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# Synod of the Fourth Province | Chicago Churchmen Meet To Meets in Savannah

Takes a Firm Stand on the Important Social and Religious Questions of the Day

In point of attendance, in the inspirational addresses, in the passing of several notable resolutions, and in the progress shown in the departments of missions, religious education and Christian social service, the Synod of the Fourth Province, held in Savannah, Ga., was markedly one of the greatest ever held. The opening service was held in St. John's Church, and the feature of the evening, and it might be said of the Synod, was the address of Dr. W. C. Sturgis on his world-wide tour of the mission field. For half an hour, Dr. Sturgis held his audience spellbound while he gaves glimpses of the countries through which he traveled, laying particular stress on conditions in India, China and Japan The same evening, the Rev. R. Bland Mitchell, of New York, spoke on the Nation-wide campaign, and called on the Church in the Fourth Province to nourish the great movement it had spon-

In his annual address, at the business meeting the next day, the Bishop of Kentucky, president of the Synod, dealt searchingly with the present day problems. Regeneration, not reform, is what the world needs today, said Bishop Woodcock.

Condemnation of the hideous principles underlying the Klu Klux Klan was made in a resolution offered by the Bishop of South Carolina, and the Bishop of Georgia offered a resolution which was passed, that the Synod express its belief in the inter-racial commission. A commission of nine was approved, one from each state within the province to be known as the commission on race relationship, whose duty shall be to assist in the co-operation with the racial relationship commission in the formation of such joint committees in every community and in any other practical way to promote the cause of friendly relations between the white and colored people throughout the Province. Later, the Synod expressed itself by resolution condemning the outrage perpetrated some months ago at Miami, Fla., on the person of the Rev. P. S. Irwin, also deploring the fact that up to the present time there has been no punishment of the perpetrators of this outrage. The resolution provided that a copy of the resolutions be transmitted to the press and to the mayor of the city of

The report of the Provincial Board of Christian Social Service presented by the

# Demand Disarmament

Resolutions Passed Unanimously at the Big Mass Meeting Held on Armistice Day



Rev. George Parkin Atwater, D. D. The writer of "Cheerful Confidences"

chairman, the Bishop of South Carolina, called for six resolutions which were adopted as follows: that the Synod approve the plan of a field secretary for this department; recommending the abolition of the present day fee system in connection with the feeding of prisoners in county jails; urging the clergy and members social service committees to visit jails and convict camps to investigate conditions and seek by all lawful means to improve them; endorsing and approving the action of the Sewanee Training School for Workers in its efforts to establish in the Province work among delinquent girls under the Church Mission for Help; recom-mending the appointment of a committee to confer with the American Church Institute for Negroes and the heads of the Church schools for Negroes with a view to the establishment of a training school for Negro deaconesses and social and parish workers; and an appeal to all Christian people to obey the law, the resolution expressing deep concern for the welfare of the country in the spread of mob violence and lawlessness.

Churches in Chicago made last Friday the most notable Armistice Day held thus far. The conference on the limitation of armament which opened in Washington the following day gave inspiration to the promoters and workers in the various celebra-The World Friendship Bureau sponsored a huge mass meeting in Orchestra Hall, which was in session from eleven until twelve thirty noon—the time of the funeral of the "Unknown Hero."

Bishop Anderson—a man who always draws a crowd whenever he addresses a The speakers public meeting—presided. The speakers were Dr. John Timothy Stone of the Presbyterian Church; the Rev. Father Siedenburg, who represented the Roman Catholics; and Rabbi Joseph B. Stolz, who spoke as a representative of the Jewish faith. The principal address was made by Mr. Raymond Robins, who has just returned from a thorough study of European affairs. His subject was "Disarmament or Bankruptcy, Which?" The Chicago Church Federation and the League of Women Voters also held large meeting during the day, while in the evening a meeting was held in the big Labor Auditorium by the Chicago Federation of Labor, which was addressed by Miss Jane Addams and Mr. Raymond Robins.

On the Sunday previous, according to a report recently released by the Church Federation, 450 ministers representing 350,000 Church members spoke on the arms conference; while 311 churches, with a total membership of 225,000, signed the petition calling upon the President not to adjourn the conference until it had accomplished its purpose concerning the limita-tion of armaments. The resolution, which was forwarded to President Harding, was passed unanimously at St. George's Church and was printed in the news columns of The Witness last week.

