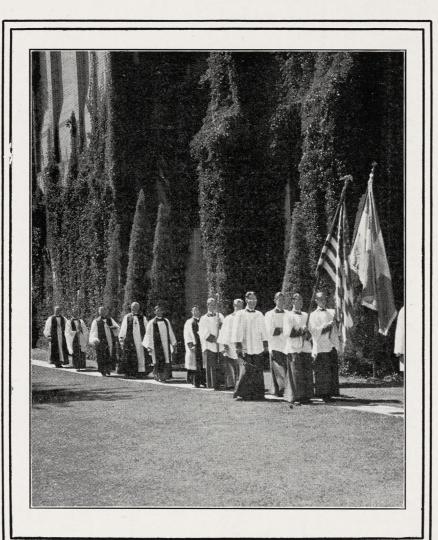
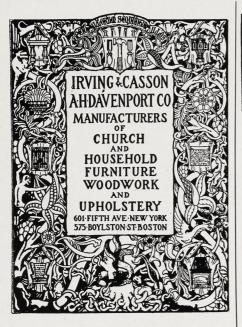
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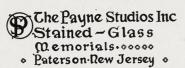
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THE PASTORAL LETTER

Of the House of Bishops

WE YOUR bishops, in General Convention assembled, greet you in the name of our Lord. We give thank to God our Father for all the evidences of faith and courage in the several parts of the Church, shown by simplicity and steadfastness of life and by devotion to Christian worship and work in the midst of widespread indifference and hostility. We are grate-

ful for an increasing sensitiveness to human suffering, for the endeavor to understand better the complexities of human relationship and for the growing desire for such world adjustment as may promote universal good will and well being. May the Holy Spirit inspire and encourage us to bear such faithful witness to God's salvation through Christ that this and every nation may seek to do His will and find their place in Him.

We are living in a time of extraordinary strain. The one word which describes best the present condition of society is "confusion." Uncertainty pervades every field of human interest, economic, political and religious.

Poverty and wealth are relative terms and inequality of possessions

is to be expected, but the contrast between individual want and collective plenty cannot be accepted as in accordance with the will of God. The resources of the earth are unimpaired and the means of distribution were never so abundant, and the existence of worldwide involuntary unemployment and the fact that in every land multitudes lack not merely the comforts but the necessities of life and must depend upon doles and charities or starve is an arraignment of the present economic system under which the trade of the world is carried on. An acquisitive society, as the modern age has been aptly called, stands bewildered in the presence

of a crisis precipitated, not by earthquakes, droughts, floods or any physical catastrophes, but, apparently, by the competitive profit-seeking principles upon which, it has been hitherto assumed, general prosperity is based.

The obvious primary duty in the present crisis is the relief of the suffering which unemployment has created.

We are confident that our people will give, to the point of sacrifice, for this purpose as long as the need exists.

But this is not enough. It is the duty of society to see that such a crisis does not occur again. The Church cannot advocate a particular method, but we call upon the employers in our communion to labor for the adoption of a plan, or plans, which shall co-ordinate production and consumption, ensure continuity of employment and provide security of income to the workers of the nation.

Unemployment, however, is but a symptom of underlying selfishness. The Church must insist that every financial question is essentially one of human relations. Until business is converted and is conducted as in

BISHOP SANFORD Read Pastoral Letter

the sight of God who is the Father of all men, no change in technique will be of permanent value. The profit-seeking motive must give way to that of service.

In the moral standards of any people are the fruit of group experience. Those acts are considered right which seem to agree with the common welfare and those acts are condemned as wrong which interfere with common well being. Whenever alien cultures are brought into intimate contact with each other, the clash of interests means also the conflict of moral

standards. A period of confusion inevitably results and continues until the two groups coalesce and an adjustment has been reached. During the disturbance of social control, every man will do that which is right in his own eyes. In this modern age the interpenetration of peoples has progressed so rapidly that moral standards everywhere have been thrown into confusion and the sanctions which enforced them have been challenged and sometimes discredited. Nowhere is this more evident than in the United States where we have a cross section of the earth's population, and where there is as little homogeneity as in any part of the world. And the prevalence of crime, the loosening of family ties, the unbridled individuals and resentment of social control is a logical consequence.

Christianity provides moral principles drawn from the life and words of the Saviour, which are in brief the infinite value of human personality and the universal tie which unites all men in one family. Any code of conduct which is not in conflict with these principles may be called a Christian code, and any which denies them is thereby condemned. But Christianity leaves the application of these principles to the conscience of the individual, which becomes for him the supreme arbiter of conduct, superior to the interpretation of courts or the edicts of governments. These principles by their very nature and the loftiness of their demands are not easy of application, but he who tries to fashion his life upon them finds an inward peace which is indestructible and a strength which is unconquerable.

Christianity possesses a sanction which is final in the faith in a Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, whose grace and truth are revealed to us in the face of Jesus Christ, upon whom all creatures depend and to whom all are responsible. This combined sense of dependence and responsibility keeps the conscience keen and bright. But just as at no time have the principles of Christ been completely accepted, so at no time has this faith in God been unchallenged, and in the present world confusion there should be no surprise that the validity of all religious sanctions, and particularly of the Christian faith, should be bitterly denied.

Perhaps the sharpest test of Christian truth is about to confront us. If so, we await the trial with confidence. The Lord God reigneth, Jesus Christ is the same not only yesterday and today, but forever.

