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# **CURRENT EVENTS**

### The Dull Season Has Not Arrived.

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This year we were able to reduce the spinore with the second week in June, overing the news of the Church without difficulty. This year we have found it impossible to reduce the size of the paper unit this issue, the first week in July, and after all arrangements were made for the change and part of the copy in type we were compelled to set the balance in importance and interest. The dull season in religious work has evidently not ar-rived according to the usual schedule. It is a most encouraging indication of the fourch throughout the country. Drives is a most encouraging indication of the new life that is manifesting itself in the for The Witness, and every mail brings in religious. Work has evidently dot ar-ishes and missions to secure subscriptions of The Witness, and every mail brings in the thoughout the country. Drives is reard to the best plans to follow to ple. The National-Wite Camping and interest in the forth-coming General Con-bertion at Detroit are helping to keep the provision at a thousand other interests, the the most part are very much alive to the more than a thousand other interests, the the most part are very much alive to the more than a thousand other interests in the most part are very much alive to the more than these great days of recon-tor.

## Minnesota Church Destroyed by Tornado.

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from Kenyon College were as follows: Bachelor of Arts-Richard Williams Max-Will: Bachelor of Philosophy-Todd Mearl Frazier, Raymond James Harkins, Harold Frederick Hohly, Bryant Chambers Kerr, Carter Smart Miller, Arthur Benjamin Parker, George Benjamin Schneider, John Lloyd Snook; Bachelor of Science-Edgar Barton Read, Paul Fehr Seibold, Francis Wharton Weida; Bachelor of Letters-Emanuel Godfrey Brunner; Master of Arts -The Rev. N. R. High Moor, Richard Williams Maxwell. The Honorary Degree of Master of Arts was conferred upon George Washington Stevens, Director of the Art Museum, Toledo. The degree of Doctor of Divinity was given the Rev. George Sherman Burrows, North Tona-wanda, N. Y. The degree of Doctor of Laws was conferred upon Major-General Edwin F. Glenn, Commanding Officer at Camp Sherman and the Rt. Rev. William Andrew Leonard, D.D., Bishop of Ohio.

# Says Church Must Preach the Social Gospel of Jesus.

Need of the Church to preach the so-cial Gospel of Jesus was emphasized by the Rev. Irwin St. John Tucker, priest of the Diocese of New York, in an address Sunday night, June 22, at the Public For-um of the Church of the Ascension, New York.

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York. In introducing the Rev. Mr. Tucker, who is under an appealed sentence of twenty years imprisonment for alleged violation of the espionage act, the Rev. Percy Stickney Grant, D.D., rector of the Church of the Ascension, said: "I take pleasure in introducing the Rev. Irwin St. John Tucker for whom as a fel-low-clergyman and Christian gentleman, I have a warm regard." Scores of Church members who mingled with the speakers' socialist friends in the hopes of getting some statement about his case, were disappointed. He termed The League of Nations "the problem of the hour." The speaker disappointed the many extreme radicals in his audience by declaring against violence, and in stat-ing he was a disciple of Jesus Christ, Thomas Jefferson and Abraham Lincoln rather than Karl Marx.

# **Bishop Touret Believes in**

# Advertising the Church.

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# World Conference Mission Successful Beyond Expectation.

The Rt. Rev. Charles Palmerston Anderson, Bishop of Chicago, has re-turned to his diocese voicing satisfaction in the results obtained by the World Conference Mission of which he was head. Bishop Anderson reported that with the exception of the Roman Catholic Church, every Christian church had agreed to participate in the conference of religious bodies. He spoke with enthusiasm of the Church union project and of the forthcoming Nation Wide Campaign of the Episcopal Church to bring the Church's spiritual power to bear upon the Church's whole task.

the Church's whole task. "Our mission was successful beyond our most sanguine expectations," declared Bishop Anderson. "We visited represen-tatives of churches in substantially all of the countries of Europe and the near East, and secured their co-operation for the World Conference. There was but one declination received on the entire visit. I was, of course, disappointed that the Roman Catholic Church could not see its way clear to appoint delegates or repre-sentatives to the World Conference, but I was received with such extraordinary kindness and hospitality, that I bring with me nothing but the pleasantest memories of my interview with the Pope. He was very cordial, democratic and hospitable, and expressed interest in the conference and hoped that good would come of it, while regretting the Church could not join officially.

orficially. "The Orthodox Church, the Balkan and Scandinavian Churches all approved of the conference. It is expected a preliminary meeting for organization will be held at the Hague at an early date. It was not practicable to go to Russia or Germany, but steps will be taken to get into touch with the Churches of these countries as soon as internal conditions make it prac-ticable.

"In the churches of these countries as soon as internal conditions make it prac-ticable. "I have been asked what influence the war has had on the Church. I cannot see that the war has had any direct influence on the Church except in the way of a chal-lenge. World conditions today challenge the Church except in the way of a chal-lenge. World conditions today challenge the Church except in the way of a chal-lenge. World conditions today challenge the Church except in the way of a chal-lenge. World conditions today challenge the Churches to stand together as one for those principles of justice and righteous-ness which would make war impossible. I hope that now that the peace treaty is to be signed that the Churches will settle down to their main business, the propa-gation of the Gospel and the upholding of righteousness. The nation wide cam-paign of the Episcopal Board of Missions for the extension of the Church's service to the world is being launched at a psy-cholozical moment. "The program of the nation wide cam-paign embraces four points: To bring the spiritual power of the Church to bear on the Church's whole task. To secure and train an increased and adequate number of persons for Christian leadership, clergy and lay. To care for, on a yearly basis for three years, the financial needs of all the general agencies and such organizations as the Woman's Auxiliary of the Board of Missions, the American Church Institute for Negroes, the Girls' Friendly Society, the Church Periodical Club, the Brother-hood of St. Andrew. To care for in co-operation with the proper authorities, the financial needs of all the provinces, dio ceses and missionary districts of a mis-sionary, religious, educational or social service nature." Regarding the reception of the American Mission abroad, Bishop Anderson said

service nature." Regarding the reception of the American Mission abroad, Bishop Anderson said that affirmative responses had been receiv-ed from the Church of Greece, Rumania and Serbia, and the Churches of Norway and Sweden, representing millions of members. In the meantime, all branches of the Anglican and leading Protestant churches, have appointed delegates so that the conference has the substantial support