#### Date Set for Dr. Shipman's Consecration

The Rev. Herbert Shipman, D. D., is to be consecrated Suffragan Bishop of New York in the Cathedral of St. John the Divine the morning of St. Andrew's Day, November 30th. At the same time Bishop Lloyd is to be inducted into office as suffragan. Bishop Thomas, whose relatives belong in Dr. Shipman's parish is to preach ented by the and lawlessness, the sermon,
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# GENERAL NEWS OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Committee On Church Workers Reports

The Church Personnel Bureau, Inc., which was organized by the Rev. Arthur W. Brooks, and operated for twenty months, endeavored to secure the endorsement of the last General Convention. In this connection the Convention adopted

the following:

"Therefore be it Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Committee be appointed, to consist of five bishops, five presbyters, and five laymen, to take under advisement the whole subject of vacancy and supply; and especially to consider the advisability of giving the endorsement of the Church to the Church Personnel Bureau, Inc., aforesaid, and to report during this present session of the General Convention."

This committee reported that in its opinion it was "inexpedient for the General Convention of the Church to give official endorsement to an organization which both in origin and status is largely, if not altogether, a private enterprise, no matter how efficient such an arrangement may be."

The committee further recommended that there be referred to the Presiding Bishop and Council the following:

"The urgent need of a department of vacancy and supply, created and controlled by the General Church, having as its principal function the establishment and operation of a bureau or bureaus from which bishops and parishes may secure full, prompt and accurate information about clergy seeking cures or temporary work.

In pursuance of the above, the Presiding Bishop and Council requested that the Department of Religious Education study this whole matter and appointed a commission composed of Rt. Rev. Thomas F. Gailor, D. D.; Rev. William E. Gardner, D. D.; John W. Wood, D. C. L.; Rev. Arthur R. Gray, D. D.. Rev. Franklin J.

Clark, Miss Grace Lindley.

Conferences were held with the authorities of the Church Personnel Bureau, Inc., and an agreement was reached by which they turned over their office records and the papers of such registrants as gave their consent to the transfer of their files and dissolved their corporation in consideration of the payment of \$1,500, which covered all the outstanding obligations of the Church Personnel Bureau, Inc., and the salary of the executive secretary for six months in advance.

The commission began its work on April 12, 1920, and up to date there has been registered with us, both lay and clerical,

536 persons.

Through change of plans, or the securing of work through other sources than this commission, 153 names have been removed from the register. (Of this number 47 were clergy.)

The commission has made to date the reference of 728 names, of these references 302 were clergy and 426 lay workers.

There is now an active list of 320 registrants, of whom 98 are clergy, 9 deaconesses and 213 lay workers. We have class- throughout the diocese to celebrate the ple. Bishop Manning presided and preached as lay workers, teachyright 2020 derchives of the Episcopan Church Counter of the Episcopan Church Counter of the Counter

special subjects), social service workers, parish visitors, organists, workers among the foreign born Americans, office workers, matrons, house mothers, directors of religious education and workers among

Of this active list there is now out 393 references, of which 178 are ciergy and 215 are deaconesses and lay workers.

The known placements to date are 11 clergymen, 50 lay workers, and 3 deaconesses. This commission was instrumental in securing for work in Cuba, a school teacher, a school secretary and a registered nurse. In addition, a directress of religion education was sent to China. Another woman worker was secured for work among the mountaineers of Virginia. As a result of a visit to the Church Missions House, one registrant is now entering his second year at a seminary.

A CHALLENGE TO PRAYER

(3) For a Christian Solution of the Problems of the Pacific

Let us give thanks:

For the noble work of the missionaries of the Cross in breaking down barriers between race and race and in interpreting East and West to each other;

Let us humbly confess our sin:

In having sometimes looked with condescension upon other races and having even thought of them as not entitled to equal opportunities and equal treatment with men of our own race;

In having thought too much of our own rights and others' duties and too little of our duties and others' rights.

Let us pray:

That as a nation we may unselfishly seek to help the Chinese people in their aspirations toward a fuller life;

That suspicion and distrust toward Japan may give way to goodwill and a firm desire for peace.

The calls during the past year have been varied. Teachers, parish secretaries, parish visitors, social service workers, workers among boys, directors of religious education, kindergartners, hand craft workers, camp counsellors, organists and housekeepers (school).

The calls for Sunday Supply were numerous and the extra help that is always needed for Lent was taken care of. There have been many calls for part time workers in churches and settlement houses and for trained teachers for Sunday work. We have met all these demands.

