

Executive Committee Busy Updating

Phoenix - The executive committee of the Phoenix Central School Alumni Association have been busily engaged in updating the mailing list of grads of good ole P.C.S. They are in need of HELP!! for the classes

of 1960 through 1967. If you were in one of these classes and would fill out what names you know--it would be a tremendous help. Please mail to Mrs. Arlene Knowlton or call 695-6365.

NEWS IN THE WORLD OF RELIGION

By W. W. Reid

While noting "signs of despair" in the nation and world, Dr. Eugene L. Smith, executive secretary of the World Council of Churches in the United States, sees everywhere "signs of creative goodness," real but less dramatic, visible in many areas. As such signs he notes: "There is a new determination in the Negro community to win the good life for its people; an unprecedented proportion of law school graduates are seeking to serve the poor rather than the rich; courses on religion multiply in secular universities; creative church experiments in new forms of ministry develop in the most unexpected places; a significant and expanding number of college students give time in personal services--such as tutoring in the poverty programs." The organized church will have to "combine its concern for evangelism with its concern for justice" if it is to be effective in this time of crisis and challenge, Dr. Smith stressed.

"The time has come to declare the existence of a general church membership," the director of ecumenical affairs of the National Council of Churches predicts. The Rev. Dr. Robert C. Dodds, in an address at John Carroll University, a Jesuit school in Cleveland, Ohio, proposed that when a person jo-

ins a church, he will become simply a Christian, accepted and at home in all Christian bodies. He suggested that anyone becoming "a member of the Methodist Church would become simultaneously a fully eligible member of the African Methodist Episcopal Church Zion, and the Roman Catholic Church and the United Church of Christ, and the Episcopal Church."

The national Methodist women's organization has voted to spend almost \$13,000,000 in fiscal 1968-69 (beginning June 1, 1968) for mission work in the United States and 48 other countries, and for a variety of other Christian causes. The total of \$12,910,000 appropriated by the Woman's Division of the Methodist Board of Missions represents an increase of 2 per cent, or \$247,000 over last year's appropriations of \$12,663,000. The Woman's Division is the top policy-making body for 1,600,000 Methodist women in 38,000 local Woman's Societies of Christian Service and Wesleyan Service Guilds in the 50 states. It is one of four major units of the Board of Missions.

The Rev. Howard W. Washburn, of Morton Grove, Ill., consultant on services to the aging in the Methodist Church's National Board of Hospitals and Homes, has been named executive director for the Methodist Homes of New Jersey.

British and American Methodists took a step toward eventual organic union at a meeting in Boston, Mass., when nine British and seven American leaders recommended that two ministers and two laymen of the British and American branches of Methodism have full voting rights in the respective denominations. This type of cross-representation will be effective in 1970. Transfer of ministers from either church to the other may be effected through proper authority. Related boards and departments of missions are encouraged to a closer coordination of work at home and abroad. When it is possible, an executive officer of the related American board or British department shall be present when major policy decisions are to be taken. When either church considers opening up new work in an area where the other is already established, this new work should be fully incorporated with the life and the work of the church already in the field. Periods of ministerial service in each other's churches should be encouraged as opportunities offer under the arrangement of the various agencies of the two churches.

"The Lutheran Council in the USA takes cognizance of the deep human need and longing for world peace and the looming crisis posed to all mankind by growing conflict in many parts of the world," said in annual meeting resolution of that body. "The participating church bodies, at various times, have addressed themselves to some of the issues involved in the establishment of peace on earth. This annual meeting urges further attention by the participating churches to the contributions that make for peace. We further urge that prayer be made increasingly for political leaders who are seeking the ways for peace, for chaplains and other members of the armed forces, and for all victims of war. We further urge the participating churches and their members to intensify their efforts toward the attainment of peace with justice and freedom and to the relief of suffering."

V.F.W. Vietnam Veterans

Phoenix - Commander Leon King urges all Viet Nam Veterans to stop by at the Post, and look over the Club, and to join with a good active group of Veterans of Foreign Wars. The Post is open week days and afternoons and evenings on the weekend.

Events scheduled this month include Poppy Day to be held May 24th and 25th under Chairmanship of Bert Colling. The joint installation dinner will be held at the post May 18th. Preparations are being made by Irman Art Ell...

Farmers Retirement

Many farmers give little thought to planning for retirement. In fact, many never do retire, according to a Cornell University financial expert. "Many of them don't want to retire, others can't afford to, and still others simply don't know how," says Prof. Robert S. Smith, agricultural economist at the N.Y. State College of Agriculture, Cornell.

The development of today's fast moving, highly commercialized, and increasingly mechanized agriculture has made it difficult to "retire on the farm," he says.

A basic reason for this is that a commercial farm could become a financial liability if it is not operated at full capacity. "Many farmers at retirement age cannot afford to slow down or shut down the plant only to see depreciation eat up the farm investment they have spent a lifetime accumulating," Smith points out.

A farm couple, planning for retirement, needs an income as long as either lives, and financial planning must start with this knowledge, the economist stresses.