ECONOMIC distress and political unrest are aggravated by the present state of international relations. Progress here in comparison with the amazingly rapid progress in other departments of life has been painfully slow. We with the cave man still depend upon force, the only difference being that his club has developed into vastly more efficient agents of destruction. The peoples of the world are hungry for peace and ready to trust one another while professional patriots in every land and all too many political leaders still adhere to prehistoric ways. The reliance upon force is based on fear and mistrust and it is for Christians to convince the leaders of the nations that the risk involved in trusting one another is far less grave

than the consequences of mutual distrust. The most hopeful step towards world peace ever taken is the agreement signed by fifty-eight nations to abandon war as an instrument of national policy. Yet the powers most active in promoting that agreement have shown a persistent disregard of its logical inferences and continue to put their trust in armed preparedness. We covet for our country the courage to lead along the pathway of world peace, by doing its utmost even at the cost of risk and sacrifice to achieve immediate substantial reduction of armaments, and above all, by more general and whole hearted cooperation and conference with the nations of the world, especially through official participation in such existing international agencies as tend towards world peace. We believe such a course would have far more weight with other nations and do more to restore confidence than any official utterance. It seems as if the point had now been reached when the nations must choose whether the pagan principles of force and deceit shall continue to determine their dealings with each other or whether the Christian principles of justice, mercy and goodwill shall prevail. The alternatives before us are Christ or chaos.

ALL of the foregoing surely deals with familiar facts and deductions. There are two conclusions we are constrained to draw. The first is that the ultimate responsibility for the conversion of the world to Christian faith and practice rests upon each individual in his loyalty to Christ. The Christian is Christ's man. His faith, his eternal hope, the character of his dealings with his fellows are determined by his relationship to Christ. Christ's man moves through the daily transactions of home and society, of neighborhood and state as one whose life is hid with Christ in God. The fruit of such loyalty is honesty in business, faithfulness in marriage, devotion to public welfare, justice and good will to them that are near or far off.

The second observation is that in all our thinking upon the conditions in which we find ourselves, it is necessary to see the world as a unit. Geographically, it has become such. The mountains and seas which once separated nation from nation have lost their meaning, and in an area no longer divided into separate compartments, racial and economic barriers to intercommunication are doomed. The spiritual barriers of prejudice and suspicion, based as they are upon the age long habits of more or less self-sufficient groups can be dissolved only by the will to recognize the unity of mankind. No economic methods can meet the physical necessities of the people which are not conceived in terms of the whole. No international relations can be stable which are not universal in their scope, no moral standards permanent which are not valid for all men. No salvation is possible unless it includes all mankind.

This world view has been the Christian attitude from the beginning. The ideal has never faded altogether, though the divisive influence of group loyalties and animosities has obscured it and prevented its realization. But it must be evident now to every thoughtful Christian that we can no longer blind ourselves to the implications of our charter. Here lies the justification of the missionary program of the Church. There is no such thing as foreign missions, if we really believe that God has made of one blood all men. How simple, yet how difficult but nothing less is our Christian calling and only by being true to it will we do our part to bring near that great day when the Kingdom of our God and of His Christ shall be the Kingdom of this world.

Brethren, may the grace of God be with us all.

The Auxiliary

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ELEANOR H. WILSON

A^S I walked along the street the other day with a copy of The Witness in my hand, a stranger fell into step with me. "You know," she said, "the newspapers are giving such false statements of the proceedings, do you suppose The Witness gives us a true picture of the Convention?" "Madam," I replied, "you have asked the right person. I am one of its contributors and I can honestly assure you that it does."

In addition to our vitally interesting business sessions, the delegates of the Woman's Auxiliary have attended a number of affairs given by various organizations of the Church. Chief among these was a breakfast,—the host, Mr. Courtney Barber, President of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew. Realizing the influence for good exercised by women in their respective communities, Mr. Barber, in his welcoming remarks, stated that he hoped each one present would act as an "individual broadcasting station" for the work of the Brotherhood. After listening to the stirring account given by Mr. Paul Rusch of what the Brotherhood has done for boys in Japan as well as in our own country, each one, I am sure, felt an intense desire to see established a Brotherhood in every parish of her diocese.

It would take a mind with the legs of a centipede to record all the wonderfully fine thoughts that have found expression during the last two days in the meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary. I hope that your editor will find space in future issues to print in full the findings of the committees on the five subjects considered,—Family Life, Property and Economic Conditions, Interracial Contacts, International Relations and Religious Thinking Today. The constructive message, characterized by high spiritual thought, contained in these reports, touching so closely our daily lives, may well be studied and digested by all men as well as women who are interested in solving our present day problems.

As was stated by Mrs. Cross, Chairman of the Committee on Findings, in her preamble, "These reports set forth the thinking of a cross section of the delegates on these subjects, and their conclusions will form the basis upon which the women of the whole Church may build their program of study and work." Which brings to mind the statement that Bishop Lloyd made

to us, in substance, "It is the Woman's Auxiliary that keeps constantly before the Church its reason for being."

In our devotional service today Mrs. Remington voiced gratitude for our leaders, during this period, who reflect the personality of Christ. There have been many such. As our closing day draws near, every woman here will gladly agree, I am sure, that the successful accomplishment of our task has been largely due to the able leadership of Elizabeth Matthews. We are grateful for her clarity of vision, her sense of fairness, her ability to put business through with dispatch, necessitating no overtime, her continued good humor and her fine understanding of spiritual values. Tribute should be paid also to Mrs. Cain, her able assistant, ever at hand with an answer no matter what the question, and to Miss Lindley, whose careful planning over a long period has made possible the expeditious handling of the business of the Convention.

It is a privilege, indeed, to have taken part in this great spiritual crusade and if you will accept the testimony of a "freshman," as it were, this being my first General Convention, and the first time our diocese of Eau Claire has participated in one, I have gained a liberal education during the past two weeks, not only in knowledge of the working mechanism of the Church, but in the broader conception of the Church as a power for good, underlying and overlying every human activity and every great world movement, an international fellowship of humanity.

The Marriage Canon

By BISHOP WILSON

"IF I am ever to be a bishop," remarked a Denver layman, "I can plainly see that I must learn to smoke a pipe." A tobacco dealer says that he has never sold as many smokes to any other convention in Denver. The other evening the House of Bishops held a night session and the Presiding Bishop kindly announced that the usual rule would be suspended and the bishops might console themselves with a little of the fragrant weed. Immediately pipes blossomed all over the House. I do not recount this as news because it will probably not be new to Church people who are at all acquainted with bishops. Perhaps it ought to be labelled a confession.