#### A Special Centennial Service

In accordance with the suggestion that parishes try to unite in various centers

vice was held in Emmanuel Church, Norwich, New York, on Monday evening, Nov. 7th. The church was filled to over flowing with nearly six hundred people from the parishes of McDonough, New Berlin, Greene, Oxford, Sherburne and Norwich, The choirs of all these parishes united in a long procession with 110 vested persons in line and the singing was most inspiring. The special speaker of the evening was Dr. John W. Wood, executive secretary of the Department of Missions and Church Extension, who gave a most interesting address. The following clergy took part in the service: Rev. A. A. Bresee, rector of Zion Church, Greene; Rev. H. D. B. MacNeil, rector of Christ Church, Sherburne: Rev. Edmund J. Gates, rector of St. Paul's Church, Oxford; Rev. Dr. Henry H. Gofford, rector of St. Andrews' Church, New Berlin; Rev. Frank Dean Gifford, rector of Emmanuel Church, Norwich. After the service a reception was held in the parish house especially for the out of town guests and over 200 remained to greet Dr. Wood.

Hobart Has a Professor with Brains

The latest professor to join the Hobart College faculty turns out to be an intellectual prodigy. Professor Walter H. Durfee, assistant professor of mathematics at Hobart, who joined the faculty last month, has just made the best record in the U.S. Army intelligence test that has ever been made at Hobart. Of 212 questions asked, Prof. Durfee answered correctly 205.

Prof. F. P. Boswell, head of the department of psychology at Hobart, says that he has never seen as good a paper as Prof. Durfee handed in. Prof. Boswell examined 60,000 intelligence test papers during the war when he was stationed at Camp Wadsworth, Spartanburg, S. C. Prof. Durfee is 32 years old, and is the son of Dean W. P. Durfee, of the Hobart faculty, who is widely known as a mathematician.

Two Noteworthy Services in New York

The most important matter in New York parochial affairs within a month was the institution of the Rev. Frank E. Jones as rector of St. Mary's in Bronx Borough to succeed the late Rev. J. A. McNulty. Mr. Jones was born in New York City but received his education at Kenyon in Ohio and was ordained by Bishop Brooke, of Oklahoma. For seventeen years as a member of the City Mission staff he served in his native city as chaplain of the Willard Parker Hospital, and was for a long time the efficient secretary of the New York Association of Kenyon College Alumni. He has a genial personailty and a manly way about him that ought to tell for superior work in a promising parish. Bishop Lloyd officiated at his institution.

Another official induction into office was that of the Rev. Dr. Van de Water, for many years rector of St. Andrew's in Harlem, now the successor of Dr. Barbour at the Church of the Beloved Discifor p bli Van influe York Cit speci | p 71st leg in the Spa rious and preading heares t long | nd The dv of th B

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strong personalities known perhaps better for public service than Church loyalty, Dr. Van de Water is the best known and most influential Episcopal clergyman in New York City. At one time he was a favorite special preacher at his alma mater, Cornell University. He was chaplain of the 71st Regiment at the Battle of Santiago in the Spanish-American War. He is a curious and pleasing mixture of very high and low in his methods of worship and preaching and he has enough of sentiment in his accurate public speech to lift his hearers to higher realms of thinking as well as feeling. His friends wish him a long and useful life in his present field.

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#### The Advent Corporate Communion of the Brotherhood

Once more the Brotherhood suggests to the men of the Church, as its call goes forth to its own members, that they gather in their parishes on the first Sunday in Advent (November 27) for the Corporate Celebration of the Holy Communion.

Last year over 66,000 cards announcing these services were procured by rectors from the Brotherhood's national headquarters for distribution among their men. And the cards are available this year to those who wish them at the usual rate of \$1.00 per hundred. Correspondence should be had with Mr. Spencer, executive secretary, at the Brotherhood office, 202 South Nineteenth Street, Philadelphia.

Although separated in hundreds of parishes and missions throughout the Church, this annual Celebration of the Holy Communion among her men has come to be a national event eagerly looked forward to by the clergy and laity participating; and the Brotherhood requests rectors everywhere to cooperate in furthering it among their confirmed men and boys.

Essentially a men's organization in the Church, the Brotherhood during the nearly four decades of its history has ever stressed the sacramental side of the Church's life, and it asks again only the privilege of being a helpful medium in order that on the coming First Sunday in the Church's new year more men and boys than ever will join in this holy sacrifice.

#### Church Behind on N. W. C.

Up to November 1st ten months, or 83 1-3 per cent of the current year, had passed, but only 56 1-2 of the year's income expected through the diocesan treasurers had been received by the national treasurer, leaving 43 1-2 to be paid in during November and December.

