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# RELIGION ON THE CAMPUS What Should Be Given the Students By REV. FREDERICK W. CLAYTON

SOME years ago I attended an ordination service in St. Nicholas Cathedral Newcastle-on-Tyne. The words of the preacher have remained with me ever since. He was emphasizing the real work of a priest and in so doing, by way of contrast, he told the candidates what the world expected of them. He said: The modern priest is expected to visit like a doctor; preach like an orator; play like an expert; teach like a college professor; to be an authority on social service, and if time permits, to pray like a Saint. This is often the world's estimate of the Priesthood because many of us have given that impression.

#### WHAT RELIGION IS

Many people think today, and especially college students, that religion is a thing to be explained and understood in a scientific way. But instead religion is the relationship between God and man, and that relationship is preserved and kept alive by prayer and worship. The life of a college student is made up of pleasure, athletics, and some study. The one thing they do not get is that for which the Church stands and the one thing the Church should not emphasize is the thing they already acquire in college. When I listen to the Salvation Army band sometimes playing badly, and one of their number talking in an earnest but disconnected way about God, I am led to believe that the biggest thing they do, is not the music they produce or the words they utter, but the mere fact that they stand on the corner of a busy street in a uniform which proclaims to the world that they believe in God and man's need of redemption.

#### CHURCH'S WORK

The greatest work the Church does on the campus is silent. It is the daily celebration of the Holy Com-



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munion. We ought to have there beautiful Churches, not large parish houses, daily services not evening meals, sermons on the life and teaching of our Blessed Saviour, not exhortations on the relationship of psychology to religion. The Bishop of Manchester puts it clearly in his book Christus Veritas: "The Christian life is a supernatural life; we neither make it nor discover it; God gives it, we receive it. And this is the truth of chief importance to the whole life and purpose of the Church. The most seductive and the deadliest of all temptations that come to man is the temptation to suppose that by himself he can achieve his destiny. It is false. Man can be all that he is destined to be when God indwells him." Dr. E. F. Scott says almost the same thing in his treatise on the Ethical Teaching of Jesus: "It is commonly assumed, more or less consciously, that men themselves must bring the Kingdom into being. The very programme of Christianity, as it is often understood in our days, is to establish the Kingdom of God on earth by the concerted effort of all good men. To Jesus this conception would have been meaningless and even repellent. The Kingdom, as He knew it, was God's, and men could no more establish it than they could make the sun rise in heaven."

#### NEED OF BELIEF

We do not want a secularized Christianity. We want a firm belief in God as an object of worship. Human knowledge and human faith are in the last analysis, reflections, interpretations of human experience. If there be a God and He has revealed Himself to man, it is within human experience that the revelation has been made. When, therefore, the Christian affirms his belief that there is a God and that He has made Himself known to man, he implicitly affirms his belief that God is an object of human experience. Religious men do not value their religion primarily for the feeling which it invokes, but as a means of contact with a Divine reality outside themselves. We keep in with this Divine Reality touch through His Church. The late Canon H. S. Holland sums up this idea very beautifully in the following words: "Christ prepares His Church to become the eye of the body. He raises into sensitive life an organ through which He may act upon the whole. The loose thinking, the vague feeling of the crowd, these bar and control the free action of love. Christ's Church exists in order to make possible, to make known, to make active, the work which Christ by His Incarnation, Death and Resurrection achieved once for all."

I do not think our real need can be answered in terms of extending our range. We have accumulations of power, but we dissipate it. We push out in all directions; but there is no agreement as to the direction on which we are to concentrate for the great push. It is not that kind of energetic but futile activity that we need. Rather we need, and need imperatively, the men who will dig patiently and stedfastly till they come down to the immovable rock. Breadth of mind is worshipped as a fetish; it is depth of mind, men whose thoughts go very deep, that is the real requirement.

#### HUMILITY

The great outstanding virtue that creates the spirit of true worship is humility. One of the best definitions of humility is given by the great Bernard of Clairvaux, who was the greatest spiritual influence in Europe during his lifetime. "It is truth about ourselves in our relation to God." Yet the truth which bows us prostrate before God lifts us while it bows us. It is this humbleness of heart that makes men realize their real dependence upon the Divine love of God. The religious man is the man who goes through life sure in his heart of the living God and of His love and care for men, with the determination to do God's will because God loves him and he loves God, and with the conviction that God will show him what His will is and enable him to perform it. In the bustle of college life we need this surety.

