

Pastor Mehl Celebrates His 25th Anniversary

A worship service in honor of the Rev. Carl E. Mehl's 25th year in the holy ministry will be held at 4 p.m. on June 12 at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Twelve Mile and Farmington Roads, Farmington. All members and friends of the congregation are cordially invited to share in this celebration. Immediately after the church service program and reception will be held at O. E. Dunkel Junior High School.

Rev. Mehl was born October 17, 1918, in Farmerville, Ill., the son of Rev. and Mrs. Theodore J. Mehl, pastor emeritus of Wheatridge, Colo. He was called to the ministry at first early age and attended parochial school through the first eight grades. After grade school he was tutored by his father, for about one year, in subjects necessary for entering into preparation for the ministry.

Rev. Mehl entered preparatory school at St. Paul's College, Minn., in 1939 for six years of study. After preparatory school, he enrolled at Concordia Theological Seminary in St. Louis. He completed his final year of training for the ministry, graduating in 1940. This period included one year of vicarage at Jackson, Mo. He was ordained in 1941 and then worked as a radio announcer for Station WUD, St. Louis, for about one year.

Rev. Mehl then embarked upon variety of church assignments which provided him with an extensive background in the work of our Lord. He has served in the following positions: Pastor of Zion Lutheran Church, Oconto, Wis.;

Story of Daniel Science Lesson June 12

"Great peace have they which love thy law: and nothing shall offend them." This promise from Psalm 119:165 is the theme of the Responsive Reading at Christian Science church services this Sunday. Subject of the Bible Lesson is "God The Preserver Of Man."

The lesson includes the story of Daniel and his three fellow captives whose spiritual steadfastness in worshipping only

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G. C. Nursery Celebrates 11th Year

The 11th annual commemorative program of the Garden City Cooperative Nursery was held in the Garden City Presbyterian Church. A welcome address was made by chairman Rita Gibbs, followed by a movie "The Three Little Pigs."

Presentation of diplomas was made by the teacher, Mrs. Lorraine Singer. Refreshments followed for the parents and families of the graduates.

Lutheran Minister Accepts New Assignment

Rev. Kenneth D. Larkin, Pastor of Church of the Holy Spirit, 3300 Farmington Road, Livonia, has resigned his pastorate here to become the Director of the "Work and Camping of the Ohio Synod of the Lutheran Church in America."

He was originally called to develop a mission congregation in Livonia in 1954 and became pastor when it was organized as an official congregation. During his ministry of 12 years the church has grown to a membership of over one thousand. He has conducted the parish through two separate building programs.

He has served in several capacities in the Michigan Synod, especially as the Chairman of the Youth Committee. Locally he has served on the Schoolcraft College Citizens Planning Committee and also is a member of the Board of Directors of the Livonia Youth Synod.

Rev. Larkin will begin his new duties in Ohio on June 15. He will be in charge of directing two camps and a retreat center. He will be the director of all youth work in that state.

The congregation is planning an Open House for Mr. Larkin and his family on Sunday, June 12.

Church Picnic June 11

Ward Memorial Presbyterian Church of Livonia announces the church picnic will be held Saturday, June 11 (rain or shine) at Kensington Park at the field off Park 1 area. Church bus will leave at 10 a.m. (from the Detroit Church) only.

There will be games, races, prize, baseball, boat rides (at nominal charge), and nature hikes.



GEORGE EDGAR, general manager of Post Printing Co. examines one of the rare books he collects. This is a true bibleophile's delight, a Breech edition of the Holy Bible, published in 1615. It is still in fine condition.

Publisher Acquires Rare 'Breeches' Bible

By JERRY WENDT
CHURCH WENOT

Appearances are not always deceiving. Dapper George Edgar, for example, General Manager of Post Printing looks exactly what he is; a cultured man with an appreciation of the finer things of life.

Edgar is a collector of first editions and he belongs to a Book Club which locates these difficult to find books.

Recently Edgar obtained a real find from the Lamp Co. in England, a "Breeches" Bible. This Bible was first published in Geneva in 1610 and the last printing recorded in 1615.

The Breeches Bible name is taken from the third chapter of Genesis, seventh verse. After Eve has tempted Adam and they have both acquired worldly wisdom the third verse reads, "And the eyes of them both were opened and they knew they were naked and they sewed BREECHES together and covered themselves." (editorial note—I think breeches must be an English term for leafy branches.)