# **VOODOOISM BIG PROBLEM FOR CHURCH IN BLACK REPUBLIC** By L. H. MITCHELL

News Bureau, Nation-Wide Campaign

The evils which the white race brought upon itself when negroes were imported from Africa as slaves, till different from Africa as slaves, still flourish, especially in the Black Republic of Hati and other West India islands where descendants of the Guinea negroes are still found. Voodooism is still practiced in Hati and nanigoism is found among the Jamaican negroes in Cuba.

The Havana daily newspapers were filled recently with accounts of the murder of a Cuban boy by a young negro in order to obtain blood for the cure of his sister, ill with tuberculosis. The nanigo, or witch doctor, also called brujia, had told him his sister would not recover unless she had the blood of a white child to drink. The Cuban boy, about eight years old, had gone out to drive the cattle home when the negro boy, slightly older, called to see him. The negro child followed him to the pasin leading the Cuban to the place selected by the nanigo for the crime. Once there, he knocked the Cuban child down with a rock and cut out his heart. Columns were devoted to this case by the Havana newspapers, as it was the first definite proven practice of murder by the Jamaican negro witch doctors in Cuba in several years.

# Witch Doctor's Influence.

Nanigoism among the Jamaican negroes in Cuba is partly a cultural and partly a religious African belief brought into the West Indies in the sixties when the last shiploads of African slaves arrived, probably from the very heart of Africa. The witch doctors have a potent influence over the members of the cult—an influ-ence that often continues even after the negroes have been Christianized.

Not long ago in Quantanamo a negro girl who was a communicant of the Episcopal Church there, was engaged to be married and was looking forward to having the ceremony performed in the Episcopal Church. But another girl was in love with her fiance and was daily sticking pins into an image of the first girl, picking out the vulnerable spots in her rival's body. The Christian girl be-came frightened lest she die from the effects of the pin prickings in her image before her wedding day and her rival to be the bride instead. She went to the rector of the church and begged him to unite her in marriage with her lover at once. The ceretect the kidnapers of white children and they often do take part in the cannabalistic orgies which occur.

All Haytians are extremely reti-cent about Voodooism and its practitioners, even though they may be opposed to it, for they fear the papalois and mamalois, or priests and priestesses of the cult, and they have good cause to fear them. A slow poison which makes death appear due to natural causes is a favorite form of vengeance with them, as is also a poison that crazes though it does not kill. High officials who act contrary to the wishes of the cult are soon brought to time by the arguments of the papaloi and mamaloi.

Direct, eye-witness evidence that the negroes kill white children and devour their flesh at the Voodooistic orgies has seldom or never been obtained, but the circumstantial evidence is more than ample to convince the white residents of Hayti and neighboring islands that such is still now and then the case. On several occasions white children have been kidnaped and found drugged in the cabin of some Voodoo priestess-rescued in the nick of time through official fear of a foreign warship in the harbor, or an earthquake—and while they have been restored to health their minds remain affected unless some negro official through a monetary transaction can persuade the person who administered the drug to prescribe an antidote.

### Church Schools Needed.

The Voodoo priests are opposed to schools and that is the reason that so little money has ever been appropri-ated in Hayti for the education of her people. Haytian mind, when taken in hand at an early age, is quick and in-tellectual. At the French schools in the "republic" they very frequently capture high honors, but when they return to their own homes, among their own people, they soon relapse. for the most part into the degraded condition into which they were born.

It is only through education of the children that the foul and degrading religious cult of Voodooism can be eradicated. The Voodoo priests fear schools as they feared intervention by the United States. That is why the Church hopes as a result of its Nation-wide Campaign now in progress to awaken its people to the great mony was performed secretly at night world tasks now before them and to mobilize their resources in money and service to accomplish the tasks confronting it—such as starting schools in Havti to educate the children. There is a great demand and need there for industrial schools. The present President has asked the Episcopal Church to establish such schools in the republic. With the influence of the United States, through its in-tervention agreement of 1915 with Hayti, both parish and industrial schools now have a better chance to become established and flourish than they have ever had in the past.

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A telegram from the Rev. Dr. Washburn of the Church War Commission announces, that "Bishop Mc-Cormick, who has been in charge of the work of the War Commission overseas, returned to New York on the Lorraine, arriving June 30th, having completed arrangements for closing the Paris office and terminating the work of the commission with the

of the Anglican and leading Protestant churches, have appointed delegates so that the conference has the substantial support of all but one Church. "Throughout the Near East we found that everyone had confidence in American integrity," said Bishop Anderson. "They stake their hope for future peace on the accomplishment of the League of Nations. We were able to go through the Balkans through the kindness of the different gov-ernments, at various stages as the guests of the Bulgarian Prime Minister, of the Rumanian Minister of Commerce, and of the Serbian government. "The Balkans are ready to trust the United States in the settlement of the Bal-kan and Near East questions. It makes and to know such confidence is placed on us by foreign nations." Bishop Anderson spoke Friday night, June 27, at the Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul, Peoria Street and Washington Boule-vard, when a service of thanksgiving for his safe return was celebrated. Rt. Rev. Sheldon M. Griswold, Singragan Bishop, welcomed the Bishop, and the Te Deum was sung.

