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Ku Klux Klan Disowned by the Federal Council

Churches Declare Christianity and Patriotism Need No Mask Behind Which to Hide Convention News Publicity Department Furnished Material in Ac-

cordance With Recognized Standards

Secular Newspapers Featured

The mistaken impression that the Ku Klux Klan deserves, and is receiving the support of the Protestant Churches has led the Federal Council of the Churches to make its position clear and unmistakable. A full statement was made by the Administrative Committee of the Council at its last meeting.

While not mentioning the Ku Klux Klan by name, the Council's action declares that any organization whose membership is secret, oath-bound, and disguised, and which tends to foster racial or class prejudice, has no real right to speak in the name of the Christian Church.

The statement is as follows:

"The Administrative Committee of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America records its strong conviction that the recent rise of organizations whose members are masked, oath-bound and unknown, and whose activities have the effect of arousing religious prejudice and racial antipathies, is fraught with grave consequences to the Church and to society at large. Any organization whose activities tend to set class against class or race against race is consistent neither with the ideals of the churches nor with true patriotism, however vigorous or sincere may be its professions of religion and Americanism.

"Evils of lawlessness and immorality however serious, can never be remedied by secret, private and unauthorized action. They must be handled by the State and by the recognized forces of education. For groups of individuals wearing masks and concealing their identity to pass judgment on men and women and to carry out humiliating measures of their own devising, is subversive of every principle of civilized government, and undermines respect for the established agencies of law and order.

"Any body of men, unidentified and banded together to achieve in a partisan spirit the purposes of a sectional, political, racial or sectarian group, is almost certain to fall into the very evils of mob rule against which the spirit of Christian democracy and Americanism makes vigorous and constant protest. Even if they resort to no unworthy deeds themselves, their practice of carrying on their plans in disguise or under cover of darkness encourages others to do likewise, and so affords the opportunity for all manner of lawlessness to be carried on with immunity from arrest or punishment. However true it is that in



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some communities religious organizations seek a control over municipal administration which is undemocratic and highly undesirable, yet for another body of men, secret and oath-bound, to undertake to get control is equally intolerable, even if they seek with all sincerity to wrest it from the control of other groups.

"The Administrative Committee of the Federal Council of the Churches is opposed to any movement which overrides the processes of law and order, and which tends to complicate and make more difficult the work of cooperation between the various political, racial and religious groups in the Republic. No such movements have the right to speak in the name of Protestantism and the churches are urged to exert every influence to check their spread."

(This statement conforms in spirit to the resolution passed by the General Convention.)

Norman Hapgood Speaks to Church Group

The Church League for Industrial Democracy held its first meeting of the season on Thursday, October 12, at 352 West 27th Street, at 6:45 p. m. Mr. Norman Hapgood spoke, his subject being "Coal." The meeting was preceded by intercessions at 5:30 and supper at 6 (35c).

At other meetings during the winter the following subjects will be taken up; Transportation; Psychological Factors in Labor Problems; Steel; The Textile Industry; Craft Unionism and Industrial Unionism.

An outstanding feature of the Portland Convention was the widespread publicity given to its proceedings in the columns of the newspaper press of the country. The bare statistics in this connection tell their own story. In the first place, the Convention had advance advertising such as no General Convention has ever had before in the history of the Church. The Publicity Department arrived in Portland with 2500 columns of newspaper clippings dealing directly and by name with the important gathering which was about to assemble and the vital matters which awaited its consideration. In addition to this were 2500 columns of clippings of news matter, covering every phase of the work of the Church whose 47th General Convention was about to meet.

On this foundation were laid the plans for securing the widest possible publicity for the ensuing deliberations of the body. The entire plant of the Publicity Department was shipped in bulk to Portland. It was set up in a press headquarters immediately at the rear of the stage in the Portland Auditorium, where, in two rooms, one for the working staff and the other for the use of the representatives of the press, there was constant activity from the day of the assembling of the conference of Bishops, August 30, until the final scenes of the Convention on September 23rd. In addition to the representatives of the religious press of the country there came the special correspondents of a group of great metropolitan newspapers, as well as staff men of the four big press associations.

The task of the Publicity Department was to supply these news writers with every essential written document which proceeded from the gathering, as well as to interpret the various acts of the Convention, to insure the comfort and convenience of the correspondents and to facilitate in every possible way the prompt and efficient handling of the great mass of news which broke on all sides throughout the period of the Convention.

