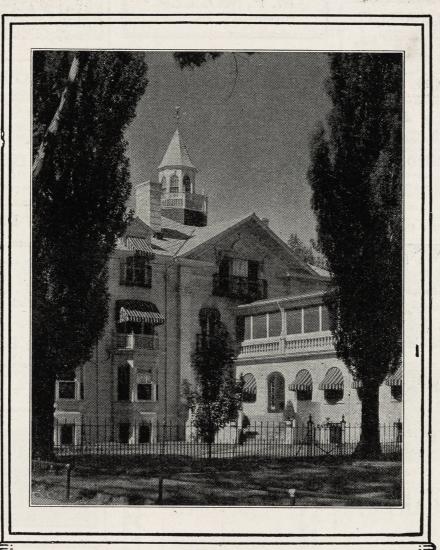
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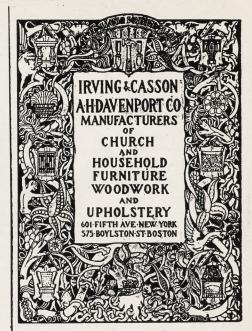




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OVERCOMING OUR VIRTUES

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WE ARE likely to get stuck in the realm of our own already achieved virtues. Our vices are problems which keep reminding us of themselves by their general unsatisfactoriness, but our virtues are comfortable and rather good to look upon and we pause before them as before a good picture. I am not now talking of those little self-made desires which we baptize with the name of virtues. I mean qualities which we must achieve, perhaps with difficulty, and which we must never lose but must counterbalance. I dare say that quite as many people are held back in their moral and spiritual development by their virtues as by their vices.

Broad-mindedness

Let us not forget what a long and uphill fight the virtue of broad-mindedness has had. When one thinks of the denominational battle alone, and of the acrid controversies which can still arise in some quarters concerning the small change of ecclesiastical currency, one is thankful enough for a wider spirit. When one faces the deep instinctive hatreds and fears which have underlain our national divisions and what we were often pleased to call our "patriotism," one is thankful for a new day of racial and political tolerance. Whenever any one of us personally has grown to the place where we respect the rights of other people to differ with us without our resenting it, we have gone a long way towards becoming a tolerable human being-and those who have not gone so far, and I know many of them, remain intolerable people.

Nevertheless when this has been said, there is hardly any virtue which our generation so badly needs to overcome as the virtue of broad-mindedness. I should add that I think in nine cases out of ten, our broad-mindedness does not mean true comprehension and understanding, but want of conviction, ignorance or laziness. We want people to be broad-minded in the

wrong place-about religious systems which have brought whole races to a dead-end in development, about moral carelessness, about shoddy plays and questionable books and booze and economic selfishness and what we cover under the term "human nature"as if Christ had never come with a cure for human nature and a better substitute for these secondary things! Our broad-mindedness ought always to apply to personalities, it ought never to apply to principles. We can never go wrong being broad-minded about people, socially, nationally, personally: we can and do go wrong very quickly when we say that one idea is as good as another, or that one moral standard will serve as well as the next. Some of us need to distend our human horizons immensely, and to contract our moral ones.

COMMON-SENSE

The virtue of common-sense is a very real virtue. We mean by it a certain capacity to come to quick and right intuitive conclusions, into which our knowledge and our experience is fused. This is perhaps the great American virtue. Most of our characteristic great men have had it-Franklin, Lincoln, Moody, Edison, Roosevelt—but you find it in the innumerable American boys who know how to fix a tire or pitch a camp or find their way in a city or make their way in the world. It is incarnated in our typical business man of middle-age, and he is wise to know just about how much can be done in any situation. That is a great quality, and it must not be belittled. I believe in it up to the hilt until I see it come in conflict with the principles of a higher realm than it understands. Common-sense is not fond of risks, and I hope I shall not be misunderstood if I say that true religion lives on risks. There was no common-sense, such as we value in our daily dealings, in the way Christ trusted people, in His refusal to take any financial precaution for Himself or His followers, certainly none in His Cross. Yet these things have moved the world. Common-sense is unwise sometimes in the small value it puts upon invisible things.

MODESTY

And again, modesty. Our church is noted for it. We are decent and reticent. We encourage people not to "wear their heart on their shirtsleeves." gradually draw within our ranks more and more cultivated, dignified people. Who of us does not dislike spiritual forwardness and tactlessness? They have done undoubted harm, and we do well to avoid them. But there is another virtue to be overcome, for it is an incomplete virtue. We have somehow made our people self-conscious about religion, so that they cannot talk naturally about it. Because they have never brought the thing into the open, they have never got their own convictions solidly settled. And they have never thought of Jesus' words as applying to them, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature." He certainly did not mean that command to be entirely obeyed by financing missionaries. There is a kind of tact which is only a soul-damning and life-destroying silence.