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# Editorial

### UNITY OR UNIFORMITY

It is a source of real distress to a great many excellent people that the Church does not speak more definitely on many subjects

They look at the Roman Church with its ex cathedra pronouncement on various questions and they envy the sense of security which the devout Roman Catholic feels in having all vexed questions definitely settled without any chance for argument.

Or looking the other way they envy the calm certainty of the Chris-Scientist, as he states in unintelligible terms the stereotyped solution of unsolved mysteries.

Of course the Roman Catholic and the Christian Scientist are not cocksure of the same dogmas, and one of them must be mistaken, but the effect is the same on the contented possessor of such gilt-edged security.

He simply knows that he is right with that calm assurance which is successful in selling one's wares.

Of course the Mormon, and the Seventh Day Adventist, and the Mahometan are equally stubborn in the assuredness with which they assert their principles, and to which their adherents firmly cleave.

The question arises in one's mind. whether oracular infallibility is a real test of truth, or whether truth is not more modest in its assertiveness and more inclusive in its range than is consistent with oracular certainty?

It is certainly true in other departments of life that ignorance is far more stubborn in its assertiveness than knowledge. It is also true that those securities in the market place which have the least real value are the most insistent as to their claims, while patent medicines find a ready sale because of the credulity of the human race in accepting their own estimate of themselves.

It is one of the characteristics of life's midway, that loud assertion coupled with the imitation of repeated suggestion, have a marvelous effect in attracting droves.

I question whether the terprise, religious, financial, medical, that the judicious advertising of extensive claims will not deceive multitude and occasionally will fool the very elect. I wish in this comparison merely to emphasize that mere assertion does not assure. But there is a type of mind that wants to be assured and so is quite ready to accept the voice, especially when it confirms his own

would allow the diversity of gifts as the outpouring of the one spirit. It **NEW** was a mind of dual uniformity that replaced the versatile originality of the Greek fathers.

The Christian Church was very slow to assume that oracular solemnity so beloved of little minds, which is styled dignity but is more frequently stupidity. Like the owl, it is easy to camouflage stupidity, and gain a reputation for wisdom, by looking solemn.

During the first two and a half centuries, there was no clear and analytical statement of Christ's divinity. He was beloved as is one's mother, without being dissected. It was the attempt of Arius to give a false statement of who Christ was which forced the Church to state definitely the common tradition of His person and nature. And so in succeeding councils—Nicea (325), Constaninople (381), Ephesus (431), Chalcedone (451), the Church gave slow and deliberate expression of its common faith, in answer to the wild statements of assertive heretics. It was the Council of Chalcedone which illustrates the change which Latin supremacy was to fasten upon the Church. It was the great Leo (450 A. D.) who began to force upon the Catholic Church a local Roman stamp, and to change its Catholic policy into a narrow provincial one. He demanded that the Council should meet in Italy; it met in Greece. He demanded that it should not put forth any further definition of the faith; t put forth its statement of the faith. He demanded that it should give the Roman Church, not only primacy, which it had long enjoyed, but the primacy because it was St. Peter's see, and therefore Leo was St. Peter's successor.

The Council very significantly accorded the honor which Rome rightfully claimed, but stated in Canon 28 that it was because Rome was the imperial city and was silent as to St. Peter's see. But it was the last stand of the Church's freedom. Gradually the East receded and the Roman power increased until the Church met no more as freemen in council, but as servile registers of papal decrees. It was then that two things happened:

(1) The power of defining the faith was no longer the concensus of the Church's tradition, but the Latin interpretation of that concensus. The Church gained a Latin mouthpiece and lost its Greek brains, with the inevitable consequence that it spoke more assertively and less wisely.

The Church no longer con-(2)tented itself in requiring the faith once for all delivered to the Saints, as the standard of acceptance, but made a Latin faith to replace a uni-versal one, and, like all things Latin,

flower that grows in your garden and



Death of Mrs. Greer and Dr. Luquer.

Death of Mrs. Greer and Dr. Luquer. For some time before the death of Bish-op Greer his wife was an invalid, and now, like him, she has passed into the other world. It is a remarkable fact that his brother in Wheeling, West Virginia, died within the month, making three aged members of one family taken away prac-tically together. But one has the right to note this interpretation of what should have been otherwise a tragedy, that each had passed beyond the Psalmist's allotted years of life, and each had lived a life worth living. It was truly a case of "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord," and, apart from what seemed too prolonged ill health, these three Chris-tians were happy examples of what all should be. The Rev. Lea Luquer, D.D., who had

Deskt and, apart from whot seemed too prolonged ill health, these three Christians were happy examples of what all should be.
The Rev. Lea Luquer, D.D., who had been rector of St. Matthew's Church. Bedford, for more than fifty-three years, passed away last week at the age of eighty-seven. He had never looked his great age, and took part in nearly all the services of his church until the end. He was a noble looking man in body, with a countenance that would have adorned a bishop or a statesman, and his library and the gentleman. His reading and preaching were impressive. He seemed too thave dvery quality to make him one of the strong leaders of the Church at large, but either modesty or devotion, or both combined, made him abide faithfully in one little country church for more than hif a century.
Wertheless, it is a church that became him. It has a long and honorable history, associated with families of Revolutionary fame, such as that of John Jay, Minister to England and chief justice of the United States in the doxs of Washinster to England and chief justice of the United States in the doxs.
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as the standard of acceptance, but made a Latin faith to replace a uni-versal one, and, like all things Latin, killed the freedom of the Church and put that which had been Greek into Latin; that which had been a growth into that which had been a growth which had left the widest freedom into that which demanded the nar-rowest conformity. The Roman Church is a refuge for those minds which demand the con-ventional, require uniformity which they misname universality, and find comfort in oracular assertions. But the fact remains that truth is not so acquired, but is rather the common faith of the universal ton. The oracle can produce noth-tion. The oracle can produce noth-ing but a conventionalized repetition of the same type; the soil has even produced the widest diversity of type. It is all the difference between the flower that grows in your garden and the flower that repeats itself on your <text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text>