Christianity is a rich complex; it has gathered a variety of oddly assorted associations with the passing of years, Semitic, Hellenic and Pagan, but there is something common to all the Churches. It is summed up in terms of a Person, that is Jesus as the personification of religious and moral truth, His belief as to the character of God, and adopting the appropriate attitude of man towards Diety of such a character. Inward restlessness is balanced by the abundance of His peace. The morallyshot-to-pieces find in Him a shepherd seeking His wandering sheep, the discouraged find in Him a Father looking for the return of the Prodigal. There are no limits to the influence of Jesus. Thus we have the Church's great message, the devotion of all to the common good and the goal of complete redemption.

The student needs the religion of Jesus Christ like anyone else and that religion presented to him not in terms of lectures but in terms of sacramental truth, not in terms of entertainment but in terms of quiet meditation and prayer.

#### Young Peoples Column By Rev. W. A. Jonnard

IN THESE days of "youth's rebellion" and traditional disregard of the fifth commandment, it is refreshing to find the following dedication in the front of a school-girl's annual. The school, by the way, is one of our Church Schools, and whether thereby hangs the tale, or not, I have nothing to say. I leave that to the experts.

This is the dedication: "To those who have always loved us, who always will; to those who always share our sorrows and our joys; to those to whom we owe all that we are, and all that we hope to be; we, the Class of 1927, with the deepest respect and love, do dedicate this, the 29th yearbook of St. Mary's

#### То

# OUR MOTHERS AND FATHERS."

So many redeeming traits are making themselves apparent in youth that it ill behooves us to criticize. But more than once I've been told in confidence by young people that the last thing on earth they would do would be to go against the wishes of father or mother - - where a principle was involved. And yet, these same youngtsers fail utterly to give even the semblance of this idea to the parent. In more than one instance, when friend mother has laid down the law, the daughter has told the mother where to get off, and even threatened to leave home, and then, weepingly confessed to me she had not the slightest idea of doing any such terrible thing, that she doesn't know how she could have said such a thing to her mother, et cetera ad infinitum.

Where is the companionship that should exist between mother and daughter, father and son, today? Have we lost it entirely in this generation? Where is the viewpoint of youth we should try to see so often? Are we parents taking the trouble to find out? Do we not frequently give our sons and daughters the impression that we do not trust them, when really we are merely trying to take care of them, save them from making mistakes, keep them out of trouble? Haven't we learned that, after all, youth cares nothing for the experience of old age; that youth is busy learning from youth's own experience?

There is a solution to this constant friction, this constant misunderstanding, this constant "daggers' point attitude" somewhere. And we must seek until we find, in prayer and with grace. For after all, even the most daring youth possesses the element of caution to an extreme degree. Even the famous "Lucky Lindbergh" did not sail away on his (to some) foolhardly and intrepid flight without advice and counsel, without consulting the best scientific knowledge possible regarding weather conditions, geographical, and aeronautical data, and the like. It is my firm conviction that the key can be found to unlock this door, barring the right relation between youth and youth's parents. And it lies very close to the Altar the Pulpit, the Church. Shall we not seek - - and find?

# Books

THE IDEAS OF THE FALL AND OF CRIGINAL SIN, by N. P. Williams,

D.D., Longmans Green & Co.; \$7.50. The lectures which make up this book of over five hundred pages are the Bampton Lectures for the year 1924. The doctrines centering about the "Fall" and original sin are thought little of today. To re-examine them from the point of view of the history of Christian thought and to re-interpret them in modern terms as Dr. Williams here very ably does is well worth while.

