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Motor Van Carrying Complete Chapel Equipment To Tour the Diocese of Michigan

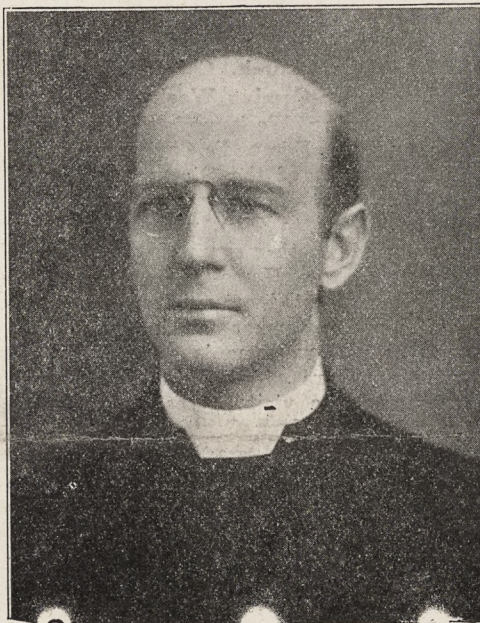
Services of the Episcopal Church will be carried to the people of Michigan by a missionary motor van which has just been completed in Detroit and which will start off for the first time next week for a tour of the Episcopal Diocese of Michigan, stopping not only in the rural localities of the state but also in every small town and village where there is no church of the Episcopal communion.

The van is a completely equipped chapel with an altar and seats provided for a congregation of 12. It carries its own electric light plant and at night can be readily transformed into sleeping and living quarters for the two men who will make up its traveling staff of pastors. The van will also carry a cook stove, and a complete household outfit.

In its excursion about the Diocese, the van will be in charge of the Ven. J. G. Widdifield and the Ven. C. L. Ramsay, who are responsible for the missionary work of the Church in Michigan. Arrangements have been made for advance publicity to precede the van wherever it is to stop. Handbills will be distributed throughout the community, stating that the clergymen who man the van will be available for such ceremonies as baptism, marriage services and so forth. After an afternoon spent in visiting and ministering to the needs of any Episcopal people who may be living in the community, a short evening preaching and song service will be held, using the van as a pulpit from which to preach. Following the service, special illustrated subject lectures on both religious and educational subjects will be given, interspersed with moving pictures.

A large library of religious literature, both of a general nature and also more particularly filling the needs of Episcopal families cut off from the regular ministrations of the Church will be carried. Copies of the Prayer Book and other books of a like nature will be sold in addition to the free distribution. It is hoped ultimately that confirmation classes may be formed and trained in various localities of the Diocese and the Bishop will devote one or two weeks each year to traveling about with the van and holding confirmation services in localities not regularly included in his list of Episcopal visitations.

Beginning next week the van will be used in sections of Wayne County, starting its work in the vicinity of Romulus, Belleville and New Boston. It will be in charge



Bishop Oldham
Bishop Coadjutor of Albany

of Archdeacon Widdifield and Mr. Franklin Gibson, who is in charge of the Episcopal missions at Wayne and Plymouth. Following a week in Wayne County, it will be used for extended periods in Lapeer, Shiawassee and Jackson counties.

A Book on the Production of Religious Drama

Many clergymen and Church workers who desire to produce good plays are often times prevented from doing so due to their inability to secure the proper materials.

The Commission on Church Pageantry has therefore issued a Primer on the subject of Church Plays to fill the need. The book covers the subject thoroughly and should be in the hands of any group planning a play or pageant. The commission has also issued a number of religious dramatic services for the Christmas season. They can be secured from the Book Shop, at 281 Fourth Avenue, New York.

Dr. Bell Preaches At Harvard University

President Bernard I. Bell, D. D., of St. Stephen's College, was the preacher at Harvard University on Sunday, Oct. 15.

Rev. Dr. G. A. Oldham Consecrated Coadjutor of Albany

The Bishop Coadjutor, Consecrated in All Saints' Cathedral, Takes Charge of Missions

The Rev. G. Ashton Oldham, D. D., was consecrated as Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of Albany in All Saints' Cathedral, on Tuesday, October 24th. The services opened with a celebration of the Holy Communion at 7:30 a. m., when all attending the services received their communion except those participating in the service of Consecration, who received at that service.