The amount of income expected from this source during 1921 was \$3,200,000. This estimate was made carefully and conservatively. It was based not only upon what the dioceses were actually doing but upon the pledges made.

Upon the basis of this estimate appropriations were made for 1921. The appropriations cannot be fully met unless at least this amount is received from this source.

It is unfortunate that delay in the payment of individual pledges and delay in the transmission of funds through parish and diocesan treasurers to the general

treasurer has made it necessary to collect so large a portion of the year's income in the closing days of the year. Such a situation could have been avoided by promptness and regularity in payment of large sums paid for interest on temporary loans made to keep the work going.

#### New Professor Installed at Berkeley

The installation of the Rev. Fleming James, Ph.D., as Professor of the Literature and Interpretation of the Old Testament at the Berkeley Divinity School, Middletown, Conn., took place in the Chapel of the School on Wednesday morning, Nov. 2, when a large number of alumni and friends of the school gathered for the ex-The Rt. Rev. C. B. Brewster, ercises. D. D., President of the Board of Trustees, announced the appointment of Professor James and made an address of welcome, mentioning some of the previous distinguished occupants of the chair of Old Testament, notably the Rt. Rev. Thomas F. Davies, D. D., former Bishop of Michigan, the Rev. Dr. W. H. Vibbert, and the Rev. John Binney, D. D, afterward Dean of Berkeley.

Dr. James then delivered the installation address, "Some Thoughts on the the Old Testament in Our Teaching of Seminaries." He said that the seminaries should train men to make use of the Old Testament both personally and socially, and to make the experiences and achievements of the heroes of the faith a contributory part of the experiences of mod-ern life. "There is doubt," he said, "about the practical value of the Old Testament at the present time, but nowhere, not even in the New Testament, can we find such a wealth of religious experiences and situations for our encouragement and instruc-If we do not appreciate this, it is tion. not Homer who nods, but we who are sleeping.

"We must go to the Bible itself, and not to books about the Bible, if we would get the best out of it. It is its own best interpreter. We must also make use or the best and most modern criticism, which has made the Old Testament no longer a book full of obstacles to faith, but has made it the Word of God in a new and living way. Who would return to the Old Testament of our grandfathers?

"If we study the Old Testament with a view to its bearing on the problems of modern life, the centuries drop out, and the old book meets living men face to It becomes not only a book of origins, but also a book of destiny. shows us not the roots but the fruits of religion."

After the installation address there were addresses of greeting to the new professor from the Rev. George C. Foley, D. D., of the Episcopal Divinity School, Philadelphia, on behalf of the delegates from other institutions; F. J. Kingsbury, Esq., of New Haven, on behalf of the Board of Trustees; the Rev. Theodore Sedgwick, rector of Calvary Church, New York, President of the Alumni Association, on behalf of the Association; and the Rt. Rev. E. C. Acheson, D. D., Suffargan Bishop, on behalf of the Diocese and the city of Middletown. "Middletown," said the Bishop, "is a city of traditions. In it was held the

first ordination of the Anglican Communion in all history out of the mother coun-It is probably the only city in America that has been the founder of two universities and a Divinity School, and it was here that the father of modern history, John Fiske, was born."

The delegates from sister institutions were the Rev. Professors Adams, of Trinity College; Dahl of the Yale Divinity School; Easton, of the General Theological Seminary; Foley of the Philadelphia Divinity School; Pratt of the Hartford Theological Seminary; Dean Ivens of Nashota Seminary, Wis., and Professor Howland

of Wesleyan University.

#### A Gift to Bishop Manning

The Bishop of London and other eminent Churchmen of England are a committee to present Bishop Manning, of New York, with a pastoral staff "as a symbol of the love which subsists between the two great branches of the Anglican communion, and of the respect which is felt for the Bishop's character and zeal in the cause of religious unity."

#### Pageant on Indian Work

At Victoria, Texas, an Indian Mission Pageant was held on Sunday October 30. This pageant had been prepared by Rev. D. A. Sanford, a former missionary among Indians.

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#### THE GOAL AND THE PRIZE

#### By Bishop Johnson.

On Advent Sunday we hit the trail for another year of Christian training.

On the Sunday before Advent we pray God to "stir up the wills of faithful peo-ple" that they may "plenteously bring forth the fruit of good works."

Stir up Sunday is a call for volunteers who will go into training for the vocation to which they are called.

There is something about training that is extremely distasteful to those who put self-indulgence first and who do not care enough for the game to put themselves to the personal inconvenience of training.

If St. Paul had seen a modern football team, trained to take any amount of gruelling punishment and trained further to go through the other line for substantial gains and the final touchdown, I have no doubt he would have had the same reaction as he had when he saw the athletic contests in the Corinthian arena.

