

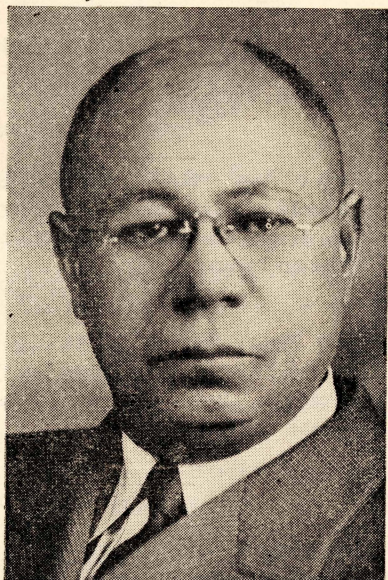
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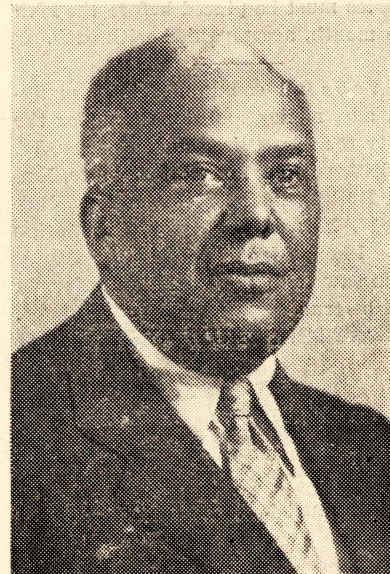
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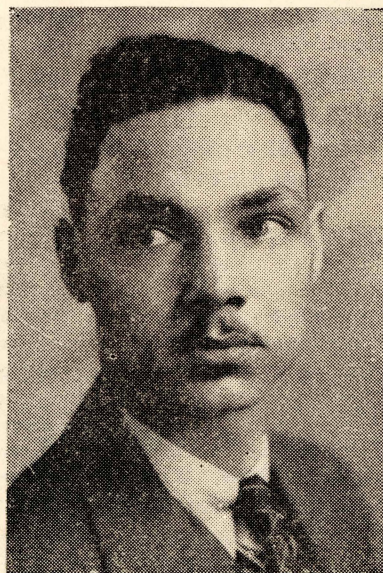
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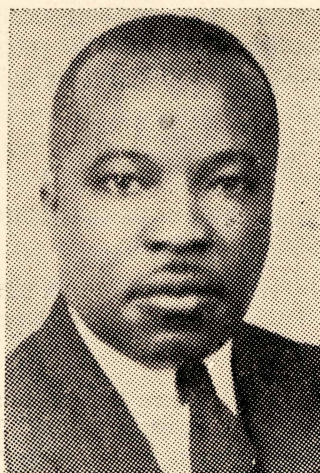
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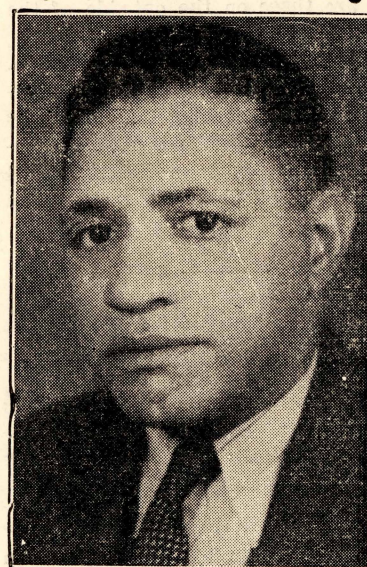
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A NATIONAL JOURNAL

EDITORIAL

WHAT ARE THEY TRYING TO DO?

There are those on the out-side of the National Christian Preaching Convention, who are trying to create a false impresion. They would have you believe, that the National Christian Preaching Convention, is a preacher's convention. It is not a preacher's convention. It is a PREACHING CONVENTION. "Whosoever will let him come."

