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Parish Dinner Tuesday To Be Pot-Luck

"DISCIPLINES OF LIBERTY" IS SUNDAY'S SERMON TOPIC

Rev. Frank O. Holmes takes his subject this Sunday from the theme of the biennial Conference of the American Unitarian association meeting next week at Montreal, Canada. It is fitting for us in Oklahoma City to give our attention to the questions about which representative Unitarians from all parts of the U.S. and Canada will be thinking.

NURSERY COMMITTEE MEETS AFTER CHURCH SUNDAY

A short meeting of the Nursery committee will be held immediately after the service next Sunday. All mothers with children under 3 are urged to be present.

WORLD RELIGION STUDY GROUP MEETS SUNDAY EVENING IN CHURCH

The Study Group in World Religions meets Sunday at 8 pm in the Church with Mr. Holmes. Readings will be from the ancient Zoroastrian Scriptures (Bible of the World beginning Page 565) and from the New Testament Gospels. All interested are cordially invited.

NEIGHBORHOOD GROUP VII MEETS AT NELSON'S THURSDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Nelson will be hosts to members of the parish living in the area between NW 23 and 38 and Santa Fe and Lee next Thursday at 8 p.m. in their home at 301 NW 27th st. Other members of the parish who have not had an opportunity to attend a neighborhood group are invited.

CHANNING GROUP (college age) meets Sunday at 7 p.m. in the Parsonage. A discussion on the subject, "Is Man Inherently Good or Bad?" will be opened by Earl Hearn, Judy Shelton and others. Officers for the coming year will be elected.

HIGHSCHOOL YOUTH (AUY) will meet at 7 p.m. Sunday in the parish house.

EDUCATION will be the subject of a display in the Church Library Sunday including two books presented by John Latta, "It Happened in Pasadena" by David Hulburd and "How Good Is Your School" by Wilbur A. Yauch. A copy of September McCall's containing the article, "Who Is Trying To Ruin Our Schools" by Arthur Morris.

NEW IDEA TO BE TRIED AT FIRST OF MONTHLY FELLOWSHIP DINNERS FOR ALL THE FAMILY

Monthly parish dinners this year are going to be different. A committee headed by Earnest L. Lippert is taking over the program end of the evening and Garry Carpenter will be the master of ceremonies next Tuesday evening with Mrs. Leonard Nelson and Mrs. Chas. Dyer assisting. It will be an evening of fun and light entertainment designed primarily to get people acquainted and to prove that Unitarians can have more fun than anybody.

DINNER CHARGE ONLY 35¢ PER PERSON

Baked ham, bread and butter and drinks are on the menu for which a charge of 35¢ per plate will be made. In addition, each family or single individual is asked to bring a salad, vegetable or dessert. The dinner will be served pot-luck, buffet style, at 6:30 p.m.

The kitchen committee headed by Mrs. Clayton Pierce needs to know how much ham to prepare, so please fill in the reservation cards at Church next Sunday morning whether or not you can come. Reservations may also be made before Monday noon at the Church office.

BUS RIDERS' ATTORNEY WILL SPEAK AT SUNDAY MORNING DISCUSSION GROUP

Merton M. Bulla, attorney for the Oklahoma City Bus Riders association with a membership of 13,000, will speak on the current city bus situation Sunday at 10 a.m. in the parish house.

Mr. Bulla is seeking cancellation of the City Bus Company's contract with the city on grounds it is a franchise illegally granted by the City Council.

It is hoped that the bus-riding members of the parish will take advantage of the jitney service or other transportation facilities to attend this discussion if the bus strike has not been settled.

COMING EVENTS

CHANNING GROUP - College Age Youth. . . . Sunday, 7 PM
WORLD RELIGION Study Group Sunday, 8 PM
BOARD OF TRUSTEES - Regular Meeting Monday, 7:30 PM
PARISH FELLOWSHIP DINNER - Pot-Luck Tuesday, 6:30 PM
GENETICS CLASS with Dr. Allan Stanley Wednesday, 8 PM
NEIGHBORHOOD GROUP VII - Nelson Home Thursday, 8 PM
KRITERION - Young Adults Sunday, Oct. 21, 7 PM
NEIGHBORHOOD GROUP VIII - Devlin Home Thur. Oct 25, 8 PM
DR. THADDEUS CLARK of St. Louis - Guest Minister
Sunday, November 4, 11 AM

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Dr. Goslin Tonight 8 p.m. -- Parish Dinner Tuesday !!
(Friday)

Controversial Education Figure Tonight's Speaker

DR. WILLARD GOSLIN AND O.U. DEAN
SPEAK ON ELIOT FORUM PROGRAM

Within recent months there has been an alarming outbreak of charges recklessly hurled at the public schools. On the pretext of criticizing "progressive education" a number of groups and individuals are actually seeking to impoverish and devitalize our modern school system. All who are sincerely interested in strengthening free public education should know the true nature of these attacks.

Dr. Willard E. Goslin, a central figure in this controversy, will speak tonight at 8 p.m. in the Church auditorium on the subject, "Looking Ahead in Education."

Dr. John R. Rackley, dean of the college of education at the University of Oklahoma, will also speak on the subject.

A discussion period in which the audience may participate will follow the talks.

Dr. Goslin resigned under fire as superintendent of schools in Pasadena, Calif., and brought national attention to the movement which is attacking schools in many communities of the nation. He will address a meeting of the Oklahoma Education association meeting here in annual convention Friday noon.

