

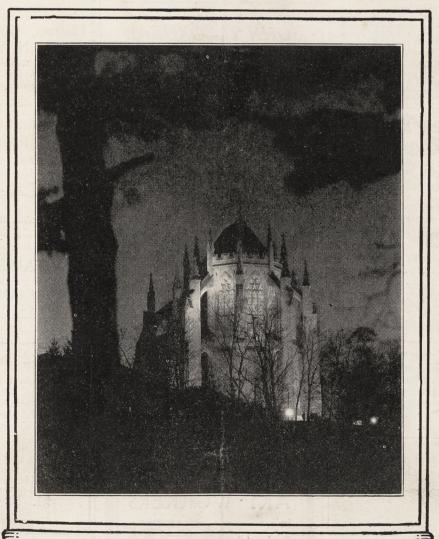
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THE ULTIMATE QUESTION

By Rev. Julius A. Schaad

W HEN Shakespeare made Hamlet say, "To be or not to be," he reached the ultimate question. It concerned a matter of life or death.

It seems to some of us that that is exactly the question which should come before our General Convention in 1925, with reference to the present form of our National administrative organization; because it so intimately concerns the supreme work of the Christian Church, which is Evangelism at home and abroad.

Shall our administrative Council conform to the Church's divine charter, that is, shall it be a Missionary Society; or, shall it continue to confuse the workers in the Church by merely having a Missionary Department?

Some of us believe that this is a question of life or death for the National Council. The signs of the times are plentiful that things cannot continue as they are. We shall not rehearse those signs in detail here. They belong to our family life as a Church, and cannot be discussed profitably otherwise than in our official family circles, face to face. But, three general observations may sufficiently indicate the point in question:

THREE POINTS

1. When those who are looking for reasons why it is so difficult to secure adequate financial cooperation in the General Program of the Church, have found them, they will simply have classified one of the signs of the times which point to the necessity for a reorganization of our National administrative machinery.

2. When our statisticians have analyzed results in relation to our investments of men and money, they will simply have uncovered another sign of the times which beckons the Church to reorganize her National administrative agency so that it will be Missionary and not merely have such a Department.

3. When, (if) organization ex-

perts come to inspect the National Council with a view to higher efficiency, they will discover lost motion and energy due to confusion; and that this confusion, which extends throughout the Church (diocesan, parochial and personal), is due to the fact that our National organization is out of alignment with the Church's chief objective.

To be or not to be missionary, is therefore the question. My correspondence clearly indicates this. And the right answer can be given only by such a reorganization of our central administration as will make it conform to the great commission of our Lord.

PENDING INSOLVENCY

I know little of the details of finance at National Headquarters; nor is that necessary for a discussion of basic policy. It is enough if we take the official monthly disclosures from Headquarters at face value, and start thinking at that point. In the last statement available to me I read such recurrent words as these: "Expenditures exceeded income," "decrease in receipts from dioceses on program quotas," "receipt of undesignated legacies saved the Council a much larger deficit," "an accumulated deficit, inherited," "the National Council will probably need \$——in addition to income in sight, in order to close the triennium without debt," etc.

But for two things such chronic disclosures would be the symptoms of pending insolvency. Those two things are, the Incarnate Life of Christ in the Church; and the indomitable faith of some members of the Church whose vision carries them beyond the mistakes and weaknesses of our administrative policy, and enables them to see and to strive for the goal of world evangelization which Christ set before His Church.

But why handicap faith and zeal by continuing a wrong policy which could be righted so easily. And why penalize Christian sacrifice by adding increased quotas to the financial burden of those dioceses (and hence parishes) which honestly try to fulfill their assigned duty, in order to keep up a system of administration which has proven that its inherent fallacy prevents an efficiency commensurate with the cost.

REORGANIZATION NEEDED

I am aware that, even after reorganization, there may remain much work to be done in order to convert some Churchmen from the wrong point of view, namely, that it is optional whether or not they support missionary work. That is part of the penalty we must pay for having had a wrong administrative policy which teaches, concretely, that the Church merely has a missionary society! But I am as certain of the final good result of the proposed remedy as I am of the present disease.

Reorganize the National Council on the platform that the Church is a Missionary Society and the present generation of Churchmen will gradually orientate to that emphasized fact. The immediate effect upon the faithful will be to hearten them, and even to increase their already generous cooperation with the General Program. And the rising generation will receive the missionary idea as the normal state of its Christian life and service. After that, the problem is solved.

Such a reorganization will also enable the splendid heads of departments in our National Council to continue their zealous endeavors towards higher efficiency, without incurring the risk of making their work an end in itself; because it would then be focused definitely upon and centered in the Mission of the Church which is Evangelism.

It is thinkable also, that this would relieve friction, prevent overlapping, avoid lapses, reduce the cost of operation, and greatly increase effectiveness in the supreme work of the Church.

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The Council's Work

By Mr. Alfred Newbery

I BELONG

FOUND him beside me in a church famous for the beauty of its ritual. He looked a little bit bewildered. Half a dozen times I passed him a prayer-book but he didn't seem able to carry on by himself. So I leaned over and said, "Would you like to have me find all the places for you?" Somewhat pathetically he replied, "I wish you would. I don't know this service. I belong to the low church."

One might question his intimacy with "the low church" if he got from it no greater familiarity with the Liturgy than he appeared to have. One might deplore with Mr. Morehouse the continued existence of such an expression as "the low church." One might question a lot of things. But one thing could not be questioned, namely, his very definite sense of belonging to something larger than a parish.

He didn't say he belonged to "a" low church. It was to "the" low church—a sort of constant, that in his mind ran through a lot of parishes and marked them as a group in contradistinction to another group. Limited as his ideas were, they at least made him identify himself with something larger than a parish. He recognized the existence of a Church that includes parishes.