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PREACH THE WORD

"Preach the Word" was the theme of the National Christian Preaching Convention held with the Maple St. Christian Church, Lockland, Ohio, August 13 to 17. Preaching was done by such men as A. G. Nelson, of Missouri; J. R. Compton, Ohio; E. H. Jackson, Kentucky; David Cole, Arkansas; J. M. Dabney, Ohio; C. W. Arnold, California; J. A. Johnson, Kentucky; S. D. Armstrong, Michigan; R.F. Hayes, Arkansas; Tibbs Maxey, Kentucky; H. E. Fowler, Ohio; W. H. Taylor, Maryland.

They preached what the New Testament says about faith, repentance, confession, and baptism. They preached to the convention what the New Testament says about the church, its name, doctrine and ordinances. They preached what the Bible says against racial discrimination, false doctrines and organizations that are seeking to control the church. They preached the Word. Their sermons will appear in the Christian Informer.

The Convention was good in every way. Good preaching. Good fellowship. Good attendance. Good homes. Good food and the reports were good. We were glad to see Sister Arnold and sister Keeling from far away California and Sister Jackson from Arkansas, and a host of others from states near by.

President Nelson presided over the convention for two years with dignity. Many out-standing things were accomplished under his administration. Vice President R. F. Hayes, of Arkansas, was elevated to the presidency. J. A. Johnson, of Kentucky, Vice President. H. E. Fowler, Ohio, Secretary. C. W. Arnold, California, Treasurer. A. G. Nelson, Missouri, Chairman of Evangelism. W. H. (Baltimore) Taylor, Maryland, Executive Secretary.

FOURTH MILESTONE

September 12th, was the fourth birthday of the Christian Informer.

September 12th, was the fourth birthday of the National Christian Preaching Convention.

A group of brethern left the National Disciple's Convention and the United Christian Missionary Society four years ago. They organized the National Christian Preaching Convention and the Christian Informer because they did not like open-membership and U. C. M. S; supremacy

WHAT THEY SAY

Received the shirts I ordered. They are fine. My members like them, enclosed you will find check.

Detroit, Michigan

Please send me one half dozen white shirts, size 15½ C. O. D. I want to help the Christian Informer.

Los Angeles, California

Please send me three shirts, size 15½, white.

Louisville, Ky.

The stockings I brought from the Christian Informer during the Convention are fine. Please send me ½ dozen, 54 gauge, 15 denier, C. O. D.

Wyoming, Ohio

The Christian Informer hosiery seems to wear longer. I buy all of my hosiery from them in order to help the church and the Christian Informer.

Baltimore, Md.

The children's dresses I brought from the Christian Informer were well worth the money. Please send me some work shirts and pants for my husband.

Baltimore, Md.

I only wear Christian Informer stockings.

Hagerstown, Md.

When I want the latest shade in Nylon Hosiery. I order them from the Christian Informer.

Baltimore, Md.

When you order any thing from the Christian Informer, you get what you ordered. Please send me three pair of hosiery, like those I ordered last month.

West Virginia

Say Taylor, those socks are good. Send me another box C. O. D.

Chicago, Ill.

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ELDER S. D. (Uncle Saul) ARMSTRONG OF MICHIGAN SAYS LISTEN, BROTHER AND SISTER

VOTERS



Have you ever read the History of the United States? If not, you should read it. I have read the histories of a good many countries, but out of the many histories I read, I find that the United States have the best compiled constitution of any I ever read. All we need to do is to live up to the Grand old Constitution and its present amendments, as they stand. (That's all.) And everything will work out alright. I know that you will agree with me.

Every Constitution, and Organization, Society, Church, Club, Political Party, etc., has a basic and fundamental principle for which it stands. Every Political Party in the United States, has its basic principles for wich it stands. And when you vote for a political party, you vote for it's basic principles for wich it stands, North and South of Mason's and Dixon's lines. (That's all.) And when seeking membership into any Church, Club, Society, Political Party, Lodge or Organization of any kind, as a rule, we are told the basic principles for which it stands.

The Grand Old Republican Party was organized in 1854 by several thousand Michigan men. Abraham Lincoln being its founder and organizer. And the Grand Old Republican Party has its basic principles for which it stands. And when you vote a Republican ticket, you are voting for all of its principles for which it stands. (There is no exceptions to the rule when voting for any other political party.

What Party had the 13th, 14th and 15th

Amendments put in the Constitution, and for what purpose? Read the History of the United States concerning the reconstruction period it tells.