ENJOYMENT

There is one more of which I would speak, the virtue of enjoying our religion. I can hear you say, Who could take exception to that? Have we not fought our way out of the gloom and repression of old-fashioned religion, and is it not an unmixed blessing that we have come upon a day when we can exult in our free and happy relation to our Heavenly Father? Yes, that is true. And no one believes in the joy of religion more than I do. But there is something to be said upon another side—not for being gloomy, there is nothing to be said for that, but for being a little more touched with awe than is popular amongst us. A joyous religion may mean a familiar religion, one of easy approach and ready reception at God's hands: and I would remind you only of the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ as the cost of that access to the Father, the cost which the Holy Father paid Himself, and I think that it ought to make us tread the precincts of religion always with reverence, and not with jaunty familiarity.

Again, a joyous religion may be a juvenile religion, which does not reckon with some of life's darker aspects: it has many a stile to cross before it knows the way, and many a cross to carry. And yet again, a joyous religion may be a cock-sure religion. There are bumptious believers, whose religion is only another cause for the inflation of their common ego: they are not wise enough to know that preoccupation with the things of the Spirit positively make for pride and inflation unless we keep our mind ever upon the ballast of the Cross. There is a deeper Christian note than joy, and that is blessedness. There is the kind of joy of a lad who has kicked a foot-ball farther than anybody in his school ever kicked it: and there is a kind of joy of a man who has been pulled ashore and

rescued from drowning. Spiritual joy is of the order of the latter.

The deepest note in the Christian attitude is not hilarity, but gratefulness: not boisterous certitude, but rather wonderment at the merciful ways of God with us. There is a joy in the Cross, but it is deeper than gayety, even the gayety of having found the way of life: it is the joy of God's seeking, self-emptying love coming into the world to find you and me.

An Unpleasant Situation

An Editorial by BISHOP JOHNSON

THE five thousand clergy in this Church are the representatives who have offered themselves to the ministry.

Possibly there are as many more laymen in the Church who, if they had offered themselves to the Master, would have been more effective. But if Christ called them they failed to heed the call and the ministers that we have are the substitutes whom Christ had to accept because there were none better to do the task.

As a rule I have found these ministers of this Church to be cultivated gentlemen who are kindly if not able, courteous if not brilliant, virtuous if not pious.

If I were a down and out who wanted help I would go to one of our own clergy for aid rather than to a Roman priest or a denominational preacher. I would expect to find our minister more solicitous for my welfare than either of the others.

It would seem to me that a dull parson who is sympathetic with human need and frailty is better than a brilliant preacher who is thoroughly self-centered.

I heartily agree with the late bishop of Texas who said that if a congregation has a pastor who keeps the Ten Commandments and believes in the Apostles' Creed they ought to be thankful; at least they can worship God and serve their fellowmen under such leadership.

A minister is usually at the mercy of the congregation for they control the purse which feeds him and his family, but it is a questionable kind of morality which refuses to support the Church because one doesn't like the minister. It is like refusing to pay taxes because one does not like the administration, only in the latter case it is futile as the state will collect them anyway.

Those who say they love the Church but refuse to support it on personal grounds are very like the youth who claims to love his wife and then shoots her. At that shooting is more merciful than starving.

As a bishop one is occasionally called in to settle a difference between a minister and his congregation. It is an unpleasant episode. The minister is often alone. His friends are apt to be inarticulate (at least to the bishop), and his enemies are usually organized. Possibly his chief opponent may have a strangle-hold financially on other members of the vestry. I have known such cases. The rector is faced with a tragedy; the vestry merely with an incident in their lives.

It is often difficult to get at the real facts because the rector knows that it is invidious of him to accuse members of his flock; he knows that others may decline to testify and furthermore he realizes that if he proves too much he may wreck the parish which he loves.

Frequently those who are behind the rector are the humble and meek, while those opposing him may have a proud look and a high temper.

What should the bishop do?

It would seem that his first duty would be to rule out the testimony of any and all persons who have forced the issue by withdrawing their person, or their purse, from the support of the church. Certainly they are not communicants in good standing and have no right to be heard in a case involving the welfare of an institution they have ceased to support. They have no standing in court and are in need of discipline fully as much as the rector who at least has not quit his post.

Then a bishop has to be on the look out for the rule-or-ruin type of layman, regardless of his secular importance in the community. The Church suffers much from this type of layman and we would do well if we told him to take his toys and go home.

What we all need to learn, in spite of the space devoted to the subject in the canons, is that the clergy are not the only ones who are subject to discipline. Laymen, especially vestrymen, come under the law as well and are just as responsible for observing the rules as are the clergy.

What a curious Church Militant it is which disciplines its commissioned officers only and allows the non-commissioned officers and the privates to pursue any tactics that they please, unrebuked.

It is sometimes disconcerting but always profitable for the bishop to ask the vestry as well as the priest for an accounting of their own habits and practices. Otherwise the conference is one-sided and unfair. It is always unpleasant. One is too painfuly aware of the dilemma.

A bishop has the work to think of. If he decides against the minister he has done him a serious injury unless he has been palpably in the wrong. If he decides for the minister he faces the possibility that the defeated group will refuse to play, and the minister will face destitution.

I wonder if we all think of what effect this unfairness has upon the morale of the ministry? May it not account somewhat for the fact that certain capable candidates refuse to apply for a commission which is going to involve them in such a situation?

