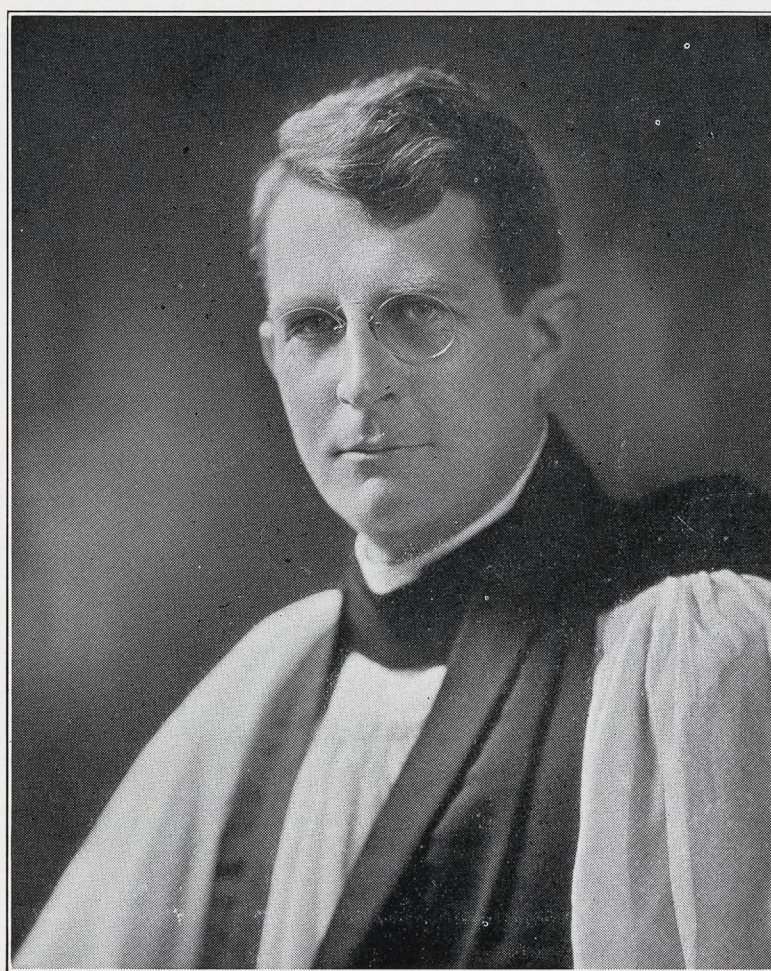


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## CLERGY NOTES

BUCKINGHAM, H. J., formerly rector of St. Paul's, Chillicothe, Ohio, has accepted the rectorship of St. Thomas', Pawhuska, Oklahoma.

CAPERS, SAMUEL ORR, rector of Christ Church, San Antonio, Texas, was married on January 30th to Miss Eleanor C. Stribling, the ceremony being performed by his father, Bishop Capers.

CHEETHAM, ALBERT C., rector of Holy Trinity, Baltimore, died on February 8 after an illness of two months.

DE MARIS, ALVIN RUSSELL, rector of the Messiah, Gonzales, Texas, and SPENCER, JAMES RICHARD, rector of St. John's, San Antonio, were ordained priests by Bishop Capers on February 5th.

DOWLING, G. DE WITT, has resigned as vicar of the Redeemer, South Boston, Mass.

EMERSON, SEWALL, New Haven, Conn., has been appointed vicar of St. Paul's, Norwalk, Conn.

GUMM, ROBERT K., assistant at St. Paul's, Syracuse, N. Y., has been made rector of St. Paul's, Malden, Mass., with address at 75 Hawthorne Street.

LANDSDOWNE, BURDETTE, has resigned as rector of St. George's, Maynard, Mass., because of ill health.

SILLIMAN, W. W., ill for some time, has accepted the rectorship of St. Andrew's, Columbus, Ohio.