Dr. Oldham was born in England in 1877. His family came to America when he was a youth. In 1902 Dr. Oldham graduated from Cornell University, going from there to the General Theological Seminary from which he graduated with the degree of B. D. in 1906. His first position in the Church was as a curate at Grace Church, New York City, where he remained for but one year, going from there to St. Thomas' Church, New York, where he remained as a curate until 1908. During this period he also served as a chaplain for Columbia University. In 1909 he began his successful rectorship at St. Luke's Church, New York City, where he remained until called to St. Anne's Church, Brooklyn, where he is at present. During this time he has been a prominent figure in the National Church, especially in the field of religious education.

Bishop Oldham will remain as rector of St. Ann's until All Saints' Day, November 1st, when he will have completed five years as rector of that important parish.

Bishop Nelson has assigned the Missionary work of the diocese to the Bishop Coadjutor, who will begin at once his visitations of the numerous missionary stations.

National Conference on Church Publicity

The National Conference on Church Publicity is to be held in Chicago on Tuesday, October 31st, at the Morrison Hotel. There are to be addresses by experts on Church publicity and advertising, and also a splendid display of specimens of Church advertising.

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\$70,341.82 worse off than for the same month one year ago.

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Now that the General Convention is all over our next important job is to pay our bills.

Let's go!

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GENERAL NEWS OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Faith Healers to Be Given a Chance

An outline of the definite program and ultimate possibilities of the unique hospital to be erected in Milbrook, N. Y., for treating human ailments not only on physical but along spiritual and psychological lines, was presented to a conference of ministers and laymen of the Episcopal Church by Dr. Edward S. Cowles.

Dr. Cowles, whose appointment by the Episcopal Church commission on the ministry of healing to take charge of the new hospital was announced some time ago, told the conference recently that the need of such an institution is shown by the way in which thousands of persons join new cults and take up various "isms."

These persons, he said, have sought to be cured by physicians who know little about psychopathic problems, and have turned to clergymen whose "theological teaching was as incomplete as the medical teaching in the medical schools." The result, he said, was an accession of converts to new beliefs.

A feature of the new hospital, he pointed out, will be a department where faith healers will be given an opportunity to demonstrate their ability on patients under observation of a board of physicians, psychologists, and ministers.

The faith healer will be expected to set a time within which he can perform his cure, Dr. Cowles said, and when the time is up the results will be determined by the board.

"If his claim to the cure he has undertaken is proved to be valid," Dr. Cowles said, "he should be given a certificate to that effect from the examining board. And this, I think, will eventually result in every healer having to get a certificate from a recognized board before he is allowed to go about the country claiming to cure. That alone will be a great service to humanity."

Department Heads Present Programs in Spokane

A three days' Conference was held at All Saints' Cathedral, Spokane, the Rev. W. E. Gardner, D. D., dealing with "The Educational Task of the Church," the Rev. C. N. Lathrop on "The Social Service Task of the Church," and Miss Laura M. Boyer on "The Missionary Task of the Church." On Sunday evening the mass meeting was held at the Cathedral, addressed by all three speakers, Bishop Herman Page presiding. The speakers visited the local churches at the morning service. Monday and Tuesday conferences were held, and much interest was awakened, and it is hoped that results will justify the efforts put forth.

Mr. Franklin Stirs Church People of Topeka

Mr. Lewis B. Franklin, treasurer and vice-president of the National Council, spent four days in Topeka, Kansas, October 8-11, in the interests of the Church's program for the next three years. On Sunday morning, the 8th, he delivered a very stirring address to the Grace Cath-

edral congregation. On Monday, he spent the day in conference with the Bishop and Council of the Diocese, regarding this program. Tuesday and Wednesday were given over to a Conference on the Church Program. Four sessions were held and much inspiration was gained by Mr. Franklin's forceful presentation of the subject. The visiting clergy and laity learned how to conduct a Parish Conference and all the clergy went home pledged to do their part. Instead of having the usual four deanery meetings this Fall an intensive parochial program will be carried out. Each clergyman in the diocese will go to another parish or mission and with a layman conduct a two-day conference. These conferences will be held in November and every parish and mission in the Diocese will be visited.