The other day I dropped in at the House of Deputies after the bishops adjourned. The deputies were discussing the proposed canon on Marriage and Divorce. A youngish man took the platform to offer an amendment. He wore a low collar and a bright green necktie. "I am a clergyman," he announced—whereupon the House laughed merrily and the speaker began to be confused. Before he finished he was solemnly declaring that no one ought to be divorced before he had been married. Nobody seemed ready to dispute that particular statement.

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The Bishop of Long Island, who sits next to me, asked me this morning what I considered the outstanding achievement of the Convention. I replied that there was no one thing I could put my finger on, though I was very well satisfied with the general course of events. A half hour later we had adopted the report of the Conference Committee on the revised canon on Marriage and Divorce. Whereupon I remarked to the Bishop of Long Island—"there is the answer to your question."

The Marriage canon was discussed at much length in the House of Deputies and was adopted with quite a number of changes over the original report of the Commission which was headlined in the newspapers a couple of months ago. The House of Bishops also spent much time over it and adopted it the other day with many more changes. Then, according to parliamentary procedure, a committee on Conference was appointed by both Houses who met together to harmonize the differences. It was that Conference report which was adopted this morning, next to the last day of the Convention. Three items on which the conferees could not agree were left over to the next Convntion as unfinished business. The rest of it becomes the law of the Church. Most of us think distince advantages have been attained. The old regulation still prevails that the Church cannot marry a divorced person, except the innocent party in a divorce secured on grounds of adultery, with all the provisional safeguards. The clergy are to instruct people in the Christian principles of marriage, especially such couples as are contemplating marriage. The license for a marriage must be presented to the officiating priest at least three days before the ceremony itself. Provision is made for a declaration of annulment under a given list of conditions which conform to the traditional practice of the historic Church. This may be done either by the Bishop or by an ecclesiastical court in any diocese acting through the Bishop. The court itself is optional. Also the canon provides that persons divorced and remarried outside the Church may present their cases to the Bishop or the ecclesiastical court in case they wish to be admitted to the sacraments. After due investigation of the circumstances, the Bishop renders a formal decision in all such cases.

The net result is that the Church still upholds its old principle against divorce but does formally recognize certain impediments because of which a marriage never should have been contracted anyhow. Also it opens the way whereby people who unwittingly or ignorantly may have married contrary to the law of the Church, may not necessarily be debarred from its spiritual privileges. My own opinion is that these provisions offer distinct advantages and I am glad we have adopted them. I think it should be made clear to our people that the Church has no intention of letting down its standards of Christian marriage.

It was an unusual event this morning when two new bishops were consecrated together, with some seventyfive bishops sharing in the service. Archdeacon Bentley was made Suffragan Bishop of Alaska and Archdeacon Salinas was made Suffragan Bishop of Mexico. At 7:30 a. m. a large congregation filled St. John's Cathedral. The full Cathedral choir led the procession of bishops into the Church and the impressive ceremonies of consecration followed with the Presiding Bishop officiating. According to the ancient canons, at least three bishops must participate in the consecration of a new bishop. There were about seventy-five of us there this morning. Certainly those two bishops were well consecrated.

Tomorrow we adjourn with a closing service at which the Pastoral Letter of the bishops will be read. The weather still remains gorgeous. The ubiquitous hospitality of the well organized motor corps never seems to relax. The House of Deputies has administered its triennial spanking to the House of Bishops, the members of which are far too humble to reply in kind to the boyish pranks of the lower House. But—there—I have committed in that last phrase one of the very sins which occasioned oratory in the House of Deputies. They object to being told that business is sent "down" to them from the House of Bishops. Their dignity insists that all such business is sent "over." Selah.

International Relations

We present the findings of the Woman's Auxiliary, meeting in Convention in Denver the last two weeks of September. Their findings on other subjects will be presented in future numbers of THE WITNESS, and are presented to our readers as representing a cross section of the thinking of the women of the Churrch on vital matters.—Editor's Note.

A S WE try to stand by the side of the Prince of Peace and look at the world through His eyes, we seem to see in every land the following:

Post-war nationalism, as shown in loyalty to the state above everything else, while making for national solidarity, is contrary to the Spirit of Christ, because it is characterized by national selfishness and a sense of national superiority and intolerance, and is a menace to the peaceful interrelations of the world.

There are, however, hopeful signs of a trend toward a more Christian spirit of cooperation. In our own nation it is shown by a willingness to confer with other nations in the Disarmament Conference, the different societies which promote friendly relations between peoples, a change in educational methods, and international schools and centres. The world-wide economic depression has made us conscious of our interdependence and the need of Christian principles in all relations of life.

Women's responsibility in the present emergency is the education of individuals and groups, beginning with the family, to create a public opinion which will eliminate fear psychology and bring about the peace of the world and the union of Christendom through the Church of Christ. It is our hope that our leaders in Church and state will rise above partisanship to the larger field of Christian policies. We urge a deeper consecration in promoting the peace of the world through every possible channel, by active participation in peace organizations, our world missions and prayer.

CONVENTION ENDS WITH ACHIEVEMENTS TO ITS CREDIT

By W. B. SPOFFORD

The Convention is over; now to the job of figuring up just what was accomplished. Several things stand out. On the business side there was the adoption of a budget of four and a quarter million dollars for the work administered by the National Council. The budget as proposed by the treasurer, Mr. Louis B. Franklin, went through just as he offered it. But it did not go through without receiving a going over by the large committee on Budget and Program, the members of which are not going to be able to go home and tell their wives what a nice vacation they had. They were in session most of the time. The budget also came in for some rather pat remarks from the floors of both houses. There certainly is a determination on the part of the Church, as it is represented in General Convention, to have efficient and economical administration. The fact that a commission on expenditures has been set up, which will function continually, is a move in that direction. It is physically impossible for a budget committee to examine during a relative short Convention every item in such a huge budget. Neither is sufficient information at their disposal for intelligent decisions. As I got about among the delegates I certainly picked up the impression held by a great many that savings are possible and in order, and I rather think we shall see moves in this direction before very long.

