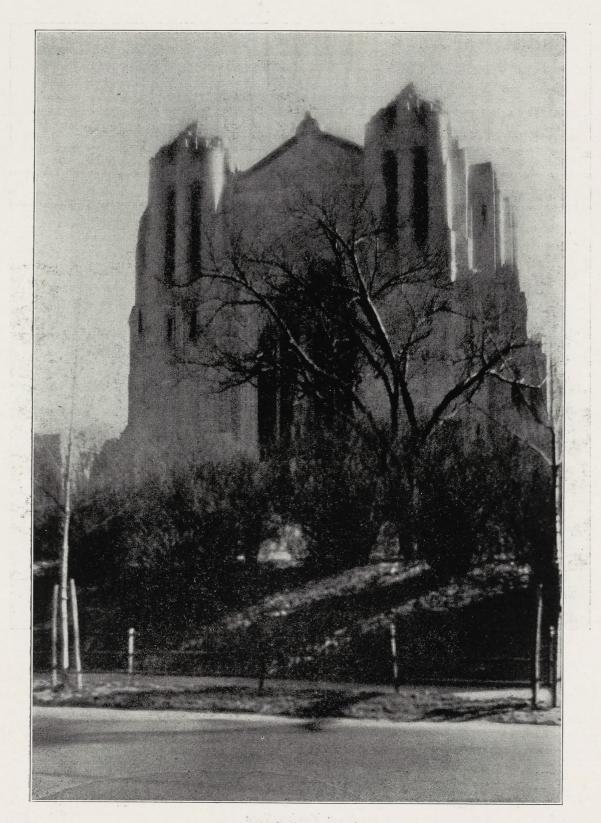


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HOW THE NEW CHURCH CAME TO BE

By

BY C. G. MICHALIS

Secretary of the Building Committee of the Heavenly Rest

CONSIDERED from every angle, the story of the building of the new Church of the Heavenly Rest, Chapel of the Beloved Disciple must always be an interesting one. Viewed from the standpoint of the building committee and the problems they have en-

countered and have solved, it has been a chapter filled with fascination and the pleasure that comes from watching plans grow out of ideals, and seeing a great building take shape from those plans.

As one who has been in a position to observe practically every step of the process, I am sure that I may say that the integration of time, thought, and work, contributed by every designer, workman, engineer and staff member, and the devotion of the parish membership to its leaders has been as great an achievement as the accomplishment of this new church .

In reviewing its story, may I, by way of preliminary, state the financial schedule under which we have operated:

With the sale of the old Church of the Heavenly Rest for \$1,750,000 the site at Nine-

tieth Street and Fifth Avenue was made possible. For the ground, one hundred feet fronting on the Avenue and two hundred and fifty-six feet on Ninetieth Street, \$1,000,000 was paid. After paying charges and commissions, there remained approximately \$700,000. Through an arrangement with the Dutch Reformed

Church of Harlem, the building formerly occupied by the Church of the Beloved Disciple was sold to them, thereby increasing the building fund to about \$1,125,000.

To build a church of a dignity and beauty worthy to represent the faith of our



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generation would require more money than we had in hand. After the bids on the general contract were in, we found ourselves about one million dollars short to finish the Church for occupancy, and those details necessary to express the intent of the architecture. In addition there would still remain unfinished, certain sculpture and glass, but this was not an immediate problem, as it represented years of work and their completion could not even be approximated at this time. The vestry, understanding this condition, felt no hesitancy in committing themselves to the obligation in advance of funds, as they had complete faith in the project.

DARLINGTON Before any building was done, while there was yet only a preliminary hole in the new ground, we raised \$650,000 from eleven hundred contributors. We are therefore entering our new

contributors. We are therefore entering our new Church today with an obligation which was anticipated, but an amount for which we entertain no fears of raising at the proper time. Our building has run close to schedule, for the net extras on our gen-

eral contract will run well under two percent.

When it became apparent that we were to build a new church, the building committee made a long preliminary period of study of church architecture as applied to this country and New York City; as applied to the neighborhood we had chosen; and which would most accurately express the purposes which we wished our church to fulfill. We conferred with architects, artists, and Episcopal clergy experienced in problems of this sort, for we realized the great responsibility and obligation which was ours to give to New York this particular parish church. This we knew, but we had not fully appreciated that, perhaps, to the Church of the Heavenly Rest had come the privilege of building the last parish church in central Manhattan fortunate enough to have both a perfect setting and sufficient land. Not but what there would be many other churches built in this section in the future. But, as was repeatedly brought out, with the tremendous increase of property values and the gradual elimination of available sites, future church buildings would have to be compromises, both as to location and architecture. To the Church of the Heavenly Rest fell the responsibility of giving to central Manhattan as nearly a perfect parish church as could be produced.

The committee realized that the obvious way to choose an architect would be to hold a competition, or from a group of well-known architects to decide upon one. This would relieve the Committee and the vestry of practically all responsibility. If the church were a success, the building committee for its judgment would receive due credit. If the church were a failure, the architect would receive the blame. But the committee felt that it had something more to do than to order a church as one would a fine automobile. It felt that what it must do above all things was to select an architect of ability who could carry out successfully their ideas, provided, of course, that these ideas conformed with the spirit of the architecture chosen. The committee had heard far too many apologies for certain bad details forced in buildings by committees.

In the beginning, there were interviewed a large group of architects, or architectural firms, holding the first interview in each case at the church office. This took many weeks, the committee meeting sometimes every afternoon from Monday to Friday from 1:30 to 5:30 P. M. Confidential stenographic notes were taken at these conferences, recording the general situation from each architect's point of view. Gradually some of these architects eliminated themselves as they came to realize their own inadequacy for undertaking the project and others formed themselves in groups to meet the variety of our problems. The committee next visited architects' offices, studying representative records of work, methods of workmanship, and general spirit of each organization.

Out of this long period of survey, certain fundamentals were crystallizing as to our own wishes. It was necessary for these definitely to take form before we could decide upon our architect. Incidentally, we were to save much expense and time by knowing our requirements and thus eliminating the necessity of many tentative plans, for it has been stated that in the building of a famous church in New York City, twenty-six plans were drawn before the final one was selected. Faced with the shaping up of these fundamentals, we were also becoming impressed with the fact that we were more interested in a man to carry out our developments than in a plan.

THE REQUIREMENTS

The following then became our requirements:

We must build a church for today and to-morrow.

A building whose appeal would be through the correctness of its structure from the mass to the detail of the smallest ornament; a church having an irresistible appeal in the true religious atmosphere of its interior and exterior.

A church which should be purely an effort to establish a spiritual center for spiritual interest.

A parish house which should be essentially a spiritual point, and not a gymnasium, educational institution, or a recreational center; a parish house of such size that the church would fill the parish house; not a parish house which would try to fill the church.

A memorial chapel, called The Chapel of the Beloved Disciple, with a capacity of about two hundred.

A space to be left between the south wall and the building next to the church, as we had no idea what might later be built there.

All pews in the church to be within direct view of the chancel; no columns or other architectural interference to obstruct the vision.

An organ with no pipes showing.

A new system of lighting scientifically worked out to properly illuminate the pews.

Audibility at every point.

Great consideration to be given to the windows, that truly great glass may characterize this church in the future.

The stone to have warmth and tone, to possess certain weathering qualities to produce pleasing effects and to also have proper durability.

The church to have beneath it a crypt and an adequate mortuary chapel.

As a final and most important decision, we concluded that the type of architecture should be Gothic, but Gothic in a distinctly modern way.

With the preceding requirements always in front of us, we were forced to decide upon certain qualifications necessary for our architect, which in part were as follows:

Freedom of the key individual to devote all the necessary time to the working out of this problem without delegating it to a subordinate.

A younger man or group of men, since a church commission of this magnitude is always spread over a period of years and may be termed "never finished".