It is this sense of "I belong" upon which the entire corporate life of the Church depends for its effectiveness. If it were entirely missing there could be no work of the whole Church. It is because many Church members feel their membership in a whole Church that we are preaching the Gospel in foreign lands, and keeping alive many a struggling mission station in the missionary districts. Upon this sense of membership the bishop must depend to further the Church's work within the borders of the diocese.

For example, several hundred persons, bishops, priests and laymen are going to assemble at New Orleans this autumn in the interests of the Church's business. Who are they? Of course, all the bishops will be there. But certainly not all the priests! And how do the laymen get in? Who sends them? And when they all get together what do they do and what authority have they for doing it?

These are simple questions, but I venture to say that a great many members of the Church are unable to answer them. Just what is your parish's relation to the General Convention at New Orleans and how is it



Bishop Faber

Preacher at Consecration in Detroit

there represented through bishop, priest and layman?

Presently the convention will meet and then dissolve, having decided certain things and having given its order to the National Council for the conduct of those activities which are done in the name of the whole Church.

For its support in human terms, the Council will look to the whole Church and it will look successfully or in vain, according as the number of those who say "I belong" predominate or fail to predominate over the number of those who do not say it.

It is not an easy thing to develop the sense of membership in a million people scattered throughout a population of one hundred times that number and spread over a whole continent. The relationship that binds us together though we be sundered by the Rockies must compete with many interests that are more insistent because they are nearer at hand and can make themselves felt more constantly.

But we need it. We need it for mutual support and encouragement. We need it lest we lose sight of the high purposes of the Church Militant here on earth, and we need it for effective activity in such small part of those high purposes as we have been able to assume and put into an actual plan.

There are other implications of deep spiritual import, but let us keep this much clear—the vitality of our vision, the zest of companionship, and effectiveness in corporate

action-all wax and wane with the extent to which throughout the Church you and I and the others like us are saying and thinking, "I belong." Find out about New Orleans!

Let's Know By Rev. Frank E. Wilson

BISHOPS' DIARIES

THIS letter should have been answered by the Editor-in-Chief. It does not properly belong in this column. But the Editor-in-Chief always has the privilege of passing on to the lesser members of the editorial

staff any questions of real moment.
"Why," asks this correspondent,
"do our bishops keep and publish diaries? Has it been a custom since the early days of the Church? Do all bishops follow the custom? Do all bishops follow the same general plan?

To answer these questions properly would call for a questionnaire to be circulated through the House of Bishops. Before resorting to such an extreme measure, however, I thought it might be tried out on one good-natured bishop at whose home

I happened to be stopping.
"Bishop," I inquired, "why do bishops keep diaries and publish them in their diocesan papers?"

"Pure laziness!" replied my right reverend host.

"May I quote you to that effect?" I

"You may say that that's what one Bishop said about it."

So I gave up the idea of a questionnaire. In giving my own answer, it will have to be ordinary (not expert) testimony.

"In the first place, I suppose bishops have to keep diaries because they must make annual reports and also because some day someone is likely to write their biographies. No one wants his biography written purely on hear-say information.

As to the value or wisdom of publishing such diaries in diocesan papers, local conditions must determine the answer. To the communicants of a large city parish it may seem trivial that the bishop should record the fact that he enjoyed the pleasant hospitality of Mrs. R. U. Sure in the little village of Perhaps. But that word of appreciation is read with avidity by Mrs. Sure and with much local interest by her fellow communicants. Those same metropolitan cliff-dwellers may find nothing interesting in the compliment published in the bishop's diary for the fine rendition of the anthem at St. Anybody's Mission. But it may be just the one thing needed by the Priest-in-charge of St. Anybody's to

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persuade the teacher at the local high school that her efforts as choir-mistress are worth the trouble.

People often like to read about themselves and their neighbors including the bishop whom they may not see very often. The local column in the country newspaper is just as important to its readers as is the society page in the metropolitan daily to the city's "four hundred."

Of course, it makes a difference as to how the diary is written. Some bishops can make anything uninteresting-from the acknowledgement of a confirmation offering to the an-But that nual convention address. is not the fault of the diary.

As to whether diaries were kept by bishops in the days of the early Church, I cannot say. Some of them left us valuable records, but not in the form of diocesan papers.

As to whether the bishops all follow the same plan, I should say not. Diaries are most probably likely as different as bishops.

Cheerful Confidences

By George Parkin Atwater

NICEA—A. D. 325 NEW ORLEANS—A. D. 1925

BECAUSE our National Council has resolved to commemorate the 1600th anniversary of the Council of Nicea, and because of the importance of this anniversary, I venture to reprint an article which appeared in this column in May, 1924:

A few years ago (1907) the entire land was interested in the Jamestown exposition, celebrating the first permanent settlement of English colonists on our shores, at Jamestown, Virginia. With that colony came the Episcopal Church, and we took fitting recognition of the event.

Later we observed the landing of the Pilgrim fathers at Plymouth. These were days of national significance.

Our Church has the opportunity to celebrate in 1925 an anniversary which will make the years 1607 and 1620 seem quite recent by comparison. And it will be an anniversary in which every Christian may rejoice, because it will commemorate an event of utmost significance, namely the determination by the universal Church of the fundamental faith of the Christian Church.

I refer of course to the Council of Nicea, held in the town of Nicea in the year A. D., 325, under the presidency of the Emperor Constantine.