St. Edmund's Church, Chicago, to Have Home-Coming Week

Home-Coming Week and the sixteenth birthday of St. Edmund's Church as an organized mission of the Diocese of Chicago will be celebrated during the octave from November 19th to 26th, with anniversary services and meeting every day during the octave. A large Home-Coming committee has been appointed comprising every officer and active worker within the Church and a cordial welcome is extended to all former members of St. Edmund's Church to return for a visit to their old Church home during Home-Coming Week. The present priest-in-charge of St. Edmund's Church is the Reverend Gardner MacWhorter, who was appointed by Bishop Anderson on January 23rd of this year, after six years' service as assistant minister at St. Chrysostom's Church, Chicago; six months' service as priest-in-charge of St. Lawrence's Church, Libertyville, and a year's employment as the religious and charitable editor of the Chicago Tribune. The Rev. Mr. MacWhorter is a graduate of the Western Theological Seminary and attended Hobart College and then Northwestern University before entering the seminary.

The Daughters of the King Elect New Officers

The Order of The Daughters of the King brought their Triennial session of 1922 to a close, Monday afternoon, Sept. 11th. The last order of business was the election of the National Council, in the personnel of which some new names are noted. The members of the national governing body are:

Mrs. E. L. Abbot, San Francisco, Calif.; Mrs. Chas. H. Arndt, Germantown, Penn.; Mrs. Geo. Ames, Cortland, N. Y.; Mrs. A. A. Birney, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. Felix G. Ewing, Cedar Hill, Tenn.; Mrs. W. S. Humphreys, Jacksonville, Fla.; Mrs. Robt. Jett, Roanoke, Va.; Mrs. E. F. Kenyon, Chicago; Mrs. W. E. Lamb, Denver; Mrs. F. F. Reese, Savannah, Ga.; Mrs. W. W. Rice, Hartford, Conn.; Mrs. John G. Ruge, Apalachicola, Fla.; Mrs. E. V. Shayler, Omaha; Mrs. T. W. Williams, Harrisburg, Tex.; Deaconess Martha H. Wurts, Des Moines, Ia.

At six o'clock that evening about ninety

Daughters of the King gathered at the Crystal Room at the Hotel Benson for a farewell dinner, which was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Mrs. Sidney H. Morgan of Seattle, was the master of ceremonies, and gracefully presided, calling on Daughters from each of the eight provinces to make a short talk; the last speech being given by our Deaconess Bedell from the Alaska field of the Church's work.

After the close of the dinner, the members of the new Council were called together by the retiring National President, Mrs. Adam Denmead, and the business-session opened. The first order of business was the election of a new national head, and Mrs. Felix G. Ewing of Tennessee was chosen as National President. The new president then took the chair and the order of business proceeded, with the following results.

The election of Mrs. A. A. Birney of Washington, 1st Vice-Pres.; Mrs. W. E. Lamb of Denver, 2nd Vice-Pres.; and Mrs. Chas. H. Arndt of Germantown, Pa., Treasurer. One member of the Council, Mrs. T. W. Williams, was asked to take especial charge of the junior work of the order in the United States, and has consented to undertake this work. Another item of importance decided by the council was the wide-spread distribution of the Bible Study programs recently prepared for use Nationally, and for the distribution of other literature, to inform all members of the Order in this country of our present plans for extension.

Philadelphia Divinity School in New Quarters

The Philadelphia Divinity School has taken possession of its new quarters on the new site at 42nd and Locust Sts. The William Bacon Stevens Library Building, the first of the new buildings, was finished and turned over to the school just in time to make possible orderly and comfortable

WHY THE WITNESS FUND IS NECESSARY

Dear Sir:

Enclosed find postal order for one dollar and fifty cents for The Witness. I am very fond of The Witness for it supplies a Church want to such as me. I would do more for it if my pocket-book was in better condition, but I have less than \$70 a year in my own right, and I am in my 84th year.

Sincerely yours,
J. H. G.

We receive many such letters. This fund enables us to send them the paper free of charge.

We acknowledge with thanks the following donations to The Witness Fund:

Sarah H. Lindly	1.00
Mr. Edgar H. Fuller	\$ 1.00
Marian B. Maurice	10.00
Total	\$12.00
Total for 1922	\$203.50

arrangements for the year's work. The building is a great success and its noble proportions and the spacious and beautiful reading room are a delight and inspiration.