"I punish my body and keep it in subjection lest that by any means, when I have preached to others. I myself should be a castaway."

He would have seen in the football contest the effect of careful training in the results.

It is the well trained athlete who can execute the intricacies of a difficult play and see it through.

It is the poorly trained athlete who has to be taken out of the game because he is completely exhausted.

Football is largely a matter of careful training and no one can hope to play the game well unless he is willing to take the

No amount of ability or strength can be effective until it has been trained to do its share in the team work which wins the victory, but as St. Paul says, "They do it to obtain a corruptible crown and we do it to obtain an incorruptible one."

The man who would win his victory over the forces of evil must first be willing to gain the victory over himself.

The most apparent weakness of the American people is their futile confidence that they can win spiritual victories without training.

For this reason we are forever starting things which we do not finish.

It is not at all difficult for the optimistic cheer leader to imagine victories and They want to seize the prize (salvation) (Copyright 2020. Archives of the Episcopal Church / DFMS. Permission required for reuse and publication.

to plan campaigns on paper, but it is only when that optimism is backed by a well trained team that imagination can become reality.

It is all right to hear inspirational leaders and they contribute mightily to the success of the team, but when these same inspirational leaders fancy that they can substitute enthusiastic conferences and eloquent cheers for conscientious training and practiced plays, they miss the mark inevitably.

It is an interesting but fatuous process to mark the successive laymen's movements and interdenominational campaigns that have been started enthusiastically by men of unusual personal force; then committed to local committees who meet and pass resolutions; and then entrusted to callow secretaries who persuade themselves that their cause is mighty by the extravagant way in which they spend money to further the same.

Of course such a team never makes a touchdown, because the vagueness of the plans is exceeded only by the incapacity of the players.

It is characteristic of American religious enthusiasm that it wishes to grab the prize without pressing toward the goat.

The Episcopal Church is awfully slow. We concede it. Most of the enthusiastic people seem to prefer to follow the cheer leaders than to go into training.

Consequently our team lacks enthusiasm and their teams lack training.

We want to get rich quickly and to get healed quickly and to get salvation quickly, and so we are in the exact frame of mind to be humbugged quickly in all these enterprises.

The blue sky is the only limit to our expectations, while most of those expectations land in the cemetery.

Our religion in America lacks staying qualities. We want to "march to Zion, the blessed city of God," on our enthu-

Consequently most of our players have to be taken out of the line long before the whistle blows.

We hate the tedious monotony of adequate training.

Given in a loud voice, some glittering generalities, the language of the street and a crowded tabernacle, and the devil is whipped already.

As a matter of fact he is about as scared as a well trained 'varsity team would be scared by the noise and enthusiasm of an ill trained high school team.

It is about time the American people learned that these methods are ineffective.

The more instantaneous the method of making saints, the less effective is the nation in establishing righteousness.

The more noisy the salvation, the less ethical the results.

Not that noise is wicked nor that it is wholly ineffective, but that mere noise without training will never reach the goal.

"Leaving those things that are behind let us press toward the goal for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus our Lord."

These cheer leaders have mixed up the goal and the prize most woefully.

without ever reaching the goal (which is the righteousness of Jesus Christ)

"Until we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ,"

But the Church still invites us to go into training, to gradually learn what is the unity of faith and to slowly acquire the knowledge of the Son of God in order that if possible we may attain our goal.

In order to make this training effective the Church has set forth a Church year in which we may ground ourselves in the knowledge of our faith.

Let us approach these various seasons with this intention, that we shall learn the lesson of each season so that we may have a knowledge of the Son of God and that we will take our place on the team and do our stunt faithfully in order that we may practice the unity of the faith.

As these seasons come around let us seek the particular note of each season and emphasize it in our faith and practice. What are these notes?

Advent. The preparation for Christ. In faith that from Abraham to John the Baptist God was preparing the world for

In practice that we are to prepare our souls for Christ's coming. We are to repent of our sins for the Kingdom is at

Christmas. The coming of Christ. In faith that "He was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary.'

In practice that Christ may dwell in our hearts. That our inn be not so full of other things, that there is no room for Him.

Epiphany. The acknowledgment of Christ.

In faith that the truly wise men of the earth have brought their gifts to Him;

In practice that we welcome Him not only with angelic songs but with our gifts of gold and incense and myrrh.

Lent. The trial of Christ's obedience. In faith that He learned obedience by the things that He suffered.

In practice that we learn the value of enduring all things for love of Him.