Meanwhile the budget for 1932 is set at four and a quarter millions, and the job now before the Church is to raise it.

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The new canon on Marriage stands out distinctly as one of the accomplishments of the Convention. It is dealt with in this number by Bishop Wilson.

The consideration of social and economic questions I should say was the third outstanding characteristic of this General Convention. My feelings on that matter are mixed. There will be printed here next week the report of the committee of 21, which was appointed to deal with these matters. It was an exceedingly able committee in every way, and it worked very hard, under the chairmanship of Bishop Freeman of Washington. Their report was presented to the Bishops and was received enthusiastically. Surely there is nothing revolutionary about it; it



BISHOP BURLESON
Assistant Presiding Bishop

merely faces up to the world as it actually exists today, and challenges the Church to attempt to find Christian solutions. So the Bishops, by unanimous vote, sent it to the Deputies with a motion that it be given to you all as "the mind of the General Convention." But that was a bit strong for some of the conservative brethren in the House of Deputies, so that after a few speeches and much wise-cracking, it was passed "for the serious consideration of Church people." Perhaps it does not matter a great deal. In my opinion it is a very able, middle-of-the-road statement, well worth an evening of your time. It would be fine if groups in the parish could come together to discuss the matters dealt with. Look for it next week.

The Pastoral, which is given to you this week likewise deals with social, international and economic matters in a thoroughly constructive way. Then there are many resolutions on world peace; about joining the world court; about urging international disarmament, etc., etc., which were generally well received and passed by both houses with little opposition.

The Deputies, as reported last week, turned down a resolution dealing with the McIntosh case, and also one offered by Mr. Diddle of Western Michigan which declared that the will of God for a Christian must come before the will of the state. This too was lost. So a resolution along the same lines was introduced by Bishop Oldham of Albany in the House of Bishops. It dealt with the nationalization of the foreign born, and urged Congress to pass legislation

which would not require them to take a pledge to bear arms upon seeking citizenship. It also declared that "Christians can recognize no authority superior to that of the will of our Lord Jesus Christ, though it is conceded that if a man's conscience compels him to disobey the laws of his country, he must be prepared without complaint to take the consequences of such disobedience."

The resolution was opposed in the House of Bishops but it did pass with a substantial majority—surely by three to one.

But it did not fare so well in the House of Deputies. For some reason or other the House of Deputies were determined that they would not de-clare that the will of God comes before the will of the state. The arguments presented were in many instances amusing. The Rev. W. S. Trowbridge of New Mexico marched all the way to the rostrum from a seat in the back of the hall to shout into the mocrophone: "I should like to ask if our liberties were won for us by ancestors who were conscientious objectors?" Then the Rev E. J. Randall of Chicago made a speech in which he said that the Episcopal Church has always side-stepped every political question and he surely hoped that they would continue to do so. He also talked of "the enemies within our borders who strike at the very foundation of the government," and made it clear that he believed that to declare that the will of God should come before the will of the state, would give comfort to the commu-Of course I was not a member of the House of Deputies. Had I been I should have told Dr. Randall that the chief objection that intelligent people have to communists is that they insist that the will of the state is supreme, and as a result make all Russian citizens bow to that will. It might be worth his while sometime to discuss the matter with some Russian priest who has been compelled to flee that country. I have no doubt whatever that Mr. Randall would be the first to declare that the will of God should come before the will of the state in Russia, but, for some reason that is beyond me, he, and a majority of his fellow Convention deputies, were unwilling to declare the same principle here. The day is fast approaching, I am afraid, when they will wish that they had declared themselves quite clearly. But that is another story.

Finally a substitute resolution was offered by Mr. Reynolds D. Brown of Philadelphia and passed. It calls upon Congress to amend the naturalization laws and the oath of allegiance so that conscientious objectors may be admitted to citizenship provided they are willing to serve the country

in time of war in non-combatant positions.

The Bishops the following day geared themselves down to the pace of the Deputies and concurred with them in this resolution. It is a very good resolution—but the one of the Bishops was a lot better.

Incidentally, while I have it in mind, I want to say that, contrary to the general opinion, the Bishops are way ahead of the Deputies in their social thinking. They were willing in every instance to face up to questions dealing with social and economic life. They dealt with them calmly and in the light of Christian teaching with a determination to arrive at a Christian solution, regardless of consequences. In contrast the Deputies trimmed about everything they received from the Bishops.

Next in order of importance perhaps is the action that was taken in regard to the mission work in India. You will recall that it was reported last week that the Bishops virtually put off action for further study, the whole matter to be dealt with in 1934. But the Deputies decided to go ahead at once in an experimental way, providing \$15,000 can be found to carry on the work. So it won't be long I presume before we will be getting reports from our India Mission field. Several donations to the expense of it have already been received 'tis said, and with Dr. John Wood for it there can be little doubt but that the work will be launched.

You know, after all is said and done, the fine part of a General Convention, is the social side—the dinner with an old friend off in a corner, and the discussions that take place in the hotel lobbies.

The Living Church in their recent issue, complained about foul air in the Convention halls. As a matter of fact there is some sort of apparatus in the halls which changes the air completely every three minutes. Probably Mr. Clifford Morehouse had smoked a big cigar the night before—or something.

Bishop Hugh Burleson was, of course, elected assistant to the Presiding Bishop. He has been functioning in that capacity really for the past year or so. He resigned as Bishop of South Dakota and the man who has been on the job there for nine years, Bishop Blair Roberts, was elected Bishop, amid cheers. But he refused to get excited about it. "You know," he said, "I once had a clergyman who was in a very obscure spot. He was called from there to a nice parish, at a salary more than

double that he had been receiving. He was about to accept it when it struck him that he ought to put the matter up to God. After doing so he decided to stay where he was. I asked him if he was quite sure that he had made the right decision and he replied, 'Yes, Bishop, I am. You know it is great to have a job nobody else wants.' That is the way I feel about it. I love the work in South Dakota and I want to go on doing it, and it doesn't matter to me whether I am the Bishop of the diocese or the Suffragan."

