



ANGELA'S MOTHER- Mrs. Sally Davis of Birmingham, Ala., told a Providence, R. I. church audience last week that her daughter's only crime is her dedication to liberating oppressed people everywhere. Her appearance was part of a national drive to raise \$250,000 for Angela's defense fund. Mrs. Davis' 27-year-old daughter's trial resumed last Wednesday in San Rafael, Calif. (UPI).

Organizer Given Methodist Post

NEW YORK - Miss Ruth Gilbert of New York has been named secretary for community action on the staff of the Women's Division of the United Methodist Board of Missions.



MISS GILBERT

As an executive in the Division's Section of Christian Social Relations, Miss Gilbert has been assigned responsibility for assisting group and community action aimed toward eliminating poverty and achieving economic justice, especially for women and dependent children. She is to work with women of ethnic groups on an issue-oriented basis and to maintain liaison with churches and secular organizations concerned about poverty and welfare reform. Miss Gilbert assumed her new responsibilities in July, having come from the post of associate

secretary in the Department of Christian Social Relations of the Episcopal Church's Executive Council in New York. For three years she was staff officer for the Episcopal Action Group on Poverty. Previously Miss Gilbert's professional career had included service as director of a Head Start day care center in Mamaroneck, N.Y.; community organizer for the Urban League Center for School Dropouts; director of teenage programs for the Young Women's Christian Association (YWCA) in Brooklyn, N.Y., and associate Y-Teen director for the Cincinnati (Ohio) YWCA.

Children Discuss Race

NEW YORK-An eleven member, multi-racial and interconfessional group of young people left San Diego July 23 for Sydney, Australia to spend six weeks exchanging views with that country's youth on the race issue.

Besides the advisors, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Matthews, Black teachers in the San Diego school system, the team consists of three whites, three Blacks, two Chicanos, and one Indian. They come from United Presbyterian, United Methodist, Episcopal, A.M.E., and Roman Catholic churches. A specially organized interconfessional committee selected these young people.

David Parker, the Australian Council's youth secretary, has organized local committees in Sydney, Melbourne, and Canberra where the U. S. visitors will meet young Australian Christians to discuss with them the role of Christian youth organizations and the place of the aborigines in that country's social and economic life. The U.S. team will visit a community of aborigines deep in the mountains for one week along with the Australian youth. Mr. Matthews turned down his appointment to head as principal the San Diego School system's summer sessions because he felt the "Australian project is a priority to me as a Christian and as a Black citizen."

Explaining the project, the Rev. Kyoji Burma, executive secretary of COEMAR's Inter-church Action Office, said he looked forward to the results of the discussions in Australia and what the project may mean for race relations in San Diego. This is not an attempt to promote criticism of Australia's race problems, he stated, but for the youth of both countries to study hidden as well as overt forms of racism as their pattern varies and what is being done to overcome them.

MEDITATION

A SERMONETTE
BY COLIN DOUGLAS

"I will forgive their iniquity, and their sin will I remember no more." Jeremiah 31:34.

If you are a person who finds it difficult to forgive, you need to turn your thoughts more to the presence of God, and let His love fill your heart and mind. Give yourself and the situation that troubles you to Him, and you will find yourself able to forgive and forget every wrong.

When you keep turning over in your mind the memory of some hurt or injustice in the to the forgiving love of God, you harm only yourself when you withhold forgiveness, for you are closing your mind to the forgiving love of God. You harm only yourself when you withhold forgiveness, for you are being disobedient to the laws and principles of the Father.

When the forgiving love of God fills your heart it wipes away from you memory all thoughts of the harm and injustice that another may have done to you. It prompts you to forgive and to forget everything that has been making you unhappy.

Love is the only power, for all that is not loving is not God, and therefore has no power. Keep love, instead of resentment, in your thoughts--and this will keep peace and harmony within and about you.

As we remind ourselves of the spiritual power of God that is ours to share, as we change our thoughts from hurt and resentment to thoughts of love and tolerance, we gain a sense of freedom in mind and body. We see those who have wronged us in a new light, as children of the One Father...just as we are...equally beloved by Him.

"Cast thy burden upon Jehovah, and He will sustain thee; he will never suffer the righteous to be moved." Psalms 55:22, Corr. he will never suffer the righteous to be moved." Psalms 55: 22.

TWO MINUTES WITH THE BIBLE

BY CORNELIUS R. STAM, PRES. BREMEN BIBLE SOCIETY CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60633

WHY GOD WAITS
St. Peter was not wrong when he declared at Pentecost that the last days had begun (Acts 2: 15,17). They had indeed begun, but God had a secret purpose to give the world a period of grace before putting down its rebellion and sending Christ to reign.

This secret purpose concerning "the dispensation of grace" is the subject of Paul's epistles, but it is interesting to see how Peter's last message explains this interruption in God's prophesied program and the delay in Christ's return to reign. First he says in II Peter 3:8, "But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day."

Mark well, this is not our feeble explanation now as to the delay in Christ's return. This statement was made at the beginning of this time of waiting, at the dawn of the age of grace.

But let us go on with Peter's declaration:

"The Lord is not slack concerning His promise...but is longsuffering to us-ward not willing that any should perish, but that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance." (Ver. 9).

So the delay in Christ's return to judge and reign should not be counted "slackness or laxness, but "longsuffering." Thus the apostle goes on to say: "And account that the longsuffering of our Lord is salvation..."

Where did Peter get this information? How did he know about the "dispensation of the grace of God?" Verse 15 explains:

"Even as our beloved brother Paul also, according to the wisdom given unto him hath written unto you," To Paul particularly was committed "the gospel of the grace of God" which we proclaim today (Acts 20:24).

Church Chuckles by CARTWRIGHT



"I mowed my own lawn and some members thought it undignified; I hired it done and some thought it extravagant. So... I!"



The first police force in America was called the "Rattle Watch"!

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DOING A... MAN SIZED JOB

Heat... sweat... fatigue... blisters... aches... Dad says its all a part of "carrying my share of the load." He also says that, "it's important that I help make provisions for the present and near future." But he says "that it is even more important because I am preparing for the days ahead when I am a full grown man." Sometimes I think that my Dad has the wisdom of Solomon, that's this king that I learned about at church... and that's another thing that Dad says is important... "that I go to church regularly, so that I can learn about God, and prepare my spiritual life for the future, too." You know... Dad must think it's important... He goes to church, too.

The Church is God's appointed agency in this world for spreading the knowledge of His love for man and of His demand for man to respond to that love by loving his neighbor. Without this grounding in the love of God, no government or society or way of life will long persevere and the freedoms which we hold so dear will inevitably perish. Therefore, even from a selfish point of view, one should support the Church for the sake of the welfare of himself and his family. Beyond that, however, every person should uphold and participate in the Church because it tells the truth about man's life, death and destiny; the truth which alone will set him free to live as a child of God.

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