The Breeches Bible was used in the Church of England and is almost Catholic in its text. It contains a written service for communion.

There is one other known Breeches Bible and that is kept in Virginia in the home of George Washington's mother-in-law. It was used at the time he took his Masonic oath of obligation to the Masons in Virginia.

The Bible is in an excellent state of preservation and the writing on its pages proves equally as interesting as the text.

In Spenserian script is written "James Richardson, 1746." This was apparently the last known owner of the book and he has written an enigmatic quote on the pages.

As nearly as can be deciphered it states: "The bee, the goose, the sheep. Do match the might of monarchs. Bees bring sealing wax. The goose our writing quill. The sheep for parchment or skins. For dead man's wills or deeds. These do right the wrongs of man."

The early Bibles were wonderful records of family life. Births, deaths, and marriages were all recorded and proved an accurate record for future generations.

Catholics-Protestants Join In Aid To India

A nationwide appeal to Catholics and Protestants in this country on behalf of the millions of suffering men, women and children in India will be conducted jointly by the overseas relief agencies of both faiths. It was announced here today.

This will be the first nationwide appeal ever conducted jointly by the Catholic and Protestant faiths.

The appeal is being conducted in response to a plea from Pope Paul VI and the World Council of Churches for Christians of all nations to unite in helping solve India's food shortage, which was worsened by recent droughts.

Earlier this year, Bishop Edward E. Swannstrom, executive director of Catholic Relief Services-NCWC, and Dr. David M. Stone, director of the Division of Overseas Ministries, National Council of Churches, called upon American Catholics and Protestants to help stem the growing famine in India.

In their joint statement, Bishop Swannstrom and Dr. Stone said: "Confronted with the magnitude of the disastrous famine in India and the enormity of the suffering and death being visited upon uncounted millions of India's people, we of the Christian churches are conscience bound in justice and charity to raise our collective voices in their behalf."

Both agencies have since taken steps to increase their feeding programs in India as an effort to help the famine emergency. Catholic Relief Services has increased its program from 122 million pounds to 200 million pounds of food stuffs and sent a special shipment of 22 million pounds of flour to the six areas officially declared as famine-stricken by the Indian government. The bishops of the United States also donated \$100,000 to CRS to purchase 1,620,000 pounds of rice, which has already arrived there and is now being distributed to the needy.

Church World Service is undertaking to increase its current mass feeding program from 500,000 to 1,000,000 persons daily in the worst areas of the famine.

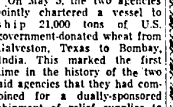
On May 3, the two agencies jointly chartered a vessel to ship 21,000 tons of U.S. government-donated wheat from Galveston, Texas to Bombay, India. This marked the first time in the history of the two aid agencies that they had combined for a dual-sponsored shipment of relief supplies to any country.

These were all developments in similar cooperative action throughout the world in answer to the Papal and World Council of Churches appeals. It has been estimated that aid worth millions of dollars is now being sent to India in response to those pleas for help.

Last month, representatives of Catholic Relief Services and Church World Service in India combined with other international and government social agencies to form the Action for Food Production Committee for the coordination, support and technical guidance of agricultural development projects throughout that country.

Officials of the two American overseas aid agencies are now considering other steps for continuation of the joint action for India famine relief both here and in India.

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Young Adult Club Plans Summer Fun

Through the months of June, July and August the Young Adult Club (post high school, single young adults) of the St. Paul's United Presbyterian Church in Livonia, will meet every Sunday afternoon or evening for social events. This is an opportunity to renew acquaintances and to meet new people. The schedule:

- June 12 — Miniature Golf, meet at the Church at 7:30 p.m.
- June 19 — Canoeing trip and picnic — Lower Huron River, meet at Church at 2:30 p.m.
- June 26 — Trip to Northland Playhouse to see the student stock production "The Owl and the Pussy Cat," meet at the Church at 7 p.m.

Basketball Game at Rally June 11

Memorial Church of Christ announces that the Youth of the area will play against the ministers in a basketball game at the monthly youth rally on June 11. The game is scheduled for 7:30 o'clock in the Hackett Field House, 10 Pitkin, in Highland Park.

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