I will not anticipate the fuller treatment of this subject by even a sketch of that Council. This is only an appeal to the Church to take ad-

OUR COVER

The striking picture on the cover this week is of the National Cathedral in Washington, taken at night. The Cathedral, now under construction, is located on Mt. St. Alban, overlooking the entire city, and will reach a height greater than the Washington monument when completed. Bishop Freeman is now occupied in raising money for its completion, over five million dollars having already been raised. It is the purpose of the promoters to make it truly a national Cathedral, a shrine of worship for all people . . . an American Westminster. To that end the body of Woodrow Wilson now lies within one of the Cathedral chapels.

vantage, quickly and boldly, of this opportunity.

The result of such a celebration of the 1600th anniversary of the Council of Nicea would be many. I can suggest but a few.

(1) A return of the thinking of our people to the historic nature of the Christian faith.

(2) A study of the Nicene Creed, which issued from that Council, and which (slightly modified later) became the faith of the Church.

(4) A wider knowledge of the historic character of the Episcopal Church, and a banishing of the myth that a reprobate King of England, Henry VIII, founded the Church.

The method of the celebration might include the following features:

(1) Nation-wide publicity newspapers and magazines.

Pageants, to be held in every parish, and to be repeated at the General Convention. We have not quite enough Bishops to reproduce the Council exactly, but enough for a mighty pageant to which the whole nation would give heed.

A plain, simple, picturesque pamphlet, setting forth the relation of our Church to the Council of Nicea. Every rector ought to have a sufficient quantity of these pamp-lets to place one in the hands of every school child in his community.

Our Department of Religious education should act at once with a manifesto, proclaiming the celebration, and making the bold and aggressive claim that the Council is historically a part of our antecedents and of our heritage.

Some layman could bring to himself the gratitude of our million communicants were he to provide funds for the printing of a pamphlet which could be distributed in large quan-

We should act at once, and with vigor. A dilatory policy will rob us of an opportunity which will not come again in our life-time.

The Lord's Prayer

By Rev. G. L. Richardson

DELIVER FROM EVIL

T HERE is surely something to be supplied between the parts of this We have seen that last petition. temptation is not a bad thing, but a blessing, because without it we should never grow. We have seen, also, that our Lord bids us to pray, "Lead us not into temptation," lest we should fall into the sin of presumption and rush into the midst of trial before we are ready for it. Must He not mean then, by this last petition, "lead us not into temptation," but if we must be tempted, "deliver us?" The Revised Version of the New Testament says "Deliver us from the evil one," which is in accordance with our Lord's suggestion in other sayings that the foe whom we have to fight is no mere abstraction, but is personal.

However, the point on which we need now to dwell is that He is quite sure that our own unaided strength is not sufficient. We need help. We deliverance. This need which has a kind of sternness mingled with its tenderness, stands in sharp contrast to some of the shallow expressions of modern religion. Its note has been lost from a great deal of our preaching. When one hears sermons or reads religious books, too often they keep far away from the need of deliverance. The formula today is about like this: take a little psychology, a little sociology, a touch of mysticism, a dash of sentimental poetry and some ornamental ritual, and you have what passes in the popular mind as Christianity. The truth is that we have not dared to face the facts. The truth is that we need one of these panaceas, we need a Deliverer, and thanks be unto God that we have Him!

When our Lord taught His disciples the prayer, "Deliver us," that prayer had already been answered. He Himself was the answer. "Wretched man that I am," cries St. Paul, "Who shall deliver me out of the body of this death?" and in the next breath he cries, "I thank God through Jesus Christ, our Lord."

Let me, then, give a last word of counsel as the final exhortation of these brief talks on the Lord's Prayer. Never be satisfied with a Christianity that leaves out deliverance and the Deliverer. Never be satisfied with a religion that does not bring you to your Savior. That is what we need, and that is what the world needs. Let

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us lay aside our pride and become as little children who are willing to be dependent because they know their weakness, who are willing to come to our Father to be fed, to be forgiven, to be led, and to be delivered.

(The End.)

Programs For Young People's Meetings

Edited By Gordon Reese

PRAYER

"Ask and it shall be granted,"

GET advertising committee, working with art committee, emphasize the idea of a puzzle program. Divide the League prayer, the Creed, the prayer on clean hearts and benediction into shore parts. When the members arrive give them each a part. Have them sit so that the prayer will read in the correct order. The puzzle is to find the right chair. When each prayer is called for the group having it will lead it. In the roll call every third one should answer with the ruler of prayer.

Bible reading. St. Luke 11:1-6. Hymn, "Sun of my soul."

Opening prayer, O God, give us clean hands.

Creed. Roll Call.

First paper: Bible reading, I Sam. 12:23.

Prayer. A general discussion on what constitutes a prayer? A short history of the Prayer Book. Why not more extemporaneous prayers? Shore history of special prayers; as the Lord's Prayer, the prayer of St. Chrysostom, etc.

Second paper: Bible reading Psalm 109:4.

Kind of prayers. Everyone prays. Describe different methods of praying as Moslem, idol worshipping, prayer wheels, old fashion family worship, etc. Might have tableau of Turk with prayer, heathen before his idol, Chinese burning a prayer, family worship, nun praying, etc. Have a curtain which parts in middle and can be slowly divided showing each group as talked about.

Third paper: Bible reading Matt. 21:23.

Power of prayer. Give personal example, or one procured from a friend or books.

Hymn-"Now the day is over."

Business.

Taps.

League prayer.

Benediction.

CHURCH IN CHINA TACKLES INDUSTRY

Solution of the problem of millwork for Chinese girls and women is to be advanced greatly in Wuhu, in the missionary district of Anking, by the erection of a building, the Stanley Memorial, to house the True Light industrial work for girls and women conducted in connection with St. Lioba's Mission. The superintendent, Sister Constance Anna, now has eighty women working full time, except for a half-hour's daily study, and thirty-four young girls who work half a day and study half a day. Even more will be accommodated when the new building, now under construction, is completed. The mission insists that no one working under its supervision may do any other work. This policy had to be adopted because many had been doing night work in the mills with disastrous results to their health. The work turned out at the True Light center is chiefly small embroidered articles and dolls.