Not a so-called "one-man organization", lest, in case of illness or death, the work would have to be transferred to another firm for completion, which might result in a hybrid structure as has happened too often in the past. A definite Gothic background from previous experience with a complete working knowledge of this type, not merely academic.

Proper reaction and skill to produce a building with the necessary religious atmosphere, and sufficient familiarity with the requirements of the Episcopal ritual to successfully incorporate it in a church plan.

Vision to appreciate the great opportunity to make this new Church of the Heavenly Rest as much a turning point in church architecture as certain comparable churches have been in the past.

Appreciation of the opportunity to allow artists to participate in the conception of this building and breadth enough to give them credit for their share.

Acceptability as an agreeable working companion for both the committee and the contractor chosen to build the church.

Financial responsibility.

Recognized ability, together with a skilled and adequate organization to execute requirements.

It was our pleasure to select, as best fulfilling these qualifications, the firm of Bertram Goodhue Associates, known as Mayers, Murray and Phillip.

Their present members are Mr. Francis L. S. Mayers, Mr. O. E. Murray and Mr. Hardie Phillip, of whom the last has been the chief architect and designer for this church. They are all members of the American Institute of Architects and the Architectural League of New York. Their early experience was in English schools and offices, followed by a long association with the late Bertram G. Goodhue. This background, together with their own exceptional ability, has amply justified our choice.

Before a spade of earth was turned, for a year and a half, Mr. Hardie Phillip worked steadily on the plans giving his almost undivided time.

THE CONTRACTOR

The general contractor, Thomas O'Reilly and Son, Inc., was checked with great care and was awarded the work on the cost-plus system with a maximum guarantee. His choice was the result of competitive bidding from a selected few.

It was also decided to have on the job a Clerk of the Works responsible to the building committee and entirely paid by them. After a search before the building was started, Mr. Alfred Priestly was engaged. Results of his whole-hearted effort and ability have more than justified the committee's action.

It was our determination to call on the best possible scientific brains to aid us in every way. We had in mind our construction, materials used, development of acoustic properties within the building and such sound devices as would aid the sub-voiced speaker or the deaf. We were also intensely interested in the development of the illumination problem, feeling that the theatre had blazed a great path while the church had practically stood still and that there must be a mean point between these two extremes, which would in no way detract from a great building and would be an advance in modern lighting.

We also were as keenly interested in attracting to our project highly skilled workers, real craftsmen and artists, since it was not our intention to have much ornamental work, but, wherever we did it, to do it as well as we knew how. Some of the results might have been seen in the concrete cores, said to be one of the finest pieces of such work in this country. A remarkable stone job has also resulted, and the hardware represents, we believe, the highest type of craftsmanship. As a precaution against local atmospheric conditions, all exposed metal, except hardware, is lead-covered copper.

We sent a man to Europe, not to discover new glass, but if possible, to find why certain old glass was good. It was an opportunity that might not come again to investigate windows then being replaced, after having been taken down during the War Period.

THE PEWS

We felt that the conventional pews had possibilities for development to bring them more space to what people were accustomed to sit in. And for two years we made models, trying them out with various types of people, and finally developed something which, although not radical in appearance, seems to accomplish what we were after.

We felt that the facilities for congregations were often woefully inadequate and consequently have installed retiring rooms for men and for women; have conveniently located a telephone booth in the narthex on a flash system to facilitate emergency calls for doctors; a checking room for troublesome umbrellas and rubbers; and a storage place for ushers' coats and hats. The ladies' retiring room is so situated that it also becomes a bride's dressing room when the occasion arises.

Every pew can be fitted with acousticons for the deaf.

A system of amplification for those speakers whose voices do not carry. We have also provided, if broadcasting is ever wanted, a complete system of conduits and a room with the required vision of the interior of the church.

There is one set of newly developed lights for services, and another set to make the church a satisfying picture to those who drop in during the late afternoon and evening for a quiet hour, the service set the result of a long and interesting series of developments.

The parish house was designed primarily to accommodate the Church School upon which we lay great stress, and for the other activities that usually go with a church of this character.

The clerical offices are in a compact unit with an entrance on Ninetieth Street and so arranged as to have an easy access to both the Church and Parish House.

We were particularly fortunate in having our rector, Dr. Henry Darlington, insist upon a building that represented a modern trend in the religious development of the Episcopal Church, although in no way neglecting or forgetting the great underlying traditions that have made the church what it is today. His broad vision and whole-hearted cooperation set a standard that is reflected throughout the group of buildings. The working companionship that developed through

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this entire project among those responsible for their particular parts, has been a revelation and it is something that even strangers have sensed. Although there have been honest differences of opinion, the coming together has always developed something better than the point that started the controversy. Each one has seemed to appreciate that no objective would ever be reached through controversies unsolved.

Results have been most satisfactory. The architects

have given us a building which we are told is one of the notable buildings of this country, they have proved most agreeable and fair to work with and have put their best efforts into giving us all that they could.

Whether we have accomplished what we set out to do, is not something we can answer, nor perhaps can our children answer. But we have built fairly and honestly and confidently trust that the future will render a favorable verdict.

GREAT CHURCHES IN NEW YORK CITY

Bу

MILO HUDSON GATES,

Vicar of The Chapel of the Intercession, New York, and Member of The Commission on Church Architecture of the General Convention

> NEW YORK churchmen have a right to be

> proud of a real apostolical

succession of noble

churches. Upjohn's Trin-

ity, Trinity Chapel, the As-

cension and the Holy Com-

munion, Renwick's Grace

and St. Patrick's Cathedral are examples of beautiful

architecture. Then there was a pause, which might

be called New York's



HARDIE PHILLIP of the firm of Mayers, Murray & Phillip but they certainly did not ornament the city—quite the

contrary.

During the last twenty years, however, our Church has been almost miraculously blessed in the construction of some splendid examples of great architecture; first of all, of course, our magnificent Cathedral of St. John the Divine, the work of Cram and Ferguson; then the parish churches, St. Thomas's, St. Bartholomew's, the Intercession, and to go outside of our Church, the Roman Catholic Church of St. Vincent Ferrer, all of them—except St. Thomas's, upon which Mr. Cram and Mr. Goodhue collaborated—the product of the genius of Mr. Goodhue.

And now we have a glorious new example of fine architecture, the work of the new firm, associates and successors to Mr. Goodhue, Messrs. Mayers, Murray and Phillip. Every citizen of New York can be proud of this beautiful church. In the first place, the rector and vestry of the Church of the Heavenly Rest must be congratulated upon their genius in the selection of their building site. There is nothing finer in the city than their large lot, opposite the Park, on the corner of Fifth Avenue and Ninetieth Street. In the second place, they are to be congratulated upon the fact that they have intelligently supported and intelligently appreciated the genius of their architects. It takes genius to recognize genius.

The church itself is a successful solution of a difficult problem, existent very rarely except in our city. A building is to be erected, the height of which necessarily must be limited, and yet this building eventually will be surrounded by towering apartments. The problem has been solved by a structure, showing great simplicity of mass, courageous treatment of plain wall surfaces—at suitable points adorned by fine sculpture, and rich tracery and moulding—and the building, itself, planned in well-nigh perfect proportion. No matter how high you build sky-scrapers around the Heavenly Rest, you will never dwarf it.

Furthermore, the architects have not been afraid of development. Their church is a fine example of Gothic. One seeing its beautiful proportions, will recognize their source in the style called "perpendicular." The tracery inclines toward the late decorated. I should not be ashamed, if anyone asked what the style of this building is, to answer, "It is in the best style of American Gothic." Do not smile. We are creating (and we have a right justly to be proud of the creation) such a style—just as of old, there was Spanish and French and English Gothic.

