

Prayer Day Slated Mar. 5

Church members in Raeford will celebrate World Day of Prayer March 5 at 7:00 p.m., Raeford Baptist Church. On this day church members in 25,000 communities in the USA will unite their prayers with women in 155 countries to affirm faith, hope and love in facing issues and the needs of today and tomorrow.

As church members all over the world gather in worship on World Day of Prayer they will be affirming that "New Life Awaits!" In exploring what it means to be a "new person" in Christ Church members United will be preparing also for the Ecumenical Assembly, to be held in Wichita, Kansas from April 22-25. The Assembly is being called to consider the meaning of God's breakthrough in history in relation to the tremendous potential for both good and ill that social and technological breakthroughs open up for the future.

1971 will be the eighty-fourth year of the ever-widening celebration of the World Day of Prayer. On this day, the first Friday in March, church members of many denominations - Protestant, Catholic and Orthodox - and of many races and languages, seek to make visible their unity in Christ and to share in an offering that will bring hope and aid to thousands around the globe.

World Day of Prayer provides an occasion for participation in a nationwide offering committed to helping others through Intercontinental Mission on six continents. Some of the people who will be touched by these continuing programs this year are: People on vacation and older people employed in national parks through year round ministry by early-retired ministers, experimental internships, new Christian education materials; international students in many educational institutions overseas; women leaders abroad who can help bridge international gaps through special training programs and internships; women in cities engaged in interfaith ministries in education, community organization, technology and ecology; rural Christian women overseas who will study nutrition, home-making, and related subjects.

Further use of the World Day of Prayer offering will be: to enable migrant farm workers to send representatives to policy-making meetings and aid in crises and emergencies; to aid American Indians and Spanish-speaking people to achieve new dignity through community action in both urban and rural situations; to help Mexican women in border cities, without adequate means to support themselves and live with dignity, to start an industry; to support a woman worker to provide public health and family service for women and children in Freedom City, Mississippi.

Church members will celebrate the creative stewardship of the offerings in continuous commitment to: families in Dominica and the Windward Islands for the building of new dwellings through self-help projects; theological students and Christian teachers attending an interdenominational seminary in Djakarta and in need of new women's dormitory furnishings; children in Africa and Asia who desperately need reading material and the motivation to keep learning. Funds from this year's offerings will continue to help print "80 miles of children's books" and subsidize children's and women's magazines in Korea, Argentina, Mexico, and India.

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By JANICE R. CHRISTENSEN

(News items this week from Wayne, Sampson, Johnston and Davidson Counties)

This is the story of a wonderful, hard working family of 12 children and their parents. For years they lived in an old broken down house which they rented; but they always dreamed of a home of their own.

The family owned a lot. So when Wayne County church decided to sell their old parsonage, the family bought the house and borrowed enough money to have it moved to the lot. Friends and neighbors pitched in to help with the underpinning, repainting and repairing.

Wayne County Extension home economics agents helped the mother decide what colors she would use and what additions and changes to make in the kitchen.

The family is still making improvements and fixing the yard. They are very proud of their "parsonage" home. Lois Williams, Extension Program Aide, states.

A homemaker in Sampson County found a way to get a tedious job done with little stress and strain. She invited couples from her community to a "pecan shelling" party.

The group enjoyed the fellowship and the homemaker got her job done. Frances Temple, home economics Extension agent, relates.

If you still have your old telephone book around the house, no need to throw it away. Instead use it to keep up with recipes.

Patricia Brown, assistant home economics Extension agent, Johnston County,

Skydivers To Compete At Raeford Airport

A two-day sports parachute meet will be held this weekend at the Raeford Airport. This is the second meet in a series of seven to be held this year by sports parachute clubs in the Carolinas. Gene Thacker, manager of the Green Beret Sports Parachute Club said. The first meet was held in Barnwell, S.C. At the end of the year, awards based on competition in the seven meets will be presented.

Man Wounded Wife Charged

A man was shot in the lower abdomen with a double barrel shotgun Saturday afternoon and his wife was charged with the shooting.

Melvin Purcell, of Rt. 3 Raeford on the Lake Elizabeth road, was taken to Moore Memorial Hospital. Mrs. Maggie Purcell, 28, was charged with assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill.

She was released on \$1,000 bond pending a hearing in District Court Friday.

Sheriff D.M. Barrington said the shooting took place about 1 p.m. Saturday at the couple's home. Mrs. Purcell was arrested at the home by deputies Alex Norton and Robert Graham.

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Locklear got out of the car and went into the station. While they were in the rest room they heard gunshots and as they tried to leave the room, they were blocked by several men who told them not to come out. They tried to get out of the station but were prevented from doing so by several men. As they got to the door they saw Wearins on the ground. Sheriff Barrington said Mrs. Wearins told him.

Several persons were at the station when the shooting occurred Sheriff Barrington said.

The sheriff said a half full cold 16 ounce beer can was found in the car. Also found were two other beer cans, still cold, that were almost empty. An empty pint of whiskey and an empty .22 caliber pistol were also in the car.

An autopsy and a blood alcohol content report were ordered but the results are not available yet, Sheriff Barrington said.

About 80 jumpers are expected to compete, Thacker said. There will be three events testing accuracy, free fall style and four-man team maneuvers. The team events are probably the most impressive to watch, he said.

Competition will begin about 8:30 on Saturday and 9 a.m. on Sunday at the airport and will end about 5 p.m. each day. The two-day meet will be covered live on WSHB.