The results of the Department's work speak for themselves. Never in the history of the Church has its activities been reported in the secular press in such generous and amazing volume or with greater or more uniform accuracy. Counting the preliminary conference of the Bishops, the Convention of 1922 lasted through a period of thirty days. In that time the Portland (Continued on page 6)

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GENERAL NEWS OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Canadian Churchmen Organize Catholic Fellowship

The Catholic Fellowship owes its existence to a group of men in Toronto, who, in conference, have been led to feel that a catholic-minded explorative fellowship might make an enduring contribution in the direction of Christian Unity, and accomplish positive results.

Members of different communions, they have nevertheless certain convictions in common, which they have endeavored to express in the basis given below. Belief in the necessity of the Church and in its redemptive character as the body of Christ is naturally fundamental. But the Church's career has been disturbed by sin, intolerance and division, and for generations various groups of Christians have developed their own peculiar polity and devotional life. Out of the total experience, what is really worth preserving? What has the old to give to the new, and the new to the old? Are Catholic tradition and freedom of thought in essential opposition? How can we be at once true to the Faith and true to knowledge?

The confession of faith in "the grace of Sacraments, the sacrificial significance of worship, the necessity of expressing devotion in visible forms, and the value of appeal through the senses to the soul," indicates the standpoint of the Fellowship in regard to the forms and ceremonies of the Church. By "the sacrificial signifi-cance of worship" is meant the identification of the faithful in worship with the sacrificial life and death of the Savior. It is a way of saying, that Christian worship is very much more than the hearing of sermons and listening to prayers and singing of hymns. Its supreme intention is seen in the corporate act of penitence, adoration and consecration in the Holy Communion.

Drawn together by this common point of view, and by the vision of a truly Catholic and united Church, the members of the Catholic Fellowship hope to discover a way out of the present ecclesiastical impasse.

At all events, laying aside denominational prejudice, and trying sympathetically and with good will to understand one another's religious experience and needs, they are making this adventure of faith in the name of Christ, and in the confidence that the movement will commend itself to Christian people.

"Affirming our belief in the Holy Catholic Church as the Body of Christ and the organ by which He is redeeming the world. and desirous of realizing the fulness of the Catholic heritage, we would explore and appropriate all that is essential and helpful to life, faith and worship and order, in the experience of the whole Church. endeavoring to combine Christian faith with freedom of thought. We believe in the grace of Sacraments, the sacrificial significance of worship, the necessity of expressing devotion in visible forms, and the value of appeal through the senses to the soul. We also seek, through fellowship, to put an end to the divisions, strifes and animosities which sin against brotherhood and rend the Body of Christ."

The Honorary Presidents are the Bishop of Kootenay and Professor, the Rev. T. B. Kilpatrick, D. D., of Knox College, and the Rev. R. P. Bowles, D. D., Chancellor of Victoria Methodist College, Toronto; the President is the Rev. Prof. R. Davidson, D. D., of Knox College, Toronto, and the Secretary is the Rev. A. E. Bruce, Pickering, Ontario. All Christian people who are in sympathy write the Secretary, who will be glad to give further information. The Fellowship is open to all adult members of all recognized communions.

Opening Meetings of

Young People's Service League

With the splendid start given the Young People's Service League this year, the chapters in Kentucky should go forward and do great things, for they were unusually fortunate in having with them for several days the Reverend W. A. Jonnard of Savannah, Georgia.

Mr. Jonnard came on Friday, September 22nd, and on that evening at St. Andrew's he spoke very informally to the Council and representatives of the various leagues. He told of work being done elsewhere and asked and answered questions concerning our work and young people's work in general.

The last meeting with Mr. Jonnard was the first united meeting of the year and practically all the Leagues were well represented. In his address that evening Mr. Jonnard pointed out the dangers incidental to young people's organizations and urged care and seriousness in planning the year's work.

This year most of the Leagues are going to follow the program of working in the Five Fields. The challenge of the Five Fields has been put before them and it is up to them to meet that challenge. This can be done only by working conscientiously in each one of the five fields during the special time for each.

Missionary to Colored People Has Anniversary

The Rev. E. H. Oxley, D. D., missionary to the colored people of the city of Cincinnati, and in charge of St. Andrew's Church, celebrated the tenth anniversary of his pastorate on October 8th, and several days following, with a series of interesting services and social events. Archdeacon Dodson and Canon Reade were among the special speakers and letters and telegrams of congratulations were numerous. The church has a very influential place in the city.

