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CENTENNIAL PROGRAM

1850 1950

ILLINOIS WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY

MID-WINTER CONVOCATION

HONORING THE FOUNDERS

February 8, 1950

MEMORIAL GYMNASIUM, BLOOMINGTON, ILLINOIS

10:30 A.M.

"We take up the task eternal, and the burden and the lesson,
Pioneers! O pioneers!"

—Whitman

Program

Memorial Gymnasium—10:30 A.M.
(Academic Procession forms at Gymnasium, 10:00 A.M.)

Processional — "Pomp and Circumstance" *Elgar*
(Audience will stand during Processional)

Hymn — "Faith of Our Fathers"

Faith of our fathers! living still
In spite of dungeon, fire, and sword:
O how our hearts beat high with joy
Whene'er we hear that glorious word!
Faith of our fathers, holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death.

Faith of our fathers! we will strive
To win all nations unto thee,
And through the truth that comes from God
Mankind shall then be truly free.
Faith of our fathers, holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death.

Faith of our fathers! we will love
Both friend and foe in all our strife,
And preach thee, too, as love knows how
By kindly words and virtuous life:
Faith of our fathers, holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death. Amen.
—*Faber*

Voice of the Past

Prayer THE REVEREND SIDNEY A. GUTHRIE

Collegiate Choir — "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" *Luther-Mueller*
Lloyd Pfautsch, Director

Scripture Reading THE REVEREND HAROLD R. MARTIN

Solo — "Lord, God of Abraham" — Elijah *Mendelssohn*
Francis Barnard

University Orchestra
Kenneth Cuthbert, Director

Address — "General Education, Liberal Education"
DR. DONALD J. COWLING

Conferring of Honorary Degrees — PRESIDENT MERRILL J. HOLMES

McKendree McElfresh Blair, Doctor of Divinity
John Dystant, Doctor of Divinity
Charles John Kinrade, Doctor of Divinity
Noble Judson Puffer, Doctor of Laws

Alma Wesleyana

From hearts aflame, our love we pledge to thee,
Where'er we wander, over land or sea;
Through time unending loyal we will be —
True to our Alma Mater, Wesleyan.

When college days are fully past and gone,
While life endures, from twilight dream till dawn,
Grandly thy soul shall with us linger on—
Star-crowned, our Alma Mater, Wesleyan!
—*Schultz*

Benediction — THE REVEREND RAYE RAGAN

Recessional — "Huldigungsmarsch" — from Sigurd Jorsalfor Suite — *Grieg*
(Audience will remain standing during Recessional)

FUTURE EVENTS IN THE CELEBRATION OF THE CENTENNIAL YEAR

March 21—7:15 P.M., Town Meeting of the Air, sponsored jointly by Illinois Wesleyan University, *The Daily Pantagraph,* Radio Station WJBC—Scottish Rite Temple

Annual Commencement—June 3-5

Illinois Conference of the Methodist Church, beginning June 6

Homecoming, November 3-5

Educational Conference, December 2

Historical Exhibit

Buck Library will present an exhibit of materials relating to the early history of Illinois Wesleyan University today (February 8) from two to five o'clock. All persons interested in this phase of the Centennial Program should visit the Buck Weems Memorial Room (periodical alcove) on the main floor.