The 13th Amendment set us free. The 14th Amendment made us citizens. The 15th Amendment gave us a right to vote. These are some of the basic principles, for which the Grand Old Republican Party stood for during the reconstruction period of the United States and are still standing. (Are we standing by the Republican Party?) It stood by and for US.

I am 100% Republican and I beleive in the basic and fundamental principles for which its stands. A lot of people don't know anything about the history of our country, and our Ministers and our professional leaders are so busy otherwise they don't have the time to explain the history to us, concerning the reconstruction period of the United States. The Good White People of this country have always fought to defend the constitutional rights of the colored people in this country, as far back as I can remember. I was born September 25th, 1880.

By whom, when and where and for what purpose was the Grand Old Republican Party organized? Read the History of the United States.

Uncle Saul says, preachers stopped preaching in 1900, and started reading aloud and standing erect in the pulpit. Then the church started drying up. I remember when the first college graduate came through our country imitating his professor; and the God called preacher had to stand aside. Hirelings got into the pulpits and put the churches in the hands of church bosses. I just want to be known as an old fashion New Testament preacher.

The christian preacher should speak where the Bible speaks, and he should not advocate nor tolerate anything contrary to the Word of God.

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JUST FOUR YEARS AGO

Elder R. L. (Back to the Book) Peters, who attended the National Disciples Convention in Detroit, Michigan, August 17-22, 1948, published the following letter, just four years. ago.

614 Hickory Street
Winston Salem, N. C.
August 30th, 1944

Dear Brethern: And co-laborers in the Master's vineyard, and to all whom it may concern. Since returning from our most history-making National Convention, held at Lexington, Ky., August 22-27, 1944, I have come to this conclusion: That every loyal disciple of Christ should not support the present set-up of our National Convention, but come out and put on a program.

Listen, Brethern! I cannot see where the National Convention with its present set-up will ever help the Negro Disciples of Christ. Let us organize and set up churches after the New Testament pattern. Let's go back to the Book—2 Cor. 6:17-18. "Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separated, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you, and will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons, and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty."

I close with best wishes.

Yours for the advancement of Primitive Christianity.

R. L. Peters, National Evangelist

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Brother Taylor:

Very sorry I haven't let you hear from me before now. I haven't been very well. I am mailing you some money for the Christian Informer. We enjoy reading it. Our church is doing very well Elder Jackson is doing a fine job here. We lost two of our good members, Brother James and Sister Lizzie Mason. Brother Wilson is not so well.

Yours for Christ,

Sis. Sarah Wilson, Covington, Ky.

FROM THE FOOT OF THE OZARKS

by Elder R. F. Hayes, President

of the National Preaching Convention

HERE AND THERE

The National Preaching Convention which met in Lockland, Ohio was one of the best in the four years of its existence. Our host pastor, H. E. Fowler, is a Prince among our Ministers. From all evidence his plans had been carefully laid and his fine congregation carried them out to the last letter.

The Fellowship and Preaching was inspiring and enjoyed by all. I had the opportunity to speak with many of the visitors and members of the church who said they would not have missed it for anything.

One of the high and tense moments of our Fellowship was to welcome into our midst Bro. Sol. D. Armstrong of the Universal Christian Church. We were more elated when he became a member of the National Preaching Convention. He is a very able man.

The Brethern set a high mark of helpfulness in their preaching and giving. God will reward each one in due time.

I want to call attention to the fine preaching of the young ministers from the College of the Scriptures. Dr. Campbell and Prof. Maxey and the fine teaching

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staff are doing a fine job.

The Convention has planned a vigorous Evangelistic campaign to have some hot beds ready for them when they graduate next year.

A few words about the Editor of the "Christian Informer" Elder (Baltimore) Taylor. Bro. Taylor deserves all the praise for the fine and heroic way he has carried on for the past four years. Unlike many other papers it has no backing from a big society. It has weathered the storms through the Faith and Determination of Bro. Taylor and a few others who do not support Open-membership. Nor wait for

slaves to come and tell them what the Big Boss says do. These men believe in the Christ and His Church. And in the simplicity of the Gospel. The Informer is here to stay.

From Kentucky. If reports are true Open-membership has stepped down into the lower brackets of the Ministry. And has caused dissension in one of its old established churches.