The student enrollment is again reaching up; there are fourteen men doing Junior work as against six last year. The undergraduate enrolment as a whole shows a gain of fifty per cent over last year. The enrollment of graduate students is still at this writing, in process. Already there are ten men listed for definite course work; and other applications are awaiting faculty action. There is, altogether, assurances of a larger body of students steadily and constantly in class room and library than the school has ever before had.

There are two important changes in the teaching force. The Rev. Dr. George William Douglas, elected last May, as Adjunct Professor of Homiletics and Pastoral Care, has begun his work in Homiletics with three classes. The Rev. Wallace E. Conkling, class of 1921, who is just returned from a year's study at Oxford, has been appointed a teaching Fellow and is taking over classes in Greek, as well as pursuing his own advanced study.

During the late summer extensive grading work was carried through on the first quad, and the grounds begin now to show something of what their ultimate beauty will be. The plans for the chapel are progressing and the architects expect to have working drawings complete very shortly. They have also, during the summer, been making a careful study of the further large section of the proposed plant, including deanery, faculty houses, dormitories (of a hundred men) and service building; and there is reason to hope that work may be begun on this extensive addition at some time during 1923.

Extensive Improvement at Chicago Church

On Sunday, October 8th, the Church of Our Saviour, Chicago, held the first services in the church in eight weeks without an arch or scaffolding. On that day—Rally Day for the congregation as well as the Church School—the completion of an extensive plan of re-decorating and improvements was celebrated.

The woodwork of the church has been changed from golden oak to a rich fumed oak. Ceiling, pews, wainscoting and rood screen all were completely refinished. The end walls have been done in a cafe au lait to blend with the natural terra cotta of the side walls. The frieze of terra cotta around the church has been finished in an old gold.

Over the three arches at the front of the church and on the under side of them, has been stenciled a charming vari-colored border of gothic scroll. The chancel walls are finished in dull gold at the side with the arched ceiling in a light blue. An artistic design graces the border above the gold.

The woodwork of the exterior of the church has also been painted.

Beside the redecorating, many other improvements have been undertaken during the summer. Electric lights have replaced the antiquated gas fixtures. A cement floor has been put in the kitchen and new plumbing throughout the buildings. The carpenters

have vied with painters and plumbers in making the church buildings more inviting and inhabitable.

The rector of the church, the Rev. Frederick D. Gratiot, has just returned from the General Convention in Portland, Oregon, where he was special chaplain to the Presiding Bishop of the Church, the Rt. Rev. Daniel S. Tuttle, D. D.

The Northwest Has Layreaders' League

The Lay Readers' League has its headquarters at Spokane, and will meet twice a month at All Saints' Chapter House. The president is Mr. Henry E. Hamilton of St. Matthew's, with Mr. Norman Verge of St. Peter's as secretary. The faculty consists of Bishop Page, the Rev. L. K. Smith, the Very Rev. Wm. E. Dowty, the Rev. M. J. Stevens, and Stoddard King.

Fiftieth Anniversary of St. Paul's School, Walla Walla

St. Paul's School, Walla Walla, had a notable celebration on its 50th anniversary, September 22nd to 25th. The Rt. Rev. Lemuel H. Wells, D. D., who founded the school in 1872 and who has been closely associated with it during the whole of its fifty years of life, made a historical address at one of the Sunday services and also at the dinner which was given in St. Paul's Parish House Monday, September 25th. Mrs. Edmond Bowden, who was a member of the first class of the school, spoke most charmingly of her experiences there in the early days. Among other things she told how the little girls were often sent by the principal to Bishop Wells as a sort of punishment and then in her address she turned to the Bishop and said: "I wish now, to assure you, Bishop Wells, that to be sent to you was indeed no punishment. Bishop Page made the announcement that he had received through the Presiding Bishop and Council the promise of \$20,000.00 with which to pay off the entire debt that has hampered the school for many years.

It was a most fortunate thing to have present Dr. Wm. G. Thayer, President of St. Mark's School, Southboro, also Rev. Geo. H. Thomas, Bishop Page's successor,

of St. Paul's Church, Chicago, and the Rev. F. S. Fleming, rector of the Church of the Atonement, Chicago. Dr. Thayer is chairman of the Committee of the General Board of Religious Education which deals with our Church Boarding Schools, of which there are about one hundred and the Church is trying to deal with more or less as a unit in order that it may give them a far greater help spiritually and financially.