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### Clergy and Laity of Texas Full. of Enthusiasm.

tionally informed speakers will be secured to present every activity of the Church's work and exhibits of all branchess will show in concrete form what the Church's doing.
 At the request of Bishop Quin the Rev. Mr. Walker of Galveston with the co-operation of the Rev. Mr. Ellis of Beaumont, is endeavoring to organize, with every assurance of success, a mission for colored people at Beaumont. The Bishop is anxious that the colored work of the diocese be given proper attention and the support necessary for its successful propagation. Several other clergy of the diocese have signified their intention of starting colored work in connection with their parishes.
 As a result of the splendid work of Miss May Marsh, National Organizer for the Girls Friendly Society, there are now about thirty branches of the organization in the diocese with an aggregate membership of over 1,000 girls. When Miss Marsh began her work a few months ago there was not a single branch in the diocese. A diocesan vacation house will soon be opened for the girls at Matagorda.
 St. Paul's Church, Waco, has recently had two religio-patriotic events. A feast of welcome was given for the returned soldiers and a memorial service for the gurps of men will soon be placed in the church. A bronze tablet for both groups of men will soon be placed in the amount next year.
 The diocese now has two archdeacons: the Rev, J. B. Whaling and the Rev. F. J. Bate, who are doing effective work in visiting them to the point where they may be grouped for the regular ministrations of a resident priest. Those places while ho and expects that will.
 Social Service for the Province

# THE LOGIC OF LIFE By the Rev. JAMES E. FREEMAN, D. D.

"He bringeth them to the haven where they would be." Ps. 107:30.

Never before as in the present hour have these words had so large a significance. After months of hard and trying service overseas, the boys are coming home to what they call "God's Own Country." If we of the home land have yearned for their return, they, in a strange country, experiencing the sterner hardships of army life, have felt a longing for the familiar scenes that is indescribable.

The break-up in the routine of life, the changed occupations, the unheralded and unknown future to which they went forth, and now the attempt to readjust life's relations, and to restore them to the place of efficient service, bring us face to face with the great question of life's purpose and We are witnessing today, as end. never before, the inevitable results that logically follow what may be called the "choice of destiny."

We have seen a great nation, whose place of distinction and power was the envy and admiration of the world brought as a criminal to the bar of the world's judgment because it chose for itself the pursuit of selfish ambi-tion, and in its vain endeavor for world domination came ultimately to that unenviable place which its own choice foredoomed. It is universally true, God brings nations and men to the haven of their own choosing.

What is true of the group is true of the individual, and while there may be exceptions here and there to the general rule, we are largely the architects of our own fortunes. All too frequently we charge an unseen hand with the control and direction of our lives, and we curse our fate because in the game of life the odds seem to be against us.

It is perfectly clear that now and again fortuitous circumstances affect our plans, and our best intentions and designs miscarry. Napoleon thought this when the Alps intervened between him and victory but he declared: "There shall be no Alps." Columbus thought this when, after weary days on a chartless sea with a mutinous crew, he seemed to fail of his objective, but undaunted he wrote persistently in his log: "Today we sailed westward.'

The world is taking a fresh start today, and our returning boys remind us that they, too, are beginning over again, hence the importance of choos-ing aright life's objective; and it is well to remember in the choosing that occupation is a mighty factor in the shaping of character. If work means only self-satisfaction and self-gratification, it can but result in ultimate failure, no matter what its emoluments may be. On the other hand, to many a man or woman to whom the world has denied a "living wage" there has been given the opportunity for a service of incomparable and enduring value. We are bound to believe that the fairmindedness of this new age is to right injustices and correct inequities, but apart from all this let us remember that the choice we make in life's great scheme of things, if it is to bring us to a place of satisfaction and security, must be made with reference to that which it inevitably leads to, namely, a selfdetermined destiny. All this has its pecuiar application to what we call our moral or spiritual life. It is as certain as sunrise that "whatsoever a man soweth that shall he also reap." This has never been he also reap." This has never been more demonstrably clear than now, and we have come to reaize that if we sow a habit we reap a character, and if we sow a character we reap a destiny. St. Paul clearly apprehend-ed this when he declared: "Neither doth corruption inherit incorruption." There is a well defined logic in life, and we are, each one severally for himself, working it out. God brings nations and men to the haven of their own choosing.



of Washington. Responding to the great and pressing opportunities now before the Church, and acting under the authority given it by the last Synod of the Province of Wash-ington, the Provincial Commission on Social Service at its recent meeting held in Washington, established the office of Field Secretary for Christian Social Serv-ice for the Province of Washington. It has appointed as a Committee on finance, Severn P. Ker, Esq., of Sharon, Pa., Col. Eugene A. Massie of Richmond, Va., and Henry H. Bonnell, Esq., of Philadelphia, to secure the necessary funds. In pursu-ance of this action the Bishop of Wash-ington, who is chairman of the Commis-sion, has appointed the Rev. Robert B. Nelson, now Civilian Chaplain at Camp Lee, who will enter upon the duties of his new office as soon as the funds are secured, and he can be released from his present position as Headquarters Chap-lain at Camp Lee.