In any event if we have sent substitutes into the

battle when we ourselves ought to have enlisted we are estopped from criticising our alternates.

I believe that one of the first requisites to induce red blooded men to enter the ministry is to alter completely the nature of our court martials so that there will be a greater element of fairness in the procedure.

I am well aware that if the clergy are fairly reasonable that the average congregation is usually responsive; if he really loves them they will usually love him. And if he doesn't try to ram himself down their throats they will usually provide the necessities for his alimentary canal. But unfortunately ministers are human and a great many of them are placed in responsible positions when they are very young.

Now youth isn't criminal but it is often very brash and often exceedingly unreasonable, but that ought not to be a cause for execution. The penalty should be more proportionate to the offense.

It certainly behooves laymen, who have enlisted to serve Christ under such ministry as He can provide, to be exceedingly anxious to play the game fairly—at least with the same consideration for the rules that they would have on a golf course. If they refuse to do this then I think they should be ruled off the course at any cost.

No institution can afford to wink at a system which makes the cause at equity so onesided. It is certainly a difficult puzzle for a bishop to adjudicate a cause when he realizes so often that the unfortunate minister is put into a position where his adversaries win if it is heads and he loses if it is tails.

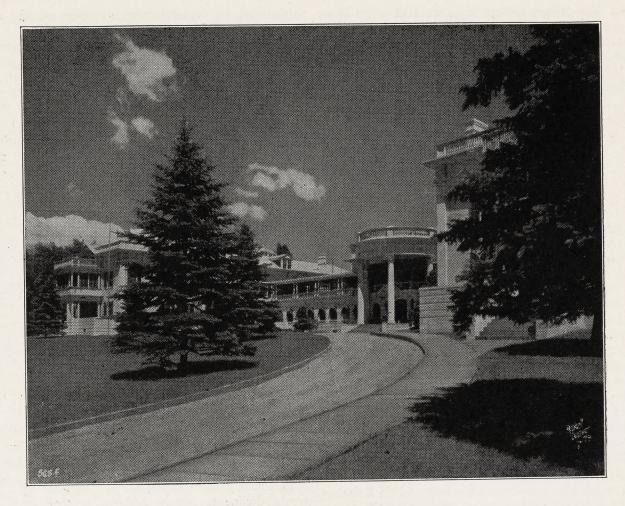
Fortunately these causes are not frequent or men would decline to become bishops, as they seem to be doing on an increasing scale. Perhaps we would have bigger and better bishops if the task did not involve so many cases where one is equally condemned whether he is right or wrong.

A Book Review

By IRVINE GODDARD

FIERY GRAINS: Thoughts and Sayings for some occasions. Put together by H. R. L. Sheppard and H. P. Marshall. Longmans Green & Co. \$1.50.

The Rev. Dick Sheppard is probably the most beloved and the most human of parsons in England now that Woodbine Willie has gone to his great reward. It was because of this humanness and gift of understanding that a perplexed soul of a later generation appealed to him for something out of the ordinary to help him over his difficulties in religious belief. Fiery Grains is the answer. It is a delightful compilation of strong and lovely things which is pertinent to every phase of a man's existence. It would be difficult to find a more helpful or thought stimulating anthology anywhere. There are things in it, old and new, yet just the very things we need in those moments when we are baffled, disappointed, or red hot on the scent of what are known as eternal values.



THE OAKES HOME

A Church Home for Sick Strangers

By

FRANK W. MACK

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CURROUNDED by acres of sloping lawn, up on the hills three hundred feet above the cup-like depression where the city of Denver lies, there is a group of beautiful buildings. Their architecture and their coloring are pure colonial. Broad, graceful porches lend an air of hospitality, and generous windows, with plate-glass, add a suggestion of refinement. Towering cottonwoods grow near enough to exert the healthful influence of foliage, but not so near as to obstruct a wondrous view. The Rockies lift their savage wall out of a fertile valley only eight miles westward, the frozen crag of their loftiest peak gleaming full in view. Above the smoke and beyond the steeples of the town far eastward the prairies touch the horizon. Looming in the southern sky, nearly three miles above sea and seventy-five miles away, stands Pike's Peak, with its crest of perpetual

This group of beautiful buildings, located thus high and free in Colorado's marvelous air, and being neither hotel, boarding house, hospital nor sanitarium, is one of the rare spots in the world where a victim of the "White Plague" may live in perfect sanitation, comforted by the appointments and accessories of a refined home, and at a rate of expense not only reasonable, but relatively cheap.

Years ago the founder of this outfit was a student at Yale. He had come down from New Hampshire to grapple the big books and then the greater world. He had the glint of hopeful morning in his frank, brown eyes. His bones were firm and strong, like his native rocks. His face was fresh as the air of his native pines. His heart had the courage of a hardy race, his energy the dominance of a people who hope to work and expect to win.