Dr. Cloud Preaches to the Deaf

At the recent conventions of the State Associations for the Advancement of the Deaf, held at Dubuque, Iowa; Omana, Neb., and Little Rock, Ark., the Rev. J. H. Cloud, D. D., of St. Louis, Diocesan Missionary to the Deaf of Missouri, officiated as chaplain and preached the convention sermons, by special invitation of the Executive boards of the respective State Associations.

Do you want to be well informed about your Church. Read Bishop Johnson's Confirmation Instructions. Single copies at 50c; a dozen copies for \$4.00.

CURED HER RHEUMATISM

Knowing from terrible experience the suffering caused by rheumatism, Mrs. J. E. Hurst, who lives at 508 E. Olive St., B. 343, Bloomington, Ill., is so thankful at having cured herself that out of pure gratitude she is anxious to tell all other sufferers just how to get rid of their torture by a simple way at home.

Mrs. Hurst has nothing to sell. Merely cut out this notice and mail it to her with your own name and address, and she will gladly send you this valuable information entirely free. Write her at once before you forget.



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 CHURCH'S BURDEN

By Bishop Johnson.

There is no organization to which you belong in which responsibilities were more seriously undertaken than those which you have undertaken in Holy Baptism, ratified at your Confirmation, and renewed from time to time in the Sacrament of the Altar.

Compared with any other obligation which you have ever made in any other organization permit me to point out:

1st. That your obligation is one which your Lord and Master bade you to undertake when He called you to follow Him.

In other societies you may have taken solemn vows, but they were of your own choosing. In the Church of the Living God, you have been invited to enter into solemn covenant with Him. This obligation is not of such a nature that you may substitute another, and say that it is just as good.

It is an act of impertinence, I fancy, for a creature to say to his creator, "I preferred to substitute another covenant to the one which you offered to accept." Other organizations may be attractive to you, but they have not the force of Divine command.

This is the thing which the Lord hath commanded me to do.

2nd: In accepting your covenant with God, you do not become merely the member of a particular parish or the adherent of a particular Diocese, but as your Catechism taught you, you become a member of the Body of Christ, entitled to all the privileges which the Body bestows and responsible for all the obligations which that Body imparts.

The Church is the most democratic society in the world for in it there is no restriction of race, sex, age, color or social conditions, and it includes in membership not only our fellow citizens and social companions but the Arctic Esquimaux, the African savage, the Chinese peasant and the South Sea Islander whose father was a head-hunter.

And through the Church you have a relation to and a responsibility to them all.

You may not be big enough to take this in, but that merely means that the breadth

of Christ's love is wider than the capacity of your soul.

It is really a big thing that all races of men should have been a brotherhood in which they may find a common denominator of fellowship.

For in Christ Jesus there is neither Jew nor Greek, bond or free, male or female, but all are one body to Him.

The very bigness of this conception is staggering to little minds.

3rd. This brotherhood to which you belong is a representative government, and is not a dominating hierarchy. From the beginning the Church has legislated through synods and councils which were never intended to be dominated by Pope nor prelate.

You in particular are privileged to belong to a society which gives equal legislative rights to bishop, presbyter and layman, and in which the attempted domination of any one order by either of the others is instantly resented. There is no more truly representative government in all the world than this Church of ours.

So you are pledged to serve God in a wide field with the greatest possible freedom. What more could be asked?

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This portion of the Church to which you owe a loyal allegiance, has, by a practically unanimous vote in each order undertaken a definite program, to which by this action you are committed in so far as you are able to assist. Why not?

Acting, therefore, on your behalf, this portion of the whole Church to which you belong has undertaken to do certain things in which it asks your intelligent cooperation.

What are these things in which you ought to have a willing interest?

1st: There are nearly 3,000 missionaries who have been sent into various fields, domestic and foreign, to represent us in Christ's name.

Shall they not be paid their meager salaries?

And what is your share, if you pay it in this program? About three dollars apiece. Are you paying your share, or is somebody else paying it for you? Are you paying into channels which will reach the central office enough money each year to help meet this imperative obligation? If not, why not?