TOLAR, JOHN R., was ordained deacon on January 24th by Bishop Darst of East Carolina. He is to live at Fayetteville and do missionary work wherever the bishop may need him.

WEAVER, HAROLD J., formerly rector of St. John's, Columbus, Ohio, has accepted the rectorship of St. Matthew's, Cincinnati.

## SECOND THOUGHTS

WE HAVE RECEIVED many letters in regard to the anniversary number of February 4th, all saying that it was a fine tribute to a great man. None of these letters will be printed except one that came from the widow of the first Managing Editor, the Rev. C. J. Shutt of Independence, Iowa. Mrs. Shutt writes: The Bishop Johnson Anniversary Number is a gem and I want to add my tribute of appreciation for this most interesting number. May I also express my appreciation for your reference to the hard job which my dear husband labored under during the first two years of the publication.

DEACONESS HARRIET M. BEDELL, Everglades, Florida: I have for a long time enjoyed THE WITNESS with its fearless and helpful articles, its stand for the uplift of people who need justice and Christian brotherhood. It is men like Bishop Johnson who inspire us to more devoted service in our Master's field.

Managing Editor's Note: Deaconess Bedell is doing a notable work at the Glade Cross Mission to the Seminole Indians in the Florida Everglades.

GEORGE E. HAYNES, executive secretary of the department of race relations of the Federal Council of Churches: May I call the attention of your readers to the fact that race relations is being stressed in churches throughout the country on any one of the Sundays of February. It is the fifteenth year that some Sunday in February has been observed. Those desiring material may secure it from the Federal Council, 105 East 22nd Street, New York City.

THE REV. W. OWINGS STONE, rector of St. Mary's, Baltimore: Now is the open season for recommendations for Lenten reading. What concerns me is the terrible unreality and the unconscious hypocrisy of the sermons from those in the high places. I know that one should read Von Hugel, Evelyn Underhill, the Archbishop of York, and the Bishop of London. But I hope that some of our bishops and those clergy who occupy positions of privilege will change their Lenten diet a little and find something out about the world in which they live from the modern novel. If one only has time for one "trivial" novel I hope it will be James T. Farrell's, "A World I Never Made." It might shock, it might be obscene, it might be downright dirty in parts, but it is an accurate picture of human life. Far be it from me to hold up my hands in holy horror at such a novel. Alas! I understand it all too well. People do live like this. One needs only to walk about the streets to find them. Martha (Continued on page 15)

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## THE WORTH OF WORSHIP

*An Editorial by*  
BISHOP JOHNSON

THE value of a battery is determined by the number of active cells which compose it. All that the Church needs is more live cells. And it is a curious feature of human character that when a cell goes dead it lays the blame on anything but itself.

The kingdom is within you and no such alibi as the failures of the minister or the misdemeanors of members of the congregation has anything to do with the case of your own responsibility. I have known men to abandon their religious practices because some parson proved to be a disappointment. One might as well ostracize grocers because one of them sold you some poor spinach. If we are pledged to serve Christ we must expect to associate with Judas as well as John as our Lord did.

The number of names who stood by Christ until the end was one hundred and twenty, not as many as would constitute the membership of a small parish.

Why?

There were then, as now, money changers in the temple who commercialized religion and Pharisees who monopolized it and Sadducees who rationalized it and Herodians who secularized it, but out of that multitude there were those who loved and adored our Lord in spite of the associates with whom they worshipped in the synagogues and in the temple. The number of the faithful was not large but they saved the situation and preserved the Church from extinction at its very start.

I have been in the ministry for forty-five years and I have seen and mingled with many congregations and the same thing is true in every one of them. They are composed of all the various groups, but the ones who keep the Church alive are those who are instant in season and out of season.

For example, here is a parish with a communicant list of three hundred people. There are thirty who can be depended upon to be in their places every Sunday, to pay their pledges regularly, to work in the organizations. Were there not ten cleansed, but where are the nine?