The thesis of the book is that the severe doctrine of the "Fall" and of original sin supposed by most people to be held by the church - - the doctrine formulated by Augustine and glorified by Calvin - - has not been held generally by the Church Catholic and cannot lay claim to being an official part of Catholic doctrine. Augustinianism being disposed of, Dr. Williams, with considerable courage and more ingenuity, propounds a doctrine which puts the "Fall" back before the creation of man making it the apostacy from the will of God of an hypothetical spirit of the universe - - a sort of free and self-conscious elan vital - assumed to have been the first created thing and the source of all other created things. This accounts not only for human imperfection, but also for the unconscious evil and cruelty in the subhuman realm. As far as man is concerned, his "Fall" is not so much a fall as a failure to climb. And the "original sin" which goes with this, Dr. Williams sees as the inherited weakness of man's social instincts as over against his ego-instinct and his sex-instinct. He would have us throw the term "original sin" out of our theological vocabulary, and put in its place "inherited infirmity."

Stated thus briefly, this new doctrine of the "Fall" sounds bizarre in the extreme, but Dr. Williams' learned and skillful defense of it is stimulating and well-nigh convincing. The sections dealing with original sin contain perhaps the most valuable suggestions of the construc-

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# THE CATHEDRAL SCHOOL

### The Southern School for Girls

By

REV. ALFRED EVAN JOHNSON

THE Cathedral School for Girls in Orlando, Florida, was founded in the year 1900 by Bishop William Crane Gray, first bishop of the missionary district of Southern Florida which in the year 1922 became the diocese of South Florida. The Right Reverend Cameron Mann, D. D. Bishop of South Florida, is president of the board of trustees of the school. His interest in its development has been unfailing and he has done all in his power to promote its welfare.

The school has made continued progress under successive principals among whom special mention may be made of the late Deaconess Parkhill, of the Reverend Randolph P. Cobb, who held the office acceptably for ten years, and of the present principal, Miss Clara Burton, whose efficient leadership has done so much for the school.

The situation is a beautiful one overlooking Lake Eola. The purpose of the school is to maintain a high standard of scholarship with abundant opportunity for physical development under a competent director. A resident nurse gives constant attention to the care of the health of the pupils.

The school is accredited by the State Board of Education and prepares pupils for college entrance. At the commencement on June second, Bishop Mann conferred diplomas upon ten graduates and gave certificates to four other members of the senior class who had entered for the final year only.

Stress is laid upon religious instruction and the development of moral character. The resident faculty and pupils attend the morning service on Sunday at St. Luke's Cathedral and there is a Bible class on Sunday evenings. There are also daily prayers morning and evening. For some years past a Confirmation class has been prepared by the chaplain and presented to the Bishop.

A bright and joyous tone of life is



THE GRADUATING CLASS

encouraged and many evenings are marked by merry festivities. The annual May Day Festival and the due observance of national holidays

have been noticeable features of the school programme.

The very reasonable charge for board and tuition may well be taken into consideration by parents who desire to send their daughters for the training of a Church school in a mild and healthful climate.

# RELIGIOUS VAGARIES The Need of Convictions

#### By

#### GEORGE PARKIN ATWATER

YES, I have seen the United States census report. Quite a varied assortment of us Christians, I find. Enough to suit everyone's taste, it might be imagined. But they still spring up all over the land. It almost seems that whenever a person gets a new religious idea he wants at once to found a religious sect to put it into practice.

This multiplicity of sects is rather confusing to the plain man. It seems rather hard to believe that there are any underlying truths for religion, under these circumstances. The various denominations represent to the man in the street the preferences, hopes, surmises or guesses of certain groups of people, large and small.

We must be rather patient with such an attitude, because it is not so much the fault of the man, as it is of the Christians themselves. If ten different physicians should endorse ten different remedies for lumbago, each claiming the exclusive efficiency of his own remedy, the average man might well conclude that there was some degree of conjecture about their conclusions.

#### WHAT IS A CREED?

This condition of religious organizations has raised a very large crop of counter conjectures, which serve as a balm to the conscience of the man content to evade the duty of making a little investigation for himself. He forgets that there are certain truths which all the synods, councils or conventions in the world cannot make untrue, and that there are certain facts in the realm of religion which can never be voted into anything else. These truths and these facts are the only necessary and defensible "creed."

But large groups of people who proclaim themselves liberal have set up a series of mottoes by which they proclaim some independence of thought and action. They are merely proclaiming their own inability to distinguish among things that differ. These negative assertions are trotted out before the parson and put through their paces, when people want to convince him of the largeness of their hearts. The most common are these. "One Church is as good as another." "No hide-bound creeds for us." "Be sincere and you are right." "We are all trying for the same place."