### Diocese of Erie News.

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# **CURRENT EVENTS**

# Head of a Family Of 40,000 Sisters.

Head of a family of 40,000 sisters, Miss Frances W. Sibley of Detroit, Mich., has her hands full all of the time. Miss Sib-ley's "sisters" are the members of Ameri-ca of the Girls' Friendly Society of the Church and she is president of the organi-zation.

zation, During the war Miss Sibley's activities Having acquired ation. During the war Miss Sibley's activities were greatly increased. Having acquired the active habit in wartime, she is keen for increased usefulness in peace times and is co-operating enthusiastically in the Nation Wide Campaign of the Church to mobilize all its resources for service. Employment of girls in munition factories presented a problem that vitally affected the Girls' Friendly Society and Miss Sib-ley gave up all her time looking after her sisters. When housing conditions became so serious a problem in Washington, D. C. because of the employment of girls in government offices, Miss Sibley made a hurried trip to the capitol and had a con-ference with Secretary Franklin K. Lane. Much constructive work resulted from that conference. Def of the activities of the Girls' Friendly Society is providing holiday houses on the sea shore, at the lakes or in the mountains where members of the sobley invariably spends her own holidays at one or another of these houses.

### The Hebrew-Christian Publication Society.

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### Cincinnati Parish Improvements.

Reconstruction and readjustment is taking a very practical form at the Church of The Resurrection, Rev. Robert Seaton Flockhart, rector, Cincinnati, Ohio, Recently some very nice electrical can-dleabras and chandeliers to match were

at the school and will be given credit for it. A public school teacher has to enlarge the work of the Church been engaged as instructor.

For three years a similar school of religious instruction has been con-ducted by the Episcopal Church in Gary, Ind., and Dr. Gardner gave out the following indorsement from Dr. Wirt, superintendent of schools in Gary:

"We believe that the church school in Christ Church Parish, Gary, is increasing in value each year and that it is a most important form of co-operation with the public schools."

Dr. Gardner has an ambitious program for week-day schools of religious education in mind. The Toledo school will open in September, the curriculum now being drawn up.

# Do Church Unity

# **Conferences Pay**?

That is a question many Churchmen, both clergy and laity, are asking these days. No series of conferences held un-

der the auspices of the Church have been more comprehensive than the recent six held with the approval of the Rt. Rev. Dr. Woodcock, Bishop of Kentucky, in Christ Church Ca-thedral, Louisville. Immediate steps towards unity, of course, there were none but there were increasing the none, but there were immediate tangible results of importance. A large number of Church people were aroused from their lethargy and led to appreciate as never before the position and customs of the Church. The conferences drew people to church at inconvenient hours. The Louis-ville conferences at 4 o'clock Sunday afternoons had an average attendance of 700 persons and at the first two conferences many were turned So firmly was the church-goaway. ing habit fixed during the six weeks that for the first time in its history the Cathedral was filled to capacity Good Friday for the Three Hours' Dean McCready found that Service. unity conferences pay even in dollars and cents. At each unity service acollection was taken to defray the cost of publication of the six confer-ences. The total amount, two-thirds of it contributed by non-Churchmen, will enable the Dioceses of Kentucky to place in the hands of hundreds of people of the State a tract of the utmost importance to the Church.

Church unity conferences have a big publicity and advertising value for the Church. Each of the six addresses made at the Louisville con-ferences were published in full by the Louisville Courier-Journal and covered amply by the three other Louisville newspapers. And this publicity, which was the best kind of advertising and propaganda, did not cost one cent, although 20 per cent of it was on the front page. The Chicago Herald and Examiner re-

ferred editorially to the conferences. A report of the conferences was made by Mr. Paul J. Brindel, now in charge of the religious press pub-licity of the Nation-wide Campaign, of the Korzer Discussion at the Kansas Diocesan Convention, and Dean Kaye of Grace Cathedral, Topeka, is planning a similar series of conferences to start the first Sunday in October in which ten denominations will be invited to participate instead of only the Baptists, Disciples of Christ, Lutherans, Methodists

and by a campaign of education and inspiration to encourage her members

to gifts and service. With the exception of the Episcopal Church every denomination has its church and its special work at the University housed and provided for in an ample way. The Presby-terians have a large church building, given and endowed by one of their members. The Methodists have bought an entire block and purpose in the near future to construct a number of buildings on it. Those students who are Episcopalians have to put up with the makeshifts of the moot court.

There is, however, on foot a pro-ject for the construction of the Chapel of St. John the Divine on ground on the street bordering the university campus. When completed it will be large enough for the needs of a growing university and a growing Church for some years to come. undertaken at once, if support and the faculty who are Episcopal-ians. And support of the Nation-wide Campaign will make possible the part so urgently needed.

At a conference of leaders of the Church held recently in Chicago the Rev. J. M. Page, chaplain in charge, who is now forced to hold services in the moot court, said he hoped through the Nation-wide Campaign, to realize from \$35,000 to \$40,000 for the building of a chapel that would seat 250 persons. Such a church, properly equipped, will be a telling force in the fight against the religious indifference of most university students.

# Church League for Social and Industrial Democracy.

Industrial Democracy. Industrial Democracy, the new radical Church organization, have issued a state-ment of principles, which we publish in part below. The program is in course of preparation and will be presented for full consideration and final action at he meet-ing of the League at the time of the Gen-eral Convention in Detroit. This program will include practical plans of action for the furtherance of the principles present-ed in the statement. The title "Bhurch League for Social and Industrial Demoe-racy" has been tentatively adopted for use until the October meeting. The officers who have been selected to act undil the meeting in Detroit are the following: Rt. Rev. Charles D. Williams, Bishop of Michigan, Acting President; Miss Vida D. Scudder, Wellesley College, Chairman Executive Committee pro ten; Rev. Richard W. Hogue, D.D., Temporary Executive Secretary. Among the mem-bers of the Executive Committee are Rev. J. Howard Melish, D.D., Holy Trinity, Brooklyn; Dean Bernard Iddings Bell of the Episcopal War Commission, New York; Dean Charles N. Lathrop, Milwau-kee, Wis; Mrs. Mary Simkovitch, Green-wich House, New York; Dean W. P. Ladd, Brekeley Divinity School, Com. The principles and purpose of the Lea-gue are set forth in the following pre-amble and statement:

amble and statement: We face a world in revolution. Some regret the fact; some thank God for it. Regret and gratitude are in a sense equal-ly irrelevant; the Church is called to act; and the contemporary situation furnishes her with a challenge and an opportunity unsurpassed since Pentecost. Her right line of action, in the opinion of the Church League for Social and In-dustrial Democracy, is indicated in the following statement: The purpose of this organization is to unite, for intercession, and labor, those within the Episcopal Church who believe that it is an essential part of the Church's function to make justice and love the controlling motives in all social

within the Episcopai Church who believe that it is an essential part of the Church's function to make justice and love the controlling motives in all social change, and who wish, as Christians the proper procedure is not to formulate the proper procedure is not to formulate the socialization of life. The proper procedure is not to formulate from our religion, but rather to start with social order can properly be called Chris-tian which substitutes fraternal co-over ation for mastership, in industry and life. We assent to the following declaration officially promulgated by the General Convention of the Church, and provise earnestly to assist the Church in putting into actual practice the principles therein laid down, viz.: "Whereas, the moral and spiritual weil fare of the people demands that the high est possible standard of living should everywhere be maintained, and that generally effort the personal bilistive and self-search for such hisher and more humas forms and organization as will generally effort the personal bilistive and self-metal and undustrial life today; there fore, be it Resolved, the House of Bishops concur-ring; That we, the members of the Generat for uroweid, and that it deay, it is a between employer and employee are widespread in nour social and industrial life today; there fore, be it Resolved, the House of Bishops concur-ring; That we, the members of the Generat four social and industrial life today; there fore, be it Resolved, the House of Bishops concur-ring; That we, the members of the Generat four social and industrial life today; there fore a claid order the which he social concern in which every worker shall he exoined a for social order the social order in which the social concern in which every worker shall have a lust return for that which he goins on prooress. And share such a social order can only or pro-reation the curve shall have a lust. The the weard work in trans for the clause of prooress. And share such a social order can only the proportion to for a self-secling employer and employee are widespread in our social and industrial life today: there-fore, be it mesolved, the House of Bishops concur-ring: That we, the members of the Gen-eral Convention of the Protestant Episco-pal Church, do hereby affirm that the fr Church stands for the ideal of social jus-tice and that it demands the achievement of a social order in which the social cause fr of poverty and the gross human waste of the present order shall be eliminated; and in which every worker shall have a just return for that which he produces, a free opportunity for self-development and a fair share in all the gains of procress. And since such a social order can only be achieved progressively by the effort of Christ put the Church calls upon every communicant, Clerical and Lay, seriously to take part in the study of the complek conditions under which we are called upon to live, and so to act that the present prejudice and injustice may be supple-mented by mutual understanding, sym-pathy and just dealings, and the ideal of thoroughgoing democracy may be fi-nally realized in our land." We believe that, far from the Church being in tendency and membership reac-tionary and unawakened, it is, as a mat-ter of fact, ready and anxious, to a de-gree unsuspected by the world, to dis-

# **PUBLICITY LEAGUE BULLETINS**

## By PAUL J. BRINDEL

Director Religious Press Publicity Nation-Wide Campaign

The Very Rev. James de B. Kaye, dean of Grace Cathedral, Topeka, Kansas, illustrates how to make a weekly or monthly service bulletin the Liberty Bell in its message of more than a "cut-and-dried" affair in. his June parish program. Ample space is given to the elaborate musical programs which are a feature of the morning services of this cathedral church, which is the largest, most expensice and most beautiful church edifice in the entire state. The back page, however, instead of being blank as is too often the case, has the following heading :"The Church for Americans. Things for Episco-palians To Be Proud Of." Because the "things" may interest

Only a part of the chapel will be the Churchman who has seldom given is even a thought to the glorious hisforthcoming, but that part will be tory of the Church, and may lead othample to care for the 200 students ers to "go and do likewise" in their parish bulletins, they are reprinted as follows:

1. The first church service held by English-speaking people on American soil was conducted by the chap-lain of Sir Francis Drake's expedition to California in 1579 when the Book of Common Prayer was used.

The first permanent settlement 2. of white people on American soil was effected by Church of England communicants or Episcopalians, at Jamestown, Va., in 1607. The Rev. Robert Hunt, an Episcopal clergy-man, ministered to them.

The first formal legislative act 3. of American Independence was the adoption by the Continental Congress of a resolution "that these colonies are, and of right ought to be, free and independent states," offered by Rich-ard Henry Lee, an Episcopalian. 4. Of the Committee of Five ap-

pointed to draw up a Declaration of Independence, three of them were Episcopalians, Thomas Jefferson, Benjamin Franklin and Robert Livingston.

5. The deciding vote that placed Pennsylvania on the side of Independence was cast by John Morton, an Episcopalian.

The deciding vote that placed Delaware on the side of Independence was cast by Caesar Rodney, an Episcopalian.

7. The formal Declaration of Independence was reported to the Continental Congress by Benjamin Harrison, an Episcopalian.

8. The thrilling speech, "Give me liberty or give me death," which fired the hearts of all Americans for Independence, was made by Patrick Henry, an Episcopalian.

10. Of the fifty-six signers of the Declaration of Independence, thirtysix were Episcopalians. 10. The framers of the Constitu-

tion of the United States of America

Independence, were the bells of Christ Church, Philadelphia, an Episcopal Church.

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12. The first corporate body to achowledge Independence was "The Rector, Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ Church," who on July 4th, 1876, altered the Church of England Book of Common Prayer to make it harmonize with the Declaration of Independence.

