

**Institute Speaker**



**Bishop Speaks On Methodist Evangelism**

Bishop Fred P. Carson of Philadelphia featured speaker for a Methodist-wide Institute on Evangelism at Lake Junaluska spoke Monday on the topic "Evangelical Methodism," a term which, he said, describes the essence of the Methodist Church today and generation.

Methodism is referred to as an evangelical faith, said Bishop Carson because of the Wesleyan revival in the eighteenth century which held an epochal place in the life of England. From the standpoint of results, the Wesleyan Revival was revolutionary in its social, educational and economic implications as well as in its moral and spiritual effect. It showed how important it was to put a changed heart first and out of that would come all of the better things for which the world clamors. History credits the Wesleyan revival with presenting a revolution in England.

Bishop Carson drew three lessons from the Wesleyan revival movement which he said 20th century Methodists could profit by.

"The Wesleyan Revival," he said, established the importance of revivals in modern life. We need revival and apologize for the emphasis Methodism places on revivalism as a means of improving our national life.

"The fact that the Wesleyan Revival took place at a time when morals and social conditions were at their lowest only in England proves that revivals are possible regardless of time place and local conditions. When the Wesleyan Revival came to its highest power it was at a period of social and economic strife and of religious decay. Religion had ceased to be a force in England.

"The Wesleyan Revival gave us a method of revivalism, not a mode. It was the preaching and singing that made it so potent. The preaching taught that religion was not only a matter of the mind, but also of the heart. Their preaching always sought to gain a verdict for Christ, and always when the church has been a singing church it has been a powerful and effective church. The singing is always a barometer of the spiritual life of the church. One great need of the world is that everywhere there shall be a Wesleyan Revival, for only as new life in Christ takes hold in our hearts will our light shine."

Bishop Carson will be heard every day this week and at 11 a. m. next Sunday.

**Bishop Speaks At Leadership School Meeting**

Bishop Paul E. Martin of Little Rock, Ark., delivered the closing address, Monday night, for a Leadership Training School, which has been in session at Lake Junaluska since August 4.

Speaking on the topic, "Evangelism in the Church School," Bishop Martin said the church school possesses unusual qualifications for leadership in the field of evangelism and cited as proof of this statement the fact that two-thirds of the persons joining the church each year come from the ranks of the Sunday School.

"The final measure of the church school's success in the evangelistic field," said Bishop Martin, "will be in its ability to bring about that fundamental change in human outlook and purpose that is conversion in the Christian sense of the term."

"The church school," he continued, "has an unparalleled opportunity today in its relationship with the home. Always this has been a fruitful field, but the homes established during and following the war have provided the means of a welcome entrance into the lives of thousands by the church. What an opportunity to touch a new home, to offer to the parents a school for their children and themselves with guidance in their problems and with an opportunity for fellowship with other young couples who are also striving to build institutions of enduring happiness."

"Nowhere is better illustrated the opportunity of the church field and at the same time the difficult responsibility than in work with young people. In November, 1947, a call went out from our Board of Missions and Church Extension for forty young people to go to Japan for three years service. By the time the applications were acted upon in April, 1948, 52 qualified Methodist youth had applied for this service and 43 were accepted and are now in Japan in "J-3" service. Similar units have followed to other countries.

"A program must be developed attractive enough to compete with the multiplied activities that seek to enlist young people today. They need to be given a challenge in terms of the needs of the world. The church school has been, and can continue to be, one of the greatest evangelistic agencies of the church."

**Baptists Enjoy Annual Picnic**

One hundred thirty-five members of the First Baptist Sunday School faced low hanging clouds for their second annual picnic on 500-acre Graceland Farm on Hyatt creek, owned by M. O. Galloway, late Wednesday afternoon.

After the picnic supper, Rev. J. G. Elliott led in a devotional, with Charles Isley leading in group singing. The male trio gave several special numbers.

Ben Phillips is general superintendent of the Sunday School.

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- Columbia History of Music
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- Khachaturian Concerto for piano and orchestra
- Liszt Todtentanz (Dance of Death)
- Mahler Symphony No. 4 in D Major
- Operatic Duets
- Prokofiev Peter and the Wolf
- Puccini Madame Butterfly
- Ravel Quartet in F
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