Such persons need a little of the wholesome warning that was recently sounded in the Boston Transcript in the following paragraph:

#### DANGER OF BREADTH

"Breadth of religious views is sometimes claimed as a virtue when it may represent little but intellectual and spiritual indolence. As President King said in "The Moral and Religious Challenge of Our Times,' 'Many a man prides himself on his breadth and tolerance, when his breadth only means that he has put all ideals practically on a level, and his tolerance is not true tolerance at all, but only an indifference undisturbed by conviction.' The one who is proud of his religious breadth needs to be very sure that, at the same time, he has a depth of earnest conviction that holds him to essentials with an unceasing grasp. Otherwise his life will become not broad merely, but thin and weak. Let us cultivate depth of conviction, and not that ability which is based on no solid conviction, of agreeing with everybody."

The absurdity of the application of such liberality to other domains of truth is quite apparent.

#### A CONVERSATION

"I am pretty liberal in my views, I guess," said the Liberal man. "I do not take much stock in all these rigid doctrines that the Churches make up. I guess it does not make very much difference what we believe so long as we are sincere in it. Let every man believe what he wants to, that is what I say."

"Right you are," says the Churchman. "We are too much the victims of illiberality and narrowness. Here we have a narrow and illiberal state insisting that a man must stand examination and get a permit before practicing medicine. Absurd. If the physician is sincere he is all right. Let him believe that the appendix is in the brain and let him operate. What an old fogy the druggist is, any way. Here he sticks to the old formalism of labels and formulae, when he should exercise the glorious liberty of a free man by mixing drugs, not according to the writing of some state-ridden physician, but according to color. Yes, indeed, let him learn the color of the patient's wall paper, and then mix his drugs to make an aesthetic effect that will not jar upon the patient's eyes. What a narrow, illiberal lot teachers are, too. Here they have been teaching for many generations that three times three are nine. Get something new! Get out of that rut! Revise that old multiplication table whose victims and slaves you are. If you are sincere it will be all right. And what an absurd idea we have about property and a man's rights. If you see a good umbrella, don't be a narrow dolt and think of the eighth commandment, but

be liberal and sincere. Take it." "I don't mean that," said the Liberal man.

"No, you don't. You wish to apply it only to the things of a man's soul and salvation. Your position is therefore narrowness and bigotry. It is the truth that sets us free. Come, be broad, liberal, and sincere and base your living upon God's truth in His Church."

After writing this paragraph a little parable flashed across my mind. It seemed to illustrate the disastrous effect of carrying liberal mottoes to their logical conclusion. It may perhaps illustrate the logical processes by which the people group themselves into scattered and ineffective religious societies together with the constantly growing fringe of individualistic tassels on the varigated robe of our ecclesiastical fabric. Here it is:

#### A PARABLE

A man carrying a large bottle hastened into a drug store. "Here," he said, "fill this bottle, my daughter is sick."

"But what do you want in it?" asked the druggist, eyeing the unlabelled bottle first, and then the man.

"Oh, I really don't care. One drug is as good as another. Give me some

of that pink there. My daughter likes pink."

"But," said the druggist not knowing whether it was a joke, or the mild fantasy of a lunatic, "that pink liquid is a hand lotion, and would not do your daughter any good."

"Oh, you know I am not the kind that is narrow about color. All colors are trying to do good, and the color is all right if one only is sincere about taking the mixture. But you may give me that rich brown stuff."

"One drop of that," said the druggist, "would make your daughter indifferent to colors, too. Have you not consulted a doctor, and have you no prescription?"

"Yes, I did call a doctor, and he gave me a prescription, but I do not believe in hide-bound prescriptions. I once had a little rash on my skin, and the doctor gave me a prescription for a lotion, and I saw that the largest part of it was aqua. I put the blamed stuff on, and it had too much hanged aqua in it, for it hurt like the mischief. I told the doctor the next time he tried to torture me by applying an overdose of aqua to my skin, he would hear from me proper. So, no hidebound prescriptions for me. One drug is as good as another, except aqua. Come on, fill the bottle."

"I cannot take the risk without a prescription," said the puzzled and disgusted druggist.