CATHEDRAL DRIVE

Bishop Manning is much pleased with the response that has come from all sections of life in the drive for funds for the Cathedral of St. John the Divine. In speaking recently at Christ Church, New York, he said:

"I wish that I had time to tell you the evidences of this that come to me literally every day. The interest that representatives of organized labor are taking in building the cathedral is very reassuring and heartening. I wish you could have been with me when six representatives of labor unions came to my office. The first group of three laid on my desk five hundred dollars in bills as a contribution from their union. The other three handed me a check for five hundred dollars and the promise of as much more from their union. It was a good evidence of earnest interest.

"The feeling showed by these men was even more remarkable. They stayed half an hour; and one of them said. 'Bishop, you never will have any labor troubles in this building. Our hearts are in this thing. The Cathedral stands for things that we need in our lives.' It was beautiful and touching to me to hear them talk thus.

"Just as fine a part has been taken by representatives of sports and recreation. Did you happen to see on the sporting page of last night's paper their expression of happiness in participating in our work? Such manifestations of common interest in the things of the spiritual life constitute a marvellous opportunity."

Activities of the Young People

Edited by Miss Fischer and Bishop Quin

DIOCESE OF UPPER SOUTH CAROLINA

THE work among the young people of this diocese started with a diocesan Vacation-Camp conference held in the mountains of South Carolina in June, 1923, when the young people were gathered from every parish and mission. This Camp was known as Camp Capers, in memory of Bishop Capers of South Carolina, and at this Camp the boys and girls were instructed in the fundamentals of the Young People's Service League, and the general plan of organization. In October of the same year, Mrs. Frank N. Challen of Greenville, was appointed as Executive Secretary for the Y. P. S. L. and in May, 1924, was held the first Young People's Convention of this diocese, at which time nineteen white Leagues, with an approximate membrship of 429 were reported, and two colored Leagues. At this convention, the Y. P. S. L. perfected a diocesan organization, adopted a Constitution and By-Laws, and elected the following officers: Miss Mary Bacot Prevost, Columbia, President; Frank Woodruff, of Columbia, Vice President; Celia Mathews, Spartanburg, as secretary and Joe Earle Trowbridge of Anderson, as treasurer.

In its three years of life, the League has grown tremendously. Two successful summer camps have been held, and the young people are now deep in plans for the second annual convention, to be held at Christ Church, Greenville, and the third annual camp, which will be a joint one with the young people from the diocese of South Carolina, and will be held at Camp Teansylvania, Brevard, N. C.

The attendance at the convention in 1924 was around 300 young people and about 170 at the Camp. There is a League in every parish in the diocese, but one, and that is in process of organization. There are good healthy Leagues in many of the Missions.

In the past year, the diocesan objectives have been, first, to furnish the chairs for a new chapel at one of our mill communities. The Leagues had already given money and gifts for this same chapel. Second, to assist the Bishop in the expenses of a negro student at the Payne Divinity School. Third, made an Every Member canvas of the diocese for subscriptions to the Diocesan paper. The Christmas boxes went to the

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Dominican Republic, Cuba, and Porto Rico, and this work was splendidly Usually good work was done for the field of the world in helping the Near East Relief. One League in a house to house canvass of its Parish collected over \$700. Many of our Leagues are studying the field of China by week day study classes during Lent. Delegates have been sent for the past two years to the Sewanee Summer Training School, and the same thing will be done this year. We are also planning to send a delegate to the National Conference of young people.

From the ranks of the League have come several students for the ministry, many volunteers for summer work in the mountain missions, and two volunteers for missionary work.

SUBJECTS FOR MEN TO DISCUSS

Bishop Fiske of Central New York recently received a letter asking how a men's club or study class could be more practically helpful. He suggested a series of discussions of timely topics, with a well-equipped speaker as leader, the men themselves coming prepared to discuss the subject. His list of topics follow:

(1) The Christian Sunday and Sunday legislation.

(2) What are the essential truths of the Christian Religion?

(3) How far is it possible to introduce Christian principles into business or industry?

(4) Modern movements in religion and their bearing on Christian faith.

(5) Does the language of the Prayer Book need revision to meet modern needs?

(6) Modern society: Whither is it tending and what do you think of it?

(7) What can we do and how far ought we to go in urging the practice of religion on our children?

(8) What good do I get out of church-going and what can the clergy

do to help me get more?

(9) What should be the attitude of the Church toward social, industrial, and political problems? What ought it to do in its corporate capacity by definite action?

(10) Why do I believe in Christi-

anity?

(11) Why am I an Episcopalian? (12) What kind of a service and what sort of sermon helps a layman?

THE SUNDAY DOZEN

The late Walter Camp composed a famous set of exercises, called "The Daily Dozen." Many of us use them every morning. But there has been written, also, by Dr. George P. Atwater, our editor, a "Sunday Dozen," which, if practiced faithfully by the congregation of any parish, is sure

Ask Him

Several hundred Rectors placed The Witness on sale during Lent. Perhaps you have been getting your copy at the Church door. If so, better ask the Rector if you can continue to do so, for many of these bundle orders were simply for the Lenten season. If he says no, then send a dollar with your name and address and the paper will be delivered at your home for the next six months. See the last page of

to produce untold and unimagined results. Here are the exercises somewhat adapted:

- 1. Get up early and thank God for another day.
 - 2. Go to the early service.

3. Get the children off to the Church

School in plenty of time.