Circumstances that do not concern this story gave a religious slant to the young man's life. He was ordained a priest of the Episcopal Church, married a helpful girl, turned his face to the West and soon was in charge of a thread-bare parish on the outskirts of Denver, Colorado. He had taken an outpost agency for God Almighty's business on earth, and the

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Rev. Frederick W. Oakes then buckled down to his commission. He tossed his entire equipment into the enterprise. Oakes is one of those "sled-length" workers, who push through or climb over—arrival, achievement being the only basis of repose or compromise.

It matters not here how he cleaned up his scrubby parish, how he shook up the old and interested new material, how paint and energy at once arrested decay and bred new life in things and men. But the young preacher never got so close to his work that he could not see around it.

Touching his life and sometimes his work he found victims of the premiere disease — men and women who, stricken of the "White Plague," had fled to that region whose best asset is its air.

Here was a phase of the life tragedy which was new to the young priest from New England. He

saw physical conditions which seemed to him as pitiful as sin itself. They sobered while they aroused him. He strode out from the narrow field of the parish into the great human highway and looked about.

He observed at once that consumption is no respecter of persons. He soon discovered that in all the sun-drenched state of Colorado there was no place where rich or poor could find proper conditions for their consumptive sick. Even proper bed and table were now here ready-made. Building operations were precedent to right conditions. To the poor and to those of moderate means building operations were impossible. The rich, however, could build and then

cater for themselves, and did; but, meanwhile, they with the rest must suffer two synonymic evils—delay and danger.

Thus, the young preacher found refined women suffering in greasy boarding houses, self-respecting men herding in foul hotels. Oakes saw men and women, partialy recovered and filled with eager hope, pulled down again by reinfection that sanitation might have prevented. He saw the sordid greed of it all; he saw the high-priced quarters, with low rate of cleanliness and indifferent food, the shabby attempts at decency and the utter frankness of squalor—each keen after the dividend which the stricken will pay for a chance to live.

To such a man as Mr. Oakes the phases of life, suffering and death which he saw about him were intolerable, without some effort to amend them. They hurt his heart. They burdened his mind. To him the discovery of evil conditions brought along with it the duty of bettering them; and already a plan was shaping in his mind.

Somewhere in the Colorado air should be a decent

place, at decent rates, for decent folk who, seized by consumption, were fleeing from far-away homes to save their lives. There must be a homeful refuge to which consumptive sick might start with foreknowledge of cordial welcome and proper surroundings. There must be an abode where the captious eye of the consumptive should be pleased, where the petulant ear should be soothed, where the peevish palate should be tempted, where all things should be shaped and shaded to afford rest, where sweet cleanliness and scientific sanitation might aid the master factors of Food and Air. Yes, this young clergyman would create for the sick a home in a land strange to them, where the mind should be rested and wherein every possible reinforcement should be lent to the flesh in its battle, first of resistance and then of extermination.

Mr. Oakes felt no afflatus, nor himself ordained to a mission; but, perhaps not consciously, he had been broadened by the sight of human conditions, out on the highway where Dives and Lazarus lay stricken together. One of the first evidences of this was the fact that the parish field seemed smaller, less filled with urgent work to do.

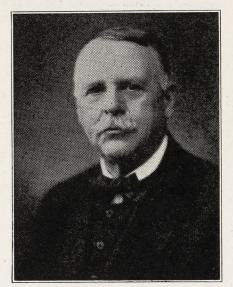
And just there began the friction of a large impulse against the narrow lines of conventional pastorate. To quit his rectorship, even for a wider good in the open, was a serious step. Reason, as well as religious sentiment, must be satisfied.

The young minister began by being fair with the Almighty. Certainly He was not responsible for

phthisis. Tuberculosis should not be charged to Providence; it was the result of physical error, human sin. A low form of pestilential life was killing away the highest product of Divine power. Had not God condemned the destroyer of human life, as well as the foe of moral purity? Surely He had.

Indeed, The Home is the name given to this establishment by its founder. To the casual ear an unfortunate name—yes; but to those who see and use, and so know it, the name is descriptive. It is not an Institution, it is not a Charity, it is not a sectarian Nursery nor an Anchorage for unworthy hulks. Its name makes it desirable to say so much about it.

With rare gifts of address, of finance, of executive management; with a fine sense of beauty and appointment; with a keen appreciation of music, flowers and delicate surroundings; with an intuitive knowledge of people and a personal equipment of perfect health, Mr. Oakes has created this veritable Home. It is a landmark, a monument, a beneficence; and available, too, at rates which gives utter independence to the guest.



REV. F. W. OAKES

NEWS OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Edited by
WILLIAM B. SPOFFORD

DIOCESAN Conventions are being held all over the place, without a great deal of excitement in any of them. As near as one can get at it everything went off smoothly in the convention of the diocese of Albany. In any case here is a resolution which was passed on a roll call vote of 70-1 among the clerical deputies and 44-1 among the laity.

