

JONES, BISHOP ROBERT E.



RALPH H. JONES

Philadelphia N.A.A.C.P., 1946-47; mem. genl. bd., Methodist Ch (Methodist Information), 1944-48; supt., Tindley Ch. Sch., 1935-present, del. Health and Welfare Council, 1948-present, mem. of com. of nine effecting the merger of Mercy and Douglass Hosps., Philadelphia, 1947; directed Philadelphia drive for \$25,000 for Wilberforce U., 1945; asso. dir., United War Chest, 1944-45, state supt., Phi Beta Sigma, 1944-45, received honorable mention in Willkie Awards for distinguished newspaper work, 1946; co-chrm., Shriners conv., Philadelphia, 1946, mem. bd. dirs., Philadelphia Council of Chs., 1944-49, awarded achievement key as one of Howard U.'s outstanding graduates, 1931; mem. bd. dirs., Mercy-Douglass Hosp., imperial publicist and past potentate, Shriners; mem., Masons, Elks. Contributor of articles to Crisis, Opportunity, Pyramid (Shriners official organ), Brown American; author of the weekly column Skimmed from the Top, published in the Philadelphia Independent Club, Fides Square, Methodist, Independent in pol. Business address: 1708 Lombard St., Philadelphia, Pa. Home address: 1810 Montrose St., Philadelphia, Pa.

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JONES, RICHARD FRANK, atty; b. Lynchburg, Va., Dec. 18, 1899; s. Jacob B. and Sally (Johnson) Jones; m. Eleanor L. Monroe of Greensburg, Pa., 1926; one child: Rose E. B.S., U. of Pittsburgh, 1921. LL.B. (with honors), 1923. Pvt. law practice, 1923-present, v-chrm., Housing Authority, Pittsburgh, 1937-present; asst. district atty., Allegheny Co., Pa., 1948-present; dir., Y.M.C.A., Pittsburgh, 1944-present; trustee, Irene Kaufmann Settlement House, 1946-present, mem. Masons, Am. Legion, Order of Coif, Alpha Phi Alpha, Sigma Pi Phi. Author: Meaning of Japanese Monroe Doctrine, Competitor Magazine, 1921. Clubs: Loendi Baptist, Democrat. Business address: 330 Bakewell Bldg., Pittsburgh, Pa. Home address: 592 Oakwood St., Pittsburgh, Pa.

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JONES, ROBERT LEANDER, clergyman; b. Atlanta, Ga., 1900, s. Willis L. and Georgia Jones, m. Myrtle F. Hummons of Lexington, Ky., 1938. B. Th., Morehouse Coll., Atlanta, Ga., 1925, A. B., 1930, D. D., Am. Bible Coll., 1939. Pastor, Central Bapt. Ch., Jacksonville, Fla.; dir. religious ed., Baptistry of Fla., dean, Fla. Sem., Lakeland, Fla.; rep. World's Bapt. Alliance, Berlin, Germany, 1934; Youth Congress, Zurich, Switzerland, World S. S. Conv., Toronto, Canada, 1950. Phi Beta Sigma. Democrat. Business address: 624 Third St., W. Jacksonville, Fla. Home address: 926 Scriven St., W. Jacksonville, Fla.

JONES, SUSIE WILLIAMS (Mrs. David Dallas Jones), religious organization exec.; b. Danville, Ky., Apr. 30, 1892; d. Frank L. and Fannie B. (Miller) Williams, m. David Dallas Jones of Greensboro, N. C., June 21, 1915; four children: David, Jr., Dr. Frances Estelle Bonner, Paul

"If Russia had adopted these tactics we would be loud in our condemnation."

The President's own Church, asserting that he "showed the Presbyterian virtue of a cool head," asked God's guidance for him and commended his "honest and persistent efforts to achieve relaxation of tensions."

Dr. James R. Killian, Jr., new moderator of the American Unitarian Association, chairman of Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and former scientific adviser to the White House advocated before a national Unitarian meeting at Boston an "arms limitation technology" as advanced as military science, to reduce the growing danger of world disaster.

New national responsibilities, he said, require full use of our powers of moral discernment and full expression of our sense of moral concern.

26 Methodist Churches Damaged in Chile

Twenty-six Methodist churches were damaged in the earthquake-tidal wave holocaust that devastated Chile, and at least seven completely destroyed.

The three largest centers, and the oldest section of Methodist work, were in the heart of the disaster area. Hundreds of Methodist families were left without shelter in the cold, rainy weather.