4. Take the family to one of the later services. We have a kindergarten during church hour for the little

5. Carry offerings of current date, and make them generous.

6. Listen to the notices and resolve to assist one organization or some one person during the week.

7. Help the strangers to find their places in the service.

8. Speak the friendly welcome to every one within reach after service, but do not gossip within the church.

9. Say "Grace" at dinner or have the children say it.

10. Read some of the Bible to the children each Sunday.

11. Take an hour for reading some instructive book about life's main interest - religion.

12. Say your prayers before going to bed, and make them real.

THE TORNADO

The General Missionary for southern Illinois, the Reverend C. B. Cromwell, writes with regard to the cyclone which swept through his district recently as follows: "I went today to West Frankfort, Bush, Hurst and DeSoto, and I have been for the last few days on the job at Murphysboro. This latter place has been hard hit, hardest of all really, and wholly hardest from the Church point of view. All but three of my lost their homes which families were in the path of the tornado. Trinity Church is badly damaged but still standing. The tower is gone, the windows broken, the plaster torn off, but it is still there. Thank God however, that although I have buried my share of the dead, I buried not one of my own. None was killed."

Preacher, Pulpit and Pew

By E. P. Jots

Mrs. Ernest Mariett, who lives in New England, writes that in performing her duties as parish visitor, she was calling on a white-haired, devout colored man. This is the question he gravely propounded:

"Now, Missy, reckon you'se could help me—dis yere done puzzle me—was de Saint Paul a epistle, or a apostle? I dunno. Sometimes I hear 'em say epistle, sometimes dey says apostle—I dunno."

A reader from Minneapolis sends this one: The Bishop was at our church one Friday night recently and preached from the text "Make the men sit down." He went on to explain that to derive benefit from the "Feast of Lent" we must be in a receptive attitude. As a preacher will, he reiterated his text occasionally and ended with the injunction, "Make the men sit down." There being no offertory, it sounded rather contradictory when the choir stood up and sang "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus."

That reminded me of a similar occurrence some years ago. After an unusually rousing sermon on action, zeal, enthusiasm, etc., the choir arose and meekly sang, "I Will Lay Me Down in Peace, and Take My Rest."

All of which points to the fact that the minister should be consulted about the music.

The soldiers marched to the church and halted in the square outside. One wing of the edifice was undergoing repairs, so there was room for only about half the regiment.

"Sergeant," ordered the captain, "tell the men who don't want to go to church to fall out."

A large number quickly availed

themselves of the privilege.
"Now, sergeant," said the captain, "dismiss all the men who did not fall out and march the others in-they need it most."

"Why did you give little Johnny a cream puff just before dinner?" "The minister was dining with us."

"Well?"

"The cream puff was to hold little Johnny's appetite in check until grace was said."

Visitor-Who are all these stifflegged men that pass here this morning? Is there a hospital near?

Subbubs-No. Those are some of our best citizens who don't want to go to church with their wives. So they're sneaking off to the links, each with a golf club stuck down his trouser leg.

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Church Army To Go On Unique Pilgrimage

A Church Army From Great Britain to Invade the United States This Coming Summer

NOTABLE GROUP

By Rev. S. M. Dorrance

With the full approval, and at the invitation of many bishops, including Bishop Manning, Bishop Brent, Bishop Fiske, Bishop Brewster. Bishop Perry, Bishop Lawrence, Bishop Slattery, and Bishop Parker, the Church Army of Great Britain 13 preparing to send a detachment of twenty-four evangelists to this country who will make an "evangelistic trek" through the New England States this summer. Captain F. B. Mountford and Captain Arthur Casey of the Church Army, are already in this country to make arrangements. The rest of the party expect to reach New York on May 25th. Regarding themselves as modern crusaders, and unwilling to run any risk of getting "soft" before they start on their marches, they have declined all suggestions of hospitable beds, and will sleep, the nights they are in New York, on the floor of the Diocesan House, wrapped in their blankets. On Thursday, May 28th, they will parade to the Cathedral grounds, where Bishop Manning will give the expedition his benediction. Friday, Saturday and Sunday they will conduct meetings in New York. Most of these will be in the open air, but under the auspices of a neighboring parish church. On Sunday the pulpits of a number of New York parishes will be filled by speakers from the Church Army.

On the following Monday, June 1st, the "trek" will begin which, starting from New York, is to extend to Portland, Me., with stops en route at New Haven, Providence and Boston, and many smaller towns. There will be two columns of eleven men each, working independently from Monday to Friday, but always reuniting for week-end work in one of the larger centers. Most of the distance is to be covered on foot, though occasional stretches of sparsely settled country may be crossed by train. The men will have a waterproof groundsheet and three blankets apiece, and will spend their nights under canvas, or on the floor of a parish house.

Amongst the members of this expedition in addition to Captain Mountford and Captain Casey, will be Captain Hanson, who for nearly thirty years has been a popular evangelist in English prisons. He

will preach and lecture as opportunity affords.

In co-operation with this crusade of the Church Army, Prebendary Gough, Vicar of wealthy Brompton Parish Church, in the West End of London, will give six weeks during July and August preaching and lecturing in this country. Prebendary Gough is the man who, at Bishop Creighton's solicitation, took charge of the Brompton Church in 1899, when it was almost empty, and has so increased its vitality that now its communicants number two thousand in a single day. He has small faitn in organization, lays great stress on visiting, and has never shrunk from expressing his views on political and other public questions from the pul-

Such marching crusades for the purpose of intensive evangelism have long been a part of the regular work of the Church Army in Great Britain. In the Forty-second Report of the Army, it is noted that in 1923 on Whit Monday the Lord Bishop of Coventry dismissed eight Columns of Men and one of Sisters from Coventry, who between then and the end of August marched more than 2,000 miles, touching twenty-six dioceses." It is felt that the Episcopal Church may wish to organize similar work in America, and this summer's invasion by the Army is to furnish a demonstration of the character and usefulness of such efforts. The expenses, which are very heavy, have been guaranteed by the Church Army's Board of Directors, but it is hoped that some in America will wish to help.