"Whereas, a group of persons, styling themselves The Central Committee for the Defense of the Security and Independence of Priests in Pastoral Work, has seen fit to circularize the diocese of Albany, and especially the clergy, delegates to the convention of 1928, and vestry, clerks, and

"Whereas, the said circulars contain serious reflections upon the honor and integrity of the bishop of the diocese and the coadjutor bishop, and

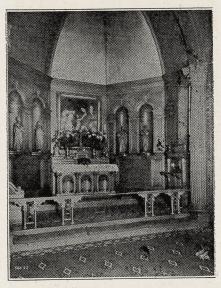
"Whereas, the canons of the general church specifically provide methods for the presentment and trial of bishops, being canons 28, 29, 30, 31, and

"Whereas, the said circulars contain serious reflection upon the honor and integrity of the entire membership of the diocesan council and board of missions duly elected by this body;

"Therefore, be it resolved, that we, the clergy and laity of the diocese of Albany in convention assembled, do place on record our unequivocal repudiation of all responsibility for the aforesaid circulars, and our emphatic protest against this unethical and uncanonical method of procedure,

"And furthermore be it resolved, that our bishop and coadjutor, and the members of the diocesan council, shall be, and hereby are, assured of our unshaken confidence in their integrity and our belief in their devotion to the cause of Christ and to the interests of His church in this diocese of Albany."

Then they presented Bishop Nelson, who is retiring July first, with a purse containing \$11,000, which is a lot of money anywhere, and they voted Bishop Oldham an increase in salary from \$6,000 a year to \$9,000. Bishop Oldham asked for a financial secretary and a full time archdeacon, and got both, the Ven. Guy H. Purdy being selected for the latter job. Then too, they gave some cash to the Rev. William C. Prout who no doubt deserved it since he is now starting on his fiftieth term as secretary of the diocese. Oh, and they appointed a committee to look into the matter of dividing the diocese, a question



THE CHAPEL
At the Oakes Home

which I understand has been under discussion up there for fifty years.

The Convention of the diocese of New York met last Tuesday at the Synod House. Bishop Manning urged a great revival of preaching; asked for increased support in building the Cathedral, and expressed great regret, for himself and for the trustees of the Cathedral, over the resignation of Dean Robbins. The Convention paid tributes to both the bishop and to the retired dean. Bishop Manning outlined the work that has been done on the Cathedral, announcing that over twelve million dollars had been given for the work during the last five years. He then urged more money for the clergy in charge of missions. At present the minimum is \$2,000, house and car upkeep allowance, but he feels that this is not adequate. The Rev. Frank W. Crowder, Mr. Edmund L. Baylies and Mr. Frank L. Polk were re-elected trustees of the Cathedral; Miss Mary Van Kleek, Dean Robbins and William M. Mather were elected to the social service commission; Rev. Charles B. Ackley, Rev. Donald Aldrich, Mr. Stephen F. Bayne and Mr. Samuel Thorne were elected to the board of religious education.

The dioceses of North Carolina and South Carolina met on the 14th, as did also Bethlehem; and the following day the Synod of the Pacific met at Santa Barbara and the dioceses of East Carolina, Springfield, Virginia,

Washington, Western Massachusetts and West Virginia held their conventions.

Down in Washington Bishop Freeman in addressing the convention of the diocese condemned the policy of the Church exerting pressure in legislative affairs; urged strict adherence to the new Prayer Book; asked for increased pay for the clergy.

Western Nebraska held their convention at Hastings in the beautiful new pro-cathedral; the usual business, and then lots of inspiration on the subject of evangelism from the Rev. W. J. Loring-Clark, Mr. William F. Pelham of Chicago and the Rev. Charles Tyner of Kansas City, Missouri.

In Northern Indiana the most interesting thing at the convention, meeting at Mishawaka, was the annual report by Bishop Gray in which he outlined the progress made during the past year. In case you haven't been in that particular part of the country, allow me to report that any progress is a matter for much trumpeting.

Certain definite steps of progress cited by Bishop Gray were the revival of work at Emanuel Mission, Garrett, the acquisition by St. James' Church, Goshen, during the year of a parish house adjoining the present Church building, the gift to Trinity Church, Michigan City, of \$200,000 for replacing the present Barker Hall with a new concrete and steel construction fireproof parish house and community building, a \$200 payment on the mortgage of Trinity (Hungarian) Church, South Bend, made by the congregation itself, the acquisition by St. James', South Bend, of a new rectory and the gift of approximately \$100,000 for the building of a new library at Howe Military School.

The ladies of the Auxiliary met at the same time and had a dandy address from Miss Elizabeth Matthews, who is their national president. Then one evening there was a big dinner with Bishop McCormick of Western Michigan as the guest speaker.

The consecration of the Rev. H. P. Almon Abbott as the Bishop of Lexington, which took place on the 15th at Christ Church Cathedral, Lexington, was of course a great event. Bishop Abbott enters the work after a very brief rectorship at St. Chrysostom's, Chicago, where he went last

Fall after serving Grace and St. Peter's, Baltimore, for a number of years during which time he made of it one of the strongest parishes in the country.

Bishop Brewster, retired bishop of Connecticut, was the preacher last Sunday morning at the Cathedral, New York. In the evening there was the annual service for nurses in memory of Florence Nightingale. The preachers were Bishop Manning and the Rev. Harry Emerson Fosdick.