Easu sells out again. He has sold his freedom for a mess of Vice-presidency. It reminds me of the saying of Jesus, he that is not with us is against us.

When we returned from the Convention we found the Christian Evangel on our desk. We thank Bro. Reid for it. We have read it from cover to cover. In it was the discussion Bro. Reid was to have brought to the Preaching Convention. He said many fine things. But it seems hard for many to get the truth and the real cause of our Preaching Convention.

We decided not to support any Society or persons supporting Open-membership. We refuse to be a Denomination. Therefore we are a band or group of preachers and churches of like precious Faith united together to meet the challenge of a new day, with the same old Jerusalem Gospel.

Many things Bro. Reid said are hard to understand. We all know a church is a church. A convention a Convention. We also know that if they are stretched they will break. But we dare say that the National Missionary Convention dominated by the U. C. M. S. is a real convention. It is an auxiliary to the International convention. Its members have been bled white by the U. C. M. S.

In answer to Bro. Reid's question concerning the admittance into the Preaching Convention. As far as we can find out one must be a true Testament preacher. Standing for the restoration of Primitive Christianity. These are his credentials and he becomes a full fledged member.

Our objectives are worthy and challenging. In the past the cause of evangelism in our various states has been neglected and abused by paid secretaries and Bosses from headquarters. This is true even in Kentucky which was at one time the hot beds of New Testament Christianity. There is Bowling, Frankford, Berea and many other cities across these United States.

Our task in as far as we are able to, to plant New Testament churches that will be true to the Book in many of these places. That Christ's church may be glorified instead of human institutions.

HERE AND THERE

Elder R. L. (Back to the Book) Peters, preached the closing sermon of the National Disciples Convention in Detroit, Michigan. He preached from the text found in Isaiah 1:18. Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlets, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.

In his sermon he told them of their coldness, and its cause. He said that, they had substituted intellectual trained men, for divine, ordained preachers. He said, if he had his way he would move out the gospel refrigeraries and install red hot gospel preachers, the type they had on the day of Pentecost. He reprimanded them for being so cold and non-responsive.

Hagerstown, Maryland

Brother and Sister Marshall Brooks of the Second Christian Church will celebrate their fiftieth wedding anniversary, Lord's Day, October 17th. They are a fine couple. Los Angeles, California.

Elder C. W. Arnold, minister of the 92nd Street Church of Christ, broadcast every Lord's Day over the air. Listen over the air and hear him preach and his choir sing.

Baltimore, Maryland

The following persons took membership with Emmanuel Christian Church during the month of August, Sister Emma Laws, Brother Richard Lewis, Brother John Parker, and Sister Pearl Birekhead.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Just finished a three weeks meeting at Slauson Ave. Church of Christ. Fine success. Elder C. J. Malcolm is pastor.

Your friend,

Elder James F. Irwin

The Christian Informer is a christian paper. Had a big time in Lockland, Ohio.

Elder S. D. Armstrong, Detroit, Mich. Tell me about the Convention in Lockland. How was it, and who are the new officers?

Elder R. L. Serey, Warren, Ohio

A REAL AMERICAN

Progressive Party Candidate Henry Wallace is a real American. He said quote:

"... The Progressive party will not take part in any gathering that violates the Constitution of the United States.

"We believe in free speech and free assembly without police restriction or police intimidation.

Church Action Urged

"I urge the churches of the South to attack segregation as a part of carrying out the first and greatest commandment." "Morally, they should lead the way."

"People of one color or another represent more than one half of the world's population and are just as intelligent as the Anglo-Saxons. I am as certain as I can be that if the United States doesn't get right on this segregation problem it will eventually cost us our position of leadership in world affairs."

EDITORS NOTE: Some individuals and states will soon learn, that the throwing of rotten eggs, tomatoes, hissing, boos nor the K. K. K. can stop the wall of segregation, jim crowism and discrimination from disappearing. God has spoken. The Hand Writing is on the wall. It would be a step in the right direction, if preachers would not preach to segregated congregations.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Brother Taylor:

I was unable to get to the preaching convention in Lockland, Ohio this year. But if the Lord is willing I will be there next year. I wish to inform you that I greatly desire to see the Christian Informer in the homes of every true believer, of course people who are joined to their idols cannot profit by it.