Dr. Raymond A. Valenzuela, missionary at Concepcion, reported to the Board of Missions on May 26 that all the 18 missionaries are unharmed; but to that time there was no word on pastors and workers in the villages.

The three centers are at Concepcion, Angol, and Nueva Imperial. Near Angol is El Vergal, a large Methodist agricultural center and school.

The Council of Bishops and World Service immediately set Sunday, June 26 for a nationwide appeal in Methodist churches. Funds are to be sent through M.C.O.R., which already has forwarded \$5,000 in cash to help Methodist families.

The two district superintendents, Walter Mason and Eduardo Stevens, immediately began a tour of the entire stricken area.

A total loss were churches and parsonages in Valdivia, Los Angeles, Angol, Coronel, Caramilhue, Puerto Saabedra, and Talcahuano. The 350-member First Church in Concepcion, one of the largest and oldest in Chilean Methodism, was badly damaged.

U.S. Protestant churches, through Church World Service, rushed medicines, food, clothing, blankets, and money—vitamin tablets worth \$2,000, and other airlift medicinal supplies worth \$10,000.

Already in Chile were 80,000 pounds of cornmeal, flour, milk, and 1,500 blankets. Also, 64,000 pounds of clothing were started on their way by Lutheran World Relief, as well as 50,000 pounds and \$5,000 cash from U.S. churches.

CONFERENCE DIGEST

The CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE again presents its series of digest reports in tabulated form of the 1960 Annual Conference sessions. The first of these appears on page 23.

Each of the next several issues will carry the digest until a report has been published on all of the sessions.

Accepts Birth Control Case

The U.S. Supreme Court has said it will rule on constitutionality of the Connecticut law which prohibits dissemination of birth control information.

It accepted two cases filed by Yale University's head of obstetrics and gynecology, Dr. C. Lee Buxton, in behalf of two women patients.

He asserts that the law interferes with his right as a physician and his constitutional right to give his students information on methods of preventing conception when it is deemed dangerous to a patient's health.

Dismissal of the suits in New Haven County Superior Court had been upheld by the state supreme court.

Bishop Jones Dies at 88

Retired Methodist Bishop Robert E. Jones, first Negro to become a general superintendent in the Church, died May 19 in New Orleans.

He was a former editor of the *Southwestern Christian Advocate*, was a close associate of Booker T. Washington, and active in the interest of Methodist-related colleges. He was a founding trustee of Dillard, and sat on the boards of Philander Smith, Wiley, Samuel Huston, Rust, Bennett, and Gammon.

dates of interest

July 18-August 18—Rural Church and Rural Leadership Training School for Town and Country Ministers, Hill School of Theology, Denver, Colo.

August 1-4—South Central Regional Bishops Conference, Christian Social Center, Mt. Sequoyah, Ark.

August 1-5—Midwest Conference on Christian World Mission (NCC) Evanston, Ill.

August 1-12—Southeastern Jurisdiction Leadership School, Lake Junaluska, N.C.

August 1-12—Southeastern Jurisdiction Summer for Prospective Laboratory Instructors, Lake Junaluska, N.C.

August 1-7—Executive Committee, World Methodist Council, Zurich, Switzerland.

August 1-17—National Training Session for Church Camp Leaders (NCC) Matanzas, Pa.

August 5-7—General Board of Education Conference for Directors of Christian Education and Education Assistants, Lake Junaluska, N.C.

August 5-10—Pacific Northwest International Mission Conference (NCC) Seattle, Wash.

August 8-19—Urban and Rural Pastors Summer School, Interdenominational Theological Center, Atlanta, Ga.

August 12-14—Southeastern Jurisdiction Church School Administrators Conference, Lake Junaluska, N.C.

August 15-18—Minnesota Pastors School Camp Grounds, Lake Koshong, Pineville, Minn.

August 15-19—Mississippi Pastors School, Stone Mountain Methodist Assembly, Biloxi, Miss.

Comment on Spy Incident

Spying, like war itself, is essentially immoral and can be justified only to the degree that it helps prevent a greater evil, declared Dr. Franklin Clark Fry, president of the United Lutheran Church, recently in New York.

"Spying has to be seen in the same light as war—of which it is really one outcropping and activity."

Dr. Fry also is the World Council of Churches central committee chairman.