Right here in this "development", one finds perhaps the most valuable contribution, which the new church puts into the treasury of great architecture. This writer increasingly grows impatient with buildings, which, though sound "Gothic", are academic — just repetitious. We welcome the new Heavenly Rest because it has not been afraid of modern building methods, has not been thrown into a panic by those who say Gothic churches were never erected in this way. The architects of the Heavenly Rest have frankly used modern building methods, and the writer rejoices. If our ancestors had listened to the lectures of those who orate as above, we should still be living in mud hovels, and we should still be worshipping in wattled churches instead of in cathedrals like St. John the Divine and parish churches like the Heavenly Rest.

LOVELY AND INSPIRING

The outside impresses me as lovely. The inside, I should characterize as inspiring. The whole group of buildings, the side chapel—named the Beloved Disciple—and the parish house, I should characterize as beautiful and convenient and useful.

The architects' preliminary description states that the building is to contain three units—the church, the chapel and the parish house. The church will seat more than one thousand people, and is so arranged that each person gets a clear view of the altar. The height of the nave is seventy-five feet; the width between the piers is forty-eight feet; the nave is one hundred and fourteen feet long, and the channel fortythree feet. The interior length is thus one hundred and fifty-seven feet.

The church's interior, with its sandstone of a warm tone; its vaulting of tiles, enriched here and there with gold; its organ screen of beautiful tracery; its great altar—a magnificent solid block of limestone; its reredos of the same material as the interior stone; its lovely rose window; its clerestory windows of charming tracery; all create an atmosphere of beautiful freedom and uplifting inspiration.

The lighting of a church has always been a difficult problem to solve. Here we find an interesting experiment. There are no fixtures hanging from the ceiling. The light comes from under the window sills

of the large windows at either side of the building, set back above the triforium gallery. The light is projected from either side, but its source will be entirely invisible to any person sitting in the pews of the nave. The soft light thus obtained is exceedingly pleasing and restful.

THE CHAPEL

South of the church is the Chapel of the Beloved Disciple. This is twenty-two feet wide by fifty-six feet long, seating two hundred, a most useful size. Its channel is to have a beautiful stone reredos. The stone will be picked out in color and gold, after the manner of Spanish work. The chapel has lovely proportions, and is, itself, a very beautiful building.

On the easterly end of the lot is the parish house, containing a large assembly hall, clergy offices, choir practice room and numerous class and guild rooms.

When American travel in European countries, if they are intelligent, they are wont to visit Europe's beautiful churches and cathedrals. On their return, it is edifying to hear them give accounts of these visits. One wonders how many Americans visiting New York City do here what they would quite surely do if abroad—visit New York's churches. We are told that our churches cannot compare with those abroad, but this is only partly true. As a matter of fact, at the present time, the City of New York well may be proud of the number of its beautiful churches. This writer holds them as the crown of New York's architectural beauty, and in this crown, the new Church of the Heavenly Rest certainly shines out as one of its brightest jewels.

WHY A CHURCH BEAUTIFUL?

HENRY DARLINGTON

THE Psalmist has used an expression, "the beauty of holiness," which conveys a truth with which few Christians seem to be acquainted—that the worship of God should always be surrounded and associated with the beautiful. Yet how few churches really can be said to be architecturally attractive or to provide a setting for the worshipper which appeals to the esthetic.

There is no denying it that in some people's minds beauty is never associated with God. It is felt rather to savor of "the world, the flesh and the devil;" but surely there is nothing in the teachings of Jesus to substantiate this or to debar the beautiful from His followers. Rather the contrary. He promises His adherents an abundant life, full to overflowing with the worthwhile. His disciples are not to live a drab, colorless existence. They are to consider the flowers of the field in all their glorious color and beauty and to use these attributes in their lives. They are reminded that the sacred writings teach the beauty of holiness. They are now to realize that there is a holiness in beauty and that no life is complete unless it is beautiful; and this their religion should help them to attain.

It is good news to learn that many of the denominations have appointed commissions whose purpose it will be to specialize in church architecture and to strive to encourage the erection of truly attractive and handsome ecclesiastical buildings. In other words, to help to put into American religion what has generally been lacking—an appreciation and love of the beautiful. God Himself in His universe uses color, harmony, proportionate design and unity. Why should these be absent from buildings dedicated to His worship? He has given us art, that priceless treasure, and we should use it lavishly.

When the Building Committee of the Church of the Heavenly Rest and Chapel of the Beloved Disciple were dreaming over the plans for their new edifice at the corner of Fifth Avenue and Ninetieth Street, they

By

determined to use every means to make the buildings as beautiful as possible. They decided first, that the material should be the best procurable, from the drain pipes hidden under the ground to the covering of the roof; second, that in the designing of the building, there should always be kept in mind the purpose for which it was to be used—to help the worshipper to find God. The first requisite in making this possible was to have every worshipper able to see the altar and the pulpit and also to hear.

This might be called the soul of the building, and if this was right, it was felt that the structure that would clothe it could not help but be satisfying. It is thought that those who see the Church will realize that this has proved true.

Third, the Committee felt that there had been too much fussiness in the embellishment of modern buildings, and so great areas of wall space were planned, which in their simplicity would bring a sense of calm and peace to the mind. Such detail of carving as will be needed will take many years to plan and complete, for each item will be an object of art in itself. The fourth point considered by the Committee was that of color, which is obtained from the texture of the building material and from the windows. The stone selected for the interior, as well as the exterior, is of a warm buff color, but the windows are yet to come, with the exception of the rose. The latter, it is felt, is a modern triumph of the glass-maker's art, and its sapphires and rubies are worthy to be compared with the great glass of Chartres, Leon and some of the English Cathedrals.

These suggestions offer an idea of our efforts to secure the beauty that every Church should strive to give to its worshippers.

Music as a source of beauty has also enlisted much of our thought. Here is a great field of infinite possibility for the purifying of the soul, the bringing of peace to the troubled, and the supplying of power to the weary.

In these days when material conquests are beginning to pall, religion offers a stimulation and an inspiration in its quest for the beautiful.

KILLED FOR ASKING QUESTIONS

By

THE LATE G. A. STUDDERT-KENNEDY

SHADOWS fell on the city of Athens. One of the greatest men who ever lived raised a cup of poison to his lips, drained it to the very dregs, and then lay down and died, making a gentle jest with his last breath.

His name was Socrates. It was not suicide. He was an old man of seventy years, but he was sturdy and by no means weary of life. No, he drank the poisoned cup because he was commanded so to do by the government of his day.

After a long trial he was condemned to death on a charge of corrupting the morals of young people, and of teaching them to worship strange gods. His friends tried to persuade him to escape, but he would not hear of it.

He was not in the least afraid of death, and declared that he preferred it to running away and becoming an outlaw and a rebel against the authorities of his beloved city. So he gathered his friends around for a last, long talk, and then quietly drank the poison and died.

The curious thing about the whole business was that the charges upon which he was condemned were grossly and absurdly untrue, even when you make allowance for the difference between the ideas of our time upon such matters and those which were common amongst Athenians of that day.

They were untrue even from their point of view. His teachings were both sublime and beautiful, and he did not encourage any disrespect to the gods.

The truth of the matter was that the old man was put to death for asking awkward questions. He had a mania for asking awkward questions, and was a perfect nailer at it. He was convinced that no one ought to act or believe in things without knowing why he acted in that way, and why he believed in those things.