Here are a few little jingles, just to relieve the strain of all this serious stuff. They were written in the House of Deputies by the Rev. J. M. Stoney of Alabama at a time when he should be attending strictly to business.

HAIL TO THE PRESIDENT Our most gracious chairman, ze B., Sometimes finds himself up a tree; When he gets in a jam He never says "dam,"

But, "Gentlemen, please, I agree."

When presiding, the Courteous ze Barney Tempers rulings with dashes of blar-

There are times, we may say,
When he's farther away
Than our absent friend Warren B.

Kearney.

RULES OF ORDER

Laws are concocted for fools,

So we suspend all of the rules;

We swear to the skies

We're sufficiently wise

To act like a bunch of young mules. DEBATE

The House takes up a great fight, And the "mike" helps the orator's might:

The Sound is redoubled
The Thought is untroubled,
For that has not yet come to light.

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The old motion to eliminate the word "Protestant" from the title of the Church, I am sure you will be glad to hear, was again introduced. You will no doubt be equally glad to hear that it was not heard from again.

The next Convention is to be in Atlantic City. But don't think that it was as simple as that sentence reads. What a time they did have making up their minds. First of all the committee to deal with the matter reported in favor of Minneapolis. There was a lot of talk-talk when the matter came before the Bishops. Finally they decided on Atlantic City. Then the Deputies got it. They sent back the Bishop's resolution with the declaration that they concurred in

the resolution with the amendment that the word "Minneapolis" be substituted for "Atlantic City." there was more-much more-talk in the House of Bishops. They decided to stick by their guns. As a result a committee on conference went into a huddle over the matter. They reported, as I understand it, in favor of Minneapolis. Meanwhile the Deputies came around to the point of view of the Bishops and agreed upon Atlantic City. There may be a number of other steps in the process that I have missed. After all it took three days to decide. Anyhow, Atlantic City it is.

There was no discussion during the Convention of the placement of the clergy, which was so widely discussed prior to the Convention. It was referred back to a commission and will come before the next Convention.

The Bishops amended the canons making bishops eligible for election to other dioceses and missionary districts, but not within five years after their consecrations. But the Deputies did not like the idea so the matter has been recommitted to a commission for further study.

From now on married women and widows can be deaconesses. Also the canons were amended making it possible for deaconesses to preach if licensed by their bishops.

Those resolutions calling for federal regulation of the movies which I said last week would be buried in committee, did come out and passed both houses. It calls upon the government to take some action. The Convention also sends word to you to be careful about the movies you see—some are bad.

Dean Dagwell came in for a lot of deserved praise for the way he handled the services, and Bishop Johnson, Bishop Ingley, Mr. Charles Alfred Johnson and everyone most in Denver-except The Post-was praised for the fine handling of a great Convention. But there is one little fellow that I haven't heard mentioned -Charles A. Tomkins. He came out from New York a month ahead of convention opening, put the exhibit hall into shape, the offices, the press room, arranged for flocks of dinners, hired clerical help-very nice looking clerical help too-and did innumerable other things. Just that everyone may be included I want to start a cheer for him.

The new suffragan bishop of Mexico, Rt. Rev. Eprian Salinas, consecrated at a great service at St. John's Cathedral last Tuesday morning, looks perfectly able to take care of himself. He is a big fellow, with a nice square jaw, a heavy first and a steady eye. John Boyd Bentley, consecrated suffragan bishop of Alaska at the same service, is not so husky. He is a young fellow, just ordained priest two years ago. But he was elected by Bishop Rowe who knows his man, so we may expect some fine reports of the work along the Yukon.

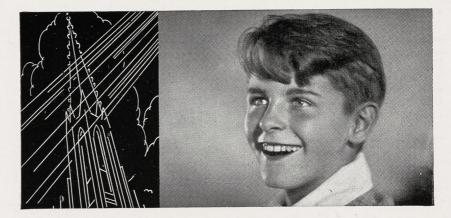
They wanted to adopt an official Church flag at this Convention. The Deputies did. It would have doubtless been adopted by the Bishops too if the designer of it had not entered the gallery during the discussion and hung the flag over the railing. One look at it was enough and the Bishops turned it down. "The heraldry may be all right but it is not a beautiful thing," were the words of Bishop Burleson which pretty much expressed the feelings of all the others.

The Deputies voted on an amendment to canon 23 which deals with just who is allowed to preach in Episcopal Churches, and who has authority to allow it. They wanted the matter left to the rector and the vestry. But the Bishops said 'Nay. Nay" to that, so the canon remains as is. You possibly recall that there have been a number of warm discussions, particularly in New York, over the matter.

Bishop Colmore of Porto Rico introduced a resolution to the effect that there should be at least four women on the commission dealing with the matter of marriage and divorce. "We can't very well legislate on such a subject intelligently without them." Everyone seemed to agree so that there will be some ladies at the meetings in the future.

There were times when it was rather difficult to figure out just what was before the house. On one occasion when the Presiding Bishop was asked to explain just how matters stood he replied very slowly and deliberately: "The Bishop of Michigan offered an amendment to a motion by the Bishop of Michigan. The Bishop of Michigan. The Bishop of Michigan. The Bishop of Michigan then offered a substitute to the amended motion offered by the Bishop of Michigan and it is that that is at present before the House for consideration."

There were interesting speeches in the House of Bishops when the question of a racial episcopate came up for discussion. Bishop Reese



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made a stirring address against the establishment of missionary districts within diocesan lines, which was the recommendation of the committee. Bishop Penick also spoke exceedingly well in favor of such legislation, but as there was insufficient time to consider the matter thoroughly the motion was withdrawn and the subject recommitted to the commission for action in 1934.

Because of the depression the Convention voted against pushing the Advance Work Program until further notice.