13. The first public reading of the Declaration of Independence was by John Nixon, an Episcopalian. 14. The first President of the

United States was an Episcopalian, George Washington.

15. The first chaplain to the Con-gress of the United States was Bishop White, the first Bishop of Pennsylvania.

It is Dean Kaye's plan to give each month further excerpts from the Church's history. With an average of 100 visitors at each Sunday morning service, thanks to the Cathedral's vigorous advertising campaign, it will not be long before Topeka knows something about the Church. The newspaper advertisements appearing in The Witness will shortly have included in them facts about the Church and its history. In the first few days it was necessary, however, to create a desire for Church attendance. This having been accomplished, despite the hot weather by such advertisements as this week's sample, it is now planned to start educational and propaganda copy.

Owing to limited space we are unable to present in display type the sample adver-tisement, which follows.

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cover the way in which it can best be useful in forwarding the new order; and we, therefore, pledge ourselves to help the great mass of Church people who are as yet uncertain how they can function, to find the way. We believe that for us as Christians the proper procedure is not to formulate a social policy and then seek to justify it of force In making this statement we are con vinced that we endorse no things irrelevant to the Church's abiding mission, but that we reaffirm the convictions of the great company of the prophets, saints and martyrs of days past, and of the Lord of the Kingdom, Our Saviour and Redeemer, Jesus Christ, to the fulfilment of whose Holy Will we hereby dedicate ourselves anew

# THE WITNESS

Seaton Flockhart, rector, Cincinnail, Ohio, Recently some very nice electrical can dleabras and chandeliers to match were installed. A cheque was given by some one for \$350.00 for a new motor for the organ, on the condition that his name morial, to the glory of God and in men-ory of the Goodin family, a new chance and sanctnary: a new window In the west and to redecorate the entire church, be-cause the church is a memorial built by Mr Charles W. Short, in memory of his mother and father. Mr Charles Short, his son, an architeci, specializing in Church work, has generously offered to draw up the plans and oversee all work in this connection. At a recent parish meeting it was decided to enlarge the parish House and make it suitable for a community centre, adding a Rector's study, a stage and dressing rooms, also a kitchen, making it entirely moden throughout. To further beaulify it by putting In new electric lights and win-dows and a large fireplace. To make a new spirit seems to be permeating it, on the entrance of the walk and drive. While the parish house, with pillars to match at the entrance of the walk and drive. While the parish worships, is taking place, a new spirit seems to be permeating it, on and al they seem to be trying to beautify as well the structures which do the wor-shiping, their souls, the temples of the Holy Ghost.

# **Episcopal Church to Teach**

**Episcopar Religion in Toledo Schools** Plans for the establishment of a School of Religious Instruction in Toledo, Ohio, were discussed at Sag-Mich., June 30th at a confer-Mich., June 30th at a confer-Mich inaw, Mich., June 30th at a confer-ence in St. John's Church between the Rev. Dr. William E. Gardner, general secretary of the General Board of Religious Education and the Rev. Robert S. Chalmers, rector of St. Mark's Church, Toledo. The conference was a part of the Nationwide Campaign being conducted to enlarge the activities of the Church at home and abroad.

It is proposed to establish a week-

tern and reading desk and one of the pictures on the wall will be cov-

Training Corps and since has not been used for its former purposes. Now through the Nation-wide Cam-paign of the Church it is hoped for-ever to end any possibility of serv-ices having to be conducted in a moot court and to build a chapel that will not alone serve the needs of the Epis-copal students at the University, but day schools for religious education at the Rev. Mr. Chalmers' church, which adjoins one of the Toledo public schools. The plan has been sanc-

no uncertain voice. Recognizing the earnest endeavor under difficulties of those working within our theological seminaries to train our com-ing clergy for useful labors in the new are, we intend to work for such change in management and curriculum as shall enable theological students to know, preach, and practice the social Gospel. We further intend to assist in recruiting such candidates for the ministry as shall enter it with desire for socialized leader-ship. We pledge ourselves to investigate so

cial and industrial programs as they may arise, to make contact with their leaders and authors and to spread accurate knowledge of them among our Church

# Appeal for Church School Teacher Brings \$1,000 Gift.

An over-night response to his statement the previous Sunday morning in a sermon at Bernardsville, N. that the Church was in need of \$1,000 for a teacher for a School of Religious Instruction, was received by the Rev. William E. Gardner, D. D., general secretary of the Gen-eral Board of Religious Education. On Monday morning, Dr. Gardner received a check for the needed amount from a layman who had heard his sermon and for the first time was made aware of some par-ticular need of the Church. This, according to Dr. Gardner, is an ex-ample of what will happen through-out the United States when the re-sults of the survey now being made the Nation-wide Campaign are for published and the laity are made acquainted with the responsibility the Church is facing at home and abroad.

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### THE WITNESS

# CHURCH FINANCE

By the Rev. THOMAS F. OPIE (Concluded from last week)

In every parish there should be a finance committee, a men's missionary committee and an auditing committee. At least two of these are, I believe, required by canon. They should not be simply figure-heads, but should be made up of three or five active and successful business men who should be decread it it.

large amounts should see that they go \$8,000 or \$10,000 from such a conto the proper missionary treasurers, gregation! diocesan or general. Frequently money is held by a local treasurer per-tithing that should be sent off at once, and thus obviate the necessity, for example, of the diocesan missions treas-urer borrowing funds and paying interest in order that diocesan stipends might be paid regularly, when money for this purpose had already been contributed.