2nd: Besides this the Church has begun seriously to meet the need of teaching our own children the faith of their fathers. There is no question but that children, who are growing up in the temptations of this much-vaunted modern world, need a training in standards of moral action which will enable them to meet the impending dangers of modern life.

For this purpose your share is about thirty cents a year. Is it your responsibility? Are you meeting it? If not, why not? Surely it is not because it is an excessive tax.

3rd: Besides this, the Church through its department of Social Service is concerned in meeting the problem of Americanizing the millions of foreign born who otherwise threaten to revolutionize this government in which they have been given a vote.

And those who know, say that this Church can do this work, because of its sympathetic relation to the previous religion of these immigrants better than any other.

Is this task worth another thirty cents a year from your pocketbook?

4th: We have a central administration to keep up. It is not an extravagant administration, even though during the period of experimentation, it may have been guilty of some extravagance, which unwise expenditure would not represent more than five cents a year each, given by the million members of this Church.

This central administration costs about twenty-five cents a year to each communicant of this Church if all do their duty. And those who know and have investigated say that this expenditure is not only reasonable, but extremely economical. Do you begrudge this quarter to the central government of this Church?

5th: This Church is intensely interested in some form of Christian unity.

We may have muddled the matter thus far, but it is an exceedingly difficult problem and we seem to be the Christian body most vitally interested in its accomplishment.

At any rate, the General Convention by resolution placed an assessment of two and one-half cents a year upon each communicant of this Church to carry on this experiment under the statesman-like leadership of the Bishop of Western New York.

This may seem foolish to some, but surely it is not extravagant. You might venture your two and a half cents, even though it proved to be a total loss.

6th: This Church has undertaken to furnish all the members of this Church a paper known as "The Church at Work" and certain bulletins explanatory of the Church's work. This also may seem foolish to some and probably brings up the total unwise expenditure by another nickel a year.

All right! This means that the General Convention has accepted a budget of four millions a year assessed upon one million members, as the necessary sum for carrying on the work of the Church.

If you belong to the Church, and not merely to a parish, this represents four dollars a year as your minimum share in the Church's program for the coming year.

Some may not be able to meet this obligation.

There are many children, poor people and non-wage earners in this Church. Who is to take care of them?

Why, those whom God has blessed with this world's goods!

This Church contains many people who enjoy great prosperity at God's hands. Much they have received, and much they ought to give.

And yet one who studies the figures carefully will find that these are the ones who have failed to rise to their opportunities.

Where the millionaires are gathered together, there the greatest deficits are.

I have come to the conclusion that the greatest liability that this Church has possessed in the past are its very wealthy

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Cheerful Confidences

By Rev. George Parkin Atwater, D.D.

BREAD UPON THE WATERS

Last Sunday there appeared at the church door after the service, a fine looking young man. We shook hands.

"You do not remember me," he said.

It was the truth. Many a parson has been in a similar predicament. I looked hard into his smiling face, and flashed the torchlight over my store of names and faces, but memory failed and he did not emerge.

Before I could put into operation one of the three ways of meeting this situation, he came to my rescue.

"Well, I am not surprised. Do you remember visiting the boys of Battery B six years ago, before they left for the Mexican border?"

I remembered that well enough.

"I was a member of the Battery. I said to you that I wished I knew where I could get a New Testament, with the Psalms. A few weeks later, this book reached me, on the border. You had sent it.

"The result of that gift was that I became interested in the Episcopal Church, and was confirmed in St. Matthew's Cathedral, Dallas, Texas."

Then I remembered. It was such a crumb of bread cast on the waters that it passed from my mind. Later, an entire family stopped for a moment's visit. The mother said:

"I have never been in your church before. I am rather disturbed by the fact

that I have grown to womanhood, and yet know absolutely nothing about the Episcopal Church."

I hastened to give her a manual, (perhaps you may guess what it was) and a Prayer Book. She is a keen and intelligent woman, and interested in religion. I am in great hopes that I shall soon have that family regularly in my congregation.

The moral of all this is that we must cast some bread on the waters. Every rector should have an ample supply of books to give to interested persons. It probably costs about \$50,000 a year to print the Convention Journals. If we could spend an equal sum to spread good literature about the fundamentals of our Church, some of the meager columns in those journals might fatten up.