Easter. The victory of Christ's obedience.

In faith that He rose again from the dead and so overcame sin and death.

In practice that if we live in Him we too shall rise.

Ascension. The triumph of our Risen Humanity.

In faith that He now sitteth on the right hand of God to be our judge.

And in practice that we serve a living

Christ who knows our necessity. Whitsuntide. The promise of His Com-

forter. In faith that He sent the Holy Spirit to

be our guide and comfort. In practice that if we walk in the spirit

we shall reap the fruits of the spirit. Trinity Season. The fellowship of the

Holy Catholic Church. In faith that through Baptism and the

Holy Eucharist we are one body with Him. In practice that we endeavor to keep (Continued on page 8)

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By George Parkin Atwater VII

GETTING MEN FOR THE MINISTRY

Have you read Dr. Drury's articles in The Witness? If not turn back to your file of the paper and read them. They are not a "message" in the much abused sense of that word. They are not intended to have you "catch the vision" and then settle back with the virtuous air of one who has really accomplished something. They are a straightforward, vigorous, human and humorous presentation and proposal of a constructive effort to do something about the recruiting of boys for the

Dr. Drury is a schoolman, the head of one of the greatest schools in our land, St. Paul's, Concord. He was recently called to be the rector of Trinity Church, New York, to succeed Bishop Manning. That, in itself, is a vote of confidence which would overwhelm most men. Dr. Drury declined. There are no doubt several thousand parsons in our land who would look with awe upon the man who declined to be rector of Trinity.

Dr. Drury has made a proposal to the Church, that is worth tons of appeals. He suggests that we have a great conference of boys, several hundred boys, gathered at some suitable place before whom shall be placed the ministry of the Church, as a life work.

The need is very great. If we cannot get boys for the ministry from our best type of American families, and if we cannot get the very best sort of boys, manly, intelligent, hard-working and lovable boys, our Church will suffer a collapse from which a dozen Nation-wide Campaigns cannot rescue us.

Will the Church back this effort? I can imagine that some one will say that it is not provided for in the canons, or the rubrics or endorsed by the Presiding Bishop and Council, and that it has no promoter but a single noble man, Dr. Drury. What then? Are we so bound by red tape that we need a General Convention before we can act?

The heart of the question is this: Will you let your boy go to a conference, at which the claims of the Christian ministry will be presented? Are you willing to tell him that the ministry is a field for a life work that will develop every power he possesses, enlarge every interest of life, bring the most notable and durable satisfactions and provide a field for action that is challenging, stimulating and productive. He will become not a priest of the Church alone, but a pathfinder for the pioneers in the newer and greater ranges of life; a minister to America, at its best; an upholder of democracy; a preacher of the power of Christ.

Does it pay? A thousand times, yes. Oh, you meant in money? You want your boy to make money? Do you really want that? Sit down for a little while and think it out. Is money the only register

of success and usefulness and happiness. You have a lad whom you love, for whom you would do anything, make any sacrifice, provide any of the joys of life possible. Can money provide these things? Only in a most limited degree and up to a certain point. Our really great men are not working for money.

Would you take a beautiful bronze statue from your house and melt it down, and sell the metal for its pound value? Do you sell your copies of Browning and Ruskin and Holmes to a rag man for the price of paper?

You do not? Why do you want to provide for your boy a field of action measured in terms of money? If physicians worked for money the people would die of disease; if our most useful citizens worked for money, this republic would go

Let your boy have his chance. The ministry may be his chosen field. needs thousands of our finest boys, for the Church. Encouarge them to think of this field of service as of the highest importance. Give Dr. Drury a chance to impress your boy. He will not overpersuade him, or pledge him to any decision, or mislead him by any false hopes.

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#### **OBITUARY**

Resolutions adopted at a special meeting of the vestry of Grace Church, Port Huron, Michigan, on Monday, November 7, 1921:

Whereas, It has pleased Heavenly Father to permit the calling away from earthly life of our dear friend, Mortimer Willson, M. D., for thirty-five years vestryman, and for seventeen years senior warden of this parish:

Be it Resolved, That we, the rector and vestry of Grace Church, render our hearty thanks to Almighty God for His goodness in granting to us the companionship, counsel, and support of this His faithful servant, who, having finished his course in faith, doth now rest from his labors.

Be it Resolved, That we testify to the Church and to the world of his loyalty, generosity, and never failing self-sacrifice in behalf of his God and his fellow men, praying that grace may be given us to follow in his steps.