Dr. Herron in Charge

of Cincinnati Cathedral

The Very Rev. Dean and Mrs. S. B. Purves who leave shortly for Augusta, Maine, where Dean Purves has accepted the rectorate of St. Mark's, have been the objects of many social and friendly attentions. The Cincinnati Clericus presented the Dean with a handsome Gladstone bag and the Clerica showed their appreciation of Mrs. Purves with the gift of a fine piece of Rookwood pottery. The Rev. J. D. Herron, D. D., will take temporary charge of the Cathedral congregation, and many Cincinnati friends will give Dr. and Mrs. Herron a hearty welcome.

Dr. Sturgis Visits

Diocese of Bethlehem

The program of the National Council was presented last week to the diocese of Bethlehem by Dr. Sturgis, the Educational Secretary. Four institutes were held in four different sections of this large diocese. The first one was in Christ Church, Towanda; the next one in St. Stephen's Church, Wilkes-Barre; the third in St. Mark's, Mauch Chunk, and the last in Christ Church, Reading. These institutes were "one day stands." In the afternoon, Dr. Sturgis held a conference, giving an opportunity for questions. In the evening he gave a summary of the aims of the National Organization.

The Archdeacon and the Bishop spoke on diocesan affairs at all of these meetings. Practically all of the clergy attended these institutes and the great majority of the parish chairmen. This year the diocese thus starts its campaign with a clearer vision of the task.

Alaska Missionary Visits

Cincinnati Parishes

The Rev. W. A. Thomas of Point Hope, Alaska, is making a tour of the parishes of Cincinnati and giving talks on the Church's work inside the Arctic Circle, which are decidedly interesting.

Jewish Christian Addresses

Philadelphia Clergy

The Rev. John L. Zacker, who has been doing very fine work among the Jewish people of Philadelphia, read an interesting paper before the clerical Brotherhood of Philadelphia on October 2nd. He dealt with the Jewish race historically, showing that they were great religious leaders, and he very clearly pointed out the attractiveness of Christianity to the Jews, and the great need of the race for the Christian faith.

Congregational Leaders Will "Labor" With Dr. Orchard

The recent announcement that Dr. Orchard, pastor of King's Weigh House of London, was ordained some years ago by Rev. Vernon Herford who claims to be a Bishop of the Syro-Chaldean Church, has produced widespread astonishment in Great Britain. Dr. Orchard now has a triple ordination in the Congregational, Presbyterian and Episcopal orders. That he should have accepted ordination at the hands of a man regarded by many as an ecclesiastical adventurer has greatly pained many Congregationalists. Dr. Horton says of the incident, "If I accepted what Dr. Orchard appears to believe, I should have felt it incumbent on me to sacrifice everything and to have joined the Roman Catholic Church. That, as I conceive, is the only logical action for anyone in that position.'

Two Famous English Preachers Invited to America

Dean Ingle of St. Paul's Cathedral, London, has been invited to preach a series of sermons at Grace Church, New York. The invitation was extended by Dr. Slattery, who is to be consecrated Bishop Coadjutor of Massachusetts the last of this month. Dean Inge is without doubt one of the world's leading preachers.

A report is also current that the Rev. Studdert Kennedy, the famous British chaplain, better known as "Woodbine Willie," has been invited to America by one of our seminaries.

Catholics Admit Defections in Bohemia

When the first reports began to come through the large defection from the membership of the Roman Catholic Church in Bohemia, Roman Catholic newspapers in this country were inclined to ridicule the reports. Information now comes by way of the Vatican which leaves no room for doubt. According to these sources, the Catholic membership in Bohemia has fallen from 98 per cent of the population to 73 per cent. Some of the most eminent of former Catholic prelates now wear the John Huss badge openly. The newly organized national church has 500,000 members, and other denominations have also grown.

Starts Question Box

at Evening Service

Canon William Sheafe Chase, D.D., rector of Christ Church, Bedford Ave., near Division Street, Brooklyn, in the Sunday evening prayer service at his church recently established a "Question Box." Questions on religion and other matters are submitted by the members of the congregation and the pastor answers them at the service the following week. Canon Chase said that the purpose of this is "to turn the pulpit into a teacher's desk." The Near East situation was discussed, in answer to two questions, by the Rev. Clarence D. Ussher, who served for over 20 years as a missionary and relief worker in Turkey.

