

**Committees Are Preparing Reports**

Next week at a faculty meeting the proposed academic attendance policy and the proposed cultural attendance policy will be presented to the faculty.

The academic attendance committee, formed by the presidential council, and headed by Mr. John Setzer, is the sister committee to the Social Activities Committee headed by Mr. David Holcombe.

At a student assembly on March 25, these two committees will make known to the student body the two above policies.

Social committee will discuss and answer any questions. Neither the academic attendance committee nor the social behavior will submit a written copy of their policy prior to the 25.

**Religious Week Speaker Leaves College Thinking**

BY MONTE SHARPE

"Here is where the Methodist Church is going to have to be realistic," commented the middle-aged man with the athletic build and a slightly receding hairline. "We must accept the fact that in today's society, our people are going to drink and that to continue to preach abstinence, it seems to me, is just not facing the situation realistically."

The speaker was Rev. Robert T. Young, the guest speaker for the Tenth Plyler Religious Emphasis Week which was concluded this past Thursday morning. Mr. Young is the pas-

tor for the Boone United Methodist Church and an alumnus of both the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and Duke University.

Mr. Young held services this week, beginning with Chapel Sunday night and having one one-hour service Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, before concluding with the Communion Service Thursday morning.

**A Better Approach**

"A better approach," continued the visiting preacher on discussing the drinking problem, "would be to deal more with temperance than to con-

tinue to say abstinence is the only alternative.

"Look at what Methodists do in the suburban and urban Methodist Churches. A good two-thirds of the church members drink. If this is what they do, then what can the Church do to help them with this part of their life?" asked Mr. Young. The question was put to Mr.

Young as to what he felt of a man who thought the belief in God was too idealistic, yet who also felt a need to love his neighbor, as Jesus did. Rev. Young answered that as long as a person lived and showed the kind of love Christians do in Christ, then it did not matter what he thought of the Church.

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**"One Great Hour Of Sharing" Will Aid World Need**

World needs are staggering. Reliable sources tell us that there are more than 2 million refugees in Vietnam. There are more than a thousand children a month being orphaned because of the war in Vietnam.

Reputable figures coming to us out of the Nigeria/Biafra conflict indicate that currently at least a million are starving, and more than 10,000 are dying daily. In 1968 the Christian Church's response to these two situations alone proved once more to the world that we are concerned for the plight of people.

In the past 12 months American churches (through UMCOR and Church World Service) have shipped millions of pounds of food, medical supplies and blankets to Biafra. The total material value and cash contributed for this one project exceeded \$2,230,000.

Through your gift to the One Great Hour of Sharing you will help to make possible continued refugee relief in Vietnam, Biafra, the Middle East, and wherever an emergency overseas situation may develop. The United Methodist Church joins more than 30 other denominations in supporting the One Great Hour of Sharing offering.

In addition to the portion that goes to the United Methodist Committee for Overseas Relief, we also provide Crusade Scholarships. In its twenty-fifth year, this program assists graduate students to continue training, looking toward their assuming positions of leadership. The program provides assistance for students from the U. S. who are members of minority groups, as deserving young adults from

other lands.

More than 1,540 graduate students have been assisted in the 25 year history of this program. Most of these students are already at work in their homeland in positions of leadership. They are at work, not only in the church, but in every constructive occupation imaginable.

In addition to overseas relief and Crusade Scholarships, the One Great Hour of Sharing offering gives support to a ministry to servicemen in the Far East. Servicemen's centers have been established in Korea, Japan, Hong Kong, and Bangkok. Here our service personnel learn more about the culture of people in the lands where they are stationed and have a chance to meet other Christian young men and women for social activities.

Unusual church extension projects are also helped by the One Great Hour of Sharing offering. Through the National Division of the Board of Missions, aid will be given this year to the First United Methodist Church of Juneau, Alaska, the Levittown Church in Levittown, Puerto Rico, and the Keolumana United Methodist Church in Kallua, Hawaii. Each of these congregations faces an unusual opportunity. Our assistance will measurably increase their ability to minister in their communities.