Elder J. S. Conway, Louisville, Ky.

Editor note: An article from Brother Conway will appear in next issue.

JUST FOUR YEARS AGO

Elder T. R. Everett, who attended the National Disciple's Convention in Detroit, Michigan, August 17-22, 1948. Published the following article just four years ago.

We have had one of the most stormy conventions in the history of our convention. While the entertainment was all we could expect, but that is not the convention. A convention is the act and commitment of the constituency who make up the body. They tell me that men in war or on the battle field never know what has been done until the smoke screen has been cleared away; then the ambulances, nurses and doctors have a chance to make their report. Such is the case with our convention.

Whatever is said or may be said of W. H. Taylor, he has given us one of the best administrations we have ever had, to my way of seeing it, and yet I did not agree with him on many points. But I believe him to be an honest man.

A convention should be divested of political chicanery—whenever the game of politics gets into an organization or church there you have corruption. Why should we have a delegated convention if the will

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of the people expressed openly, and it is rushed off in a committee room and thrown into the waste basket? Why have a convention if a few must do all of the thinking and planning?

We could certainly save some time and expense by just picking these wise gentlemen out, and the rest of us write them letters and let them through and make our decision. Brother Taylor spoke wiser than most of us thought when he said he would take a walk; I think it is walking time for most of us.

Since 1914, Kentucky has been on the down grade, not much has been accomplished in the way of building up the King-

dom of Christ. It was at this point that the agencies entered, and a good many of our people have accepted their lead; not because they liked it so well, but because they thought the church extension fund belonged to the U. C. M. S., and to get a loan, they felt that they had to support all of the agencies that were connected with the Society, which was and is misleading.

The church department is separate from the pension or church extension agencies; the church department has failed in this respect, they have always picked the leaders for the Negro work with little or no council from the Negro Brotherhood.

They have usually given us just what they wanted us to have. They have felt that just because a boy or girl has gone to our schools that they were Christians, and prepared to go out and lead the host. But not so. And in some cases, that has not been considered. They had the ears of some of those whom they had already coached, and their words were final. I have proof to know these facts and these lines of procedure have not been observed in some cases.

You may say that we have members on the Board who make out the program for our group. That may be true in some respect, but when the appointments are made, I understand that not many of the member of the Board know anything about it until they read it in the papers. So you see that it is just a pretense just to keep you blind.

Anything that I am a part of, I feel that I should be consulted when changes are made. Our school in Kentucky was moved, that is, the old Louisville Bible School, to Hopkinsville, where we never even had a church. The same is said of the school at Martinsville, Va. The colored people were not even given a chance to bid on it.

If we are just to be dealt with like stock, horses and hogs, then we who have minds and brains ought to get out and start something for ourselves. The convention is no longer a convention, but has become an institute where we train workers for different departments of the church, except the pulpit for preaching.

It seems more like a circus, so many rings going at the same time, that when it closes, you don't know where you are or where you started. We ought to cut out the name convention and give it something else or close shop.

THE WORD OF GOD

Delivered by W. H. (Baltimore) Taylor,
Lord's Day afternoon at the National
Christian Preaching Convention,
Lockland, Ohio

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a
light unto my path. 119 Psalm, 105 ver.

LIGHT is the emblem of God. for God is
light, and in him is no darkness at all.
Christ is the light of the world. Chris-
tians are children of the light and of the
day. The gospel is the glory of God, shin-
ing forth in the face of Jesus Christ the
holy scriptures are as lights shining in our
dark and benighted world.

David said, "The entrance of thy word
giveth light". Light in the word of God
makes manifest. Through it we behold
the wonders of the divine works. Thus
the word of God is a revelation of God's
mind, and of his saving work. It is the
visible discovery of God's love and mercy
to our world. What could we know of God,
of creation, of ourselves, of the divine
will, of eternity, without the light of God's
blessed word?

There is the clear character of light in
the word of God. Through its transpar-
ent medium we behold things distinctly
and fully. So the word of God is a clear
medium of knowledge. We have in it, the
truth distinctly. The word of God makes
known every great and important subject,
so simple that a wayfaring man need not
err therein.

