

### Pastor Of 'Sky Chapel' To Speak At Junaluska

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If you have been in Chicago you probably walked past the world's highest chapel and parsonage.

It is the recently completed "Sky Chapel" atop a skyscraper in the heart of the Loop—Chicago's downtown business section. The street floor of the office building also houses the famous Methodist Temple.

The pastor of the temple and chapel is the Rev. Dr. Charles R. Goff, who will be the principal platform speaker this week at the Lake Junaluska summer assembly during the month-long conference of Methodist district superintendents and pastors.

Every Sunday morning he preaches to more than 1,200 persons who throng the main sanctuary. They are mostly visitors in attendance from an average of 30 states.

The temple's unique chapel, 383 feet above street level, is a dream come true for Dr. Goff—a dream that took seven years to materialize. Often he would visit the building's octagonal tower, which tapers to a slender spire, topped by a large cross. The solemn stillness, high above the clang and clatter of city traffic, impressed him as the perfect place for meditation and prayer. In that quiet hush one could look inside his secret heart and commune with God.

A chapel was the answer, and Dr. Goff went to work. Some of his members caught his enthusiasm and organized a building committee. Seven years later, and at a cost of more than \$65,000, the sanctuary in the sky was a reality. In addition, a parsonage for Dr. and Mrs. Goff was built in the tower immediately under the chapel. It consists of a 24 by 26 living room, dining room and kitchen on one floor, two bedrooms and a bath on another, and a panoramic view of Chicago.

To get to the chapel visitors ride an elevator to the twenty-second floor, and then climb a winding stair past the penthouse parsonage, past a reception room, and on up to the tiny chapel itself. There they find an octagon-shaped room with richly colored stained-glass windows. The focal point of the simple altar is a splendid wood carving of Christ "beholding the city" from on high.

Visitors to the city hear the



DR. CHARLES R. GOFF, pastor of the "Sky Chapel" atop a Chicago skyscraper, will speak at the Lake Junaluska Assembly this week.

Temple chimes ring out their invitation "to come," and at night the cross atop the lighted spire also guides them to Chicago's most unusual house of worship. Nearly every visitor to the Temple makes a pilgrimage to the sky chapel, used for personal meditation, and occasionally for private weddings. Genial Dr. Goff, pastor since 1942, last year declined an opportunity to be elected a Methodist bishop. Ministering to people of all faiths, he is affectionately known as "The Shepherd of the Loop."

At Junaluska Dr. Goff will speak Wednesday and Thursday at 11 a.m. and 8 p.m. The conference will open tonight and run through Friday.

Although Brazil produced about 99 per cent of the world's rubber in 1900, by 1934 nearly 99 per cent came from the Far East.

### Two Conferences Set For August At L. Junaluska

The August program of the Lake Junaluska assembly will feature two leadership conferences for directors, officers and teachers of Christian education.

Sponsored by the Methodist General Board of Education, a leadership school for church workers will be held August 3-14, and a conference of church school superintendents August 14-16.

The leadership school will comprise two terms, August 3-8 and August 10-14, according to the Rev. M. Earl Cunningham, Nashville, who will serve as dean. He is director of the board's Department of Leadership Education.

The school curriculum will include a general section of 17 study courses, a laboratory section for workers with children, a workshop for directors of Christian education, a seminar for secretaries of conference boards of education, and a series of platform addresses by eminent educators and theologians.

Resource leaders and speakers will include Bishop Ivan Lee Holt, St. Louis, Mo.; Dean John K. Benton of the Vanderbilt University School of Religion, Nashville; Dr. Frank A. Lindhorst of the College of the Pacific, Stockton, Calif.; Dr. Donald M. Maynard, Boston University; Dr. J. Lem Stokes II, president of Pfeiffer College, Misenheimer; Dr. Henry M. Bullock, Nashville, editor of Methodist church school publications, and Dr. John Q. Schisler, Nashville, executive secretary of the Division of the Local Church, Methodist Board of Education.

The Rev. Walter Towner, Nashville, will be in charge of the church school superintendents' conference. He is director of the education board's Department of General Church School Work. He said that superintendents of 14 states will attend, as well as other church school officers who are chairmen of education commissions and assistant superintendents for membership cultivation.

