

Christian Science President Blasts Atheistic Materialism

A return to "God-centered thinking" is the world's most urgent need, said the new President of the Christian Science Church this week.

Speaking before the Church's huge annual meeting through in Boston, Mrs. Helen Wood Bauman warned that the scientific advances taking place in the world today are in danger of being misunderstood.

"Intense interest in technological skills and human inventions is again tending to divert thought from God, and neglecting 'to give Him credit for a great release of mental energy,'" she declared.

Instead of indifference to God, men should be finding Him as "the center and circumference of their being, the source and fulfillment of their honest aspirations."

Mrs. Bauman called upon church members "to help the world in its struggle against the atheistic materialism that defies mortals."

The "self-centered, human-centered tendencies" must give way to a "diviner energy," she said—an energy that "Christianity holds within itself," always drawing men back to the simple teachings that make Deity "the focal point of love and interest."

Such worship "acknowledges God as the only source of intelligence and skill, and inspires men to love Him with all the heart and soul and mind and strength," she said.

"The God-centered thought is constantly refreshed at the fount of intelligence and love."

"When God is fully understood as underlying all progress," then will all men "delight in turning to Him," declared the new church president.

"All that is worth possessing, worth pursuing, worth expressing must be linked with the one creator, the one center and circumference of

being, with the God who demands our love."

The address was presented in The First Church of Christ, Scientist—known as The Mother Church—before several thousands members from all over the world.

They heard annual reports from many church departments indicating stronger religious activity and interest among young people.

Larger numbers of high school and college students are attending church lectures, applying for membership, subscribing to The Christian Science Monitor, and sending in their own articles to the religious periodicals, it was related.

Among the outstanding spiritual healings reported at the meeting were some by Sunday School students.

Establishment of a Christian Science Society in Bangkok, Thailand, was cited as one of the latest additions to the church's more than 3,200 congregations.

In their annual message to the meeting, The Christian Science Board of Directors described the major distresses in the world as "symptoms of a drying up of outgoing love." They called for a "compassionate, out-reaching love for mankind" as the basic remedy.

The retiring president, Ralph E. Wagers of Chicago, also emphasized the importance of the "impulsion of divine Love." He said it would help to bring the "spiritual climate" in which all the great problems of the world can be solved.

ADVENTISTS IN DRIVE AGAINST 'SEX BOOKS'

GLENDALE, Calif.—Education officials of the Southern California Conference of Seventh-day Adventists today announced a petition-signing campaign in all Los Angeles County churches of the denomination seeking re-evaluation of sex education books available to pre-teenage children in Los Angeles County libraries.

"This is not a witch hunt," declared John F. Knipschild, Glendale, education director of the Southland Adventist headquarters, but there does appear to be just cause for re-evaluation of some sex education books now available in the libraries to children of 10 and 11 years of age and under.

The church education head specifically said the book "The Wonderful Story of How You Were Born," is an example of several about which there is concern.

"This book, fully descriptive of the sex act in both word and illustration, has been made available to young children without following the Los Angeles County Library's own review for use of the book," said Knipschild.

"The Library's review says the use of the book is for parents to use with children, yet this book is being given directly to children without any request from parents, or parents present at the time the book is obtained," he stated.

"It is our belief," explained Mr. Knipschild, "that children of premature years (up to 11 years of age) should not obtain books of this nature, however well written, without a specific request of the parents that they receive them."

"In some children the reading of such a book, without the guidance of parents, tends to arouse premature sexual interest; in others a definite trauma is introduced."

"We believe," Knipschild pointed out, "that this book in question, and other volumes of the Los Angeles County Library which are available in the same manner, are excellent works in the field of sex education. Our objection is that we feel children should not have available such specifically worded and illustrated books unless the parent can give wise counsel along with the text."

The educator said some 1,500 signatures are being sought, on petition forms which have been made available to all Seventh-day Adventist churches in Los Angeles County. This number of signatures, he explained, would bring a re-evaluation of the procedures followed by the Los Angeles County Library system in providing sex education books to children.