There is the beautiful character of light
in the word of God. It is light which in-
vests every external object in nature with
its color and hue. So, all the subjects of
God's word possess a celestial beauty and
heavenly hue. The Bible, God's word, is
unlike every other volume, and as superior
as the heavens are higher than the earth,
or the works of God superior to those of
men. This apply to the narratives, histor-
ies, prophecies, doctrine, and poetry of the
sacred volume.

There is the purity of light in the word
of God. Water is easily defiled or poison-

ed. The air is liable to the influence of
germs and disease. But light, the emblem
of God, ever retains its transparent purity.
Such is the purity of God's word. It has
no admixture of error. It is as pure as
the mind of God. It is all pure, and God
has preserved it through all ages. Every
word of God is pure.

Let us notice the universal character of
the light of God's word. God has diffused
it throughout our world. It is one of God's
great blessings to the earth on which we
dwell. It is sent for all, free to all, and
enjoyed by all. Such is the character of
God's word. His gift to the whole world
is designed for the enlightening of every
human being. None are excluded from its
benefits but those who dwell in sin, and
willfully close their eyes against it.

We should behold the light of God's
word. God calls us to do so. He has
given us the faculties to understand it.
And he calls us to open our eyes, and to

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know the things which he hath revealed in
his word.

God calls us to rejoice in his word. It
is, and ever ought to be, pleasant to see
the light. But the light of God's word is
still more precious, and ought to excite in
our minds the liveliest emotions of grate-
ful joy. We ought to hail the light of
God's word with fervent thanksgiving to
his holy name.

God expects our improvement from his
word. Keep God's word in memory, and
let it dwell richly in your heart. The light
of God's word gives divine favor. His
word says David, "Converteth the soul".
By receiving his word, we yield to his de-
vine authority, and own his right to exer-
cise his authority over us, because Jesus
said in John 5:24, "Verily, verily, I say
unto you, He that heareth my word, and
believeth on him that sent me, hath ever-

lasting life. And ye shall know the truth
and the truth shall make you free.

There is light of holy joy in the word of
God. His word rejoices the heart. His
word is more to be desired than gold, yea,
than much fine gold; sweeter also than
honey and the honeycomb, says David, in
the 19th Psalm. God's word is a spring of
living water, spreading happiness and
peace through the soul.

There is the light of cheering hope in
God's word. It gives light in adversity,
in trouble, in temptation, in affliction, un-
der bereavement. And, the word of God
gives light in the valley and shadow of
death.

"Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and
a light unto my path." The word of God
is the light to the church. The word of
God is the light of the Christian family.
The word of God is the light of the Nation-
al Christian Preaching Convention.

How thankful we should be for the word
of God. With what diligence we should
study it. And how earnestly we should
preach.

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THOSE WHO SENT DONATIONS TO CHRISTIAN INFORMER DURING THE MONTH OF AUGUST

National Christian Preaching Convention
Maple St. Christian Church, Lockland, O.
92 St. Christian Church, Los Angeles, Cal.
Ringo St. Christian Church, Little Rock,
Arkansas.

Second Christian Church, Hagerstown, Md

Universal Christian Church, Detroit, Mich.

Oxford Christian Church, Oxford, Ohio.

Robin St. Christian Church, Covington, Ky

Emmanuel Christian Church, Balto., Md.

East Side Christian Church, Kansas City,
Missouri

BEHIND THE SCENES

Partial report by an eye witness of some
of the things that happened in a committee
meeting behind the scenes, at the National
Disciples Convention in Detroit, Michigan.

Practicing Open-Membership

A minister from Kentucky, recommend-
ed that, "Fellowship of Convention be
withdrawn from ministers practicing open
membership." When asked if he knew
any such preachers, his answer was yes.
He asked for the privilege to name them
to a committee of ministers. No such com-
mittee was appointed to hear the names
of those practicing open-membership.
EDITOR'S NOTE: Why wouldn't they ap-
point a committee of ministers to hear the
names of those ministers who are preach-
ing and practicing things contrary to the
teachings of Jesus Christ? I think you
know the answer.

To The Floor

It was motioned by a minister from
North Carolina and seconded by a minister
from Texas that, "The recommendation
made by the minister from Kentucky, be
accepted and go to the convention floor for
open discussion."