The following were elected as members of the National Council: for six years: Bishop Stires, Bishop Stewart, Rev. H. Percy Silver, Rev. Karl M. Block, Mr. Harper Sibley, Mr. Z. C. Patton, Mr. W. R. Castle, Mr. A. E. Newboldt. For three years: Bishop Rogers, Dean Dagwell and Mr. John Stewart Bryan

The absence of Mr. Frederick Cook Morehouse as a deputy to the Convention brings to mind a famous story. In a previous Convention there was a deputy who spent the weary hours of debate in reading magazine articles and novels. But every time a vote was called for he responded promptly and with conviction. He was asked by a neighbor: "How do you know how to vote if you never listen to the debate?" "That's easy," was his reply. "I merely watch Mr. Morehouse. When he votes one way, I vote the other."

The last word in optimistic efficiency was demonstrated at the meeting on domestic missions held Sunday the 27th in the auditorium. It was all timed very carefully and so printed in the program so that there could be no mistake. Five hymns and six bishops were listed, and the time assigned to each-a total of ninety-six minutes. Two minutes was assigned to the singing of the Star-Spangled Banner. The bishops who spoke were Bishops Creighton, Remington, Burleson, Demby, Cross and Perry. The Denver churches gave up their evening services to unite in this well attended meeting. *

One of the Denver newspapers made an amusing typographic error in reporting the address on the work of the department of religious education by the Rev. John Suter Jr. In outlining his program he said that it called for "a trained educational leader in every diocese." But the paper said "a trained educational leader in every divorce." And everyone seemed to think it a grand idea.

INTER-COMMUNION BETWEEN THE OLD CATHOLICS AND US

Information has been received from the Right Rev. Dr. Kuery of Berne, Switzerland, Secretary of the Council of Old Catholic Churches, that their Conference on September 7 accepted terms of inter-Communion negotiated at a Joint Conference of the Anglican Communion and the Old Catholic Churches held in Benn, Germany, July, 1931. This action is the outcome of a movement sponsored loyally by the late William R. Huntington of Grace Church, New York, and the Right Rev. Henry C. Potter, Bishop of New York.

By the terms of agreement, each Communion respects the independence of each other, but permits their clergy to administer the Holy Communion to members of the other Communion. The movement extends further, involving co-operation in ordination of Priests and consecration of Bishops. The agreement, however, is confined merely to those Churches that are in communion with the Church of Utrecht and does not apply to many so-called Old Catholic Churches found in America which are not in such communion. The Old Catholic Church is the result of a union of those who left the Church of Rome at the time of the promulgation of the decree of Papal Infallibility in 1870. This group later united with the Church of Utrecht, a Church holding orders undisputed by the Church of Rome but not in communion with the Church of Rome.

The movement has extended to Holland, Germany, Austria, Czecho-Slovakia, Serbit, Poland and has a large representation, through the Polish national Church, in America.

The Rev. Dr. Robertson was elected custodian of the Prayer Book. And The Missal-well it simply was ig-

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BROTHERHOOD HAS NUMBER OF FINE DENVER MEETINGS

One of the features of this General Convention which has been of especial interest is the series of eight breakfasts given by the Brotherhood of St. Andrew to the bishops and deputies, at which the new program of the Brotherhood has been briefly presented by its leaders. Some five or six hundred, it is estimated, have participated in these breakfasts and a large number have indicated an intention to initiate Brotherhood work along the new lines in their respective dioceses and parishes. Courtney Barber of Chicago, the president of the Brotherhood, has been the host on these occasions, and the Brotherhood program for the Advance Division has been presented by Rev. Irwin C. Johnson of Detroit, Eric Gibberd of St. Edmund's School, Glendale, Ohio, Paul Rusch of Tokyo, Japan, and Leon C. Palmer of Philadelphia.

In addition to these breakfasts, the Brotherhood has had on display in the Exhibit Hall a full exhibit of its recent activities, and a large number of booklets setting forth the new program have been distributed among the delegates and visitors. Reports commending in high terms the present and proposed activities of the organization have been made to the House of Bishops by the Committee of Bishops on Cooperation with the Brotherhood, headed by Bishop Ferris of Western New York, and to the General Convention as a whole by the National Commission on Evangelism headed by Bishop Darst. A resolution was introduced and was enthusiastically passed by both houses, commending to the Church the proposed campaign of the Brotherhood for subscriptions to the four Church weeklies planned for the second week of November, fuller announcement of which will be made later.

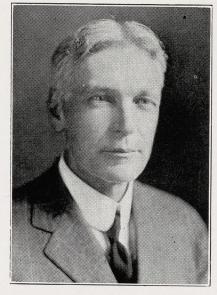
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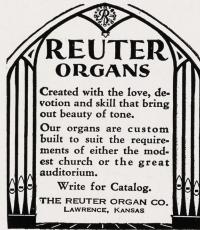
GIRLS' FRIENDLY HAVE MEETINGS AT CONVENTION

As the largest organization for girls in the Church, The Girls' Friendly Society was represented at the General Convention by activities that explained and demonstrated its work. The missionary luncheon opened the special G. F. S. convention activities with Bishop Littell of Hawaii, Miss Mary B. McGill of St. Barnabas Mission, Kusatsu, Japan, and Mrs. F. A. Saylor of St Andrew's Mission, Mayaguez, Porto Rico, and others speaking. At Kusatsu there is a G. F. S. branch among the lepers, one of the four branches in Japan; and at St. Andrew's, Mayaguez, is one of

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the seven Porto Rican branches of the society. The talk on Hawaii was of especial interest as the society has pledged \$2,000 for the building of a parish house at St. Augustine's Mission, Kohala.

"The Church and Changing Standards" was the subject of the address given by Bishop Dallas of New Hampshire at the G. F. S. dinner at the Brown Palace Hotel, at which Miss Lukens, the national G. F. S. president presided. Bishop Dallas was followed by Miss Gladys Bell, dean of women, University of Denver, who discussed the problems of girls in a world of changing standards. Miss Newbold, executive secretary of the G. F. S. closed the dinner with an account of the contribution which the G. F. S. makes to girls today.

The corporate communion and the festival service the same afternoon at St John's Cathedral, at which Bishop Stevens of Los Angeles preached, ended the G. F. S. activities at the convention.

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Have to be very brief again with the general news of the Church because of the Convention.