The Church Army is a strictly Church of England organization. Its work is done in closest co-operation with the Church. Those who are aroused by the evangelistic meetings are referred to the clergy of the parishes for follow up work, and especial efforts are made to re-awaken the interest of lapsed communicants, and restore them to the Church's life.

BISHOP BEECHER TACKLES JAPANESE PROBLEM

Bishop Beecher of Western Nebraska has appointed a Japanese worker for his district. Large numbers of Japanese were brought into the state to build railroads. Bishop Beecher thinks that an effort should be made to persuade them to mix with Americans instead of colonizing by themself, which, according to the bishop, is the cause of the trouble in California between the different races. Mr. H. Kano, a native Japanese, and a graduate of the Imperial University and of the University of Nebrsska, has taken up the work.

Rector Deplores News Stories On Scandals

Rev. H. B. Chapman Wants to Know Why the Church Fails to Rebuke the Moral Bolsheviks

WOMEN BISHOPS?

By Rev. A. Manby Lloyd
The Vicar of Bush End, after the performance of a Nativity Play in his church, has been fined four guineas because the building provided only one exit, a door which opened inwards. Apparently we may pack our churches to suffocation at a Harvest Festival (which some regard as the last word in Paganism), but any attempt to reclaim the Church's ancient heritage of setting good art before the common folk is at once penalized.

From the end of the month the space below the dome of St. Paul's is to be closed. The usual services will be held in the nave and its chapels.

The news from Paris is that the well known jockey, Jack Jennings, who has recently received a license as a lay reader, preached his first sermon on Sunday last at the English Church at Maisons-Laffitte. The occasion was "Turf Sunday," originated years ago by the resident chaplain at this great Franch racing centre.

An epidemic of sordid divorce and black-mailing "Society" cases has roused the Rev. H. B. Chapman, the chaplain of the Savoy Chapel, who never minces his languages. "England," he said last Sunday, "is like the woman of Canaan's daughter, grievously vexed with a devil. My prayer is 'Help England'. What is called Society has a side too low for words. Whether it be murder or vice, or whatever form of excitement, surely it is unpatriotic on the part of the press to publish what is bound to hurt our youth."

Mr. Chapman wondered that the heads of the "Church had not spoken out" and that the "moral Bolshevism" of the smart set had not been rebuked in the highest quarters.

Does Canon Simpson (of St. Paul's Cathedral) favour Women-Bishops? It seems so, for he told the League of the Church Militant that the time must come when every office now held by men in the Church would be open to suitable women also. He has accepted the office of President.

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Episcopal Services Popular Over Radio

Ministers Express Different Opinions
Upon the Effect of Radio on
Church Attendance

SMALL CHURCHES COMPLAIN

The national religious boards and societies are getting from the country two differing reports concerning the effects of the radio upon church attendance, and especially upon church affiliation. Broadcasting stations select services of famous churches to put on the air, and it is charged that almost all of these are Presbyterian and Episcopalian. Famous stations in Springfield, New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh and Chicago broadcast services of churches named almost exclusively, including week days during Lent, as well as on Sundays. Pastors of other churches are charging through their national boards that their members are staying at home from church and listening in. They are not only absent from their churches, all greatly in need of them, but are being influenced toward other bodies, so these smaller bodies charge.

Another set of ministers report that this tendency to stay at home and listen in for sermons in the air is a passing one. They find that families unaccustomed to attend any churches listened in for want of something else to do, heard what pleased them, and then became dis-satisfied with the impersonal receiving set. This dissatisfaction has driven them out, often in their cars, after the real thing, sometimes for no purpose other than to see what the place looked like from which they had heard services and sermons. In New York, Presbyterian, Methodist, Baptist, Congregational and Reformed boards are receiving reports of both of the kinds described. All agree that the radio is coming to be a big factor in religion.

HERE ARE SOME NICE FIGURES

Gifts to church enterprises by members of the twenty-four leading Protestant denominations in North America average \$20.60 per person yearly, according to information gathered by the United Stewardship Council, New York. In proportion of gifts to benevolences as compared to those for congregational expenses, United Presbyterians lead. The average proportion of benevolences to total gifts is one-fifth. United Presbyterians approximate nearly one-half, while Christians approximate

over one-third; Lutherans and Northern Baptists, one-quarter; Southern Presbyterians and Southern Baptists, one-fifth; Northern Presbyterians, Northern Methodists, Southern Methodists and Disciples of Christ, onesixth; Episcopalians and Church of Brethren, one-eighth, and Congregationalists, one-tenth. In total per capita giving, United Presbyterians lead again, averaging \$36 per person. They are followed by Episcopalian, Northern Presbyterians, South Presbyterians, the Reformed Church in America, the Evangelical Church and Congregationalists, all of whom give over \$29. Other large denominations follow in this order: Northern Methodists, Northern Baptists, Disciples of Christ and Southern Baptists. Southern Baptists, though they contribute one-fifth of their total gifts to benevolences average only \$9.90 per person.