The Rev. Francis J. Connell, Roman Catholic theologian, writing on *The Morality of Spying* in the weekly *Ave Maria*, said it is permissible when it is feared that a foreign power is building up its resources and making plans for sudden acts of aggression.

He added that use of falsehood and suicide by spies is a serious moral problem.

'Compute' Call to Ministry

A Southern Methodist professor computing the motivations which lead young men into the ministry has found coldly rational factors more apparent than emotional considerations.

Dr. Marvin T. Judy extracted 33 factors appearing with sufficient regularity among 306 student essays on *My Call to the Ministry*. The computing machine in the school's laboratory had answers in 90 minutes.

Major factors drawing the students to the ministry were early religious training, participation in church youth activities, influence of the pastor, and above average grades in school. Of little or no importance were books and writings, pressure from parents, and "instantaneous religious experience."

Most Conferences Trying to Raise Ministers' Pay

With Methodist ministers still generally much underpaid, their salaries are undergoing intense study in most of the annual conferences.

A few conferences have given notice that attempts will be made to raise minimum salaries for both married and single ministers, and increase dependency aid.

A CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE survey of 76 conferences reveals that minimum now paid to pastors serving one church range from \$1,900 to \$4,800. Those serving more than one church average \$100 to \$300 more for each additional church.

The average salaries of single ministers range from the low of \$1,900 to high of \$4,000, with several conferences, such as Troy in Northeastern Jurisdiction, paying as much as \$4,500. Most conferences, however, have kept minimum salaries at \$2,400 to \$3,800.

Married ministers fare a little better. With a few conferences paying minimums under \$2,500, the majority have

set base salaries at between \$3,000 and \$4,000. Wisconsin Conference, in North-Central Jurisdiction, is hoping to pay minimum of \$4,800 to married ministers who are members of the conference, and \$3,800 to married seminary students who live on the charge.

Dependency allowances, now ranging from \$50 to \$250 for each child under 18, are due for increases in a number of conferences. Several conferences have no provisions for children, but a few, such as Minnesota, hope to provide a more generous sliding scale for dependents, ranging from \$300 for one first child to \$50 for a sixth.

Split Methodist Youth Group

A "friendly estrangement" between Methodism's two largest youth commissions has culminated, by vote of General Conference, in formal ending of the National Conference of Methodist Youth.

Emerging are two separate national conferences, the Methodist Youth Fellowship and the Methodist Student Movement. Both will be related to the Methodist Board of Education.

NCMY had requested the dissolution. The National Methodist Student Movement had begun to feel that its ministry was in a special field, in a different kind of society, and would be better without ties to the youth movement in the local church.

Not that the drawing away was all one-sided. The National Methodist Youth Fellowship also felt that students and youth require a different approach.

The MYF and MSM found themselves in separate sessions at annual meetings; and these came to be more important than the big meeting itself. It was felt, too, that participation in the ecumenical movement would be facilitated through separate organizations.

The NCMY publication, *Concern*, which has devoted much space to social and political issues, will be merged with *Contact*, put out by the new Board of Christian Social Concerns in Washington, D.C. *Power*, the devotion-guide for youth, will be taken over by the interdenominational Christian Youth Publications, with The Methodist Church as a participant. Edgar A. Gossard of Nashville, editor of both youth magazines, will edit *Power*.

Catholic Population Grows

There are 40 million Roman Catholics in the U.S., says the 1960 *Catholic Directory*, more than 13 million over 10 years ago.

Last year there were 146,212 conversions to Catholicism, increase of 5,801 over 1958. There were 1,344,576 infant baptisms, increase of 36,910, and 319,992 marriages, increase of 5,003.

The church has the largest number of ordained priests ever, with 1,107 added

in 1959 to total of 53,796. Educational institutions number 13,726.

Agree to Church Merger

After more than a century of debate and negotiation, delegates from the American Unitarian Association and the Universalist Church of America have agreed to merge into the Unitarian Universalist Association.

The new body, approved at concurrent but separate meetings in Boston, will become effective May, 1961, bringing together some 200,000 members. In the meantime the merger will be ratified by local churches of both groups.

Consolidation of the two churches does not call for local church merger, only a union of the denominations' headquarters organizations. Unitarian and Universalist congregations will retain their identities unless they decide otherwise.

Hold U.S.-British Exchange

Nineteen U.S. and British ministers will exchange pulpits this summer in some 75 to 90 preaching engagements; and will address clergy conferences, luncheon clubs, and youth camps.