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been taken by the board. Recreation director W.K. Morgan had submitted a budget request of \$6,000 to the United Fund this year.

Efforts to save the summer program have increased this week. John Gaddy, city manager, reported that several citizens, including Mrs. C.R. Pursley, Benny McLeod and Franklin Teal, city councilmen have expressed support for the program. McLeod is chairman of the recreation committee appointed by the United Fund to administer money from the charity.

County manager T.B. Lester and commissioner Ralph Barnhart both said this week that one of the main concerns of the county is the operation of the program.

The county does not have the staff to assume responsibility for the operation, Barnhart said.

Lester voiced the concern that the program would be only for the city of Raeford. Unless it was utilized by county residents, he feared that other townships throughout the county would also seek recreation funds. The county could not finance programs for each township, he said.

A Raeford-Hoke Recreation Commission, similar to the city's housing authority, will probably have to be appointed by the local governments, Gaddy said. This would enable the commission to apply for state and federal funds as well as to receive money from the city and county governments. Gaddy said he was trying to get Kenneth Free, recreation specialist with the state Department of Local Affairs, to come to Raeford for a meeting this week.

Morgan said recently that he would need to be assured of funds for the program by the end of April at the latest, in order to get the summer schedule and teams organized.

The city council and county commissioners meet separately next Monday and recreation is included on the agenda of each body.

SENATOR SAM ERVIN SAYS

WASHINGTON - I recently introduced two alternative plans for electoral college reform - S.J. Res. 2 and S.J. Res. 3. These measures are not new. S.J. Res. 2, the proportional plan, passed the Senate in 1950 and S.J. Res. 3, the automatic plan, was proposed in the Senate by Senator John Kennedy in 1957. Recently, S.J. Res. 3 has been referred to as the "Katzenbach plan" because of the ardent support given the measure in 1966 by then Attorney General Nicholas Katzenbach.

These measures cover the broadest possible spectrum of electoral college reform. S.J. Res. 2 is closest to the direct election plan in that it divides a state's electoral votes in proportion to the popular vote cast for each candidate in each state. This would rid the election of the President of the unit rule which so many find unacceptable. In addition to a mandatory proportional division of each state's electoral vote, S.J. Res. 2 would require the election to be decided by the Senate and the House in joint session with each Senator and Representative having one vote if no candidate receives 40% of the total electoral vote.

S.J. Res. 3, the automatic plan, would make only minimal changes in the present system with none of the possible dangers which many have warned could result from an untried and different method of electing the President. Briefly, S.J. Res. 3 would (1) eliminate the "faithless elector" and would insure that a state's electoral votes would be cast for the plurality winner in the state, and (2) if no nominee had an electoral vote majority, the deadlock would be broken by a vote taken at a Joint Session of Congress on the basis of one vote for each Member of the House and Senate.

Thus, S.J. Res. 2 and 3 present the Senate with two theories for electoral college reform which, I believe, are superior to either direct election or the present system. Both S.J. Res. 2 and 3 get rid of the "faithless" elector and both provide a substantially better method of determining deadlocks than the present system. While the mechanics of S.J. Res. 2 and 3 are different - one espouses the unit rule and the other divides the electoral votes - I can support either bill because they both attempt to preserve the identity of the states and their basic representation in the Presidential electoral process.

Moreover, S.J. Res. 2 and 3 recognize the basic fact that electoral votes do reflect people and the principle established by the framers of the Constitution that both large and small states should have a voice in selecting the President and Vice President. The two proposals which I have introduced give the Senate very realistic choices for reform. I trust that my colleagues will join with me in taking some action in this area in 1971.

Scattered through Earth's 300 million cubic miles of seawater are an estimated 10 million tons of gold, 500 million tons of silver, and 20 billion tons of uranium, the National Geographic Society says.



In the motion picture, The Fortune Cookie, there's a scene in which Jack Lemmon's screen brother - in-law wants to buy a new car with the anticipated proceeds of an accident insurance policy on Mr. Lemmon. But Lemmon asks whether they shouldn't wait until the insurance money starts to come in. "Wait!" demands his brother - in-law, "who in this world waits for anything? When Uncle Sam sends billions of dollars of space hardware off the pad, do you think they pay cash? Everything's done on a Diner's Club card!"

The claim is not too far-fetched. I recently made a trip and discovered in arriving at the air terminal that I had forgotten my money, my traveler's checks, and my ticket. If I were to go back home for these items, I would miss my flight. So I took a chance and with one credit card traveled about 1,500 miles, stayed overnight in a motel, provided all my meals, and purchased some merchandise - all without any cash or checks! We are becoming a credit-card society.

We are also increasingly a materialistic society. A man in a restaurant called the attention of a friend to a heavy-set man who was writing down his order from a menu. "Look," he said, "that man is writing his autobiography from a menu." That may seem unfair judgement, but it is certainly an accurate appraisal of some of us today: the god we worship is the Appetite, the altar of the Open-Mouth, the idol of the Well-Stuffed Man.

As Paul put it, the real enemies of God have their minds set "on earthly things." We are an avaricious society that is gulping down material goods at a rate which they cannot be digested. Jesus frequently warned men about materialism. It was one of his most frequent subjects. Be careful of the kinds of treasure you attempt to pile up for yourselves. They won't last. Why? Because material wealth is perishable. Jesus singles out three different kinds of material wealth. First, there is the kind that, like expensive clothing, will wear - out or is in danger of being eaten by moths. This

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