Tear Up The Convention

A minister from Washington, D.C. want-
ed that motion killed in the committee
room, as he was afraid of results on the
convention floor. He felt that such a mo-
tion would "tear up the convention". He
said, "It is not time for this move".

A minister from N. C. asked when is the
time?

Filibuster — A Good Way to Kill It.

A wise minister from Indiana, motioned
to "refer the recommendation to the Min-
isters Fellowship and be brought back to
the Convention". A minister from Texas
wanted, "something definite against open
membership and not leave it to ministers
only". So much time was lost repeating
what had all ready been said and done
that this matter never got to the floor.

EDITOR'S NOTE: There are those in the
National Disciples Convention, who are as
much afraid, to out law open-membership,
as some Southern States are afraid to out
law jim-crowism and poll tax.

Something New

A minister from Ohio, offered the Con-
vention a two hundred dollar check to
come to his church next year.

EDITOR'S NOTE: What is wrong with
his church. Is he sinking and wants the
Convention to come there and pull him

out?

Save Your Trouble

It was recommended by a minister from
Ohio, and favored by a minister from
Texas, Virginia, California and others.
"That an appeal would be made to the Na-
tional Christian Preaching Convention to
unite with the National Disciple's Con-
vention; and be as it was in the beginning,
one convention".

EDITOR'S NOTE: Perhaps there are two
or three Uncle Toms in the National Chris-
tian Preaching Convention, who do not
know what to do with their freedom and
would like to return to open-membership
and U. C. M. S. bondage, like some of the
children of Isreal wanted to return to
Egyptian bondage.

There are those of the Joshua and Caleb
type, who will never return to open-mem-
bership and U. C. M. S. bondage. Like
Moses, they would rather suffer affliction
with the people of God, than to enjoy the
pleasures of sin for a season. Esteeming
the reproach of Christ greater riches than
the treasures in Egypt.

What has the National Disciple's Con-
vention to offer, what is there to come
back for? Their Secretary published,
"That some of them do not believe in the
Deity Jesus, nor that baptism is essential
to salvation."

Some of them are afraid it will tear up
the Convention, if they withdraw fellow-
ship from those who preach and teach
contrary to the New Testament.

Following the National Christian

Preaching Convention

The National Preaching Convention ad-
journd, August 17th, 1948. To meet in
Los Angeles, California, August 1949. The
National Disciple's Convention adjourned
August 22nd, 1948. To meet in Los Ange-
les, California, August 1949. The Nation-
al Christian Preaching Convention is
happy for the National Disciples Con-
vention to follow them to the West Coast. We
also hope that they will follow us BACK
TO CHRIST AND TO THE DOCTRINE
OF THE CHURCH.

Take with a Grain of Salt

Two preachers, who have been on the
edge of the National Preaching Con-
vention said that they, "got the time and place
of the Preaching Convention mixed. They
thought it was to be held in Detroit, Mich-
igan, instead of Lockland, Ohio, and they
went to Detroit looking for the National
Preaching Convention. Do you believe
that?

THE PREACHER

If he is young, he lacks experience; if
his hair is gray, he is too old; if he has
five or six children, he has too many; if
he has none, he is setting a bad example.

If his wife sings in the choir she is be-
ing forward; if she does not, she is not in-
terested in her husband's work.

If he speaks from notes, he has canned
sermons and is dry; if he is extemporan-
eous, he is not deep.

If he spends too much time in his study,
he neglects his people if he visits, he is a
gadabout.

If he is attentive to the poor he is play-
ing to the grandstand; if to the wealthy,
he is trying to be an aristocrat.

If he uses too many illustrations, he
neglects the Bible; if not enough, he is not
clear.

If he condemns wrong, he is cranky; if
he does not, he is a compromiser.

If he preaches an hour, he is windy; if
less, he is lazy.

If he fails to please everybody, he is
hurting the church; if he does please
everybody, he has no convictions.

If he preaches tithing, he is a money-
grabber; if he does not he is failing to de-
velope his people.

If he preaches all the time the people
get tired of hearing one man; if he invite
guests to speak - he is shifting responsi-
bility.

So what! They say the preacher has
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