Bishop Fiske of Central New York has sent a message to the clergy and people of the diocese asking that next Sunday be made "Witness Sunday" to crown the Year of Loyalty that they have had in that diocese.

A Mothers' Club, to help mothers of young children with problems in training, both physical and spiritual, is functioning successfully at the Church of the Advent, Chicago, the Rev. Gerald G. Moore, rector.

The Rev. Charles Paterson-Smyth, Syracuse, N. Y., has been appointed to represent the Church as student pastor at Syracuse University.

Far back in the Liberian hinterland, the little hospital connected with the Holy Cross Mission had thirty thousand patients last year, and gave nearly three times that many individual treatments. The mission is not far from the borders of three other countries, from which natives come to the hospital.

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Hawkins K. Jenkins, M.D., writes from Sagada, Philippine Islands, to his home diocese, South Carolina, of the joys and terrors of being the only doctor running the only hospital, assisted by the only American nurse, among more than 15,000 people. The hospital itself is an old building never intended for that purpose, consisting of two bedrooms and a hallway, a tiny operating room lighted by day by a window on one side, at night by lamplight, an attic where two or more patients have to be kept, and a little room which from stern necessity serves simultaneously as diet kitchen, sterilizing room, store room and passage-way.

St. Andrew's, Bryan, Texas, has just received \$10,000 by the will of Mrs. J. H. Astin.

Trinity, Saugerties - on - Hudson, N.Y., recently celebrated its 100th anniversary, with a full church at a number of special services. story of the parish begins with the faith and works of one man, Henry Barclay, who came to the town in 1825, built a house and at once started a Sunday school and services.

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nois, thinks there should be more preaching of science. A former atheist leader he was led to Christianity through his researches in biological chemistry.

The Cathedral Shelter, Chicago, Rev. D. E. Gibson, is to open homes for unemployed women.

The parish house of St. Augustine's, Savannah, Ga., colored parish, has been offered to the Unemployed Commission of the city, to be used in any way they see fit.

The annual clergy conference of the diocese of New York is to be held on the 14th and 15th at Lake Mahopac. The leaders are to be Bishop Manning, Bishop Gailor, the Rev. Cyril Bickersteth of England, the Rev. W. Crosby Bell of Virginia Seminary, Professor W. M. Urban of Yale, the Rev. F. H. Sill of Kent School and Dean Fosbroke of the General.

The Young People of the diocese of Chicago are gathering clothing for the needy.

The Rev. W. C. DeWitt, for over twenty years the dean of the Western Seminary, died on September 27th at his home in California, where he has lived since retiring from the seminary a number of years ago.

A church built entirely of glass and supported on rust-proof steel is the interesting plan proposed by architects, glass works and artists for St. Stephen's, Chicago.

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A little drive of 250 miles is taken by the Rev. W. H. Martin of Big Spring, Texas, to provide Church services for a new mission developing at McCamey, district of North Texas.

A Church Army man reports from a North Carolina mission that four colored men have been attending Church services who had never before in their lives been to any service. They thought the Church was something for children.

Making more than 35,000 personal calls upon unfortunates in private homes and some twenty public institutions is one of the interesting items of the work of Chicago City Missions during the past year, according to the annual report of the Rev. John F. Plummer, superintendent

A total of 26,000 persons attended services conducted by members of the City Missions staff during the year; over 3,000 received instructions and twenty-seven persons were confirmed.

In addition to the regular services and ministrations in institutions, much social service work is being done with discharged cases. Children are fed and clothed; rent is paid; employment is found; funerals are arranged and a multitude of other duties fall to the workers, Superintendent Plummer declares.

A new work has been started at the new State Hospital at Manteno. The Rev. George Ridgway of River Forest, is making regular visitations to the Edward Hines Hospital for former service men, as a volunteer chaplain.

The Church General Hospital, Wuchang, China, for men, women and children, has 191 beds; last year admitted 3,242 in-patients; treated more than 28,000 clinic patients; performed 485 operations; had 186 obstetrical cases. The training school had 53 students; 48 are nurses, two are in laboratory work, three in midwifery. The laboratory staff, one technician and the two students, conducted 17,000 laboratory tests.

The medical staff consisted of H. W. Tseng, M.D., acting superintendent, and seven other Chinese physicians. Dr. Mary L. James, associate superintendent and the only foreign physician on the staff, was on furlough or working in the United States.

The opium habit brought 85 cases for treatment, and there were 10 cases of acute opium poisoning; 15 attempted suicides; 13 wounds from

bombs, 60 from gun shot. Leprosy and cholera were among the infectious diseases.

Local excitement resembling the opening of a world series occurred around St. James' Hospital, Anking, China, not long ago, according to the Anking Newsletter. With a view to getting the work done with at least an approach to rapidity, two rival contractors were engaged to repair the hospital. One contractor was to do the women's side and the other contractor the men's side, and they entered a competition which was healthy enough until one contractor borrowed a worker from the other side.

Resentment flamed up, a free-forall scrimmage took place, and the contractor on the women's side had to enter the hospital for treatment while the aggressive contractor was arrested. After much hearing in court the case was dismissed. Two weeks later when the wounded contractor left the hospital, the workmen on the other side set off bunches of friendly fire-crackers signifying, "Please excuse us. Our error." The work went forward peacefully thereafter.

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The Bishop has visited St. Elizabeth's three times in less than a year, confirming over thirty persons in all.

The Church of the Epiphany has also had three visits for confirmation, in little more than a year, with forty-four confirmed.

Iolani School, Honolulu, is increasing its boarding department this fall, under its new headmaster, Mr. Albert H. Stone, for the benefit of boys whose homes are on the other islands. and giving preference to Hawaiian and part-Hawaiian boys.

Preceded by his father, his grandfather, his great grandfather, five great uncles an two great, great uncles, Richard Rankine Sandford of Geneva will enter Hobart College this fall as a member of the freshman class—the "most related" freshman in the history of Hobart. He is a graduate of the De Veaux School in Niagara Falls, N. Y.