Tiny Paper Issued by New York Church

A tiny paper, "Brotherly Words," is issued each week by the Church of the Holy Communion, New York. It is more than an announcement folder, for it has a warm personal touch that formal announcement cards, so generally used by churches, lack. It contains important announcements written very personally, together with any message the rector wishes to convey to his parishioners. It is neatly printed altogether a splendid piece of publicity work.

The New National Center, Girls' Friendly Society

In the spring of 1922 the Girls' Friendly Society in America started a National Center in Washington, D. C. Now that this Center has become established, it will be of interest to Church people to know that they are welcome at this rest-room and information center, conducted by one of the largest organizations of the Episcopal Church.

The National Center of the Girls' Friendly Society in America is located at 1624 H. Street, N. W., and is called the Elizabeth Roberts Memorial, after the late Mrs. Thomas Roberts, of Riverton, N. J., who, for many years, was the president of the National Society. The loving-cup presented to Mrs. Roberts by the members of the society many years ago, has been presented to the Elizabeth Roberts Memorial by the heirs of Mrs. Roberts.

At these rooms there is someone in daily attendance, who is ready to give all visitors as well as Friendly girls a welcome. Already the register bears witness to the need of this Centre as we find that people from the most remote Dioceses have visited the rooms during the short period since they were opened.

It is hoped that the Elizabeth Roberts Memorial will ultimately become a large enterprise, to include lodgings, cafeteria, recreational activities, and a place for the demonstration of G. F. S. work. While this is to be for members of the society, the G. F. S., as is well known, is one of the largest missionary and social service agencies of the Church, because it reaches out to all girls of every creed and class. The Elizabeth Roberts Memorial is, and will be, no exception to this policy.

This National Center should not be confused with the national headquarters of the Girls' Friendly Society in America, at 15 East 40th Street, New York, nor with the twenty holiday houses, ten lodges and lunchrooms and community centers conducted throughout the country by the Diocesan organizations of the Girls' Friendly Society in America.

The National Committee of the Elizabeth Roberts Memorial is composed of: Chairman, Miss Julia J. Cunningham, President Diocese of Maryland, 417 N. Charles Street, Baltimore; chairman of Washington Committee, Mrs. John C. Boyd, Washington, Chairman National Finance Committee; Mrs. H. I. Bolton, Washington, president Diocese of Wash-ington; Mrs. Robert Codman, Boston, National Executive Board; Miss Sarah B. Hopkins, Acting National President, Worcester, Mass.; Miss Mary Hunter, Portsmouth, Va., Diocesan President, South-ern Virginia; Miss Margaret C. Maule, Philadelphia, head of National Social Service Department; Miss Mary A. L. Neilson, chairman Organization Committee, G. F. S. A., Philadelphia; Mrs. F. L. Norton,

Cazenova, N. Y., National Central Council; Miss Frances W. Sibley, Detroit, Mich., National President.

Another Excellent

Parish Paper

Another fine parish paper is "Church and Home," the paper for All Saints' Church, Omaha, Nebraska, the Rev. Thomas Casady, rector. Issued weekly, it contains not only the important announcements but a message from the rector, a beautiful Sunday meditation, together with news of the parish. Yet with this wealth of material it contains but four small pages and therefore appeals to the modern man and woman who wants his news in a hurry.

NOTICE TO CHURCHES SECURING BUNDLES

Complaints have been received at The Witness office that papers intended for sale on Sunday morning do not arrive until Monday. The Witness is mailed from our plant not later than Wednesday afternoon certainly in ample time to reach most places by Saturday. We therefore ask you kindly to be patient until we hear from the appeal for better service which we sent to the Post Office authorities.

> William B. Spofford, Managing Editor.

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The General Convention of 1922

Adopted The Following Resolutions:

"RESOLVED: The House of Deputies concurring, that the services of the American Bible Society in translating, publishing and circulating the Holy Scriptures in many languages, and in all parts of the world, be recognized as indispensable; and that the work of this Society be cordially commended to the churches and missions of this Church for consideration, especially on the

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THE BIG IDEAL

By Bishop Johnson.

It was an exceedingly difficult thing for our Lord to get His disciples to put the emphasis in their lives where He put the emphasis in His life.