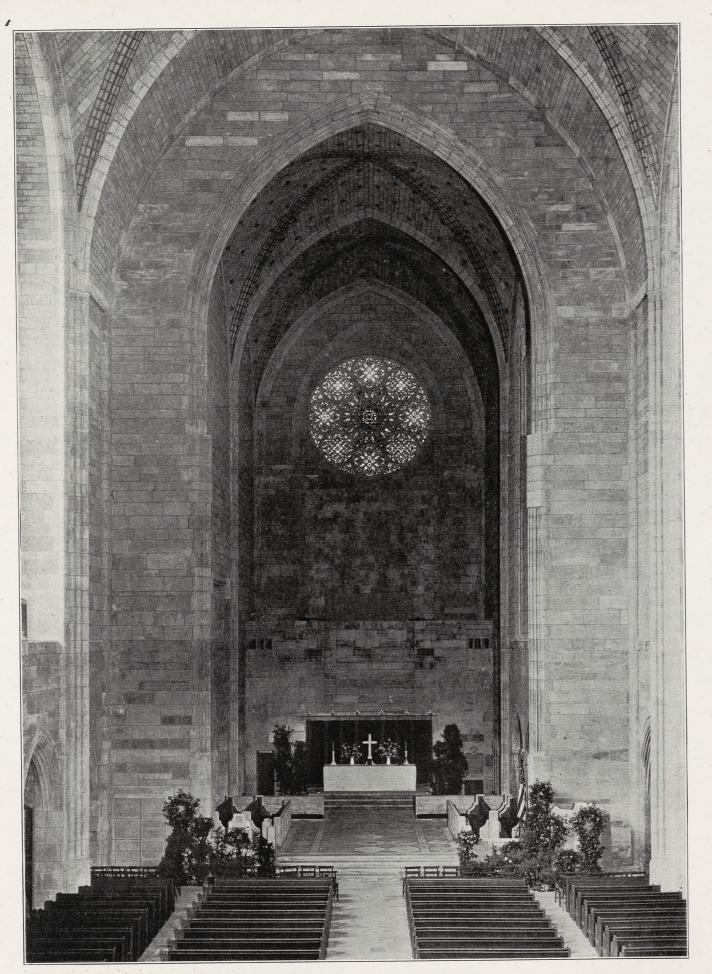
The Heart of Wisdom

His great motto was, "Know thyself." And so he went about the world—the little world of Athens asking people questions, and forcing them to think. This made them uncomfortable and dissatisfied with themselves.

Again and again they were forced by his merciless cross-examination to admit that they had no real reasons for their conduct or beliefs, and that the reasons they gave, both to themselves and others, were absurd and untrue.

Now there is nothing which a man hates so much as being made to look like a fool, and it is worse if he is compelled to admit, even to himself, that he really is a fool. That was exactly what this old man did, and kept on doing for years. He made people look and feel like fools. In the end they could stand it no longer, and they put him to death. It was not right, it was not just; but it was very human.

Deep down in our hearts most of us have felt an impulse to murder people who have made fools of us. We have hated them bitterly. Take the man who is



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Socialist to feel altogether socially disposed towards him, especially if he has been shown up before his comrades, with whom he desires to stand well. It is the same with a Conservative, or a Liberal.

And yet people who make fools of us may be our best friends, if only we could recognize them. Socrates used to say that he was the wisest of men because he knew that he knew nothing. There is deep truth in that.

YOUR SOCRATES AND MINE!

The more a man knows, the less he knows he knows; he knows that he knows nothing compared with what there is to know.

There is a deep reason why we all want to murder Socrates when we meet him. It is the instinct of selfpreservation, which is the very root of all life. We want to murder Socrates because we feel that if we do not murder him he will murder us.

If you loved, and lived for, your wife, believing her to be the perfect woman, and a pearl of great price, and someone started in to prove to you that she was a worthless wanton, you would feel like murdering him, because he would be threatening the basis of your whole life, threatening your very soul.

Many of us would rather be left with our dreams even when we know they are not true. We like to believe, and go on believing, in the face of facts, and continue to hate anyone who faces us with the facts.

Far away down in the depths of our nature there is the conviction that the pure sceptic—the man who keeps on asking awkward questions and doubting everything and everybody, is a murderer—he takes away the basis of our lives, and puts nothing in its place.

It was partly for that reason that the Athenians turned on Socrates, and threw him out of the world. They felt that he was undermining the foundation of their lives, and putting nothing in its place.

They were wrong to murder him, and yet I understand why they did it. I have a Socrates in my own mind, and you have one in yours, if you have a mind. He keeps on asking questions—awkward questions. He doubts everything and everybody—even God. Often I would like to murder him.

SEEKING THE ANSWER

But it is no good—I know that. I cannot kill him, without killing myself—my thinking self. He and I must live together. He must go on asking, and I must go on trying to answer, until the evening shadows fall upon the city we have loved, and we lie down and die together.

When from that sleep we wake, my Socrates and I, it may be that he will ask his awkward questions, and they will be awkward no longer, because I shall have found the Truth.

It may be then-but not till then. In this life Soc-

rates must not be killed or put to sleep—we must put up with him and think.

We must try to prove all things, and hold fast only that which is true.

Let's Know

By REV. FRANK E. WILSON PAPAL STATES

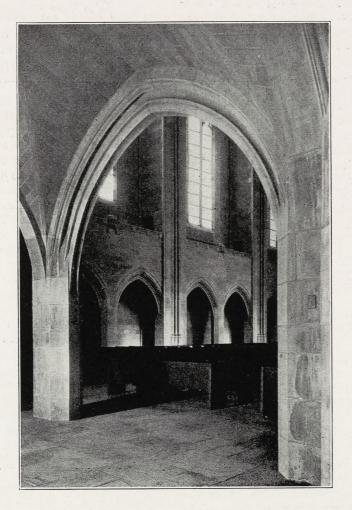
IN THE eighth century the Lombards had a well established kingdom in the northern part of Italy. They were trouble makers and were eager to extend their territory. Taking advantage of certain disturbances in the country, they set out on a campaign of conquest, carrying their invasion down to the city of Rome itself.

The Pope was very apprehensive of the trend of events and had no means of holding the Lombards in check. Casting about for assistance, he finally made his appeal to the Franks who lived in what we now call France.

The situation among the Franks was very interesting. There was a decadent line of kings who were nothing more than figure-heads while the real administration was in the hands of the Mayor of the Palace, roughly corresponding to what we might call a Prime Minister today. Charles Martel was the Mayor of the Palace at that particular juncture and he was the most powerful military figure of his times. The Pope called upon Charles for help against the Lombards and negotiations were already under way when both the Pope and Charles died within a few months of each other. Charles had a son named Pepin who followed him as Mayor of the Palace. Now, Pepin had ideas of his own. He was quite willing to run the kingdom of the Franks but he had a notion that if he was to do the work of a king he was entitled to the name and the honor of the office. Yet he hesitated to dethrone the king without some substantial moral backing in case of trouble.

So there was the new pope in need of military help and Pepin in need of moral support. They soon got together. The Lombards again cut loose and the Pope immediately set out on a trip across the Alps. Clothed in sack-cloth and ashes he prostrated himself before Pepin and implored his assistance. Pepin explained that he had recently sent the king of the Franks into a monastery for the rest of his life and that he was himself assuming the royal office. The Pope agreed to back up Pepin if Pepin, in his turn, would settle the Lombards. So the Lombards were spanked by the Franks on the field of battle and promised to be good. But their promises were not of much value and they presently broke out again. This time Pepin not only defeated them but took away a large slice of their territory and presented it to the Pope. This was in the year 754 and marks the beginning of the Papal States. Charlemagne, the redoubtable son of Pepin, took more land away from the Lombards and enlarged the Papal States.

TO THE UNNAMED WORKMEN



W HAT of the men who mixed the mortar, drove nails or rivets, dressed the stone, wrought dexterously in wood or bronze or glass, worked dizzily aloft or drearily deep the innumerable company of artisans whose skill is imbedded imperishably in this glorious edifice yet whose separate identities the world will never know?

To the Unnamed Workmen, legion in number, whose tasks were accepted casually as "all in the day's work," whose efficiency was in duty bound mere matter-of-course, Elsewhere Unheralded and Unsung—this page pays the tribute of Unstinted Appreciation.

