

NEWS IN THE WORLD OF RELIGION

BY W.W. REID

A "Crusade for Christ" is "an hour when never before has there been so much sorrow, desolation and utter destruction come to so many peoples," will be waged for a year among the 41,000 congregations of the Methodist Church, beginning December 1 next, under the auspices of the Council of Bishops of the denomination. The crusade will have a financial objective of raising \$25,000,000 in that period for foreign, American, and educational needs growing out of the World War situation. But the scope of the effort will be wider than its financial goal, says the sponsors. It will carry forward the earlier "Crusade for a New World Order," part of which was to impress upon government leaders the desires of church people for a just and lasting peace plan for reconstruction of mission work demolished or damaged by the war, and efforts to promote evangelism throughout America, to encourage Christian stewardship "of all of life," and to increase Sunday school attendance which has been falling off seriously for some years. Bishop G. Bromley Oxman, of New York, is leader of the crusade.

In a recent death of the Rev. Professor James Moffatt, the English speaking Fellowship of Christian churches has lost one of its greatest scholars and most prolific writers. While he wrote a score of volumes in the field of Christian theology and Bible commentary, his fame rests principally upon his translation in the Bible into modern English - "the Moffatt Translation." Dr. Moffatt was born in Scotland, son of a lay Presbyterian leader and entered the University of Glasgow at the age of fifteen. After some years in the ministry, during which he translated the New Testament, he became professor of church history in the United Free Church College in Glasgow. His scholarship commended him to Union Theological Seminary, New York City and from 1927 until his retirement in 1942 he was one of the outstanding members of that faculty. He wrote a volume of devotional studies, helped write Bible dramatizations and was an enthusiastic fisherman and baseball fan.

The first Chinese to be admitted to citizenship in the United States,

under the new law permitting such conferring to Chinese, is Edward Bing Kan of Chicago, a deacon in the Chinese Christian Union Church of that city. He has been in the United States for fifty one years and for most of that period has been an interpreter of the U. S. Immigration Service. This church, affiliated with the Northern Baptist Convention, boasts of having fifty five of its young American members of Chinese extraction in the armed services of the United States.

Recent elections of bishop of the Methodist Church, held at the jurisdictional (regional) conference in the United States, give the denomination three new Episcopal leaders for missionary service overseas. Dr. Newell S. Boothfi for 12 years a missionary in the Belgian Congo, becomes the bishop of the Elizabethville Area, with Methodist work in the Congo, the Union of South Africa, Southern Rhodesia, Angola, and Mozambique under his direction. President Willis J. King, of Atlanta, Ga., head of Gammon Theological Seminary, Methodism's school for training Negro pastors, has been chosen as bishop of Liberia, Africa - the Church's oldest mission field. Dean Paul N. Garber, dean of the Divinity School of Duke University, Durham, N. C., goes to Geneva, Switzerland, where he will administer as bishop all Methodist mission work in central and southern Europe; this includes missions and conferences in Belgium, Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Italy, Jugoslavia, Madeira Islands, Algeria, Tunisia, Poland, Spain and Switzerland.

About a thousand Russian prisoners of war, captured by the Romanian Army, are working in the famous Vulcan Mine in Transylvania and are ministered to by clergymen of the Eastern Orthodox church, according to the Geneva Office of the World Council of Churches. Says its report: "These prisoners of war, who grew up in the years of the very bitter persecution of religion and the church in Russia, have begun to turn to the faith of their fathers, and themselves demanded an ordered church life which would be a source of comfort, inspiration and spiritual renewal. A tangible expression of this attitude is

an Orthodox church building which the prisoners have erected with their own hands and furnished in a beautiful way. Recently this church was consecrated by the Archbishop, Dr. Balan. The choir was composed of prisoners of War. Metropolitan Balan has provided the number of Russian priests necessary to meet the religious needs of the members of the congregations."

LEGAL NOTICES

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Notice is hereby given that after two weeks publication in the Roanoke News as required by law, application will be made to the Commissioner of Prisons for a pardon or a prole for Herbert Winfree, who was sentenced to a term on the roads at the January term of 1944 Superior Court, for breaking and entering.

This 20th day of June, 1944.
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NOTICE

In The Superior Court

NORTH CAROLINA, HALIFAX COUNTY, L. C. Howell, Administrator of the Estate of M. W. Lucas, Petitioner.

-vs-

Mrs. Viola I. Lucas, Widow of M. W. Lucas, et als defendant.

The defendants Joseph Wilbert Williams and wife, Sadie Jolley Williams, Lee Towns Williams, Iona Williams Bairs and husband Briscoil Baird, Mary Elizabeth White Chappell and husband Mack Chappell, Blanche Louise White Cutchin and husband Pete Cutchin will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Halifax County, N. C., to sell land belonging to the late M. W. Lucas to make assets to pay the debts of the estate and costs of administration and the said defendants are heirs at law of the said M. W. Lucas and as such are necessary parties to this proceedings; and the said defendants will further take notice that they are required to appear at the Office of the Clerk of The Superior Court of Halifax County, N. C., and answer or demur to the Petition in said action within ten days after the 7th day of Aug. 1944 or the Plaintiff will apply to the Court

for the relief demanded in said Petition.

This the 6th day of July, 1944.
GEORGIA HUX,
Acting Clerk of Superior Court Halifax County, N. C.

Use Care In Buying Farm Real Estate

Growers should be particularly careful in buying farm real estate at this time because present land values are based on what crops are selling for now rather than in normal times, say Extension farm management specialists at N. C. State College.

They point out that when a depression comes from commodity prices drop first and lower than the prices of things the farmer has to buy, following the first world war prices of things the farmer bought were relatively high for a period of 21 years as compared with prices of things he sold.

In the years 1914 and 1935 farm commodity prices were 39 some but the farmer got much less than usual to sell due to drought conditions.

The beginning point in estimating the value of a farm comes with a careful estimate of what can be produced under normal conditions and what that production will bring at normal prices. A reasonable allowance should also be made for poor crop years.

The specialists pointed out that the family must live and that taxes, fertilized labor, machinery and other farm expense items must be met every year from the proceeds of the farm. After allowing for these necessary items some idea of the amount available for paying interest and principal on the farm can be had.

It is more likely that over a period of years prices of farm products will be nearer the average of 1930-40 than the present high levels. During this period some of them were as follows: 71 cent corn, 9 1-2 cent cotton, \$6.50 hogs, and tobacco at very much lower prices than today.

TOBACCO

Frank Herrin of Monticello Fla., fertilized his "shade" tobacco with 1 ton of fertilizer, 1 ton of Cottonseed meal and 1 ton of black manure per acre. What would happen to "bright" tobacco if so fertilized?

PEANUTS

Much better yields of peanuts are being produced where the seed were treated with arasin

and good, early stands were obtained, says Howard R. Garris, Extension plant pathologist at State College.

CRYOLITE

Flea beetles, horn worms, and budworms can be satisfactorily controlled with cryolite, reports

J. Myron Maxwell, Extension entomologist at State College. Pyrethrin is green and lead arsenate is hard to get.

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Behind that dramatic fact lie years of work and foresight. An industry put together in peacetime to serve

you and other Americans is also feeding a gigantic war machine that makes gluttonous demands. America's business-managed electric companies, such as The Virginia Electric and Power Company, are producing more electricity than Japan and Germany COMBINED, amply supplying our war effort while still providing all civilian needs as well.

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