They were confidently looking for the time when the Son of David would restore to Israel a kingdom of this world, although He told them plainly that His kingdom was not of this world.

They wanted to call down fire from Heaven upon all those who resisted the Gospel, while He forgave His enemies and tried to overcome their enmity by the power of His love.

They were impressed by the miracles that He performed and the loaves and fishes that He increased, while He wanted them to follow Him because they loved Him.

In consequence our Lord's ministry was hindered as much by the inability of His disciples to comprehend His message as it was by the efforts of His enemies to resist it.

Wherever in the early Church, a group of people really caught the spirit of Christ, there was manifested the power of Christ.

The real power of the Gospel must be preceded by a true understanding of the Gospel. The weakness of the Church in any community is not due so much to the antagonism of the forces that are without as it is to the failure of His disciples to manifest His spirit.

The Christian who is fussing about the obstacles that confront him is missing his opportunity. He should be developing the resources that are within his reach, and, if he persistently seeks the grace of the Christ, He will eventually manifest the power of the Christ, by overcoming these obstacles.

Those who do His will shall know His doctrine and those who know the truth as it is in Him, shall be made free from the anxiety and bitterness which otherwise awaits them.

If a savage who was confronted by enemies should discover a machine gun, he would not worry because he had no ammunition, for he would not know what it was or how to use it.

But if a soldier were to find a gun, he

would at once be earnestly looking for ammunition, and would not be content until he had found it.

Those who are ignorant of grace are indifferent; those who know about grace are fretful; those who seek grace are powerful when they find it.

There is tremendous power in the grace of Christ when you have sought and found it.

What then is grace? How can one find it? How can one use it, when found? "The Law by Moses." It is a potent

"The Law by Moses." It is a potent force in maintaining order and making it possible to live.

But the law is not a power for righteousness, so much as it is a preventative from evil. There is no inspiration to be had from contemplating a statute-book, a jail or a policeman.

The youth who contemplates these things may "back away from Hell"; he scarcely will be attracted toward Heaven.

St. Paul intimates that the law kills but does not give life.

Legal righteousness did not appeal to Christ. In fact, those who trusted in the law were His bitterest enemies. So are they now. The law is necessary where experience or idealism is lacking. It is the fence with which we surround children. It is the prison wall which separates the malicious from the innocent.

It is the nemesis which punishes the wrong-doer.

"Thou shalt not" is a necessary precaution for keeping this world decent; it is not an inspiration toward eternal life.

"Grace comes by Jesus Christ."

What is His grace but the power of His love seeking so to lead us as dear children, that having tasted and seen how good the Lord is, we shall hunger and thirst for His righteousness so that when He shall appear we shall be enough like Him to dwell with Him in those heavenly mansions which He has prepared for those who love Him.

Law is the justice that an employer ought to give to his employees, who do not want charity and would not appreciate paternalism if it was extended.

Grace is the loving care and discipline that a father bestows upon his son so that this son may inherit all that he has—mere justice will not make a good father. Love must be added, but love can operate only when it is met by confidence and love.

We are no more servants, but God has sent His spirit into our hearts, whereby we call Him, "Father," and cease to think of Him merely as dynamic force or creative energy.

In short, God calls us through Christ to an intimate personal relationship with Him and we draw back, like suspicious employees and dictate the terms on which we are willing to serve Him on this world. He offers us His love and we withdraw

into our rights and invoke the law. If we really love much, He will forgive

much, but if we rest in the law, He will enforce the law.

Grace therefore is God's effort to lift us out of the servant class into the sonship; a dangerous thing for God to do unless we are able to carry into the new relationship, the spirit of a son. How can we find grace? Manifestly by changing our attitude toward God.

(1) By being converted (from the Latin converto-to turn around.)

We have had our backs to God, engaged in earning our own wages as servants: we turn around toward God, seeking to share with Him in our new relationship of sons.

(2) By repenting. (The Greek word means "to change your mind.")

You have demanded of God that He give you freedom to make your fortune and to do with it as you please.

You change your mind and put yourself and your future at His disposal, for He has become your father.

(3) By experiencing religion, which does not mean that you have an emotional thrill because you have become a child of the King, but rather that you have put on Christ, who is the beloved son, in seeking to acquire those qualities of sonship which Christ manifested.

For what use can we put grace when we find it?

Well to what use can a real son put His father's loving help?