These are the interests which the United Methodist Church supports through the One Great Hour of Sharing. Most local churches observe the One Great Hour of Sharing on Mar. 16. On circuits and in other special situations any Sunday may be selected. Materials have been mailed to pastors from the Division of Interpretation, Pro-

gram Council of the United Methodist Church, 1200 Davis St., Evanston, Ill. 60201. Any person wishing more information may write directly to the Division of Interpretation.

**Negro Methodist Schools Are Under Study**

NASHVILLE — In a preliminary report to the United Methodist Board of Education here, Dr. Daniel C. Thompson, author, lecturer, and professor of sociology at Dillard University, outlined the scope of a 15-month study he is directing to determine the future role of 12 predominantly Negro colleges related to the denomination.

The study, which began in September, has been made possible by a \$68,500 grant from the Ford Foundation to the Division of Higher Education in the Board of Education of The United Methodist Church. Dr. Thompson said there are two basic questions being considered: "What will be the role of Negro colleges in the future?" and, "To what extent should The United Methodist Church share in the support of these colleges?"

**ATTENTION SOPHOMORES**

If your name was misspelled on the list of candidates for graduation, please contact Mrs. Roy immediately. The names are identical to those that will be printed on the diplomas.

**Afro-American Studies Are Established At Yale**

New Haven, Conn. — (I.P.) For the first time, a new curriculum at Yale has been developed not by the faculty alone but jointly with students. The Yale faculty voted recently to establish a new program in Afro-American Studies. Effective next September Yale students will be able to major

in this field during their four undergraduate years.

The planning committee consisted of four professors and four students - the latter all members of the Black Student Alliance at Yale.

Although many colleges, including Yale, have been offering individual courses in Afro-American studies, the new Yale program is the first of a major university that makes this subject a field of study leading to the B.A. degree.

The committee anticipated the objections of some scholars that Afro-American courses are being proposed for political and not intellectual reasons. Robert A. Dahl, Sterling Professor of Political Science, who was committee chairman, emphasized that the strongly stated desire for the program among some Yale students "should hardly be considered a disadvantage, much less a disqualification."

However, he said, "the only valid justification of the proposed program, and the only advanced by those of us who propose this major, is that it fulfills legitimate educational needs at Yale and meets the standards we expect in all our majors."

The program, he pointed out, is designed to meet the needs of white students as well as black. "It is hard to say which is the more appalling," he said, "the ignorance of whites about black people or the ignorance of Afro-Americans about their own experience."

Charles H. Taylor, Provost of Yale, emphasized that "The Black students' recommendation of a major in Afro-American studies has been especially persuasive on two counts:

"First, they have insisted from the beginning that it is educationally essential for all students in Yale College to be able to enlarge their understanding of the Black experience;

"Second, they have insisted that the major be intellectual."

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**NBC Will Begin Series April 6**

A plan to help build the will of citizens to reverse the trend of a widening gap between the rich and the poor of the world has been announced in the creation of four special NBC News programs on the weekly Frontiers of Faith series, starting Easter Sunday, April 6 (check local listings for exact time). Titled "The Challenge of a Closer Moon", the four half-hours will tackle the deprivations, hungers and pressures of poverty that can effect changes to benefit, if men will.

The series is being prepared by the Broadcasting & Film Commission of the National Council of Churches. Doris Ann, manager of religious programming for NBC News, is executive producer.

Aided and informed by the four TV programs, Americans of faith and good will are going to explore that pale moon of poverty, satellite of the planet called wealth. Agencies of the National Council of Churches and other groups — with the announcement of the TV series — are urging people in every community where it can be seen to organize convenient groups to view the series and to follow up with study, discussion and action.

A World Development Discussion/Study Helps Leaflet is available free by writing to Susan Pax, Broadcasting & Film Commission, 475 Riverside Drive — Room 852, New York, N. Y. 10027.