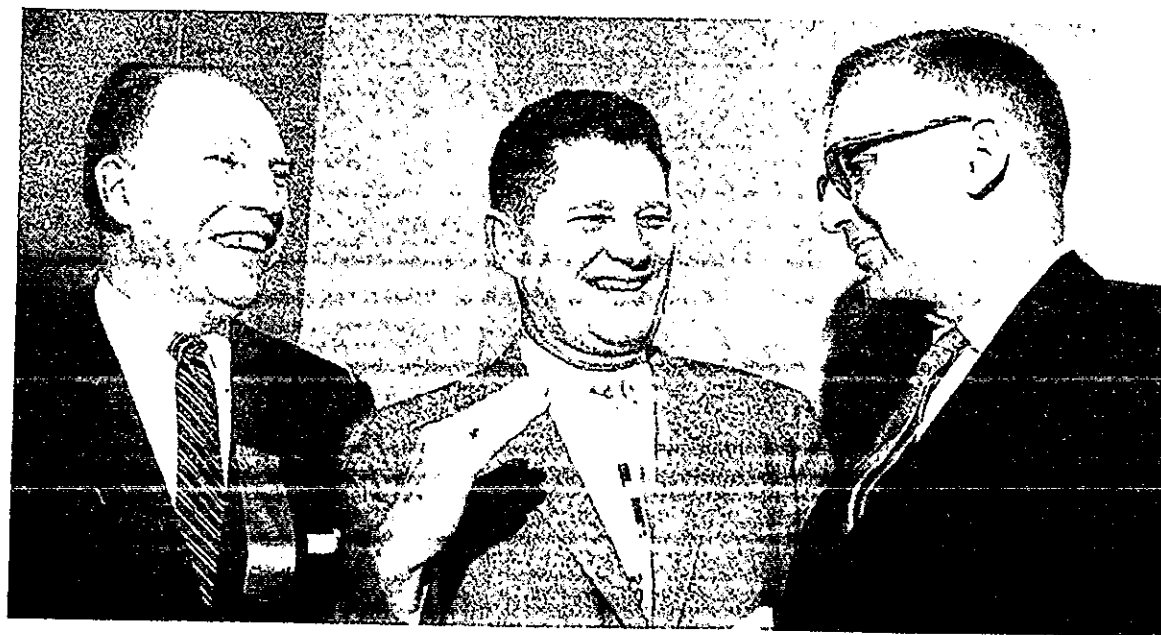
Retired Burmese missionaries, the Rev. and Mrs. M. A. Clare, presented the story of missions in 10 churches in the Northwest District.

The Rev. Don Haarup, of Glenwood, and Villard Churches held special Lenten services in the Alexandria Church and in the Frazee Church.

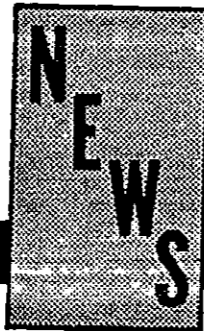
The Rev. John Jakway of Hastings, conducted the Lenten preaching mission in Grace Church, Fergus Falls.

The Lambertson Church was host to an observation school on February 26-27. Those on the staff were: Mrs. E. Clayton Burgess, Mrs. Myrtle Immer, the Rev. Robert Havens, and the Rev. Fred Smith.

Explorer Scouts David Evans and Dwight Buchholz, of the Glenwood Church, received their God and Country awards, the first to be won in that community.



Former South Dakota governor and ace pilot, Joe Foss, center, is shown after his talk to the St. Paul Methodist Union. With him are union president, John Kenady, left, and Dr. William G. Law, the superintendent of the St. Paul District.



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BISHOP D. STANLEY COORS

Resident Bishop of the Minnesota Area of
The Methodist Church

Born: Pentwater, Mich., August 1, 1889.

Education: A.B., Albion College, 1914; D.D. 1931.
B.D., Drew Theological Seminary, 1917.
A.M., Columbia University, 1917.

Married: Margaret Havens, Sept. 23, 1917.

Children: Robert Stirling Coors.
Winifred (Mrs. Matthew Van Keumen).
Lucile Marie (Mrs. Harvey W. Lynn).