The National Church should have a national handbook, to be distributed free, a million copies a year.

Bishop Mikell Defends Mr. Hickson

To the Editor of The Witness:

Dear Sir: I am sincerely sorry that you dignified the charges brought against Mr. Hickson by taking notice of them in your paper. To wait three years after Mr. Hickson has left the country, then suddenly to bring these charges against him, insinuating that he has run away with large sums of money and cannot be found, seems rather a despicable thing to do. And to time these charges when the General Conven-

tion was meeting in Portland and was considering the work of spiritual healing in the Church looks as though an attempt was being made to damage the cause of spiritual healing by bringing unfounded charges. Mr. Hickson conducted a healing Mission in Atlanta and left behind him an unforgettable impression of spiritual power. He certainly took no vast, unaccounted-for sums of money away from here—and he left behind things that cannot be valued in money—a new sense of the power and reality of prayer, a new nearness to God, and a new reliance on His mercy and forgiveness. To bring sordid charges against a man who can so bless his fellow-men seems dangerously like stoning one of the Prophets.

H. J. Mikell,
Bishop of Atlanta.

Church Normal School Opens in Detroit

With an expected enrollment of more than 400 teachers and superintendents of Episcopal Sunday Schools in a radius of 25 miles of Detroit, the Detroit Church Normal School under the superintendency of E. E. Piper, Episcopal Superintendent of Religious Education, held its first meeting Tuesday evening, October 17, at St. Paul's Cathedral House. Following the first session, the Rev. Robert W. Woodroffe, rector of St. John's Episcopal Church, spoke at the dinner, which is to be held on the subject, "Building Today for the Church Tomorrow." Mr. Woodroffe is known throughout the Episcopal Church in the United States as a specialist in the religious training of boys and girls.

ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE ANNOUNCES

1. That the completion of a dormitory next January will enable the college to accept a few men as *new students at the beginning of the second semester*, January 29, 1923. This may be of advantage to men completing high school work in the middle of the year.
2. That the student body for the next scholastic year—1923-1924—will be strictly limited to 150 men. While no man can be finally accepted until his credentials from preparatory school have been examined and approved, preliminary applications will secure men, if later finally accepted, a choice of rooms. Preliminary applications may well be sent in *now*.
3. That beginning now, the tuition fee will be \$250 a year instead of \$150. The room fee, \$125 a year, and the board fee, \$225 a year, remain the same. The *gross fee thus becomes \$600 a year*. This increase does not apply to men already in college.

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The Church Loses a Real Hero

By William B. Spofford.

The death of William Austin Smith is a great loss to the Christian forces of America. He was the editor of *The Churchman* for barely five years yet during that time he transformed that conservative weekly into a wide-awake journal that is read, not only by thinking Christians of all denominations, but by many social minded people, no longer in sympathy with organized religion, as well. One may well marvel at the courage of the man. Time after time he was compelled to lay aside his work because of physical limitations. By nature and training a pastor and preacher he would no sooner begin to make his mark in a parish than he would be forced to lay aside his work to regain his health. Twenty years ago he was told by a specialist that he should never work again, yet he accepted the tasks assigned, keeping doggedly at each one until illness demanded retirement. Finally in 1917 he was called to *The Churchman*, a position which he felt was suited to his physical limitations. But for a brave, fearless man with convictions to edit such a paper was no easy task. Few can realize what it means to an editor to see the subscription list shrinking before his eyes because of his honest convictions, boldly expressed. The old conservative readers of *The Churchman* fumed, fretted and finally renounced the paper. But Smith kept on proclaiming the social gospel as though unaware of their adverse opinions, their harsh criticisms, until finally even they proclaimed him a prophet.

The World War was a crisis in his life. To him it was all that it was supposed to be; a war to end war, a war to bring democratic brotherhood to a tired world. It was his longing for fellowship that prompted him to support the war; it was no less his longing for fellowship that caused him to strip off the shams and hypocracies of statesmen and Churchmen in his denunciation of war as the unpardonable sin, for he came to realize, as few Christians have, that brotherhood and lasting peace could never come from bitter strife. Having arrived at this position in regard to war his logical mind and fearless spirit compelled him to write boldly on other vital problems. He demanded the release of those political prisoners, jailed for saying what he now felt to be truth; he fought for Churchmen whom he knew were unjustly assailed, his editorial on Bishop Paddock being a notable example of this. He denounced ecclesiastical legalism and obscurantism, always insisting that the Church should line up with other Christian forces for a crusade against the social, economic and political evils of the day.

