

Man has never tried God's plan, Hughes tells prayer breakfast

MINNEAPOLIS—Harold Hughes, the former Iowa governor and U.S. Senator who gave up his political career to be a lay preacher, said here that man has never really tried God's plan.

Men's hearts need to be changed by the penetration of Christ, he told some 1,200 persons attending the 15th annual Minnesota Governor's Prayer Breakfast.

Mr. Hughes said the nation can

rightfully call itself a "nation under God" only when Americans "hear God's Word and obey it."

He said he had heard that Word all his life and had disobeyed it much of his life.

Using a Bible presented to him by Gov. Wendell Anderson, Mr. Hughes read a chapter from the Book of Hebrews detailing how the people of ancient Israel had listened to and obeyed God.

Large print Bible published by ABS

NEW YORK—Bible reading need not strain weak eyes. The American Bible Society has published an abridged edition of the Bible in extra-large print. The book, which is titled, "Selected Passages from the Bible," is designed especially for people who find it hard to read normal-sized print.

The new book represents a breakthrough in the Bible Society's long service to the visually handicapped. For many years ABS has published New Testaments in extra-large print. But the need has also existed for an edition of the complete Bible in large print, which would be compact enough to hold easily and low enough in price for most people to afford.

"Selected Passages from the Bible" is the Bible Society's answer to this need. It contains the complete New Testament and the most widely loved passages of the Old Testament.

These large-print Scriptures are popular not only among the visually handicapped, but also among senior citizens, hospital patients, and the physically handicapped. Many Sunday schools use them to start children in Bible reading.

"Selected Passages from the Bible" contains the text of the King James Version. The book has 822 pages and can be purchased for \$5.18 from the American Bible Society, P. O. Box 5656, New York, N.Y. 10017.

Chicago measure on film violence would bar 'under-18' attendance

CHICAGO—Mayor Richard J. Daley of Chicago has proposed an ordinance which would ban youths under 18 from viewing films depicting "harmful violence."

Banned to young people under the proposed ordinance are films whose themes are "devoted primarily or substantially to patently offensive deeds or acts of brutality or violence, whether actual or simulated, such as, but not limited to, assaults, cuttings, stabbings, shootings, beatings, sluggings, floggings, eye gouging, brutal kicking, burnings, dismemberments and other reprehensible conduct to the person of human beings or to animals, and which, when taken as a whole, lack serious literary, artistic, political, or scientific value."

Chicago would become the first major city to ban the showing of excessively violent movies to

young people if the proposed ordinance is passed, as expected, by the City Council.

Mayor Daley's proposal received strong support during 3 days of hearings here. It was opposed by the Motion Picture Association of America on grounds that the industry's voluntary rating program "enables parents to make informed judgments in guiding the attendance of their children at motion pictures."

The local chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union formally opposed the proposed ordinance on the ground that it is so broad it could violate the Constitutional guarantee of freedom of speech.

A child psychologist affiliated with the Chicago Motion Picture Appeal Board said excessive violence in films was "a contributing factor" to juvenile crime and was one that could be controlled.



The signing of a treaty between the Englishman John Fenwick and the Indian chief Mohawksey was reenacted at the original site beneath the ancient Salem Oak Tree. (Photo by Budd Springer)

ROYAL RANGERS AND QUAKERS CELEBRATE SALEM'S TRICENTENARY

SALEM, N. J.—Salem's Tercentenary was celebrated here last September with a large parade which ended in the reenactment of the signing of the original treaty between the Englishman, John Fenwick, and the Indian chief Mohawksey.

Fenwick had sailed from London on the ship Griffin. After a 2½-month voyage he landed on a countryside so quiet he named it Salem, the Hebrew word for peace. The colony was a Quaker enterprise.

He quickly became friends with the Indians and purchased land from them. This initiated the first permanent English settlement in what is now west New Jersey.

In the reenactment, Assemblies of God men who are members of the Frontiersman Camping Fraternity of the Royal Rangers played the role of Indians. Their FCF outfits were admirably suited to the occasion.

The event was staged by the Religious Society of Friends with Arthur Nichols taking the part of John Fenwick. The part of Chief Mohawksey was played by Richard "Butch" Stiles, Royal

Rangers commander for New Jersey.

The 8 buckskin-clad "Indians" filed solemnly to the foot of the ancient Salem Oak Tree for the reenactment. This site of the original signing 300 years ago is located in the Fridents' burial grounds.

The "Indians" were soon joined by 9 men in Quaker attire who arrived in a motorized replica of the good ship Griffin. They presented gifts of muskets, blankets, and cookware to the "Indians."

In exchange, the "Indians" gave their new settler friends furs and brightly decorated spears.

"Fenwick" read the purchase agreement describing an area bordered by creeks and rivers, and asked, "Chief Mohawksey, will thee have thy men sign this deed?"

After the signing, the "chief" said, "We welcome you to our peaceful lands."

"Fenwick" responded, "We are grateful to thee and thy people for their kindness and generosity, and I know as good neighbors we will always live in peace."