BROOMFIELD, BISHOP JOHN C.
BISHOP JOHN CALVIN BROOMEFIELD, of St. Louis, Mo., retired episcopal leader of The Methodist Church, died January 8 in Ohio Valley Hospital, Steubenville, Ohio. The seventy-seven-year-old churchman had suffered a heart attack five days before in near-by Toronto, Ohio, where he was conducting union Week of Prayer services.

An outstanding figure in the former Methodist Protestant Church and president of its General Conference for nine years, he was one of two bishops elected by delegates from that body at the Uniting Conference in 1939. He was assigned to the St. Louis Area and supervised the church's work in Missouri until his retirement in 1944. Since that time he led scores of revival meetings in eighteen states and frequently preached at Bible conferences, camp meetings, and other services.

Born in the fishing village of Eyemouth, Scotland, on July 4, 1872, he began a seagoing career at thirteen and continued it through his teens. He then came to the United States and was naturalized as a citizen in 1899. Soon after coming to America, he felt a call to preach and began his training for the ministry. He was ordained in 1896. He studied at Adrian College and Geneva College, later receiving honorary doctorates from those schools as well as Kansas City University and Central College.

He was married October 6, 1898, to APRIL 1950
Theodore is in the United States on invitation of the Liturgical Art Society and is under the sponsorship of the Catholic Medical Mission of Philadelphia. Her work has the endorsement of members of the National Christian Council of India.

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WORLD OUTLOOK
Death "in the Saddle"

Bishop John Calvin Broomfield, who was leading Week of Prayer services in small-town Tennessee, died in a hospital after a heart attack on Jan. 8, 1944. Perhaps the new heart attack was caused by such activity. When he came from Scotland at 18, it was because his mother wanted him away from the sea that took his father's life. John had become a cabin boy at 13. First a Primitive Methodist, he became a Methodist Protestant in Pittsburgh. Called to the ministry, he went to school at Adrian (Mich.) college and Geneva college in Pennsylvania.

Ordained in 1896, he served First church, Ballard, Texas, and Fourth, Pittsburgh. At Methodist Protestant Temple, Fairmont, W. Va., 1905-10, 1915-18, he was prominent in a score of court fights against saloons.

Traveling president of Pittsburgh Conference, 1918-22, he moved up to president of General Conference, 1922-25, where he helped lay groundwork for Unification. In 1928 he became one of the two bishops of the new denomination. He went to Oxford and Edinburgh conferences and visited the Orient.

His one episcopal assignment was St. Louis, where he lived since retirement with his invalid wife, Moselle. Bishop Lloyd C. Winkle led funeral services Jan. 11 in Methodist Temple, Fairmont.
Methodist local preachers are taking over the duties of Rev. William Spicer, who is a fellow in the College of Preachers in Washington for five weeks. The local preachers, in teams of five, conduct regular services and Sunday-school classes. Not novices, they have been leading morning and evening prayers (services) daily for more than a year.

Among the Churches:

Free Methodist Liberal

Free Methodists gave most liberally in 1949, averaging $148.21 a year per member, the United Stewardship Council has announced. Highest rate among larger denominations was $32.64 by Southern Presbyterians. In The Methodist Church the average was $22.70, less than 50 cents a week.

While a 70-year-old former superintendent of Buffalo's public schools, Dr. Robert T. Bapst, was beginning studies for the Roman Catholic priesthood, a middle-aged San Francisco couple announced plans to enter monastic orders. Donald D. Foster, a successful businessman, will become a Benedictine monk and his wife will enter a convent.

After touring slum areas in Springfield, Mass., Rev. Ernest Sommerfeld of Church of the Unity (Unitarian) preached a series of sermons on what he saw. As a result, a Springfield Citizens' Committee on Slum Clearance was formed and has asked for public hearings on housing.

Bishop John C. Broomfield

Bishop John C. Broomfield of Steubenville, Ohio, retired bishop of The Methodist Church, and formerly resident in the St. Louis Area, died on Jan. 8th, after suffering a heart attack two weeks earlier, while participating in week of prayer activities in Toronto, Ohio, ten miles north of Steubenville. Bishop Broomfield was an author, lecturer and a leader in the unification of The Methodist Church.

Funeral services were held on Jan. 11th at the Methodist church in Fairmont, West Virginia.

New Z.H. Clubs

The three most recent additions to the Zions Herald clubs include the Arlington Street Methodist Church, Nashua, N. H., the Rev. Karl H. Thiem, pastor; Baltimore Memorial Church, Middletown, Mass., the Rev. D. Harold Hickey, pastor, and First Church, Denmark, the Rev. G. Allen, pastor. These churches have secured enough subscribers to make the cost per subscription $2.00. Other churches are invited to write to Zions Herald for information on how they can secure the club rate.

New Hampshire News

The first conference for intelligent group planning of Christian Education began on January 4th at Baker Memorial Church, Concord, N.H. Assisting the executive secretary, the Rev. C. Walter Frye, were the conference directors of the various age-levels from childhood to adulthood. The conference dealt especially with religious education, also strategy for the Advance and the coordinating of conference, district and sub-district programs.

During the month of December cities like Manchester, Claremont, and Concord have witnessed concerted action against public approval of book games. Led by the ministers associations, an honest effort was made by clergy and lay alike to stay the over-
When he asks that, Daniel could make his argument against it.

The Episcopal, Methodist and Presbyterian churches are the largest Texas denominations represented in the Federal Council. It is understood however that the Presbyterian Church in the U.S. (Southern) refused to approve the brief. Southern Baptists and Roman Catholics, other strong faiths in the state, do not belong to the Federal Council.

Daniel, a Baptist and a graduate of Baylor University, carefully aimed his dart at Tuttle and took pains not to end Texas churches represented in the Council.

"Some of these denominations have fine schools and excellent churches for white and Negro citizens in Texas," he said.

"But they are separate, just as the schools are separate."

The compelling reasons which caused the people of Texas to adopt such a policy in their constitution undoubtedly were, and are...

**Student Conference**

**OMAHANS SEE SPIRITUAL POWER IN CHANNELING**

**URBANA, ILL. (RNS) — Channeling of spiritual power is not so much a matter of organization as of having within organizations competent individuals who are dedicated to the church and who approach all situations as Christian men and women.**

This opinion was expressed by Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam of New York in an address to the fourth annual Methodist student conference here.

He cited as an example the work of the World Council of Churches' commission on international affairs through which, he said, churches are able to make creative contributions to international policies.

In this regard, Bishop Oxnam suggested that the favorable atmosphere of the Netherlands-Indonesia dispute was due largely to the fact that both the representative of Indonesia and the advisor to the Dutch government in the matter are members of the commission.

The bishop also stressed the contributions made by churchmen in the planning, drafting, and adoption of the United Nations' Declaration of Human Rights.

Students themselves can do much toward channeling spiritual power, he said. In this connection, he explained a plan of the Methodist Council of Bishops to recruit 50 young Christian men who, after proper training, would spread the Christian message as laborers in factories and mines and as members of labor unions.

Individuals would thus dedicate their lives to the labor movement and earn positions in its leadership on their own merits, he said. Insensitive students, he added, need not wait for action by the Council of Bishops to begin such careers.

Dean Harold Bosley of Duke University Divinity School, advised the students that they must be willing to be "instruments of transformation" at the points of conflict he sees the center of the world.

Another speaker, Dean Walter Meidler of...