Yet in his vigorous writing he was always impersonal, seldom controversial, never anything but humble and tolerant.

He was a Christian—a man whom, in these times especially, the churches could least afford to lose. Modern Christianity is impoverished by his death, yet one feels that his burning words must have kindled other souls who will carry on his work.

Trinity College to Complete Fund

With Bishop Brent's plea for the five Church colleges made at the General Convention still ringing in the ears of the Church, Trinity College will commence soon the second stage of its campaign for adequate endowment to continue its hundred years' co-operation with the Church.

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President Remsen B. Ogilby of Trinity, and J. H. Kelso Davis, '99 of Hartford, who are heading the campaign, believe that Bishop Brent's presentation of the cause of the Church colleges will cause a change in the attitude of many Churchmen whose support has gone in the past to institutions connected in many cases with other communions. They believe that the justice of the claim of the Church colleges to the support of Churchmen is now realized.

Trinity men have already done splendidly in supporting their college. Of the \$518,000 of the Centennial endowment fund already raised, by far the greater part has been subscribed by Trinity men. The campaign for \$1,000,000 more to complete the \$1,500,000 needed by Trinity's Centennial in June will commence soon.

Under the personal direction of President Ogilby and Mr. Davis, Trinity will make an appeal to all of its friends, throughout the country commencing in the city of Hartford, to support the college in order that its hundred years' service may be continued. It is hoped that Churchmen will respond liberally.

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"This is only one of many instances of renewed interest in the Bible," said Frank H. Mann, General Secretary of the American Bible Society, in commenting on this new program. "A western newspaper is publishing the Bible in serial form. An organization in Cincinnati is furnishing Bible verses which are now used daily in hundreds of newspapers throughout the country. These all supplement the work of the American Bible Society which distributes annually nearly 5,000,000 copies of the Scriptures in 150 languages and dialects."

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The Editorial

(Continued from page 4)

members for somehow or other they seem to feel that the work of the Body of Christ is the one work that they can afford to neglect.

I would rather have been a tramp in the Day of Judgment than a wealthy person who had despised the work which God expected of him when He made it possible for such to enjoy riches.

Certainly their first duty ought to be, as Christians, to see that they make up the lack of God's poor in supporting Christ's work.

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The four millions that I have mentioned thus far is the budget that the Church has placed upon its members to carry on existing work.

Your share of this, therefore, is to help in maintaining those whom the Church has sent to do its work.

Besides this the Church makes an appeal to your generosity.

In a pamphlet issued by the National Council are set down specific needs of the Church to the number of several hundred and to the total amount of \$2,000,000. These special needs include the building of churches, parish houses and rectories in specific places; the education of students for the ministry and the training of persons for special vocations.

These special needs are called priorities, by which is meant that if the members of the Church should be strictly honest during the coming year they will average \$4.00 per year, and the budget can be met.

And if the Church should prove to be generous and average six dollars per communicant, during the coming year, then these special needs could also be provided.

What the Church can do will depend upon what the members of the Church will do, but in any event the individual does not fulfill the measure of his loyalty to the Church to whose welfare he is pledged unless as God has blessed him, he remembers that the obligations of the body can be fulfilled only by the loyalty of the individuals of which the body is composed.

To say that you do not believe in supporting that which the Church has undertaken is to say that you do not believe that you are bound by the acts of representative government to do your share to support the same.

If the burden which the Church has laid upon you was grievous, one might understand your complaint, but the task is great and the burden is light. Surely you ought to bear your share of this burden.

Chicago Clergy Visit
St. Alban's School

The clergy of the Diocese of Chicago visited St. Alban's School at Sycamore, Ill., on Monday of this week, as the guests of the Headmaster, the Rev. L. B. Hastings. At noon they inspected the school. After luncheon they witnessed the annual contest between the old and new boys on the athletic field, and at 2:30 listened to an interesting address by Dr. C. B. Wetherell who returned last month from Smyrna.

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