Sandford's father, Montgomery H. Sandford of Geneva, is a member of the Hobart class of 1900 and the Rankines and the Meeks, predecessors of young Sandford, date back to great grandfather James Rankine, who received the honorary degree Master of Arts from Hobart in 1857 and who served as president of Hobart from 1869 to 1871. Sandford will be the eleventh member of his family to affiliate with the college.

Diocese of Bethlehem: Rev. G. A. Warburton goes to Christ Church, Susquehanna; Rev. A. R. Holloway goes to Minersville and Forestville; Rev. Kenneth Bray has resigned as assistant at the Cathedral and is to do supply work in New York for the

The 12th annual convocation of Negro Churchmen of Arkansas was held at Pine Bluff the last two days of August, with all the parishes of the diocese represented, and with Bishop Demby presiding. Despite the hard times the report of the parishes and of the Auxiliary were encouraging.

On a recent Sunday Bishop Schmuck of Wyoming unveiled a memorial tablet to Bishop G. M. Randall, Bishop of Colorado, Wyoming and New Mexico. The tablet is placed on the outside wall of the old Shoshone Indian Chapel at Wind River. The ceremony brought together about 600 people, including

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many Indians. There was several interesting addresses, one of which was by the last survivor of those who worshipped in the little chapel at Bishop Randall's last service there. During the service Indians came to attack them, but thinking that the white folks were preparing to defend themselves as they looked through the church windows, they rode away. Following this dedication service the other day the Indians went into a cemetery connected with the chapel and decorated graves, including the grave of the Indian Scout Woman who led the Lewis and Clark Expedition to the Pacific Coast.

A further step in the affiliation of the five schools which make up Central China College was a meeting of the recently elected American Board of Trustees. They organized on a temporary basis and elected the following officers: chairman, the Rev. Anson Phelps Stokes; secretary, Dr. John W. Wood; treasurer, the Rev. A. L. Warnshuis. The trustees expect to arrange for the incorporation of Central China College under the law of the District of Columbia.

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Hitherto, as many of our readers know, work has been maintained in this region by the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society (Episcopal Church) in Boone College, Wuchange, by the London Missionary Society in Griffith John College, Hankow, by the Wesleyan Methodist Missionary Society in Wesley College, Wuchang, by the Yale Foreign Missionary Society in Yale-in-China, Changsha, and by the Reformed Church in the United States, in Huping College, Yochow. All of the affiliating bodies have approved of a constitution and have elected trustees.

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Six years ago Canon Graves of the California missionary district of San Joaquin held a Sunday night service in the school house at Mendota, California, attended by forty or fifty persons, only one of whom had ever seen or heard of the Episcopal Church service.

That one person, Mrs. John Tuft,

had asked the Bishop to have services held. At first they were intermittent. Gradually a Church school developed, managed by a layman who was not a Churchman, who never missed

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a Sunday, driving a long distance to attend. The older people were not much interested, but thirty or forty young people were, and the need of a chapel became evident. Mrs. Tuft, still perservering secured a site, and the people of the community were interested enough to pay for the land.

Then the Bishop and Archdeacon Hawken found an unused church at another point from which it could be moved to Mendota except for the impossibility of moving it across a small bridge. So they wrecked the church, took it across the bridge in pieces, and set it up again at Mendota.

At one point in the proceedings, it became necessary for the building contractor to have a load of lumber on hand early in the morning, and the men who were to have delivered the lumber were unable to do so. The Archdeacon found a truck and, assisted only by the driver, loaded five thousand feet of lumber between 10 p. m. and 2 a. m.

Contributions have been received toward the cost of all this, and half a dozen other missions have given furnishings. The Church school superintendent and his family have all been confirmed, along with several others. The Church is the only one in the community,—so they call it All Saints.

It would be a welcome thing if some one would write a brief little prayer for the children of missionaries—not for them to use but for us to use for them. All children need our prayers, of course, but our missionaries' children have so many abnormal circumstances in their lives.

People who keep scrapbooks of achievements by our foreign-born population or their children must have accumulated some good bits lately. In the East, a former iron puddler in a Connecticut mill, a Polish man, wins a national golf championship, and out West a Japanese ranch foreman who is also an amateur astronomer discovers a new comet and announces it to the Mt. Lowe Observatory.

A questionnaire was recently conducted by Chaplain R. F. Blackford of Leesburg, Florida, among the officers of the 325th and 347th Infantry Regiments in training at Ft. Screven, Georgia. It was found that, though only about 50 per cent of the adult population of the country are church members, that in these regiments 90 per cent claimed affiliation with some religious body.

In point of numbers the Baptists

ranked first with 48 members or 28 per cent. Methodists came second with 45; Presbyterians came third with 18, while Episcopalians and Roman Catholics tied for fourth place with 17 each. It is interesting to note that, though Georgia, South Carolina, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana were represented, the Romanists, with one exception, all came from Louisiana.

Bishop Shayler, preaching the other day before the ladies and gentlemen of St. Thomas's, New York City, made rather disparaging remarks about Mr. George Herman Ruth which I simply cannot allow to pass without comment. Said the Bishop: "There recently appeared in the newspapers stories of a certain man who is called a success because he has hit 600 home runs. Is it a success to have a keen eye and a strong arm?" The answer, as far as I am concerned, is "Yes". To be the one

man out of several hundred picked athletes who can bring thousands of baseball fanatics to their feet by whipping one four hundred feet on a line is success. But the Babe is more than a hard hitting ball player. He gave a little radio talk not long ago about playing the game hard and for all it was worth, and being a good sport about it, and I can testify that it did my ten year old boy as much good as many mornings in a Sunday School class. Having the mighty Babe get it into the boy's head that he should do his best at baseball as in every other endeavor, I am sure, was a valuable contribution to his upbringing-even more important perhaps than being able to name the kings of Israel. A sympathetic heart and a good head unquestionably come first, but at that a keen eye and a strong arm are rather desirable possessions. A boy who devoted too much time to developing them may never be a success, but he will have a lot of fun.

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