The annual exchange is conducted jointly by the National Council and British Council of Churches. Ministers do not serve on a parish-to-parish basis but are assigned if possible to another denomination.

Methodists coming to the U.S. are the Rev. A. Kingsley Lloyd, head of the connexional finance department of London's Methodist Church, and the Rev. Leslie A. Newman of Brighton, Sussex. Going to Britain are the Rev. A. Carl Adkins of Mobile, Ala. and the Rev. Howard Thurman of Boston University.

Favor One-Church Station

Seven out of 10 Methodist ministers polled in the Holston Annual Conference would rather have a one-church station than be appointed to a circuit.

The reason: while circuit pastors in this conference serve a membership approximately equal to that of the majority of station ministers, their salary is markedly lower.

This information was revealed in a survey of ministers serving churches in the Holston Conference, conducted by the Department of Research and Survey of the Division of National Missions, Board of Missions of The Methodist Church.

Of the men receiving less than \$3,000 annually, the survey points out, approximately two-thirds are serving circuits.

Only one pastor in five makes more than \$4,000, and only one in 20 receives more than \$5,000.

Approximately a fourth of the men polled preferred a circuit if it meant an increase in salary. Most of these, the sur-

vey revealed, are in the lower salary brackets. No one receiving \$6,000 or more wanted a circuit even if it meant a raise in salary.

Difficulty of organizing a circuit and promotion and program was considered the major problem of a circuit by three-fourths of the ministers.

Rural conservatism, limited financial resources, lack of recognition of the rural minister, the workload, lack of conveniences and cultural advantages were among other problems listed.

Nominate 10 to Board

Ten members-at-large of the Methodist General Board of Education have been nominated by the Council of Bishops. They will be elected in September when the board meets in Cincinnati.

All were members during the previous quadrennium. They are: Dr. Chester Alter, Denver; Dr. Ira Brumley, Conway, Ark.; the Rev. Claude Garrison, Worthington, Ohio; Dr. Richard Moore, Daytona Beach.

Also, Dr. Lester Rumble, Atlanta; Dr. Hoover Rupert, Ann Arbor, Mich.; Dr. Willis M. Tate, Dallas; Dr. Earl Tolley, Scranton, Pa.; Dr. Daniel Walker, Oakland, Calif.; and Dr. Fred G. Holloway, Madison, N.J.

deaths

LEWIS M. BAKER, retired member Detroit Conference, May 15.

AMBERT BOOK, 15 years executive director Northern California-Nevada Council of Churches, April 4.

J. E. CHAMBERS, retired member South Iowa Conference, May 11.

ERNEST G. COWAN, retired member North Carolina Conference, April 16.

Mrs. W. S. CRANDALL, wife of member Wyoming Conference, recently.

Mrs. JOSEPH DILLON, widow of member Nebraska Conference, recently.

G. W. ELLIOTT, member Holston Conference, April 30.

WILLIAM C. FAYERS, retired Northwest Texas Conference member, May 1.

JOHN W. FRIZLER, retired member Alabama-West Florida Conference, May 12.

Mrs. J. W. GIBSON, widow of member Alabama-West Florida Conference, April 10.

J. H. HALLMARK, retired member North Alabama Conference, April 18.

Charles W. Hammond, retired member Illinois Conference, May 17.

Mrs. J. L. HYDE, wife of member North Texas Conference, April 2.

Mrs. J. P. ISAACSON, wife of member South Carolina Conference, April 18.

Mrs. AMBER JUDG, wife of retired member Northern New York Conference, May 11.

MRS. KELLY, retired member Iowa Conference, April 21.

Dr. BOYD M. MCKEOWN, retired state member Methodist General Board of Education, April 21.

BOB MCKNIGHT, retired member Erie Conference, May 4.

H. C. MERTIN, retired member Kentucky Conference, March 6.

Dr. HOWARD B. POWELL, retired member North Carolina Conference, recently.

Mrs. R. T. PEARCE, widow of member Holston Conference, March 24.

FRED E. REED, member Illinois Conference, March 14.

Mrs. P. L. SHORR, wife of retired member North Carolina Conference, May 3.

Mrs. O. E. SMITH, widow of member Ohio Conference, March 9.

WILLIAM H. SMITH, holder of Genesee Conference case as having longest period of membership, May 3.

R. J. SQUIM, member New Jersey Conference, April 29.

CHARLES F. WALTERS, retired member North-East Ohio Conference, April 4.