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From that time on, for more than a thousand years, the Pope was a temporal ruler. His kingdom fluctuated in extent. It always covered a band across the center of Italy and sometimes it extended considerable distances both to the north and the south. The history of the States of the Church was involved in all the ups and downs of European politics.

During all that period Italy had never been a united country. It was split up into a lot of little principalities, such as Venice, Genoa, Florence, Naples, Sicily, etc., which were constantly quarreling among themselves. Meanwhile France, England, Spain and other countries were consolidating their national affairs and there was many a patriotic Italian who was hoping for the day when a united Italy could stand as a nation among the other European powers.

The social and political upheaval of 1848 which affected so many centuries of Europe nearly turned the trick in Italy but the Pope appealed for outside help and the insurrections were temporarily suppressed. Austria took control of Lombardy-Venetia and ruled with an iron hand. Revolt soon broke out against the Austrian severities under the leadership of a priest named Tazzoli. The French took a hand, at first supporting the revolters and later compromising with Austria. But Mazzini, Cavour, and Garibaldi were three strong men who refused to give up the fight. For twenty years the fortunes of war and diplomacy swung back and forth with the advantages gradually accruing to the revolutionaries. Italy outside of Rome came under their control and at last, in 1870, they turned their arms against that city. On the 20th of September which is the Italian Fourth of July, they broke through the defenses of Rome and declared Italy a united country with Rome as its capital. The Pope, in protest, proclaimed himself a prisoner of the Revolution and refused to leave the Vatican thereafter. He excommunicated all participants in the Revolution and forbade his adherents to take any part in the political affairs of the new kingdom. Italy offered the law of the Papal Guarantees which secured to the Pope his sovereignty and personal inviolability as well as freedom in exercising his ecclesiastical powers. Also an annual pension of 3,225,000 francs was voted to the Pope together with the Vatican palace and some neighboring territory. These offers were refused and the Pope has been the "prisoner of the Vatican" ever since, up to the recent settlement.

The Rose Window

GREAT rose window, one of few true rose win-A dows in this country, was unveiled on Easter morning at the opening of the new Church of the Heavenly Rest and Chapel of the Beloved Disciple at Ninetieth Street and Fifth Avenue.

Men who have been watching it taking form in the drafting rooms and under the white flame of the kilns in the studio of J. Gordon Guthrie, say that in this window has been crystallized not only the beauty of myriad luminous bits of jewelly glass, but the whole story of decades of American glass-making. This win-

dow is said, by competent judges, to employ the great craftsmanship of the ancient glass-maker, enriched by American technique, interpreting the American spirit and mood in the best of the Gothic manner.

It has been possible very largely because of the peculiar experience and personality of J. Gordon Guthrie, the glass-maker, whose early European background, combined with years of American practice, has enabled him to adopt the best of both traditions.

Hearts and Spades By CAPTAIN B. F. MOUNTFORD

Head of the Church Army in the United States

VERY man respects the personal experience of E those who know that they have been in touch with God and are convinced that they can draw upon an Unseen Power and count upon an Invisible Presence to carry them through every emergency. The witness of men and women who have this conscious experience, to whom Christ's Presence is a reality, and who can speak of Him with a contagious enthusiasm of belief, is the witness that will lead others to the same knowledge and experience.

The supreme need of the Church is reality in its members. With higher standards of membership and service, the Church might confidently go forward to an aggressive Evangelistic Campaign. We lay-folk must not be ashamed to confess our faith with lips as well as lives.

The layman speaking in an unconventional manner of his religious experiences may have a power that is denied to the preacher, all the greater if the effort of speech be costly.

While the duty of witness rests upon every disciple of Christ, the parish priest should always be alert to discover those who have some aptitude for Evangelism and should devote time and thought to fitting them for it.

The National Commission on Evangelism recommends a book bearing the title of "Methods of Christian Work." It is written by men of similar ilk to myself and may be obtained from The Sunday School Commission, 416 Lafayette Street, New York City, for 60 cents. Though written primarily for English Church folk, yet it has its value for all who would extend the influence of the Church. Amongst the subjects dealt with are Positive Witnessing, Church Witness in the Open-Air, An Invalid's Idea on Sick-Visiting, Effective Open-Air Services, Cottage Meetings, and the like. The articles are written for the greater part by serving laymen.

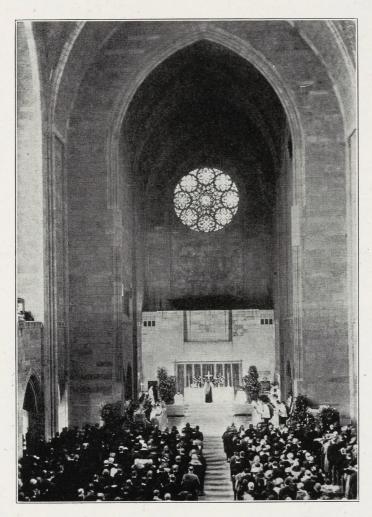
The true hope of Evangelistic work at present lies less in large mass meetings than in concentrated personal work and devotion. Without denying the value of great assemblies many are finding that smaller "Salons" in private meetings have a high value. houses; groups for Bible, Missionary and Social study; informal conferences and cottage meetings with definite and consecutive teaching are all of high value and oftimes lead to wider and more extensive ministry.

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ONE TRIBUTE MORE

By

ELIZABETH B. CANADAY



Out of their groping need, Men dreamed a chaste white tower To house Thy love; And stone on stone they built With toil of brain and hand The wondrous temple they were dreaming of. From Thine own hills the stone, From Thine own rocks the ore, They welded here; Earth's choicest treasures wrought Into a beauteous theme To bring Thee near.

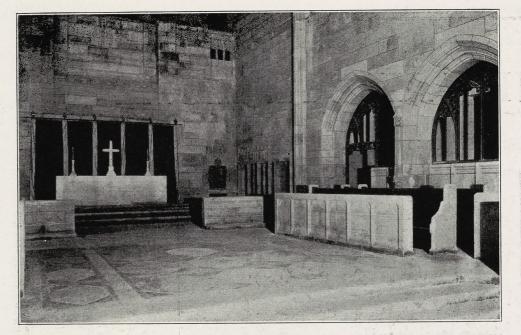
One more thing may they bring — For that they have confessed So wistfully their need— Their questing hearts to seek The beauty of Thy Truth; For then will this become Thy shrine, indeed.

The photograph is of the service of dedication of the Heavenly Rest.

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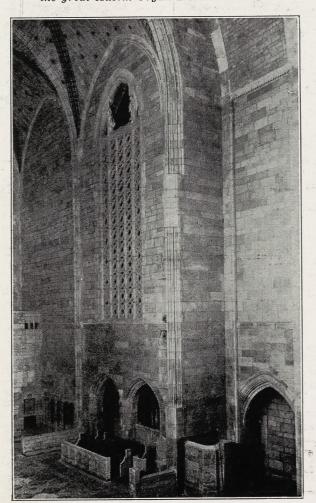
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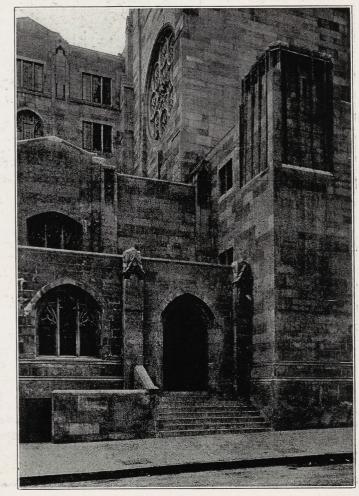
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VIEWS