"Young people need to learn of the processes by which procreation and life growth patterns take place," said Mr. Knipschild. "Our concern for the very young especially, is that this learning takes place in an environment that will give the child the best chance to assume a healthy and happy attitude to these God-given processes."

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Church Head Named

Mrs. Helen Wood Bauman became the new president of the Christian Science Church Monday.

Her appointment was announced in Boston before several thousand members assembled for the annual meeting at their world headquarters in The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist.

Mrs. Bauman is editor of the denomination's religious periodicals, and will continue in that position while filling the one-year term as President. She first began her service to the church as an organist in St. Joseph, Missouri, after studying music for a number of years in Boston and London. Since then, she has served in many capacities, including teacher and practitioner of Christian Science.

CITIZEN OF YEAR NOMINATIONS CLOSE JUNE 14

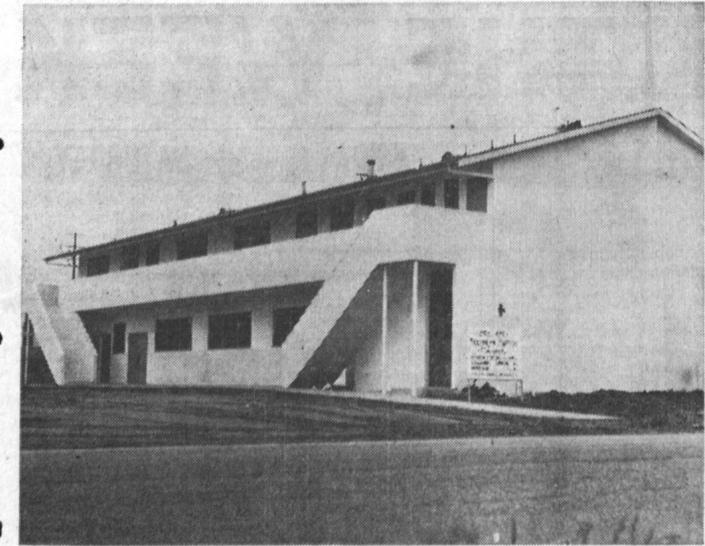
Who will be chosen Torrance Citizen of the Year? There is less than one week to go to submit nominations of deserving citizens for this outstanding award. According to Robert Vroman, chairman of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce Awards Committee, all nominations must be postmarked not later than midnight, June 14, if they are to be considered by the committee.

Nominees will be judged on two principal points. What outstanding contribution has the person made to the citizens of Torrance during the year 1962, and what outstanding contribution has the nominee made to the general welfare of the City of Torrance in 1962?

Any individual, organization or association, educational institution, industrial labor group, profession or business may enter one or more nominees. Nomination forms can be obtained at the offices of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce, 2204 Torrance Blvd.

CLUB NEWS

La Leche League will hold its next meeting on Wednesday, June 12 at the home of Mrs. Robert Van Over, 3612 Hedda St., Long Beach. Persons desiring information are asked to call 379-7114.



WORSHIP IN NEW CHURCH facility will begin today for congregants of Del Amo Southern Baptist Church. The \$110,000 structure, which was three years in the building stage, is located

at 3915 W. 226th St. Sanctuary and educational facilities for 300 are provided in the first unit of a long-range building program, according to Daniel B. Weaver, Jr., pastor. —PRESS photo

Del Amo Baptist Church Opens New Facility Today

Following a three-year building campaign, new \$110,000 facilities of Del Amo Southern Baptist church will open today at 3915 W. 226th St. General contractor was Kirk Gillett.

Members of the church have been meeting at the Masonic Temple. Congregation includes 18 adults. Sunday School enrollment is 215.

First unit of an extended building program, the new facility will serve both the educational and worship need for the present. Sanctuary is located on the first floor, with Sunday School

Sisterhood To Take Part In Luncheon

A delegation of 28 members of the Ner Tamid Sisterhood, led by Mrs. Richard Gold, president, will attend tomorrow's joint donor luncheon sponsored by the Pacific Southwest branch of the National Women's League of the United Synagogue of America.