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Notices have been received by the bishops of the Church for the Lambeth Conference, to meet in London next July. More details about the program in next week's issue.

There is to be a special meeting of the House of Bishops in Atlantic City, October 2nd, for the election of bishops for Wyoming and Honolulu.

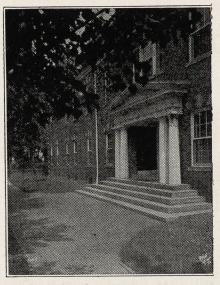
Bishop Seaman broke ground last week for the new student centre at Canyon, Texas. Bishop Quin was the preacher. It is located at the West Texas State Teachers College where Mrs. E. F. Page has been carrying on a fine work.

Dean Harry Beal, of the Cathedral in Los Angeles, was the commencement preacher at the Divinity School of the Pacific, the service being in the Cathedral, San Francisco. Ten men were graduated.

The National Conferences on Rural Church Work will be held concurrently with the Rural Leadership Summer Schools of the University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin, from July 1st to 12th, inclusive.

Among the very first of its kind in point of organization, the Madison School ranks among the first in value of courses offered. Arranged in cycles, the curriculum includes courses on "Sociology of Community Life," "The Church in the Country," "Family Social Work," "Personality and Social Adjustment," etc. The lecturers include Professor R. J. Colbert, loyal churchman and friend of rural people, Professor J. H. Kolb, Dean of the School, and H. L. Ewbank.

Two series of Conferences will be conducted by the Division for Rural Work, one for clergy of the Church and another for women interested in rural work. The conference leaders include the Rt. Rev. H. H. H. Fox, Coadjutor Bishop of Montana, the Rev. C. R. Allison, chairman of the committee on rural work of the 2nd Province, the Rev. W. C. Treat, of Western Massachusetts, Captain Conder, of the Church Army, and the



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Rev. John Irwin, of the National Council.

The Women's Conference on Rural Work will meet at the same time, and will be in charge of Miss Edna B. Beardsley, assistant secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary. In anticipation of a larger number of women from other denominations than our own, the secretaries for rural work of the various denominational boards have asked Miss Anna Clark, Secretary for Rural Work of the National Board of the Y.W.C.A., to act as group leader for all non-Episcopalian women.

All women interested in the Church's rural work are invited to attend, especially women doing diocesan work in village or country, women holding important positions in national and diocesan women's organizations, those charged with, or anxious to do, rural work of any kind, and wives of clergy.

I can't quite figure out why more folks haven't bought "Our Economic Morality," by Harry F. Ward. Brother Goddard sang its praises lustily and yet orders for it have been exceedingly slim. To my way of thinking it is a very important treatise which might be read by all Churchmen with great profit, not only to themselves but to those with whom they come in contact if they happen to be in any way involved in the industrial game. The price of it is \$2.50, postpaid, and WITNESS Books will mail it to you the day your check arrives. Other books especially recommended: Victim and Victor, by Dr. John R. Oliver (\$2.50); Bishop Gore's Commentary (\$5); Women and the Ministry by Canon Raven (\$1.50); then there is Jesus of Nazareth by Bishop Gore, to be reviewed more extensively shortly which can be had for \$1. This book, so I am

told by the publisher, has already passed 30,000 sales in England; Beyond Agnosticism by Bernard Iddings Bell, also to be reviewed shortly (\$2.50); the two books of G. A. Studdert-Kennedy, The Wicket Gate (\$1) and The Warrior, The Woman and the Christ (\$2.50); and finally Things to Come by Middleton Murray (\$2.50).

The Bishop of the diocese of Quincy was presented a purse of gold at the convention of the diocese, held at Peoria; he has been the bishop there for 25 years. They organized a Layman's League too and are going to make things hum in the diocese; anyhow that's the plan now. The women met at the same time, and listened to a fine talk from Miss Vera Noyes, who is the expert on religious education in Chicago.

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A new altar cloth was used for the first time on Easter Day at St. John's Cathedral, Denver. Mrs. Theron Field conceived the idea of securing for the Cathedral a lace Altar Cloth that would be rich both in beauty and in sentiment. She enlisted the interest of fifty members who opened their treasures and contributed precious heirlooms, wedding veils, flounces, berthas, handkerchiefs, cuffs, collars and caps that had belonged to them or had come to them through their families. There are laces from England, Ireland, France, Belgium and Italy. Then after many inquiries just the person to bring together in one unified design these many pieces, Miss Rose Johnson of Hartford, Connecticut, was engaged and brought to her task, a skill and love that can be appreciated when one studies the result. She spent a thousand hours taking hundreds of thousands of stitches. An appraisal of the value of the Altar Cloth and Credence Cloths in terms of dollars would be conservative at \$50,000.

Bishop Johnson preached at the service held at the Cathedral, Denver, last Sunday, when the Church Schools of the diocese met to present their Lenten offerings.

St. John's, Ithaca, New York, not only ministers to a parish congregation but through the services of a college pastor cares for some 600 Church students at Cornell. Under the leadership of the rector, the Rev. H. P. Horton, it is now undertaking a special work in the rural parts of Tomkins County, with a field secretary of religious education in charge.