Along comes a popular preacher to succeed one who

had gone dead. The thirty jumps to one hundred and fifty and everyone remarks how well the church is doing, whereas the test of sincere discipleship was during the dull period and not during the bright one. If after taking the vows of service we have to be stimulated every Sunday in order to render that service how much credit are we entitled to in the long run? What the Church needs is a membership that will carry on without stimulants and will be faithful under the torture of poor sermons.

The minister is of the same flesh and blood as his congregation and the fact that he receives a salary does not help him much to be inspiring fifty-two Sundays in the year. It is not easy to lift people up at 11:30 A.M. every Sunday morning regardless of one's own desire to please. The result is that a dwindling congregation makes a dull preacher, since the congregation preaches a third of the sermon.

I HAVE always said that there are three things that go to make up the success of the prophet; the ability of the preacher, the capacity of the congregation and the condition of the preacher's anatomy at that particular hour.

But sermon tasting is not the whole duty of a Christian. As a layman said to me the other day, "the Prayer Book is the most wonderful compilation ever put together." The real source of a Churchman's devotion is derived from worship which he gives rather than from sermons that he hears.

No, I do not favor a moratorium on preaching because men have intellects as well as souls and the spoken word has its place in the economy of the Church, but on the other hand it is better to lift up your hearts once a week than it is to open your ears, for it is more blessed to give than to receive.

People wonder why they lose interest in religion as they grow older. It is because they are merely hearers and not doers. They expect to be exalted without doing anything. That would be folly in any business and it is futile in the business of religion. You can forget sermons but that is not as serious as it is to



forget God, and so long as you are faithful in worship His presence will go with you.

As I have said before, too many Church people live like atheists and complain about communism. We live like an atheist when we have no concern about worship as the habit of our lives. "Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God and Him only shalt thou serve" lies at the basis of our Christian civilization.

The alternative seems to be to have some dictator in reverential fear and to lose the right to think or to speak.

It is true that an individual can contribute very lit-

tle to the attitude of a nation toward God but he is responsible for that little and he either bears witness to his faith or contributes to its extinction.

What the Church needs is a devoted group of worshippers who give God His worth and express their gratitude for the blessings that they are receiving. This duty is well expressed in the communion office: "It is very meet, right and our bounden duty that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto Thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty Everlasting God."

It is only so that we can have any claim to be the disciples of Christ.

## DOING GOD'S WILL IN FAMILY LIFE

By

CHARLES TAYLOR

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HOW intimately are theology and family life related! Never has the will of God been more clearly expressed than in the Master's story, taken from family life, of the Lost Boy or Prodigal Son. But whence learned Jesus the will of God if not at home? How, apart from a standard suggested by a home, could men pray "Our Father"? A child's father on earth affects his view of his Father in heaven; conversely, he learns what the will of God means for family life through the study of God's dealings as a Father.

Since conduct proceeds from attitudes, God's will for the family is first to be sought in the atmosphere which pervades home life. It is the will of God first that love within the family be not one whit less exalted than the highest standard of friendship anywhere. If the Christian is to love God or his unseen neighbor at a distance, he must learn to love his brother. Christ takes this as axiomatic. His distinctive demand, based on the noblest and finest friendship within the family, is for an extension of this love to the ends of the earth and the persons of one's enemies.

But just as Christian righteousness, if it is to exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, must first include it, so Christian love cannot be less, but more than the love of publican and Gentile. The sad truth is that men sometimes have a vague good will toward the black man or the Bulgarian, but fall below even pagan standards to the brother under their own roof. Rudeness, sarcasm, jealousy, callousness, bitterness—many faults that would not be tolerated in friendship are glossed over on the ground that they are "all in the family." Members of a household behave toward each other in a way that they would abhor toward any one else. The man who ridicules or tyrannizes his wife, the woman who "plays up" to other men more than her husband, the children whose external politeness is matched by internal wranglings all fail in the homely friendship that should be the foundation of the wider, brotherly relationships. "Thou shalt love thy neighbor" means first the neighbor in

the same room, at the same table, in the same bed.