The amount of money needed can only be estimated at best, and depends on how much the couple is accustomed to having. A real problem in planning, Smith says, is the change in the value of a dollar, and chances are that gradual inflation will continue in years ahead.

What resources does a farmer have to retire on? In most cases, he has social security and income from continued operation or sale of the farm; he may have income from other savings or investments such as life insurance and annuities, Smith explains.

"Social security in itself is not a retirement plan and will not provide a satisfactory retirement income for many farmers, though it is an important start towards a retirement program," the economist points out.

When someone is available to take over the farming operations, a farmer can often make equitable arrangements to retire gradually from the ownership and responsibility of the business and continue to live on the farm.

If no one is available, it is usually advisable to sell the farm and invest the proceeds as advantageously as possible to produce income for retirement, Smith says.

Smith has worked out a comprehensive worksheet for estimating retirement income and financial tables and other information as guides for farm families who want to look ahead to their needs and objectives in retirement.

Future Of Agriculture

What is the future of culture in Central New York? According to Dr. David of Cornell University, agriculture in the Oswego River compares favorably with production on the 'Middle Atlantic Region. With proper management and water resource development the production could more than double year 2020.

Mr. David Allee, Assistant Professor, and acting Director of Cornell's Water Resource Center and Charles S. Hurler, research economist, of Cornell University's College of Agriculture presented a review report, Agriculture in the Oswego River Basin at the Oswego Basin Board's 11th meeting, Wednesday, May 8, at the Oswego County Water Authority Administrative Building in DeWitt.

The study was conducted by the New York State Department of Water Resources in order to provide data and projections for water resource planning activities in the Oswego River Basin. The report had previously been presented to the two Water Resources Planning Boards in the Oswego River Basin--the Cayuga Lake and Onondaga Basins.

The study indicates that the dollar value of agricultural production in the Oswego River Basin may rise from \$107 million in 1960, to \$289 million by year 2020. An impact analysis shows an overall output from \$380 million in 1960 to \$880 million by the year 2020. The projections also indicate that cropland needed by year 2020 may exceed 850,000 acres whereas only 525,000 acres are available by that year.

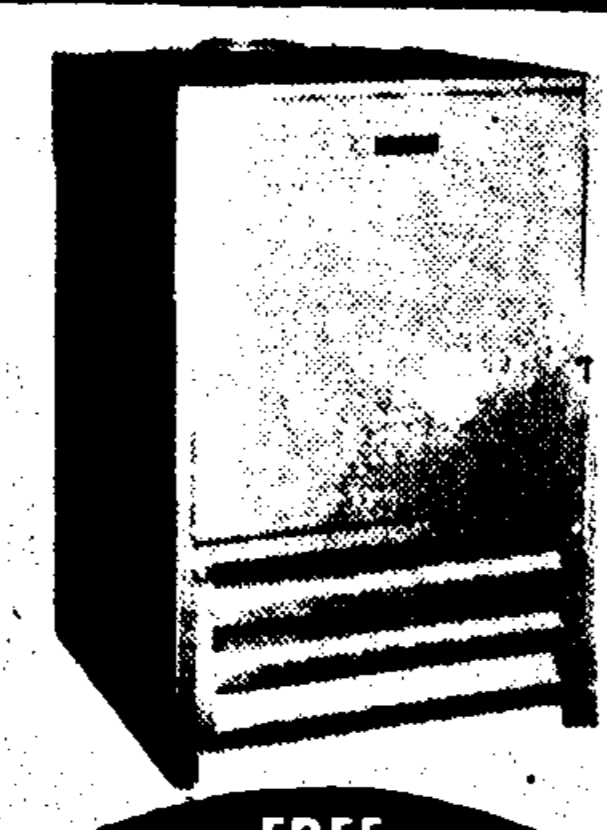
Dr. Allee concluded the presentation of further development of the Basin's agriculture by protective measures, more intensive farming practices and proper use of our water resources. He stated that intensive use of drainage practices and irrigation water be vital in the future of a cultural growth in the Basin.

Earlier, Stuart E. Pomeroy, Chairman of the OCWA, welcomed the members and guests of Eastern Oswego Basin Board to the Onondaga County Water Authority's headquarters. James J. Welch, Administrative Director, gave a presentation showing the growth and activities of the OCWA.

The Authority draws over 6 MGD (million gallons a day) from Otisco Lake and near 6 MGD from Lake Ontario. Approximately 150,000 Onondaga County residents are served by the Water Authority.

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SHOP AND WOOD WORKING TOOLS--Table saw, band saw, 4 inch jointer, wood lath, electric drills, and other elec. tools. Cement mixer and cement block maker, blacksmith tools, forge, anvil, vices, house jacks, railroad jacks, wood chisels, drills, taps and dies, pipe dies, wrenches of all kinds. Quantity of new bolts and miscellaneous parts, hand saws, new extension ladder, quantity of new lumber of all kinds. Air compressor, very old wooden potato hiller and hundreds of other items too numerous to mention.

The farm has been in the family for over 5 generations. Mr. Fox had everything to do with and took good care of it. TERMS: CASH or CHECK LUNCH SERVED LEE & MAGEE, Auctioneers Oswego 665-6155 or 665-9797

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