"Well, why not? Aren't all sick people trying to get well? They all want to get to the same place. What difference does it make what way they take? I'll tell you, I'll take the most popular thing. That must do the most good, as it is most used. Mix us up half and half from those large red and green bottles in the window. They must be good sellers, as you have so much of them."

The druggist, in amazement, mingled with amusement, complied, and two colored waters filled the bottle.

"I'll do more," he said, "I'll add a pinch of something to give it flavor. This is a stimulant also. Your daughter will feel better at once. It will not reach the heart of the trouble, not at all. It will not be hard to take, and will not wage a battle with the disease. It will not leave the system purified and wholesome. It will not bring any of nature's great forces to aid the stricken body, but it will give your daughter a temporary sense of relief, and great high spirits, and she will feel better for a while."

"Just what I want," said the man. "Her birthday is near, and we want her to be cheerful on that day. And I'll tell all my friends and if you don't sell all the contents of those red and green bottles, before a week, I'll miss my guess. Mix up another lot and get ready for business."

The man left and the bewildered

REV. GAYNOR BANK

He Preaches on Health

druggist sat down to think. Was the man right? Did the people want sparkling colored water, with a little stimulant in it? He would try. A great sign was prepared. "A Drug-less Drugstore." It was hung over the door. "Come and be cured," was in the window. "Health and Health Only" appeared between the bottles. "Feel good and you are well." "One drug as good as another." "No drugs as good as any." "Abandon the wornout prescription." "What are mere words?" Select a color. If you choose as near right as you know how, you will be well. No use to learn how to make a better choice." "Every man according to his lights, but don't get more light. It is foolish and unnecessary." "Don't trust the trained and licensed doctors. They will make you use drugs according to science."

How the crowds came and the jars emptied. How the store grew. By the end of a month, barrels of colored water had been distributed. The drugs vanished. Pretty soon one man discovered that he could buy a jar and mix his own water, and it looked just as good as the druggist's. It did not take long for the crowds to discover the fact. Then came the deluge. Every man had his own drug store for his exclusive use. The druggist was deserted. He was dismayed. "Oh!" he said, "I have it. I will put in a player piano. I will have a conjuror come

and do tricks behind the counter. I will remove the prescription case and have a tableaux. I will get some man to lecture on this and that."

A few came back, and the store filled somewhat. Once in a while he ventured to say "drugs" and almost caused a panic, so great was the resentment. There was a steady sale of colored water to those who did not want to take the trouble to prepare it for themselves.

And the people ascribed their pains and their weaknesses to Providence. Their ignorance they called "Twentieth century enlightenment and liberality."

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It is to be hoped that when we shall be fortunate enough to have the printed reports of the great universal conference on Faith and Order that one immediate result will be to emphasize the value of religious convictions, and to banish once and for all, the popular and misleading conception that every man's religion is the sum total of his surmises.

### Preacher, Pulpit and Pew

In a restaurant a hat fell off a peg and dropped right on top of a piece of pie that was covered with whipped cream.

The owner of the hat called a waiter ...

"Well," said the waiter, "what do you want, a new hat or another piece of pie?"

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"Pop, what's congenial employment?"

"Anything that pays a bigger salary." \* \*

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An Englishman was boasting to an American friend that he came from a long line of noblemen.

"Mv great-great-grandfather," said he, "was touched on the head by the king and made an earl."

"That's nothing," replied his American friend. "My great-great-grandfather was touched on the head by an Indian and made an angel."

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# NEWS OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH In Brief Paragraphs

Edited by WILLIAM B. SPOFFORD

THE most unique Church gathering in the United States is that of our Indian Churchmen among the Sioux. This year it was to have met at Standing Rock, in the northern part of South Dakota, but was transferred to Pine Ridge, in the south, when it was decided that the President would make a visit to that

The Convocation met on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, August 14-16, and the President appeared on the day following.

Notwithstanding the fear that the throng attracted by the visit of the President might interfere materially with the effectiveness of the meeting, and that possibly it would also divert the attention of the members of Convocation from its own affairs, the meeting proved to be one of the best ever held. The attendance was large and the interest maintained throughout. Those present at the final service on Tuesday evening compared favorably in numbers with the congregation at the great opening service Sunday morning. Many white visitors were also present for the whole or a part of the time.