He can abuse it by leaning on it entirely. He can go on letting his father support him, evading responsibility, seeking his own comfort, becoming a worthless and useless son.

There is another use to which we can put the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and that is to welcome a father's love in order that we may learn to be like Him.

As Christ accepted responsibility in His father's name, so must we if we be sons.

As Christ forgave those in whom He saw His Father's image, so must we.

Sonship is not using our father for our own security. Sonship is cooperating with our father in His work that He may be glorified in that work.

The Church is apt to be a disappointment if we think of it in terms of its membership.

There are so many who welcome the promises of Christ who do not accept the responsibility that is attached to those promises.

The very fact that the Church sets forth a high ideal is the reason why it contains so many failures.

If the Church required little, it would be easy to be a witness to Christ.

If the Church would only sanctify our prejudices it would be easy to live up to those prejudices.

If the Church would only consecrate our selfishness it would be easy to be consistent Churchmen. But the Church like her Master requires much; it goes contrary to our prejudices; it rebukes our selfishness; therefore few there be who show forth the Lord in His fulness.

The Church sets forth a big ideal to little people and they, discontented with the bigness of Christ choose some little leader who comforts them by endorsing their prejudices and sanctifying their selfishness, and they leave the big ideal and fill themselves with petty importance and trivial ideals.

The Church has not failed, but we have failed to comprehend the dimensions of Christ and the obligations of His service.

Cheerful Confidences

A CHURCH COUNCIL

By Rev. George Parkin Atwater, D.D.

"Why do you stay so long at Vestry meetings?" inquired the wife of a vestryman, as her husband returned home about 11:30 o'clock.

"You see, I am a pillar of the Church," answered the vestryman cheerfully, "and I must attend to my duties." "Yes, you are a pillar, a pillar of smoke

by night, I should say by the odor from your clothes."

It was only too true. The Vestry enjoyed their meetings. They had been ves-trymen a long time. They exchanged views on many subjects after the regular business was disposed of.

The problem of allowing other men in the parish to share in the interest and comradeship created within the Vestry, has long occupied my attention. I realize that because the vestrymen know more of the affairs of the parish, they are the more interested.

So I created a Parish Council of Men. It consists of about fifty men, who by reason of service or interest are invited to join the Council. The Council has no canonical standing but it is effective. All the vestrymen are members of the Council.

It is very pleasant to have a substantial body of men into whose membership a newcomer may be invited.

Last year I found in the congregation an ardent Churchman, a man who had been a vestryman in a large parish. He had just moved to our city. It would be many years before he could find a place on our Vestry, probably. But I invited him at once to membership on the Council and at the next meeting he was introduced to many men of the parish and was informed as to parish affairs.

The Council, of course, cannot legislate, as the Vestry can, but it can recommend. Before the Council is laid every large parish plan, every campaign, every project for extension. The men undertake many enterprises. They are interested, because they are informed, and because they have work to do.

"Lengthen the cords and strengthen the stakes" might well be the motto of the Parish Council.

Religion and the Press

By Rev. Thomas F. Opie

Time was when it was as difficult for a religious writer to "burst into print" as for a pen actually to counterbalance a sword! The columns of the daily and weekly press were "a closed door" to religious themes. And the writer of religious stuff was persona non grata to the weekly and monthly magazines. But times have changed.

Hardly is there an important daily, metropolitan or rural, in the land, which does not at least once a week, and in many instances, every day of issuance, contain several "sticks," often as many columns

of matter purely religious in its nature and purport.

Many great dailies have at their "masthead" a text from the Bible-ahead, even of the leading editorial. Many others have daily "five-minute sermons," "four-minute essays," "meditations," etc., etc., on their editorial pages. Every reader of the principal daily papers of America is familiar with Dr. Frank Crane's "feature stuff," copyrighted by the author. He can "preach" to more people by the millions from his "pulpit in the press," than from even a great city rostrum.

And scores of dailies carry weekly the International Sunday School lessons, with copious and timely comments by scholars of the church. Many feature their Sunday editions with a leading editorial on some religious subject. Of late a great many of the city papers have begun a series of Bible lessons once a week prepared and syndicated by no less a personage than the Hon. William Jennings Bryan. Others have a weekly sermon, written by one of the local pastors. These are read literally by thousands of people, many of whom never hear a sermon in a church-because they do not frequent the church!