The budget system should be used in every church, small or large. The congregation should know exactly how much money the church has to raise for current expenses; how much for salaries, for heat and light, for upkeep and repairs, etc. It should also be made known how much the congregation is expected to raise for benevolences—how much for mis-sions, charitable institutions, diocesan expenses, etc., etc. Knowing just how much had to be in hand for the vear's budget, the congregation would not be in the dark as to what was expected of it and each member could get some idea of what was expected of him. When one knows just what is reasonably expected of him he is in a way to fulfill his obliga-tions and will usually do so when the matter is put in the proper light, and headled with proper high and will handled with proper business-like methods. Every member should know that, generally speaking, a church is assessed or apportioned so much per communicant, and that if he does not pay his quota, some one else usually has to pay it for him. When the last word is said on the

subject of Church finance, it seems to me that it might be summed up in this: "Where your treasure is there will your heart be also." Or it might be reversed to read, "Where your heart is there will your treasure be also." It is difficult to say which is the cause and which the effect. As long as men put large sums in pleasure and in the pursuit of happiness, so called, and small sums in Church and in the pursuit of religion, pleasure is going to mean much to them and religion little. When we begin to lead men to see that their homes, their business, their automobiles mean mach because their hearts are in these things and that their hearts are in them because their money is there, then we have got-ten down to the bedrock of financial logic! It should be but a step to lead them to realize that the Church omparatively to them because they mean so little to the Church I challenge any man to put time and affection and money into the Church and prove that he gets noth-ing proportionately in return-nay, more-to prove that he does not get rich in spiritual dividends! If the men of any given community put no more of their energy, their genius, their enthusiasm, their time, their money into their respective busi-nesses than these same men put their energy, genius, enthusiasm, time, money into their respective Churches, the commercial fabric of the community would go to pieces in six months—the town would be bankrupt in a year! A Tithers' Club, such as has been successfully operated in some parishes, made up exclusively of members who pledge one-tenth of their income to God, should be more wide-ly tried out! When we begin to realize the inestimable value of what we term the spiritual or religious in comparison to what we call the secular, or that which has to do with physical pleasure and convenience or comfort, we shall have gone a long way towards the solution of the vexed problem of Church Finance. We should be willing to pay liberal-ly and cheerfully for the thing that means more to use than houses, or pleasures, or physical comforts and life itself! In concluding this paper I make bold to say that the tithing system would abundantly meet every need of the Church as far as money is concerned. If Christians would follow the Biblical requirement and pay into the Lord's treasury one-tenth of their income the problem of finance would at once dissolve and there would be such an outpouring of the spirit of God upon His people that they would

from the husband. Very well. Of the 25 men left, if all were tithers we should still have an abundant sum of \$3,750-whereas the average sum for all Church purposes raised by the but should be made up of three or five active and successful business five active and successful business duty of keeping the Church's funds up to demand—in respect to current expenses and missions, especially, and with the duty of properly audit-ing the treasurers' accounts annually. Every month the treasurer who holds missionary moneys in small or large amounts should see that they go

Under the head "Tithing and Su-per-tithing," a recent issue of Missionary Ammunition says: A great deal is being made of late of tithing system, and some think that we are likely to see a revival of this definite form of stewardship. If such a movement should become general it would do more to solve the financial problem of the Church, both in the home communities and in the far reaches of missionary work than anything else. Such a movement is in no wise conditioned upon the acceptance of the tithe as a system binding upon Christians. Those who are becoming tithers as a rule accept the plan, not because it was required in Old Testament times, but because it is an appropriate and workable basis for the person of average financial resources.

There is abundant evidence that

not be able to contain it. See how not a few of the Lord's stewards have giving one-tenth is necessarily a gen-Here is a congregation of 100 members, whose average salary is say, \$1,500. The tithing system would put \$15,000 into this Church's ex-chequer! But some one suggests that of this 100 members, 75 are women and their contribution comes talkked with a man whose income is possibly \$20,000 a year, who gave away last year sixty per cent and communicant list of 71! This is Finwho stated that his ambition was to reach the point where he could live on ten per cent and give away ninety I have frankly but humbly set on ten per cent and give away ninety per cent.

A business man on the Pacific Coast, who was brought up from childhood to believe in the tithe, found that basis satisfactory, until crease by leaps and bounds. Then he discovered it was no sacrifice to give ten per cent, since such an amount hardly made a dent in the amount of his earnings. He then adopted the idea of giving on a sliding scalethe larger the profits in a given year the larger would be the percentage. Finally his gifts began to attract attention in the Church and community and his partner one day upbraided him, telling him that no one else was giving in such sums, and else was giving in such sums, and that he ought not to get out of line in that way. He took the question home with him, thought over it and prayed over it. The next morning he said to his partner, "I cannot see that it is anybody's business how much I give away. Nor can\_I see why I should regulate my giving by theirs. It is a matter solely between the Lord and myself. I propose to keep on using my sliding scale, and if our business continues to grow I our business continues to grow I shall give even more than in the past." What a grand thing it would be if that man could narrate his ex-perience in some of our leading churches! Surely it would be a revelation to some who consider that

erous thing, and even more to the vast majority of our church members who follow no definite plan of stewardship.

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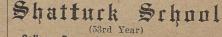
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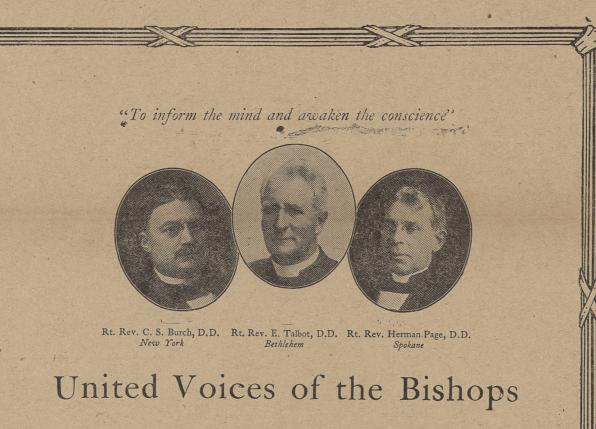
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