The Witness Fund

Each year there are those among our readers who send in a little extra money with their own subscriptions. This money goes into a Fund which is used to take care of the subscriptions of those, many of them clergy, who feel unable to pay for it themselves. Gifts to this Fund are acknowledged in the paper. We wish to thank the following subscribers for helping with the 1925 Fund:

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News Paragraphs Of The American Church

Bishop Anderson of Chicago Compelled to Take a Rest. Experiments During Lent

MANY PREACHING MISSIONS

Here's a parson catching me on my pet peeve. Recently I ran an item about a parish that raised a considerable amount of money one evening, adding that it was a generous amount for a parish made up almost entirely of laboring folks. So the Rev. Mr. Herron of Cincinnati, clipped the item and sent it back to me accompanied by a very amusing cartoon which pictures a bricklayer dolling himself up after work and taking his wife, dressed in her nice fur coat, out to dinner and the theatre. There was no comment, but the picture said, "see, here is your poor working man." The cartoonist pictured one of the aristocrats of labor when he picked the bricklayer. Most of us can envy him with his ten dollars a day. Yet if one cares to take the trouble to read over the figures offered by Mr. Hoover and his group of engineers, who recently made a study of wages, he will find that the average weekly wage of this "aristocrat," even in the city of Chicago, is but \$35. Living in this noble city of high rents and graft, if he is able to take his wife on an occasional party on that wage he and his wife ought to be praised for careful management. I suppose we will say that, if he is able to save, he ought to give his savings to the Nation-Wide Campaign instead of buying planked steaks. And so he should . . . but us parsons are paid to convince him of that.

Extra! Extra! A Bishop is arrested. Bishop Brent of Western New York, a headliner in the dailies for

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weeks because of his remarkable work as a member of the American commission on opium, again gets into the news. He was in Niagara Falls and was in a hurry to keep an appointment in Buffalo. In his hurry he drove his car to the left of a street car. He was "pinched," taken to headquarters and booked, being released on \$10 cash bail. The paper adds that Bishop Brent was wearing his clerical collar at the time which, I take it, is the same as saying that the policeman was not Irish. They tell me you can't get arrested in Boston if you wear your clericals.

But don't take my word for it.

A parishioner of the Redeemer, Brooklyn, is making and selling two apple pies a week to get the money for her Easter offering. The rector who sent that in understands what constitutes news. I'm only sorry he didn't send the lady's picture.

Up in the diocese of Duluth they have a banner which goes each year to the Church School which makes the largest per capita Lenten offering. St. Stephen's, Paynesville, has held this banner for fourteen consecutive years. And they are challenging the rest of them to get it. "Ted" Hudson, the son of the rector emeritus of the parish, who, a few years back was the "Red" Grange of the football world, sends the challenge on to us from New Jersey with this to say: "I used to help win this banner and I defy anyone to get it away from little St. Stephen's." All I can say is that if big "Ted" Hud-

son is on guard the banner had better be let alone.

Special convention in Southern Florida on May 6th to elect a Bishop Coadjutor.

Church Club of Chicago is giving a party on April 14th in honor of Bishop Gailor, president of the National Council. Lot of Bishops are going to be there Bishop Griswold of Chicago, Bishop Leonard of Ohio, Bishop Weller of Fond du Lac, Bishop Francis of Indianapolis. Bishop Harris of Marquette, Bishop Page of Michigan, Bishop Webb of Milwaukee, Bishop Fawcett of Quincy, Bishop White of Springfield, Bishop Morrison of Iowa, Bishop McCormick of Western Michigan and Bishop-elect Gray of Northern In-

Church Congress, St. Louis, May 5-8 inclusive, is to be held in the Sheldon Memorial Building. Coronado Hotel is to be the headquarters. Write Mr. Dorrance, the secretary, 316 East 88th Street, New York, if you want the details.

Corner-stone for the new Cathedral at Orlando, Florida, was laid by Bishop Mann on Easter Monday.

The new chimes at Grace Church, New York, were played for the first time on Easter morning. There are

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eleven bells which were recast, and nine new ones, each bell being a memorial. The work was done by the Meneely Bell Co.

New parish house being built at Grace Church, Lyons, Iowa, where Rev. W. E. Stockley is rector.

Bishop Anderson of Chicago has been compelled by physicians to take a rest. Nothing serious they say, but it might be if he doesn't cut out working so hard. He has gone off into the Wisconsin woods for a few weeks. The Holy week services which he was to address were taken by Rev. Dr. Nichols of New York.

The Presbyterian Minister in Camden, Arkansas, found it necessary to spend two months in a hospital in Memphis. The Rev. Randolph H. Claiborne, Rector of St. John's Church offered his services to the minister during his absence.

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between that church and the Presbyterian, the combined congregations attending each. At each service so far the congregation has been much larger than the sum total of the congregations attending the separate churches previously. The Christian fellowship has helped.

For the Three Hour Service on Good Friday at St. John's, the Presbyterians, Methodists and Baptists participated, and their ministers conducted part of the service of meditation and prayer. In the absence of their minister on Sundays, the Presbyterians make up a large part of the congregation at St. John's at both morning and evening service.

Preaching missions down in Arkansas, conducted by "Daddy" Hall and Archdeacon Webber. They are touring the entire diocese.

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Preaching mission at Seneca, Nebraska, in March, with the archdeacon of the district doing the preaching. It was held in the Congregational Church as we have no church building of our own in the town.

Largely due to the efforts of Dean Lathrop the Federal Council of Churches is likely to appoint a board who will study the factors which insure the soundness of investments from an ethical as well as a financial point of view. It will be a board which not only churches but individuals may turn to for advise.