As to the popular magazines, their space has been given over by the page to religious articles, stories and comments and discussions. In fact practically all the big weekly and monthly periodicals are now running contributions from time to time that are essentially religious and carry a purely spiritual message.

It is a good and wholesome sign and one immensely encouraging in the face of the fact that church attendance has fallen off somewhat in the last few years. The press is a powerful ally to the pulpit. May it never grow less.



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Newspapers Featured **Convention** News

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newspapers alone printed over 500 columns of news stories and illustrations referring to the proceedings. The illustrations were an especially notable feature, and included, in addition to hundreds of single photographs of important personages in attendance upon the Convention, great group photographs of the House of Bishops, the House of Deputies and the Woman's Auxiliary-this pictorial display alone representing an expenditure of \$5,000 by the enterprising Portland newspapers.

Elsewhere the response of the newspapers to the appeal of the Cause was equally gratifying. It is not possible yet to present any accurate total of the amount of matter which the newspapers printed on the Convention outside of Portland. In the headquarters of the National News Bureau in New York, there are already 6,637 separate clippings furnished by a clipping bureau, from newspapers throughout the United States dealing with the Convention's work; and these clippings are still pouring in. When the fact is considered that the most efficient clipping bureau never secures more than 50 per cent of the total amount printed by newspapers on any given subject, the tremendous publicity which the 47th General Convention secured becomes apparent.

In recognition and appreciation of the work of the Publicity Department the General Convention at its closing session unanimously adopted resolutions thanking the Department; and the Christian Work, in its issue of October 7th, in an editorial on the Convention makes this comment: "The Publicity given the recent General

Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, held in Portland, Oregon, indicates one of two things, either that the nation has really become interested in religion and the work of the Church, or that most perfect publicity methods were employed. It may have been a little of both, but the fact is that the daily papers of the United States devoted whole columns to the proceedings daily."

The truth probably is that there is a reawakened interest in religion and the work of the Church throughout the nation, and that this reawakening is due in appreciable measure to the campaign of education which the Publicity Department has been conducting in the columns of the daily newspaper press of the country for the past eighteen months. Except in so far as it has been made the humble agency through which these results have been secured, the Publicity claims no especial credit for the achievement. Out of the Portland Convention has emerged a new force for the promotion of the Cause of our Lord. It is a force which has always been ready at hand, though for one reason or another little understood or availed of; but which now, as a result of practical demonstration, must be reckoned among the potent agencies for encompassing the work of the Master.

Concretely put, what has been shown is first, that the Church has a real story to tell, interesting, vital and of far-reaching consequence, and entitled on its merits to a place in the columns of the daily press along with the other active agencies of the day and generation; and second, that the newspaper press of the country recognizes this fact and is willing and even eager to print the news of the Church when it is furnished to the newspapers in accordance with recognized newspaper standards. One of the amazing paradoxes of modern civilization is the failure heretofore of the newspaper and the Church, the two most potential influences in our civilization, to understand each other and to work in close co-operation. If, as the result of the publicity effort at Portland, the time is at hand when Church and Press are to work together, a long step forward has been taken in the promotion of the Kingdom on earth.

A Few Facts of Interest

Fifty-one missionaries sent out during the first five months of 1922.

Sunday School offerings last year amounted to more than \$288,000.

The Church's trust funds now amount to more than \$7,400,000.

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Teacher Training In Diocese of Newark

Placing the responsibility for teacher training squarely upon the parish is to be the policy of the Diocese of Newark in its plan for teacher training this year. With the exception of the Normal School at Newark, all district classes will be discontinued and a drive is to be made for the formation of a training class in every missions and parish. Where leaders from outside the parish are needed the Board will provide them, but the parish will be responsible for the promotion of interest in the class, and the maintaining of attendance. Beside fixing the responsibility within the parish this plan has the advantage of holding the class in the place most convenient for the teachers.

Each parish is asked to have two courses of instruction, each five weeks long. The first is to be held before Christmas and will be a course on Methods of Teaching, using Weigle, The Teacher, as a text. The second course is to be held during Lent. and the subject recommended this year is the Prayer Book. It is suggested that this course be part of the Lenten program and that all the members of the parish be invited to attend, but that a record be kept of the teachers' attendance so that credit can be given.

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- 2. Need of outside assistance.
- 3. Prospects for growth.
- 4. Spirit of co-operation of local people.

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