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DRIVE FOR ELIOT FORUM PATRONS BEGINS

The extensive program of the Frederick Eliot Forum requires the financial support of all individuals interested in any or all of its activities.

Contributions of \$ 1.00 or more (per individual or couple) will enroll the contributor as a patron or sponsor of the Forum. Slips to facilitate the enrollment process will be available at all Forum sponsored activities and at Sunday Church services.

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GENETICS COURSE, sponsored by the Frederick Eliot Forum, taught by Dr. Allan J. Stanley meets next Wednesday at 8 p.m. and the first and third Wednesdays of each month.

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ARE YOU A FRUSTRATED HAMLET? Do you feel you are the logical successor to Bette Davis? Do you tingle at the smell of grease paint? Then attend the planning meeting of the All-Church Play Sunday at 7 p.m. at the parish house. Actors (and would-be actors) of every age and type are needed. If you can't be there Sunday evening, speak to Martin (Mack) Fuller or Mrs. Holmes Sunday morning after Church.

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L A S T Attendance 192; year ago, 190. Church school 68.
S U N D A Y The bus strike took its

toll. If you depend on public transportation and the strike is still on next Sunday, use the "Jitneys" or call a member of the parish to give you a lift.

Altar flowers last Sunday were given by the family of William M. MacLaren.

Candlelighter: Miss Clara McCormick. Door: Garry Carpenter. Ushers: Fred Sexton, Erik Thomsen, Gene Carpenter, Braden Pillow, Tom McMullen and Raymond Ford.

Coffee hosts: W. Dean Kirby and John F. Blatt; pouring: Miss Colleen Cornelison and Mrs. John F. Blatt.

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WANTED - QUILT CHEST, or similar chest suitable for storing old clothing and miscellaneous items. Condition of chest not material. Call the Church office.

WANTED - FILING CABINET. The Church office needs one badly. Wood or steel. If you have one to give or loan call the Church office.

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UNITARIAN FELLOWSHIP at Stillwater will hear Wayne Stevens preach at its regular weekly meeting next Sunday.

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NEEDLEWORK GUILD will hold its annual in-gathering at Pilgrim Congregational Church Thursday, November 1, at 9 a.m.

Last Sunday

EXCERPTS FROM THE SERMON

"You and I and the Schools"

American education faces tremendous problems. Specialized education must be balanced by general education. There are differences of opinion as to how far the program of what is called progressive education can be made to work in the classroom. However, not even the most conservative among us would go back to the really old-fashioned school.

For some people it is a terrifying thought that our American schools may be placing in the hands of the younger generation the knowledge and courage to change society. And there are individuals and groups, thus terrified, who seek to control education so that they may eliminate from it all critical and creative influences. We are rightly opposed to certain programs of change, and we are anxious economically. The danger is that these fears will be taken advantage of by cynical and self-seeking groups.

That is the warning that comes to us from the experience of Dr. Willard Goslin of Pasadena, and from the other reports of tension in various parts of the country.

The individuals described in the September McCall's as partly responsible for these tensions, are none of them either by experience or reputation of importance. We would not think of allowing our schools to be directed by them. Yet, by appealing to the anxieties of Americans at this time they are actually succeeding in sowing distrust between parents and teachers, citizens and public school administrators.

By all means, let us be critically concerned in regard to the methods and program of our public schools. But let us not ally ourselves with persons who are unrepresentative of the genuine American tradition.

It is part of our glory as an American people that our religious faith has expressed itself in a concern for education. As we have built cities and houses and churches, we have also built schools. And it has been our intention that our schools should be free from sectarian or party control, and also, as far as possible from the prejudices and limitations in understanding of each older generation.

We want our schools to help our young people see the world more accurately than you and I see it, and to plan and work for a better kind of human society than you and I have yet been able to create.

-- FRANK O. HOLMES

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PARISH PATTERN -- Congratulations to MARIE HAZELTON, elected president of District I, Okla. State Nurses' ass'n. BORN: JOHN MICHAEL SMITH, son of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Smith, Sept. 22. Papa, in the Navy, will see his son for the first time today in San Diego.... BEST WISHES to MRS. CARL LEANDER for quick recovery from her illness ... SYMPATHY to Mrs. Mary McGlone in the death of her father, WILLIAM M. MacLaren ... VISITORS Sunday were Mr. & Mrs. Frank Walton; he was a member many, many years ago when meetings were held in the old Musical Arts Institute on 5th st., now Siloam Lodge 276.

OUR UNITARIAN HERITAGE is missing from the Church Library. If you have it, please return it as soon as convenient.

MISS CAROL UPTON, Classen senior, is doing a grand job as the new Church School pianist ... A CHURCH SCHOOL JUNIOR CHOIR will begin rehearsals soon under direction of MRS. FRED ROBSON, our Church organist and choir director, if enough boys and girls are interested. First meeting will be held a week from next Sunday after Church.

MR. WAYNE STEVENS' CHURCH SCHOOL CLASS of 7, 8 and 9 graders will attend services at Zion Lutheran church, 8th and Robinson, next Sunday morning at 10:45. Meet at the Church at 10:30. The class attended 10 o'clock mass at Corpus Christi Catholic church two weeks ago. They will visit other churches throughout the year in their study of the various religious beliefs.