Be it further Resolved: That these resolutions be spread upon the records of our parish, and published in the public press of the Church and city, and that copies be sent to the family of our beloved friend.

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# G. K. Chesterton Writes About Progress

By A. Manby Lloyd

The Church Times has been aroused to fury by Lord Dawson's announcement that Christian morality need no longer restrain us in the matter of "birth control." The secular press has taken this up; one paper says that if the Church is to live it must move with the times; another that it must move with the world; another that we must recognize after all that we live in an industrial civilization. Which tempts me to the quotation of another critic, the lay-champion of Christendom, Mr. G. K. Chesterton.

#### Mr. Chesterton Hits Out

Writing in the New Witness, the famous editor says the forthcoming declaration (say in 1925) in favor of polygamy will cause no surprise. It is the obvious way of meeting the problem of the surplus of women. The case for the encouragement of prostitution will doubtless be as clearly and eloquently argued—it is itself a system of practical birth control. He is unable to see why all the insanities of Sodom and Gomorrah should not be justified by these journalists, as they were justified by the mad Manichees, on the same ground, that they all favor sterility or the suicide of a race.

He goes on to apply this argument to the industrial problem and I quote him verbatim: "Nothing could be more false to history than the statement that, if a Church is to live, it must move with the times. Looking back at the past, we can all see that exactly the opposite was the truth. It must be clearest of all to those who are even more revolutionary than we are. It must be obvious in a special sense to a Christian Socialist or a Christian Communist. A man like the Rev. Conrad Noel, for instance, regrets that the Christian churches made any compromise with the commercial process at all; and certainly the Churches did it because such a process was regarded as progress. The Church was moving with the times. It was the desire to keep pace with the 16th and 17th centuries, or with the new economic sciences of the 18th and 19th centuries. It was the reluctant resolution to move with the times; when they were moving towards Manchester and Belfast. From the point of view of a very 'advanced' person like Father Noel, it would have been far better if the Church had never advanced at all. He would compare us unfavorably with early Christians because we are not early enough."

The Church of England, says Mr. Chesterton, always entangles itself with some snobbery or some tyranny, whenever it is so unwise as to listen to worldly wisdom. For instance, "the Renaissance was full of an intellectual enthusiasm for statecraft; and especially for king-craft. Its ideal figure was the Prince of Machiavelli, who might be not unfairly called the Prince of this World. Therefore the Bishops who followed Henry VIII basked in the blaze of glory that surrounded the almost theat-Copyright 2020. Archives of the Episcopal Church / DFMS. Permission required for reuse and publication.

rical throne of Elizabeth. And therefore they found themselves, in the very next generation, tied hand and foot to the Divine Right of Kings; and all that had prospered with Elizabeth perished with Charles the First. Monarchy had become a monomania; but only because it had very recently been the modern thing. Meanwhile the same mistake was soon made on the other side. Religion reacted towards Puritanism: Puritanism was the new and progressive thing; Puritanism was the spirit of the times; and the Church began to move with the times. The result was that, two hundred years afterwards, people came crawling out of the coal-cellars of a horrible Calvinism, where they had been locked up and forgotten by the first reformers, when they decided to move. The blindest Toryism was the legacy of progress in one age; the blackest Calvinism was the legacy of progress in the other. We have the power to leave to our posterity many such legacies of chains and dakrness and stupidity and slavery; we have only to follow the latest fashions and accept the newest ideas."

#### Mr. Chesterton Sums Up

Society, he says, especially industrial society, has advanced into a blind alley. where it has not either the madness to go forward or the manhood to go back. And this is the last word . . . the secular world is not leading. It is not even moving, it is drifting towards barbarism and slavery. And this is the very simple answer to nearly everything written in the newspapers about Progress and the Church. "The Church cannot move with the times; simply because the times are not moving. The Church can only stick in the mud with the times, and rot and stink with the times. In the economic and social world, as such, there is no activity except that sort of automatic activity that is called decay; the withering of the flowers of freedom and their decomposition into the aboriginal soil of slavery. The Church has much the same task as it had at the beginning of the Dark Ages; to save all the light and liberty that can be saved, to resist the downward drag of the world, and to wait for better days. A real Church might be able to do more. It might make its Dark Ages something more than a seed-time. It might present its more human ideal in such abrupt and at-

tractive a contrast to the inhuman trend of the times, as to inspire men suddenly for one of the moral revolutions of history; so that men now living shall not taste of death until they have seen justice return. We do not want a Church that will move with the world. We want a Church that will move the world. It is by that test that history will really judge, of any Church, whether it is real Church or