The Embassy Room of the Ambassador Hotel will be the scene of the 1,000-member annual luncheon in which 19 Sisterhoods of the Conservative Movement are cooperating.

Every member present will have raised or given a substantial contribution to her Sisterhood for the benefit of congregation. Mrs. William Finkel, Sisterhood Donor Chairman, announced that appropriate table centerpieces depicting the luncheon theme, "You Shall Rejoice in All That You Put Your Hand To" . . . Deut. 12:7, are being arranged by a committee of the Sisterhood.

Leo De Lyon, comedian and pianist, will headline program.



DR. NELSON GLUECK . . . To Confer Degree

Rabbi Front to Receive Degree in Hebrew Letters

Every Reform temple in the Southland is among sponsors of joint graduation exercises at 8:30 p.m. Friday, June 14, for Reform Jewry's two institutions of higher Jewish learning on the West Coast.

Ceremonies will be held in Wilshire Blvd. Temple for the Los Angeles School of the Hebrew Union College, which helps train rabbis, cantors and educators, and the College of Jewish Studies, which prepares religious school teachers, principals and administrators.

The major address will be by Dr. Nelson Glueck of Cincinnati, who is president of the Hebrew Union College and a famed archeologist credited with uncovering more than 1000 ancient Biblical sites in the Holy Land.

The only earned Doctorate of Hebrew Letters to be awarded by the local Hebrew Union College this year will go to Rabbi Henri E. Front of Redondo Beach's Temple Menorah and a past president of the South Bay Ministerial Association.

Rabbi Front will receive his doctorate from Dr. Glueck.

Dr. Glueck has just returned from Israel and will speak on the college's new Biblical and Archeological

School in Jerusalem, which is the latest addition to existing schools here and in Cincinnati and New York.

Both colleges joining in the graduation exercises are under the patronage of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, led nationally by Dr. Maurice N. Elsendrath as president and serving 650 Reform temples with more than one million members.

The twin exercises will continue the current 90th anniversary observance of the UAHC as the oldest national Jewish institution while the Hebrew Union College, founded in 1875, is now the oldest existing rabbinical seminary in the world.

Honorary degrees will be presented by the college to Dr. Ernst Toch, noted composer and Pulitzer prize winner, and Dr. Wolf Leslau, chairman of UCLA's Near Eastern Language Center.

Participating in the joint ceremonies will be Rabbi Edgar F. Magnin and Dr. George Pines, president, of Wilshire Blvd. Temple, as well as Rabbis Alfred Bottschauk and Solomon F. Kleinman, deans respectively of the local Hebrew Union College and the College of Jewish Studies.

Sermon To Deal With Creator

This Sunday's service at First Church of Christ, Scientist will be on the subject: "God the Only Cause and Creator."

Golden Text: "Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created" (Rev. 4:11).

Selections to be read from the Christian Science textbook include these lines: "No wisdom is wise but His wisdom; no truth is true, no love is lovely, no life is Life but the divine; no good is, but the good God bestows" ("Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy, p. 275).

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NEW CHURCH PRESIDENT Helen Wood Bauman, editor of Christian Science periodicals, was named President at the June 3 Annual Meeting of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Massachusetts.

CHRISTIAN WOMEN TO MEET TUESDAY

Palos Verdes Christian Womens Club will meet at noon Tuesday at the Jump'n Jack. Guest speaker will be Joan Windmill Brown, English actress.

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- SOUTH BAY CHURCH OF GOD—17641 Yukon Ave. Phone 323-3970. Rev. C. L. Tierney. 17615 Yukon, Torrance. First morning service 8:30 a.m.; Sunday school, 9:40 a.m.; second morning service, 11:10 a.m.; Sunday night service 7:30 p.m. Mid-week services Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.
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- LUTHERAN**
- FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH—Located on Carson St. and Flower Ave. in Torrance. Mrs. J. Rolander, pastor. Residence, 1425 Flower Ave. Phone FA 8-2269. Church office, 1725 Flower Ave. FA 0-4181. First Church worship 8 a.m.; Sunday School 9:45 a.m. and 9:45 a.m.; second morning worship, 10:45 a.m.

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