The Rev. John M. Page in charge of student week at the University of Illinois, has been convalescing in a Washington hospital from a difficult operation, but in his absence the students have been actively carrying forward their own work and also the state-wide compaign work for the building of the Chapel of St. John the Divine which is soon to be con-Visiting clergymen have structed. been, Rt. Rev. Edward Fawcett, Bishop of Quincy; the Rt. Rev. John C. White, Bishop of Springfield; the Rev. Kenneth O. Crosby, Director of Lawrence Hall, Chicago; the Rev. Wm. B. Spofford, Secretary of the

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Rev. F. C. Sherman has just closed a mission at St. Luke's, Scranton, Pa., where the Rev. R. P. Kreitler is rector. He preached daily at noon and in the evening to increasingly larger congregations.

The rector of St. Paul's, Baltimore, reports the best Lent in years. Among the preachers have been Dr. Stewart of Evanston, Dr. Bell of St. Stephen's College, Dr. Norwood of Philadelphia, Dr. Phillips of Washington and Father Hughson of the Order of Holy

During Lent the men of the Cathedral at Boise, Idaho, have been meeting once a week to consider the subject of Fellowship. The speakers have been Dr. Lockwood of the Congregational Church, Bishop Gorman of the Roman Catholic Church, Mr. Hale of the Latter Day Saints, Mr. Kahn representing the Jews, and the Rev. Jesse Baird, the Presbyterian pastor. The meetings have been informal, held in the study of Dean Paul Roberts.

A memorial window is to be placed in St. Paul's, Hoboken, New Jersey,

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District of Salina will be held at St. John's School, June 4th to 8th.

Rev. A. E. Knickerbocker of Minneapolis was the special preacher at Christ Church, Red Wing, Minnesota, on Palm Sunday.

President Bell of St. Stephen's College is the special preacher at the University of Chicago on April 19th.

The rector of Christ Church, Lonsdale, Rhode Island, the Rev. A. M. Hilliker, has rounded up the people of the community to discuss international peace on the Monday evenings this month. They are using Miss Boyer's valuable book, which was recently issued by the Social Service department of the National Council.

Bishop Shayler of Nebraska thinks it is time some parson spoke out on this matter of prohibition and law enforcement. He says that the chief difficulty is that enforcement officers are political appointments. In Nebraska the work is gradually being

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taken out of their hands and placed under men of character. Bishop Shayler also believes thoroughly that the people are not only for law enforcement but for prohibition as well.

Mission this week at St. John's, Laurel, Missessippi, conducted by Bishop Bratton. The rector of the parish, in urging his people to subscribe to a Church weekly says: "The Episcopal Church certainly leads the whole Christian world in the quality of its journals."

Recent changes: Rev. H. P. Veazie, Precentor of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, New York, to be rector of St. Luke's, Brockport, N. Y., Rev. J. D. Miller, from St. Michael and All Angel's, Savannah, to St. Paul's, Louisburg, North Carolina; Rev. S. C. Ripper, from Lyndonville, Vt., to Barre, Vt.

St. David's, Portland, Oregon, has organized a parish Council, with five parish interests represented; education, social service, Church program (missions), membership and finance.

A bill which would allow week day religious education was defeated a week ago in the state of California. Several weeks ago it was confidently predicted that the bill would receive a substantial majority. Then the Koo Koo Klukers, the Fundamentalists, the Anti-Saloon Leaguers and a half dozen other factions got into the battle and the arguments of these various Christians got so tangled that the legislators, in self defense, turned the bill down. Too bad.

Dr. M. B. Stewart of Nashotah House conducted a Quiet Day for the clergy of the diocese of Iowa on March 30th at Trinity Cathedral, Davenport.

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country. Bible classes in rural districts have also been organized with considerable success.

The Easter offering at St. Paul's, Chattanooga, Tennessee, is to be devoted to the education of some boy of the parish for the ministry.

An orchestral organ with xylophones, bass and snare drums and castanets was recently dedicated at St. Mark's-in-the-Bouwerie, | New York, by the rector, the Rev. W. N. Guthrie. Oh yes. The organ was equipped with a tom-tom also almost left out the most important part.

Joint Young People's Conference for the dioceses of Atlanta and Georgia is to be held in Savannah in May. Speakers: Bishop Mikell, Bishop Reese, Rev. Karl Block, and Rev. Gordon Reese.

The Rev. Robert Norwood, recently called from Philadelphia to be the rector of St. Bartholomew's, New York, has a considerable reputation as a poet, having published several books of verse. He is a Canadian by birth, a graduate of King's College, came to Philadelphia eight years ago, was naturalized two years ago. He is fifty years of age.

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Fourteen ministers took part in a union Good Friday service held in the First Universalist Church, Worcester, Mass. The Rev. C. L. Short, non-parochial, represented the Episcopal Church.

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Consecration of Dean Rogers as Bishop Coadjutor of Ohio, Thursday, April 30th, St. Paul's Cathedral, Detroit. Bishop Faber of Montana, is to preach.

Church Club of New York is to give a dinner in honor of Dean lnge of St. Paul's, London, at the Hotel Astor on May 5th.

Keep the parish papers coming. So much going on this Lent that there hasn't been room to say much about them. But they are read, I assure you of that.

Several weeks ago we told of the contest put on by the Diocesan Record, the monthly of the diocese of Atlanta. Prizes were offered for the best letters telling how to start good health Church scraps. The first of the letters appear in the current issue. One writes to say that the method to follow is to write to the local paper stating wherein you differ with the other parishioners on doctrinal matters. Another thinks the way to have a nice fight is to forbid the vestry to settle anything, but to always call a parish meeting. Another, apparently a rector, says the way to do it is to obey the Prayer Book; that is, refuse to bury an unbaptised person, insist on calling yourself a priest, require all communicants to be confirmed, teach the obligation of fasting on Friday. Still another suggests that the way to do it is to have a parish baby contest and let the rector be the judge. It is a real contest—lots of competition since the first prize is a copy of "Cushioned Pews," by Bishop Johnson.

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