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#### By James Sheerin

Vestries of churches sometimes have some pretty small men on them. When a New York Times reporter asked a certain vestryman of Ascension Church if the vestry was going to ask Dr. Grant to resign, he replied in a straight negative, giving this as an explanation: "We don't believe in that small town stuff. not Oshkosh, Wisconsin. This is New York City." It is talk like this from a junior vestryman that makes New York provincial and the West resentful. If a thing is right in Oshkosh it must be right in New York. If broad Churchmanship is to peter out into mere breaking of laws canonical or moral, its days as a helpful part of Christianity are numbered. If, as I said in a former article, there is to be a row between East and West in religion, it will be as bad for the Church as the same spirit is for the nation when East and West, South and North are arranged against each other in politics. \* \* \*

About five years ago it was one of the religious events of my life to be escorted toward midnight by the Rev. Dr. Washburn, rector of Old Christ Church in Philadelphia, to see the wonderful rescue mission work done by one known from a human rather than an ecclesiastic standpoint as "Father" Hall. I had the pleasure of saying some complimentary things of him and his work in The Witness the next week. I note now, in a letter published Oct. 22, that Mr. Hall has derogatory things to say of W. B. S., managing editor of The Witness, for having the courage to publish some of his contributions as to present day prohibition. He also refers to me as "the brilliant New York correspondent," whose views as to theatres he certainly does not like. The trouble with me is that I am neither brilliant nor a mere "correspondent," rescuers or bishops to the contrary notwithstanding! I am very proud of being an "editor" with the right to views of his own, subject to censorship of anybody who does not like them, but with the right of full publication in The Witness, so long as they are decent, without being edited or ruled out by anybody. Along with this high and lofty claim goes another pride, that with Bishop Sage I was one of the founders of The Witness, and I am very hopeful that it will long live to publish religious truth as conceived by unbiased writers.

Well, then, as to prohibition: It may have reduced the work of some rescue missioners, but it has not as yet reduced the number of drunkards, as recent figures show in Boston, New York and Brooklyn. I have personally seen more drunkenness and suffered more from drunken employes in the last two years than in the previous ten, and there are other anxious observers who say the same. It is a profound mistake to take prohibtion as a final cure. It is no more a cure than aspirin is for headaches. Aspirin will stop a great many headaches, but it will never cure any. Nor will we ever get anywhere in a real cure will we ever get anywhere in a real cure 5 East 48th St. (112th Year Permission required by reuse and publication for reuse and reuse and reuse and reuse are reused for reuse and reuse and reuse are reused for reused for reused for reused for reused for reused for reuse

questions in the interests of one exclusive method of attack on the evils of intoxica-

As to the theater, I estimate that I have written on something like 1000 subjects in The Witness, and have referred to the theater and actors about three or possibly five times out of all that thousand. Am I to assume from Mr. Hall that no good was done since he objects to three items? The truth is that it takes a pretty clear unprejudiced head to discern the truth in a method of doing good that is affirmative and not based on one theory alone. Rescuers are needed for the few stray sheep, but Churchmen and statesmen are needed to direct a multitude aright that has no need of rescuing from drunkenness or other filthy conditions of merely inhuman things. Here is a multitude going astray as sheep without a shepherd in literature and education and art and the drama. They are as ten to one, or 1000 to one when compared with the few night prowlers of circumscribed bad habits which a midnight mission can pick up. Are they, this much greater crowd, to have no shepherds, no rescuers? I am entirely in earnest, in these few direct words, in urging the Church's bounden duty to point out the evil and the good in the things people enjoy. If I can in a small way share successfully in this sort of fundamental work I shall be most happy, for I shall have helped save millions fall into the condition where the rescuer gets his mere tens or his several hundreds. A man or woman who learns to discriminate in moral acts and social customs is on the high road to perfection, and such is the sublime object of bringing into these columns every phase of human life that Furthermore, it needs moral attention. may be that Mr. Hall has heard of the great dictum, "Truth through Personali-One can bring a person, an actor, or

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a preacher, like Grant for example, into a discusison without agreeing with all he does, and yet pin to his personality a great declaration of truth which will be read all the more clearly and convincingly because it has been made a part of a man who appeals to his fellows by his personal fascination. It will not do for preachers of the gospel, in fashionable church or struggling mission, to scorn the application of the same gospel to the great departments of life where men and women feel the most enthusiasm. The theater may need reforming, though not as much as some think. What it most needs is wise use by those who call themselves the children of light without being as quick in natural perception of what is right to do as are

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#### THE EDITORIAL

(Continued from page 4) the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace.

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