Lots and lots of building in the diocese of Central New York. Bishop Fiske dedicated on the 5th the new church and parish house of All Saints', Fulton, a fine gothic group just completed at a cost of \$125,000. Then at Lawville he dedicated a new altar and many other memorial gifts. St. James's, Skaneateles, have a new \$17,000 organ, new choir stalls, and the crypt has been made into a modern parish hall. Soon they are to dedicate a fine memorial chapel, now nearing completion. Bishop Fiske re-cently confirmed there the largest class in the history of the parish. The Rev. A. B. Merriman, on the job but two years, is the rector of this live parish. St. Paul's, Syracuse, is building a \$50,000 addition to its parish house, and Christ Church, Jordan, has been redecorated and the new parish house greatly improved. The Rev. W. M. Higley, rector, by presenting a large class to Bishop Fiske the other day has brought the total number of candidates presented in three years over the one hundred mark. Ground has been broken for a new church for St. Alban Parish, located in a growing part of Syracuse. The oldest church building in the diocese, Trinity, Constantia, has lately been renewed and restored, through the generosity of Mr. F. G. Tallman, who has also given an endowment to aid in rural work carried on in the neighborhood by the Rev. G. H. Mac-Nish. And that isn't all; Old St. Peter's, Auburn, is putting up a dandy parish house; St. Matthew's, South New Berlin, has remodelled its parish rooms, added many gifts to the improvement of the church and has also wiped out all indebtedness. And then last of all, Grace Church, Utica, which opened a \$450,000 parish house last year, is now planning extensive improvements to the Church building.

There is a great Negro school down in Georgia—Fort Valley High and Industrial School—which has been in charge of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Hunt now for 25 years. During that time the school has extended its influence

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widely and has become one of the really fine schools under Church auspices. They are having a week of it down there this week in their honor, visitors coming from all around. Speeches of course, games, glee club concerts, three or four dramatic presentations, and a great big barbecue and Brunswick Stew. It is quite likely everyone in the south knows exactly what a Brunswick Stew is, but I am sure few of us folks up north do. Won't somebody tell us?

The Lenten offering in the diocese of Springfield was over \$2,000 and was considerably more than the 1928 offering.

Mr. H. Lawrence Choate, president of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, the Rev. Stephen E. Keeler of Akron, Ohio, Rev. Frederick G. Deis of the National Council and Bishop Francis of Indianapolis were the speakers at the dinner of the Church Club of Springfield held at Champaign last Tuesday evening.

The Bishop and 12 of the clergy of the diocese were present at the annual acolytes service held on the evening of Ascension Day at St. Mark's Cathedral, Grand Rapids, Michigan. More than 100 boys in their vestments were in the procession. The sermon was preached by the Rev. L. C. Ferguson of South Bend, Indiana.

Mr. Cyrus Keen of the firm of Ward, Wells and Dreshman, who was in charge of the successful campaign for the International Hospital in Paris has sailed for France again, this time to direct a drive for \$100,000 for Trinity Pro-Cathedral. Dean

Beekman, who took an active part in the hospital campaign, was so impressed with the effective work of this firm, that he resolved to ask their aid in raising the fund for necessary building purposes.

One hundred and fifty young colored people gathered at St. Phillip's, Harlam, New York, the other day for their annual Young People's Fellowship Meeting. The Rev. S. H. Bishop was in charge; and the subject was "The Duty of Christian Youth Toward the Competitive Economic Sys-

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A national Junior Convention of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew is to meet at Hobart College, September 5th to 8th.

The Diocese of West Missouri is establishing a center for work among girls and young women in a house which it owns at 14th and Locust streets, Kansas City, now to be known as "The Episcopal Church House for Girls". Personal contacts and study of individual problems will be in the hands of trained workers of the Girls' Advisory Bureau which is affiliated with the city's Council of Social Agencies. Maintenance and operation of the House is in the hands of a board of Church women representing the parishes of Kansas City. The cost is met by pledged monthly contributions from the city parishes.

At a reception recently held for the Rev. and Mrs. Robert Nelson Spencer in recognition of Mr. Spencer's twentieth anniversary as rector of Grace and Holy Trinity Church, Kansas City, Mr. Henry D. Ashley, junior warden of the parish, presented to Mr. Spencer, on behalf of the wardens and vestrymen, a purse representing the entire cost of a summer's travel in Europe for the rector and his family. Mr. and Mrs. Spencer and their daughter are to sail from New York on July fourth.

The newspaper says it is a world's record, and I believe it. Mr. E. L. Wells became a member of the choir of Trinity Church, Columbia, Georgia, in 1857. Here it is 1929, which is 72 years later, and Mr. E. L. Wells is still there every Sunday booming away at that old bass part. He has been right there all the time during that entire period, except from August, 1861 to February, 1863 when he was in the army of the Potomac. Can you imagine that?