The reredos, yet to be finished, is to rise majestically behind the altar which is a solid piece of stone weighing seven tons. The cross and candle-sticks also are of stone. An impression of the great heights is gained from the photograph below. The richly colored dorsal is made of a rare imported fabric said to have been made centuries ago

A view of the Chancel, showing the great Stone Organ Grill, the work of George Brown and Company. Many of the five thousand speaking pipes of the great Austin Organ are located here. The Entrance to the Parish House on Ninetieth Street, showing the step-back architecture, common in New York office buildings, but new in church construction. An exterior view of the Rose of the Heavenly Rest can be seen

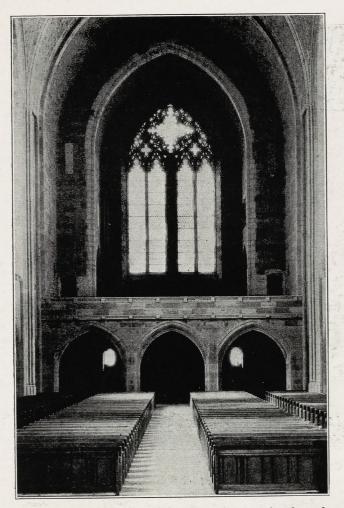


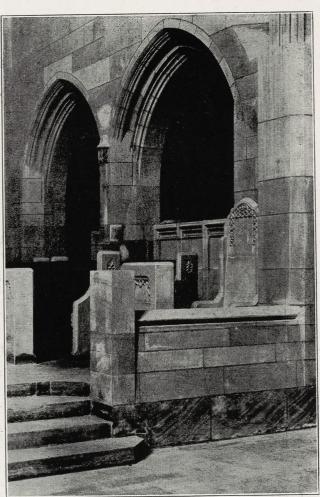


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Looking toward the back of the church from the chancel, showing the great west window. The tile vault and side walls contain part of the acoustic installation, the work of R. Guastavino & Company

The rector's chair and choir stalls and the beautiful wood organ screens the work of Irving-Casson-A. H. Davenport Co., behind which is the console of the Awstin Organ, completely hidden from view

Clergy and builders; front row. Dr. Darlington, rector; Dr. Glover, vicar; Bishop Manning; Bishop Shipman; back row, Rev. Cedric King, assistant; Mr. A. Priestly, superintendent; Hardie Phillip of Mayers, Murray & Phillip, architects; William O'Reilly, builder

OF THE CHURCH OF THE HEAVENLY REST





J. GORDON GUTHRIE The artist at work on the Rose of the Heavenly Rest

NEWS OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

A BUNCH of New York parsons met together for a day or two last week, the men from the country being the guests of their city brothers. They had a luncheon or two, and a cup of tea and much swapping of experiences. A lot of it was an effort on the part of the Fifth Avenue rectors to convince their brothers in more humble surroundings that really after all is said and done the country parson has much the best of it. Dr. Roelif H. Brooks of St. Thomas's said that his job was a very tough one indeed, with much night work, an incessant round of duties, and with it all the strain of an unnatural city life. He didn't think it unreasonable for the city rector to take a long vacation since without it he would crack under the strain. Oh, yes, and Dr. Brooks said that anonymous letters were rather common and very trying. He ought to be connected with a Church paper if he wants to have a nice collection of anonymous letters. However, they have quite the

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WILLIAM B. SPOFFORD

opposite effect on me; very stimulating I say.

Anyhow we can take Dr. Brooks' word for it that running a parish on Fifth Avenue, even if there is a big salary and a long vacation, has its draw backs. Whether or not he was able to convince the country pastor, working on \$1800 a year, that he has all the best of the deal I am not prepared to say. As far as I am concerned, which doesn't matter much, I think it is silly for a Christian Church to allow one clergyman to be paid \$18,000 a year with three months in Europe, while the other gets \$1800, with a couple of weeks to rattle around the country in a five year old Ford, if indeed he can afford even that. As far as their jobs go it seems to me that they are both tough ones with little to choose between them.

"After all, it's easy to forget about an anonymous letter," said the Rev. H. D. White, of Spring Valley, N. Y. "In the rural districts if a parishioner has some criticism to offer he or she will come and tell you to your face." He believed that in some cases it would be much easier for the rector to receive his reprimands anonymously.

The Rev. Ernest A. Smith, of Monticello, N. Y., told of visiting his widely scattered parishioners in an eight-year-old automobile which he had driven more than 100,000 miles in connection with his ministerial duties.

"The curtans were all blown out long ago," he said, "and I can't replace them because they are not made any more. Some of my people live twenty-six miles away and I'm getting pretty old to be driving around in an open car in winter weather when it's from 10 to 15 degrees below zero. Then about half of the roads in my district are mere tracks, some of them with 33 per cent grades."

The difficulties of ironing out church disputes, of getting able men to take a leading part in church activities and of raising funds to carry on their work were other points stressed by the visitors. All reported encouraging progress, however.

Rectors from both city and country could agree on one thing, it developed. All were optimistic as to the future of the diocese and expressed themselves as thankful for the opportunity for service which confronted them.

We mustn't get the notion that the great Church of the Heavenly Rest was the only fine Church dedicated on Easter. Down in Jacksonville, Florida, the beautiful new Church of the Good Shepherd was formally opened, when the rector, the Rev. C. A. Ashby, read the Easter services. This building is not only the final unit of the group, but it is the dominating feature, both because of its architectural detail and because of the materials used. The earlier buildings of the group were built of a soft brownish-red brick with Indiana limestone trimmings, designed in the Gothic style with an English influence. The latest building is also of Gothic design but is somewhat more continental, although no attempt has been made to limit the style to any period or country and Gothic is still a "living style" which can be adapted to modern buildings and conditions.

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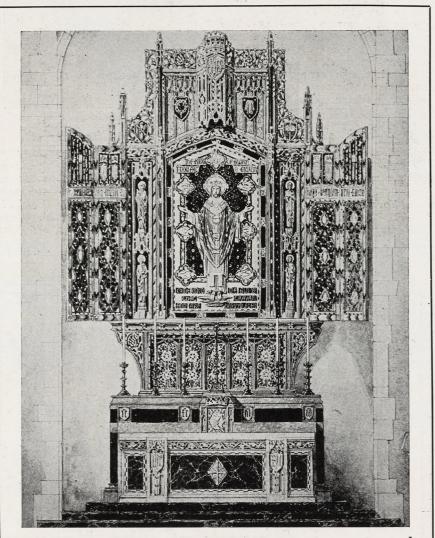
And while we are on this matter of building, maybe we should say a further word about St. John's, Norristown, Pa., where the Rev. Mr. Niblo is rector. You may recall a few months back we gave you a few pictures of this fine church. Now they are building a beautiful Bapistry. Over a small altar is a great stained glass window, fourteen feet high, depicting events in the life of St. John. It is gorgeously colored, done in the manner of the 13th century glass. The altar is a beautiful one, richly decorated, as is also the large font which rises fourteen feet. The base is of Italian marble (Verona Mandolato, so I am informed-I am sure you will know exactly what is is). Anyhow, it is very nice. Then over the base is the cover, richly carved and decorated both inside and out, which is over ten feet high. All of this work, the 13th century window, the altar and the font, are being built in the studios of Calvert, Herrick and Riedinger in New York, who, you may recall, have had such a large part in making of this old church, one of the very finest in the country.

Much excitement prevailed around St. James' Indian Mission, Cannon Ball, North Dakota, just before Palm Sunday when the crates arrived which contained new windows for the chancel of the little church. They had been given by the whole congregation as memorials to all members of the parish who had departed this life.

They were dedicated on Palm Sunday by Archdeacon Harrington. Miss Aline Cronshey, young people's worker on the Indian Reservation, had prepared a special service modelled after the service used at the dedication of the Rood in her parish church in New York. After the dedication, the Young People's Service League presented a set of red altar hangings which they had made. There was also a special offering for missions, each organiza-

tion connected with the mission having gathered an offering during Lent for this purpose. This was in addition to the Easter offering in their mite boxes.