### A Real Fish Story

LEWISTOWN, Mont. (AP) — How about this for fishing? Rancher Stanley Garthofer, aided by a power boat and lasso, recently caught three houses and a bridge floating down Rock Creek during a flood.



W. GRADY (Buddy) DAVIS, JR., son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Grady Davis of Hazelwood, is serving with the U. S. Marines and is now taking boot training at Parris Island, S. C.

### MORE ABOUT Farm Tour

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in space when he awoke Tuesday morning, he says—

"Take it away," Uncle Abe said at breakfast that morning, as the waitress put the plate of bacon and eggs before him.

"What's the matter?" she asked. "Yore high altitude, er sump'n has made me sick," he replied, "jist give me some ol'-fashion corn flakes and prunes."

The view from around Denver, with the snow-capped mountains in the distance, is wonderful. And Denver, a city of nearly half a million population and the "metropolis of the Rockies" is not only beautiful but has industry and wealth, and also a large, rich agricultural, stock-raising, mining and trucking region surrounding it, to draw from.

On our way out the group continued to look from the windows at the snowy mountains in the distance — the first most of us had ever seen in late July.

As late as 1900 nearly 99 per cent of the world's rubber came from Brazil.

### Governor Gets Inlaid Desk From Former Haywood County Resident

J. G. Gibbs, highway engineer and former resident of Waynesville, bestowed a sample of his woodworking art on Governor William B. Umstead Thursday. It was a hand-made desk with a map of North Carolina inlaid in the top using more than 106 wood samples in all.

Gibbs, now of Greenville, once gave President Truman a hand-made desk with an inlaid map of the United States. Thursday he did the same for Governor Umstead on this time each of North Carolina's counties was represented by a different kind of wood.

The right-of-way engineer for the Highway Commission developed his hobby while living here in Waynesville. He presented the desk to the Governor in a brief ceremony at the Capitol, Highway Chairman Sandy Graham accompanied Gibbs to the Governor's office for the presentation. Later the desk was moved to the Executive Mansion.

Gibbs had collected his samples from one end of the State to the other. Yancey County's bit was a balsam sample from the top of Mount Mitchell. Wake's was a piece of red oak from a tree removed from the Fayetteville Street side of Capitol Square about 1949. Craven County's pine sample came from the only wing of Tryon's Palace at New Bern which is left standing. It was not reported just what piece represented Haywood County.

### School Bus Driver Test Scheduled

Prospective County school bus drivers who do not have school bus drivers' licenses may apply for them on Friday, August 7, at 9 a. m., Superintendent Lawrence Leatherwood announced today.

Carroll Angel, school bus driver examiner from the State Highway Safety Division will be at the county school bus garage in Waynesville at that time.

All persons applying for the bus drivers' licenses must have North Carolina drivers' licenses.

Several vacancies are to be filled among the county's 54 school bus positions.

### REUNITED AFTER JAIL TERM



LOUIS B. CONLEY, who preferred to spend three years behind bars in Brockton, Mass., rather than surrender custody of his daughter, Lynette, to his wife, greets the child after her return to Amarillo, Tex. Lynette had been living with her grandmother while Conley was in prison 37 months for refusing to obey a court order. (International)

### Death Sentence Slayer Held In Is Appealed To Supreme Court

Lawyers for Noah Dockery, 45-year-old Cherokee mountaineer who murdered his wife, Frank Crawford last week, have appealed to the state supreme court for a reversal of the death sentence handed by Cherokee Superior Court. The appeal will be heard in the county jail for some time pending the slaying.

Dockery shot Sheriff Goff who was serving his second term as the Sheriff entered the county home to serve a charging Dockery with a sawmill. The shotgun charged into the sheriff's chest, and he fell in his automobile in front of the little mountain on Hanging Dog Road.

State highway patrol deputies with bloodhounds set a net for Dockery in the hill country eight miles from the killing and brought him on top of Waynesville's house.

The bulky appeal by Cherokee County lawyers, which reached Raleigh this week, contains numerous errors were reviewed by Judge Allen B. Hester. It also claims that the state against Dockery did not follow the jury's verdict of guilty out a recommendation of the court this fall.