This from Dr. Franklin, national

"Financial conditions are taking on a brighter color. On April 1st, collections on account of the budget quotas were \$53,574 less than in 1928. Due to the splendid work of the diocesan treasurers during the month of April the receipts for the month have not only been large enough to make up this difference but to put the total received by the National Council \$69,709 above the corresponding figure for last year. Keep up the good work and then December will not

present such an appalling task. Another satisfactory feature is that twenty-eight dioceses and districts have remitted 100 per cent of the amount due on their budget quotas to May 1, as compared with only nineteen in this honor class last year."

The adult conference at Sewanee meets from the first of August until the 15th, with Bishop Penick of North Carolina in charge. The program for this has been printed here before.

Here is a wise-crack that I like: "The more real religion a man has the less likely he is to quarrel about it." Here's another: "The more a man needs an education the less he seems able to realize it."

The Rev. S. S. Drury, rector of St. Paul's School, recently elected Bishop Coadjutor of Pennsylvania, addressed the Sunday Evening Club in Chicago last Sunday.

Bishop E. Campion Acheson of Connecticut, who has been suffering from an eye infection for some time, collapsed in Christ Church, West Haven, Sunday evening last, as he was about to administer confirmation to forty children. Bishop Acheson,

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Dean S. R. Colladay of Christ Church Cathedral, Hartford, Conn., and his wife and daughter, will leave May 23, for Yokohama, Japan, where Miss Colladay, on June 10, will be married by her father to Arnold S. Exell of England. Following the wedding, Dean and Mrs. Colladay will visit Shanghai, Hongkong and Manila, later returning for a month's stay in Japan.

A bronze tablet in honor of Miss Mary E. Potter, who has just completed forty-five years as organist of St. Paul's Church, Bridgeport, Conn., was unveiled in the church Sunday

At the age of eighty, Choli Andy, native of Ankara, North Travancore, India, dropped Hinduism, accepted Christianity, and changed his name to Yesu Dasan. This was sixty years ago, and Mr. Dasan, still living, is, at the age of 140, probably the oldest living Christian.

Memorials, both as testimonials of affection for their leaders and as means of perpetuating good works, have been erected by the Deaf and their hearing friends in many parts of the United States There are sculptures in bronze and marble, commemorative buildings, paintings, etchings and innumerable lettered

The beautiful bronze statue of Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet on the campus of Gallaudet College, Kendall Green, Washington, D. C., expresses the gratitude of the Deaf of America to the founder of their schools and of their educational system; the marble bust of Laurent Clerc, which for a century stood at the entrance of the American School for the Deaf, in Hartford, Conn., was a tribute to the French Apostle to the Deaf of the new world; the \$100,-000 Administration Building for Gallaudet College, towards which the

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Baltimore is to hear Dr. James Moffatt of Scotland in May in a series of four lectures on "The Stories of Jesus." This is under the auspices of the Tuesday Night Club of the Central Y.M.C.A., which club just completed its 26th year with a great annual dinner for the 200 members and their wives, at which the Hon. John C. Ketcham, M. C. from Michigan, spoke on "The Church and Public Opinion." The Club meets each Tuesday evening through the winter for supper and the study of Christianity. It is an interesting experiment in fostering "week-day religion" among men and has certainly stood the pragmatic test.

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This year marks the quadricentennial of Protestantism and the four-hundredth anniversary of the birth of the word "Protestant" as a term used generally to denote the churches of evangelical Christianity. It is believed to have been on April 19 (or April 25,) 1529, in Speyer (or Spires), Bavaria, that the term first was used to apply to all non-Catholics in Europe. In that city there now stands a beautiful church dedicated some years ago in commemoration of the event. The chief observance of

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Upon this decision, the evangelical group presented a solemn "protest" which was signed by six princes and the representatives of a number of free cities. As a term of reproach, the authors and signers of this protest were called "protestants."

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Then there is the Blue Mountain Conference, which is a general Church Conference, held each year at Hood College, Frederick, Maryland. The boss is the Rev. N. B. Groton of Whitemarsh, Pa., who should be praised for lining up a nice lot of experts. There is the Rev. Johnnie Suter for chaplain and lecturer; "Miracle Man" Franklin of the National Council; Rev. F. S. Fleming of Providence; Dr. W. H. Jeffreys of Philadelphia; "Paralysis by Analysis" Glenn, student secretary of the National Council; Professor Zabriskie of Alexandria; Miss E. B. Beardsley of the Woman's Auxiliary; Professor Ball of Bexley Hall; Bishop Strider of West Virginia; Deaconess Edwards of the national department of religious education; Rev. F. E. Seymour of Pennsylvania; Rev. Charlie Webb of St. Paul's School, Concord, N. H.; and Miss Joy Higgins, who is going to direct the pageantry. Then there is a Children's Conference which seems to be a grand idea—an honest to goodness conference all their own, which is in charge of Deaconess Edwards. The dates: July 8th to the 19th.

Addressing the Ministers' Association of Kansas City, Dr. Worth M. Tippy, Executive Secretary of the Federal Council's Commission on the Church and Social Service, urged churches to make the training of children, and especially their education as to the meaning of sex, one of their important responsibilities. He held that it is a normal part of any adequate program of religious education. He said in part:

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