The chief news events of Convocation were the presence on Monday morning of Commissioner Charles H. Burke, a native of South Dakota, and a Churchman. He received a cordial welcome from his Dakota friends and spoke most earnestly of the great contribution made by the missionaries to the solution of the Indian problem. The Government, he said, could never have accomplished what it has done without them. He desired still closer co-operation and earnestly urged the Indian people to make for themselves a worthy place in the citizenship of the nation.

Convocation met in three groups, the men, the Woman's Auxiliary and the Young People's Service League, —and the days were filled with services and sessions of all sorts. The total offerings brought amounted to almost \$4,000, and were presented on the altar at the closing service. The early Communions were especially well attended, the communicants ordinarily reaching 400 in number. Some 2500 of our Church folk were in camp.

At the closing service Bishop Burleson expressed his gratitude and appreciation of the work done by the Rev. Messrs. Joyner, Clark and Shaw



BISHOP BURLESON Tells the Coolidges

in making such admirable arrangements for the Convocation on such short notice, and also to the members for their earnest and loyal participation throughout.

The visit of President Coolidge to the Pine Ridge Reservation was set for Wednesday, August 17, the day following the close of the Niobrara Convocation, on the fairgrounds two miles from our church. Ten thousand Indians were awaiting him and an elaborate pageant had been prepared. Notwithstanding this fact, the entire body of helpers, catechists and clergy, and a large proportion of the members of Convocation remained to give him a welcome as he came down the highway past the Church of the Holy Cross. Arrangements had been made for him to stop two minutes. At 12:30 the clergy assembled and vested. An interces-sory service was then held in the church, which was crowded. Petitions were made for the President, the country and our missionary work among the Dakota people. At the close of this service, singing a Dakota hymn, the procession marched out and took its place on the sloping bank by the roadside, with the vested group of clergy in the center.

The presidential party arrived promptly and President and Mrs.

Coolidge and their son John very graciously alighted and joined the group. After the inevitable photograph, Bishop Burleson spoke for a moment, requesting the privilege of presenting the President a message which had been prepared by the Convocation. This was enclosed by a beautiful old beadwork tobacco pouch and was given to the President by three veterans in service, Revs. Amos Ross, Philip J. Deloria and Dallas Shaw. Three representatives of the women, Mrs. Julia Deloria, Mrs. Lucy Ross and Mrs. Nancy American-Horse, then gave Mrs. Coolidge, from the women, a lovely beaded deer skin bag containing a pair of moccasins. The whole group then sang one verse of "America" in the Dakota tongue, which concluded the ceremony. The Presidential party returned to their conveyances.

Brief as it was, this event must have been strikingly significant to the President, who has somewhat overmuch of the spectacular presentation of Indian life, now utterly gone, with its decoration of warpaint and feathers.

At 1:30 on the afternoon of Friday, August 19, on the invitation of the President, the bishops, clergy and other residents of Camp Remington were received by him at the Game Lodge, which is his summer home. Our Church camp is a bare twelve miles from the President's summer residence, and our little Chapel of the Transfiguration in the midst of the camp is the nearest place of worship.

About thirty-five paid their respects to the President and Mrs. Coolidge, who shook hands with them all. Bishop Burleson took advantage of this opportunity to present Mrs.



Cooildge, for her son John, the gift of an Indian bead-work belt and watch.-fob which the Young People's Service League, at the Nobrara Convocation, had prepared for him. This was received most graciously by the first lady of the Land, and an appreciative note of thanks has been received from John Coolidge and transmitted to the donors.

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The Message composed and presented in the Dakota tongue was as follows: To His Excellency the President of the United tSates of America:

You have come to the land of the Oglalas where dwell the descendents of those who offered the last resistance to the white man. Here are the children and the grand-children of those who fought on the Little Big Horn. It is the home of the last and most stubborn of the fighting Sioux. A few miles to the west of you is Wounded Knee. Here your soldiers killed many of us. From the Black Hills you have come, where your summer home stands in the midst of our sacred region, the invasion of which by the gold-seeking white man brought on the final struggle.