Ministerial Experience: Admitted on trial and ordained deacon, New York East Conference, 1917; ordained elder, 1918. Admitted into full membership in Michigan Conference, 1919.

Pastorates: Ferry, Mich., 1911.
Roosevelt, N. Y., 1917-18.
Plainfield Avenue, Grand Rapids, Mich., 1918-23.
Burton Heights, Grand Rapids, 1923-25.
First Church, Kalamazoo, 1925-34.
Central Church, Muskegon, 1934-38.
Central Church, Lansing, 1938-52.

Bishop's Office: Elected Bishop in 1952 at North Central Jurisdictional Conference, Milwaukee, Wis. Assigned to Minnesota Area, which had its own resident bishop for the first time, North and South Dakota being separated as Dakota Area.
Reassigned to Minnesota Area by Jurisdictional Conference in Des Moines, Iowa, July, 1956.

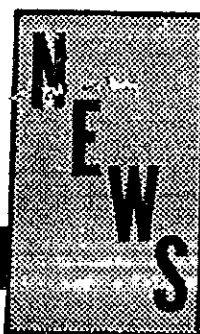
Delegate: To six General Conferences, leading the Michigan delegation five times, and Uniting Conference, 1939. :
To all North Central Jurisdictional Conferences since the Uniting Conference.

Member: Board of Trustees, Hamline University, St. Paul, Minn.
Methodist Board of Missions.
Methodist Commission on Promotion and Cultivation.
Methodist Board of Temperance (first vice president).
Minnesota Council of Churches (president), Minneapolis, Minn.
National Temperance League of America (past vice president--1951-55).

Fraternities: Phi Beta Kappa.

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. . . bishop coors dies . . .

ST. PAUL, Minn.—Bishop D. Stanley Coors, head of The Methodist Church's Minnesota Area since 1952, died March 6 in his St. Paul home.

He had been in poor health for some time, but seemed to be gaining strength and had resumed some of his normal duties after suffering a recurrence of a serious systematic blood ailment in December.

Had he lived until July, the 70-year-old bishop would have retired at the North Central Jurisdictional Conference in Grand Rapids, Mich., his native state, where he served 35 years as a Methodist pastor before his election to the episcopacy in 1952.

Funeral services were held March 9 in Hamline Church, St. Paul, and on Mar. 11 in Lansing, Mich., where for 14 years he was minister of Central Church.

As an outstanding pastor in Michigan, he was elected to six General Conferences, heading his conference delegation five times. He was also a delegate to the Uniting Conference, to four North Central Jurisdictional Conferences and to the Methodist Ecumenical Conference in Oxford, England, in 1951.

Bishop Coors was vice president of the denomination's Board of Temperance and a member of the Board of Missions and the Commission on Promotion and Cultivation.

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He was a past president of the National Temperance League of America and the Minnesota Council of Churches. He was a trustee of Hamline University in St. Paul and other church-related institutions.

Born in Pentwater, Mich., Aug. 1, 1889, Bishop Coors was graduated from Albion College in 1914 with Phi Beta Kappa honors. His alma mater bestowed the honorary doctorate in divinity upon him in 1931. He earned the bachelor of divinity degree at Drew Theological Seminary, Madison, N. J., and the master of arts degree from Columbia University, New York.

His pastorates included: Ferry, Mich., 1911; Roosevelt, New York, 1916-18; Plainfield Avenue Church, Grand Rapids, Mich., 1918-23; Burton Heights, Grand Rapids, 1923-25; First Church, Kalamazoo, 1925-34; Central Church, Muskegon, 1934-38; and Central Church, Lansing, 1938-52.

He is survived by his wife, the former Margaret Havens, and a son and two daughters: Robert S., Milwaukee, Wis.; Winifred (Mrs. Matthew S. Van Keuren), La Mesa, Calif.; and Lucile Marie (Mrs. Harvey W. Lynn) of Lansing.

Surviving also are the bishop's two sisters—Mrs. B. F. Lamb of Columbus, Ohio, and Mrs. D. M. Snell of East Lansing.

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