Miss Cronshey had the service translated into Dakota, and had mimeographed copies with the English and Indian versions in parallel columns, thus making what is probably a unique contribution to the



Altar and Triptych of colored marbles and carved wood decorated in color and gold.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, NORRISTOWN, PA. Rev. James M. Niblo, Rector

All the Stained Glass—Chancel and Ceiling decorations and Tile floor as well as the new Altar and Triptych were designed and executed by

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special versions of the Church services.

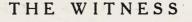
Palms were blessed at the close of the service. There were also to have been two baptisms but a tremendous snowstorm prevented the attendance of the families.

A conference for leaders of the Girl's Friendly Society is now in session in Kansas City. This con-ference will be followed by one for the girls themselves. From June 28th to July 5th about seventy-five girls from all parts of the country will meet together with adult leaders in one of the G. F. S. vacation houses at Delaware New Jersey. The program for this conference was planned by a committee of girls, representing fourteen dioceses. For those girls who cannot go to the national conference there will be similar conferences in the dioceses of Los Angeles, Michigan, New York, Maryland, Olympia, Pennsylvania, and Virginia.

Bishop Murray, Presiding Bishop, was the preacher last Sunday at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, New York.

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An outstanding event in the





REV. HERBERT J. GLOVER Vicar of the Heavenly Rest

history of the District of Spokane occurred on Maundy Thursday at All Saints' Cathedral, Spokane, Washington, when Bishop Cross advanced three deacons to the priesthood. "Never before in the district have three men been ordained together so far as we know," said Bishop Cross, "and not many missionary districts can provide their own man power." The three men all began their candidateships under Bishop Cross who last year made them deacons. Those ordained were the Rev. Thomas E. Jessett of Colfax, the Rev. Harry G. Post of Spokane, and the Rev. Donald Glazebrook of Sunnyside. The first two hold Master of Arts degrees, one from the State College of Washington, and the other from the University of Washington.

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This is interesting news I think— Bishop Paul Jones has resigned as Secretary of the Fellowship of Reconciliation because, while he loves the work and has been most happy doing it, he feels that there is real danger of the organization "getting into a rut, to have things center around one personality and have it become *his* organization.

"For myself, too, I think that it is wise to make a change. It has seemed to me from observation of others that it is usually dangerous for a man to continue too long in general propaganda work. He tends to become superficial, dealing more



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and more in generalizations as he becomes further removed from the concrete application of the principles he is expressing. I don't want to fall into that condition, and I feel I should get back to some kind of work where I will be under the necessity of tackling the problems I have been talking about."

Bishop Jones has been the secretary for ten years.

The Rev. A. Manby Lloyd reports from England that Memorial Services and Requiem celebrations were held all over the country for the Rev. G. A. Studdert-Kennedy. Letters of condolence and telegrams from the royal family are reported, but to me the most touching thing of all was the presence at the funeral at Worchester of 200 unemployed men, many of them ex-service men wearing medals and ribbons, who formed a procession and attended in a body. Kennedy would have liked that—he had such a glorious hatred in his soul for the injustices and inequalities of life.

In this paragraph, sent by Mr. Lloyd, are words of the Rev. P. T. R. Kirk, with whom Studdert-Kennedy was associated in the work of the Industrial Christian Fellowship.

"Kennedy's appearance was not perhaps attractive. Dark, rather tired-looking, short, with thinning hair, he did not depend for his sway over a crowd upon anything of magnificent presence. He used to de-light to point out the self-evident truth of evolution from own fea-

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tures!-but everything that was merely homely in him was transfigured by his attractive and whimsical smile. His voice had not the quality which woos. It was somewhat rasping, with the brogue of his Irish ancestors combining with the depth of his native Yorkshire. Yet in moments of appeal the charm of the turn of a word was well-nigh irresistible. He could weave a magnician's spell over hundreds of hard-headed business men and hardliving dockers."

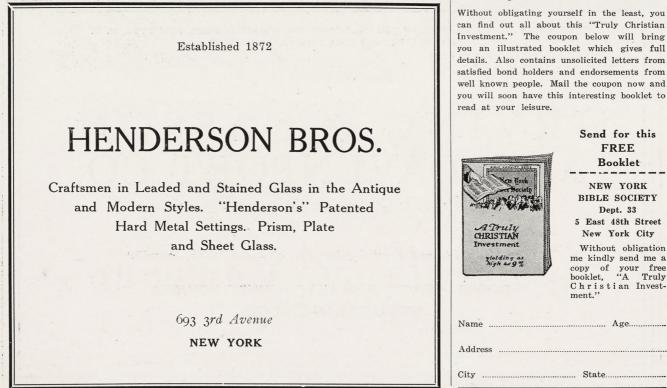
And this is Manby Lloyd himself speaking:

There are many stories told about him. Once an open-air meeting was being disturbed by Communists, and the chairman sent for Woodbine Willie who was preaching close by. Wearing his cassock he ascended the platform and said, "Comrades you'll agree with me when I say that if we men thought a little more about right and wrong, and a little less about fags and flappers, it would be better."

A man of faith, he once said, may be a fool, but a cynic is a dawd fool who has lost the knowledge of God.

He shocked another audience by telling them that as human beings there was not much to choose between the Archbishop of Canterbury and Judas Iscariot.

Both Long Island and New Jersev have organized to aid the General Theological Seminary with their endowment. The former diocese is to undertake to raise \$120,000 as an en-





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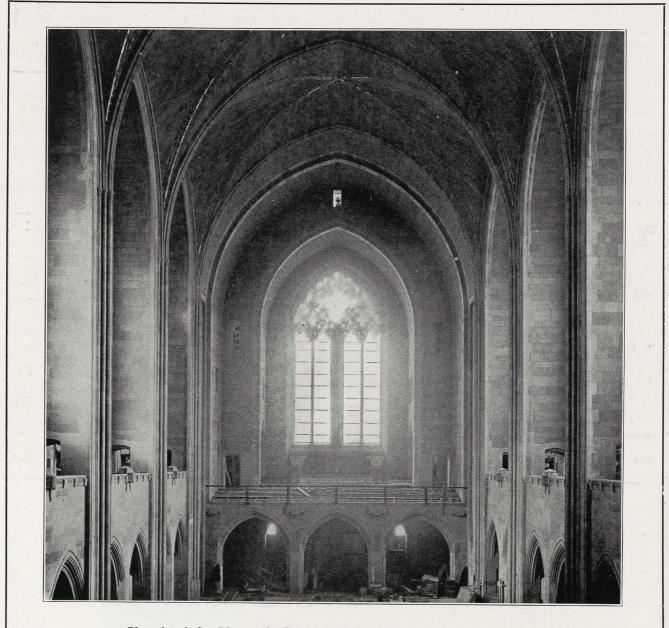
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dowment for the professorship of Christian Ethics, while New Jersey is to seek \$60,000 for the completion of Seabury Hall. *

Four hundred boys and girls has been the average attendance at the special services held each Monday during Lent at St. James', New York.

The Rev. H. D. Chambers, for seven years the rector of St. Paul's, Salem, Oregon, has accepted an appointment as chaplain of City Missions, Portland, Oregon, and is to take up his new work at once.

The Ven. Jay C. Black conducted an eight day preaching and teaching misson recently at St. Clement's, Seattle, Washington. In addition to the daily adult services a children's service was held each afternoon. * * *

Last Sunday afternoon a pair of silver candlesticks, beautifully carved and decorated, were presented to the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, the gift of the Italian Government and Signor Mussolini, who seems to be that government at the present moment. This makes the eleventh gift sent to the Cathedral by foreign governments.