We repeat these facts to show the contrast between yesterday and today. Fifty years ago those who killed Custer hated the white man; now in the same place are gathered hundreds of Christian Indians engaged in religious meetings. Members of the Episcopal Church representing the Sioux nation throughout the State of South Dakota, one hundred bishops, clergy, and lay workers, five hundred more delegates representing a body of five thousand communicants, greet you in this message of loyalty and respect.

This is an example of the great change which has taken place in Indian conditions. No longer are the tamahawk and scalping-knife stained with white blood, nor will they ever be again in fact they no longer exist. We seek not the lives of our white brothers; it is rather some of them who seek the little we possess.

To you who are our great White Father, we present our loyal and respectful greetings. You hold our future in your hands; you and your successors control our destiny. With the passing of the free life, the old world of the Indian disappeared forever. If we live at all, we and our children must live the new world of the white men, and we must have your help to do this.

Therefore we are glad you have come among us, hoping that you may see the Indian as he really is. You have seen much of the war-paint and feathers and dances. Those are all things of yesterday, which mean little

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today, and will mean nothing tomorrow. The hope of our people lies in education, industry and religion, and we pray that you will help us find those necessities for a useful life.

Many of us are still children of the primitive world which has disappeared, and most of us have had little chance to learn fully the best things in the white man's way of life. Give to us, Great Father, understanding, sympathy, patience and protection. In the America which was ours before it was yours, we desire to take our place in the ranks of Christian citizenship.

Praying God's blessing upon you, and His guidance in the discharge of the great duties of your high office, we are

Your Children of the West, Signed in behalf of Convocation by:

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Amos Ross

Philip J. Deloria

Dallas Shaw

\* Faculty members from four of our theological seminaries took a six



#### THE WRESTLE OF RELIGION WITH TRUTH

By Henry Nelson Wieman Author of "Religious Experience and Scientific Method." A readily intelligible refutation of two opposing claims that have perverted religion again and again, the one denying that religion has any need of truth and the other that religion has all the truth it needs.

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weeks' course in the New York School of Social Work this summer. The national Department of Christian Social Service organized the effort, convinced that such a course would be of practical value in bringing to the Seminaries a better understanding of social work. The General, Cambridge, California and Seabury schools were able to co-operate. Their faculty representatives lived together in the General Seminary, and took a course in the Method of Social Case Work, with two days of field work; various members of the group also studied Community Organization, the Nature and Varieties of Human Behavior, and Crime and Punishment. The social work in-structors and directors welcomed the plan.

Seminary students have done social work in the summer time, to supplement their seminary training, and two seminaries are providing case work as a part of their course. For members of the seminary faculties to take the actual course in social work will be a help in relating the theological students' training to the rest of their seminary course and to their later problems of pastoral work.

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Plans for the conference, announced by Mr. Courtenay Barber of Chicago, chairman of the committee, provide for three days of frank discussion of problems facing men of the Church. The Rev. Alfred Newbery, rector of the Church of the Atonement, Chicago, and former assistant secretary of the Department of Social Service of the National Council, has been selected as leader of the gathering.

The conference is part of a definite program of follow-up on the Bishops' Crusade. It is an effort, according to Mr. Barber, to capitalize one results of the Crusade and to make such results permanent. Diocesan commissions on evangelism are to be asked to establish active committees on evangelism in each parish and mission. Study groups and preaching missions in parishes are other phases of local work which will be promoted.

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Things looked up a bit last year in New Mexico. They always have trouble in districts in this part of the country with migratory parsons who camp down for a few months and then start off with a job just begun. But last year there was less of this and a resulting increase in the work. "Mining towns" are still depleted

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there but where these adverse conditions are absent a steady Church growth has been noted. Grace Mission, Carlsbad and St. Andrew's, Roswell, expect soon to give up the small sum they are still receiving from the outside and go on the parish list. Both have built fine parish houses recently. At the Church of the Holy Faith, Santa Fe, they have just completed one of the finest parish houses in this part of the country.

The Rev. LeRoy F. Baker, senior presbyter of the diocese of Harrisburg, died on August 8th, at the age of seventy-nine. He has been prominent in diocesan affairs having held many of the important offices, including delegate to two General Conventions.

Christ Church Shaker Heights, Ohio, is to build a church to cost \$65,000. \*

How does your congregation hold up during the summer? At least one church, St. Paul's Cathedral, Boston, reports crowds during the hot weather. Its location off the Common and the preaching of the Rev. Dr. Sullivan of Newton Centre are given as the reasons.