### Prayer Campaign

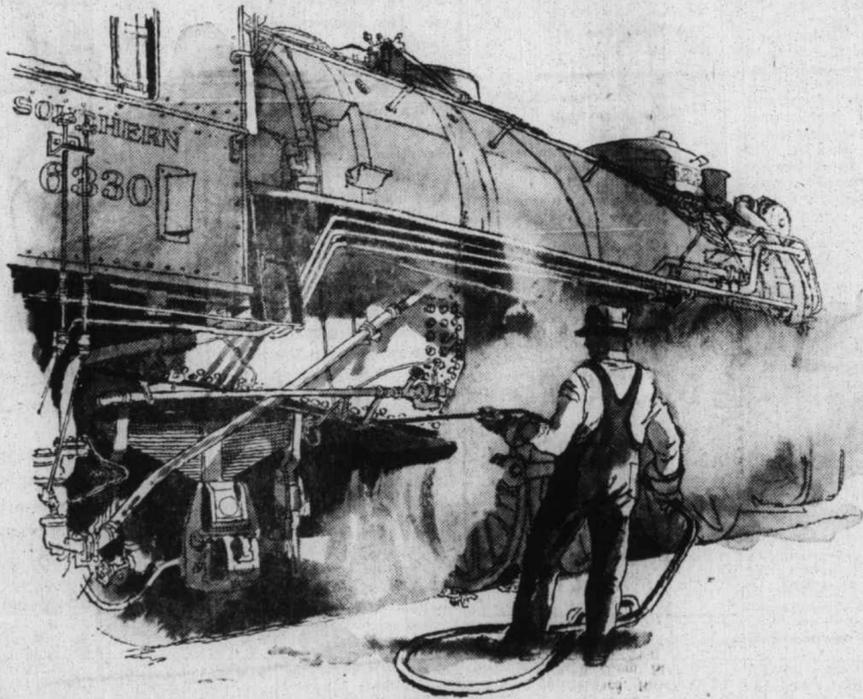
DALLAS, Tex. (AP) — The Restaurant Association is campaigning for prayers before meals.

Members decided at their meeting here to remind diners at restaurants to say grace eating by placing small cards on each table, giving his, Protestant and Jewish.

### Vermont Fliers

BURLINGTON, Vt. (AP) — University of Vermont will commission about 55 students in the U. S. Air Force. The first time in the history of the school that senior male students were commissioned in the Force as well as the U. S.

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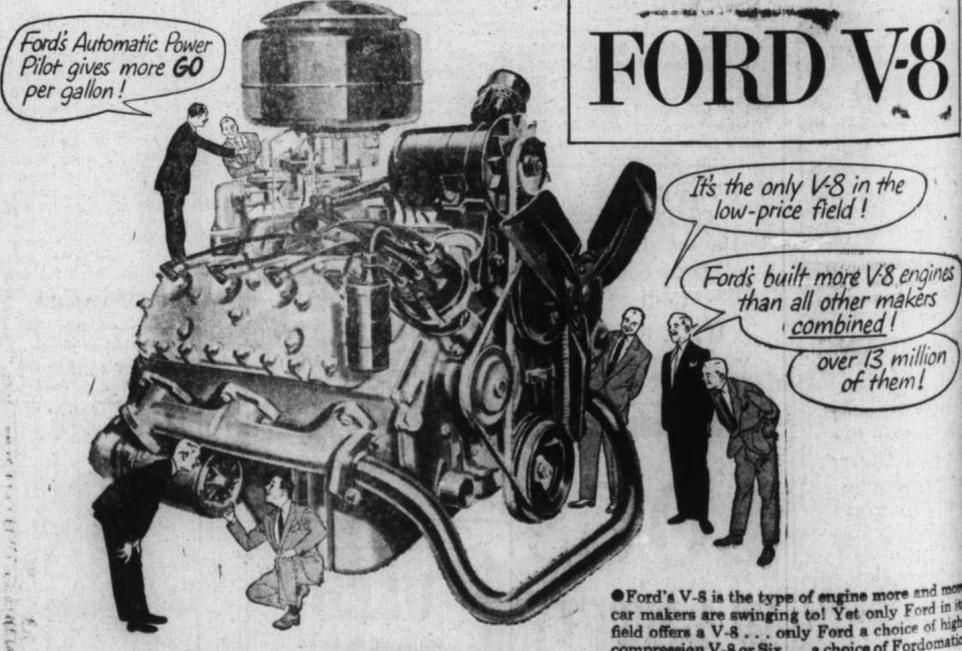


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