* * The Emperor of Japan has

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awarded a decoration to Bishop Reifsnider in recognition of his services rendered in the cause of education, and a similar honor has been bestowed upon Miss Mary H. Cornwell-Legh for her work among lepers.

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Rev. Henry Sherrill, rector of Trinity and president of the Boston Federation of Churches presided last evening at a meeting of 500 laymen, who met to get better acquainted with the work of the federation. Bishop Slattery was one of the speakers.

Close to 2000 worshipped at dawn Easter. The service was an outdoor one at Columbia University. * * *

There were 4000 at the Easter morning service at the Cathedral in New York and there would have been many more had there been room. Bishop Manning preached. *

Here is something more on the "Albany Rebellion." It is a letter written by the Rev. Theodore Haydn of Watervliet, New York:

'A group of clergy and laymen of the Diocese of Albany have organ-ized a Central Committee for Defence of the Security and Independence of Priests in Parochial Work.

"This has grown out of the dis-

covery that a number of the clergy feel it unsafe to speak freely and openly when subjects that affect their work and interests are publicly discussed, because (Cont. on 26)



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"a. The 'missionary' clergy are subject to arbitrary removal at the will of the bishop, and

"b. All stipendiary clergy are subject to reduction of salary at the will of the Diocesan Board of Missions.

"Thus the clergy who accept the most unpromising and extended work in isolated places, usually on small salaries, are subject to serious disabilities as compared with those who accept rectorships and have security as to tenure of office and salary.

"This discrimination seems manifestly unjust and undesirable, and is responsible for constant change of personnel in the very fields where permanence is of highest importance.

"There seems to be no reason why the priest-in-charge of St. John's-inthe-Wilderness and St. James'-at-the-Crossroads should have a precarious tenure of his field, while the rector of St. Mark's-on-the-Boulevard is irremovable except under carefully regulated canonical procedure.

"There seems to be no just cause why the former should be more insecure as to an originally determined salary than the latter. We hold it to be manifestly inequitable and presumably illegal for a diocesan corporation to reduce an established salary during an incumbency, when a parochial corporation may not do so. We consider the forcing of a resignation as great an evil in the first case as in the last.

"We hope to secure legislation in our diocese to remove these disabilities, and we also hope to establish a minimum salary that will provide a decent living for ALL priests regularly in charge of parishes or missions.

"In concluding the 29th Canon of 1808 the General Convention said: 'It is understood that this Church designs not to express any approbation of any laws or usages which make the station of a minister dependent on anything else than his own soundness in the faith, or worthy conduct.'

"We do not know how many dioceses have provisions like our own, but evidence is before us which

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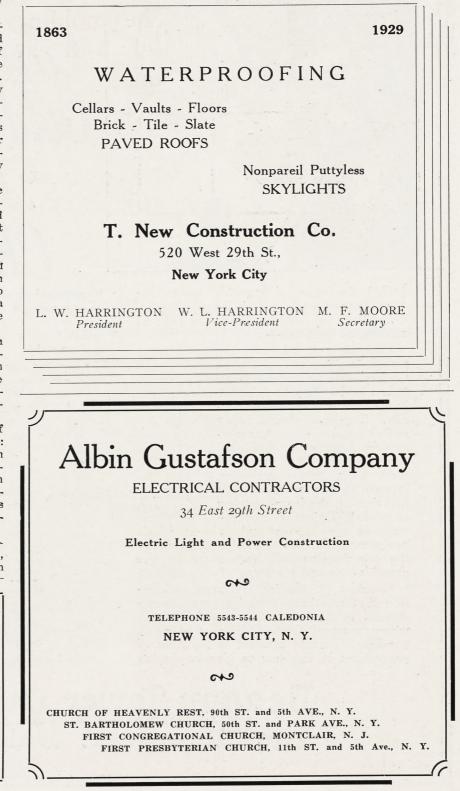
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shows that we have moved a long way from the ideals of 1808. Under the new Field Department system we find that there are executives who propose engaging ministers for five year periods (making it possible to consume their youth and vigor and turn them out to shift for themselves in their less active years); that some bishops will not accept clergymen

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who are not 'definitely sold on the missionary program' which, alas, includes much that is bureaucratic and not always vital in both national and diocesan budgets; that in some regions aid is withheld except as quotas are paid in full; that the opinion is held by some that a minister who has 'failed three times in three separate fields was probably not really



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On Passion Sunday this year the "Passion of our Lord according to St. Matthew" (Bach) was sung at St. Paul's Cathedral, Detroit, the Cathedral choristers being assisted by the Schubert choir of Windsor, Ontario, Canada. The general direction was by Mr. Francis A. Mackay, the Cathedral organist. The organ accompaniment was by M. D'Avignon Morel, organist of the Roman Catholic Church of the Most Holy Redeemer, Detroit.

Mrs. Catherine B. Spaulding has given \$200,000 for the purpose of building a new parish house for Trinity Church, Michigan City, Indiana. Building operations will begin about May first. Needless to say the building will be complete in every detail. *

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Bishop Gray, president of the province of the Mid-West, has called a Provincial Conference for young people, to meet at Taylor Hall, Racine, May 24-26. *

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Bishop Garland of Pennsylvania has called another special convention for May 6th for the purpose of electing a Bishop Coadjutor. A number of prominent clergymen are being discussed for the office, including Dr. Drury, rector of St. Paul's School, Concord; Rev. Robert

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Annual summer clergy conference in Duluth, Bishop Bennet, host, will be June 17-21, at Cass Lake.

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Everyone reports a remarkable Good Friday attendance. At the Incarnation in New York I know there was a church full during the entire three hours, and at Trinity people were turned away. Dr. Kinsolving reports that the attendance at St. Paul's, Baltimore, was 2400, a record. It made the 23rd consecutive year that Dr. Kinsolving preached the service.

The Churchmen of the Jacksonville parishes prepared and organized so well for the Lenten Noon-day services that the attendance and appreciation of the public reached a new high-water mark. These services were held for two weeks only, beginning March the 11th and ending March the 22nd. They were conducted in one of the downtown theatres and the preachers were the Rev. Willis G. Clark, of St. Andrew's Church, Tampa, Fla.; The Rt. Rev. Thomas G. Darst, Bishop of East Carolina, The Rev. Henry D. Phillips, rector of Trinity Church, Columbus, S. C. and the Rev. Julius M. Schaad, rector of St. Paul's Church, Augusta, Ga.

Dr. Adolf Deussmann, noted scholar, is lecturing in this country under the auspices of the Federal Council of Churches. He is to lecture at the General Seminary among other places.

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Bishop Bennett of Duluth preached at Union Lenten Services at Clouet, Minnesota, held in the Presbyterian Church. The ministers of these churches took part in the service at which the Bishop preached: Presbyterian, Methodist, Finnish Lutheran, Norwegian and Swedish Lutheran.

Here is a new kind of boys' club; at the Intercession, New York, there is a club called the "Kee Wee" Aviation Club for boys over fifteen years of age. They are taught the rudiments of flying; meetings every Monday afternoon.

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The seventy-fifth anniversary of the University of the South, which occurs in 1932, will be fittingly observed in June of that year. The Vice-Chancellor and faculty of the University are now engaged in formulating preliminary plans for the celebration. By 1932 the University expects to have two new dormitories completed and the plan for the greater Sewanee, called for by its Expansion Fund program, well under way. A special history of Sewanee will be compiled covering the growth of the University in all its phases from its foundation up to the present. An alumni reunion will be one of the main features of the celebration.

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In a town in Oklahoma, the churches have been fighting Sunday picture shows and the verger of our parish there is the picture man's lawyer. Uncomfortable situation for the rector! The parish hung up a screen, secured a lantern found some slides of the Holy Land from the rector's collection, and indulged in "Sunday pictures" itself. The picture man himself attended.

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