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municants came for Sunday and Saints Days celebrations. Arch-deacon Christian also had services on Sundays at the hotel.

Dr. A. W. Tucker of St. Luke's Hospital, Shanghai, writing on July 18th, says:

"We have been very busy all spring and summer but am thankful to say haven't had a hint of unrest or trouble from our staff. They have given splendid cooperation, in fact have seemed to be glad to have a job without outside interference. Our subscriptions are below normal but otherwise the conditions haven't affected us.

"We seem to be having a lull in the Nationalism just at present. There is a feeling, though, that it is a lull before the storm, and optimism is hard to find."

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"The Southern Mountaineers" was the topic chosen by Bishop Gray in an address which he gave before a gathering at the 39th Annual General Conference of the First Brethren Church, convened at Winona Lake, near Warsaw, Indiana.

Bishop Gray spent four years among the mountaineers of Tennessee about thirty years ago, and has made many visits there since that time The content of his address was the story of his experiences among these people, and of the forward strides that have been made there both religiously and educationally in the past thirty years.

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Attention was focused on the power of religion as a health-producing factor in human life in a series of four sermons delivered by the Rev. John Gayner Banks at Washington Cathedral during the month of Aug-ust, on "The Redemption of the Body."

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Rev. H. R. N. Woart, recently ordained was appointed by the Bishop of Liberia to serve in the interior of that country. Soon after arriving at the station his wife's little sister died. Soon after that his only son died. Still he sticks to his post and is now at work building a mission church.

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They have a difficult time finding appropriate names for their cars in Montana. As I recall it Bishop Fox's car a year or so ago was "Fox Trot." This summer he borrowed Bishop Faber's Ford and in the diocesan magazine offers several suggestions for a name as a result of a rather hard trip.

"I am not sure whether Bishop Faber has adopted a name for his Ford or not. But after our drive over Priest's Pass I think 'Fervid Fanny' would be quite appropriate, for she certainly got all 'het up' because we asked her to go over the Divide. Twice we stopped to cool her off, each time giving her a cooling potion of pure spring water. But almost as soon as she started up again her fervid spirit manifested itself. If she were a bird I would call her a 'Rare Bird.' She is like some people. She is really a hypochondriac. There is always something the matter with her. This time in addition to the few ills that I have mentioned her brakes were weak so that when we started down hill from the top of the divide we had to hold her back by using the reverse."

A certain farmer of Dallas County recently sent the sum of fifty dollars to the Rev. E. W. Gamble of Selma, Ala., for social service work in that community. This gift was an expression of gratitude to God for an abundant rain which came in time to save his crop.

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At Fort Stanton, New Mexico, though the chaplaincy is under the auspices of the federal government and within the confinements of an old army post our chaplain, the Rev. M. J. Swift, has found so general a response to his ministrations that we have organized a mission and have had set apart by permission of the

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government an attractive chapel with its altar, chancel, and the traditional furnishings of the Episcopal Church. A Church school has been in operation which is attended by the children of the government officials as well as the Marine Hospital patients, who form the greater part of the population of Fort Stanton.

Brent School for American children at Baguio, Philippine Islands, has a change of headmasters in the departure of Mr. Lewis O. Heck who has been there for four years, during which time a girls' dormitory was built, thus giving the advantages of Brent School, hitherto for boys only, to American girls in the Philippines and China: the senior boys' dormi-

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tory was enlarged, the school stable was rebuilt into a chapel, the laboratory and library were improved, manual training was added to the course, and the long deferred athletic field was completed. Mr. Heck returns to Johns Hopkins University for further study and expects to enter the ministry. He is succeeded, by Mr. H. C. Amos of the Newark Academy.

The Rev. Charles F. Penniman of St. Paul's, Meridian, Miss., after studying, with his parochial Church extension department, Mr. Goodwin's book, Beyond City Limits, found Alabama his natural rural field. By arrangement with Bishop McDowell, the three Episcopal groups at Liv-



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"Useless to say, sugar beets will bring good amount of money some year but sure risky crop on light, sandy soil. Particularly very close attention is required for them at their early stage.

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