It is the will of God, second, that the members of a family appreciate each other. As Christ saw the best in people, so a Christian home puts the highest valuation on a child of God. It was Christ's way to uncover possibilities in fishermen, in men of the world like Zacchaeus, or in children that others passed by. No one ever had such confidence in man as Christ. He loved men into goodness.

God wills that the family be the training school of such appreciation. Those who help juvenile delinquents find that one major source of trouble is lack of it, especially on the part of parents. "What could you expect of Jimmie?" But God's will for family life means confidence in the goodness of the brother's character. The Christian refuses to attribute to the other members of his family motives lower than his own. He does not set up his own tastes, his own preferences, his own ways of acting or his own responses to situations as the sole standard. He has respect for others. He can admire, he can appreciate, he can encourage, he can understand and trust persons very different from himself.

IT IS the will of God, third, that the members of a family seek "not to be ministered unto, but to minister." In the home the Christian virtues of sacrifice and service come closest to being practised. True, there has been patriarchalism in the past, which, with the help of fascism, may likely continue into the future. The *paterfamilias* finds it very easy to interpret Biblical commands to obey one's parents as sufficient justification for his tyranny. Moreover, there is a new cult which makes the child the center of the family. The parents abdicate. As Norman Nash puts it, the theory is that if left to pursue its natural inclinations freely, the little flower will beautifully unfold; only sometimes it turns out to be a skunk cabbage. Domination on the part of either parent or child threatens the co-operation that should mark family life. Yet the stronger the tyranny, the clearer, by contrast, shines the Christian ideal.

If in the family we do not learn how to live with



others, how to subordinate our selfish wishes, how to lighten others' loads and accept the full weight of our own, how to substitute love for coercion, in short, how to be a Christian brother, the lesson is not likely to be learned. Democracy, with its privileges and responsibilities, begins here. Every day in a home come opportunities to serve and sacrifice. There is the problem of dealing with servants. Is the governing principle here tyranny or co-operation? There is the problem that arises when part of the family is tired and wishes to stay in while part is energetic and eager for play. There is the matter of training children to helpfulness, expecting much of them and seeing that our expectations are fulfilled. Problems though these are, where God's will is done in the home, mutual helpfulness reigns, lives are daily laid down for the brethren, and more than anywhere else the way of the Cross is practised.

It is the will of God, fourth, that just as the Father forgives the Prodigal Son, so the home should teach forgiveness. When Peter asks the question, "How oft shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him?" the answer is, indefinitely.

Just as the family is a source of irritations and strains, so it is also a school of forgiveness. This is not to take a pessimistic view of family life. Rather, simply because we are closest to the members of our families, the necessity for binding up wounds by forgiving, restoring, healing love most often arises. Here also, in fact, the miracle of redemption most often takes place. A father gives his life unsparingly to meet the debts incurred by a son's wrong doing, and wins the son back to upright conduct. A mother takes her children's troubles and faults into herself, suffers for them, and so heals them. There is no substitute for a Christian family when through our sins and weaknesses we need a fresh start. In that circle we can confess our failures, we can bring our troubles out into the open, and by redeeming love our confidence is restored and we are made new.

All that has been said about friendship, appreciation, co-operation, and forgiveness is summed up in what the New Testament calls charity, or love. Mary Borden in *The Technique of Marriage* says, "Courtesy is the key word." However we term it, we know what it means. It means escape from our own petty selves into the other person's purposes and desires and point of view. It means insight into the mind and heart of the loved one. It means imagination, by which we learn to become sensitive to our brother's deepest needs. Pagan homes can maintain an ideal of personal self-discipline comparable to St. Paul's insistence that the body be "kept under," but where the will of God is done men find their lives by losing them for the sake of the brethren.

SUCH are some of the attitudes which God wills to rule in family life. Only on such foundations as these is right conduct built. But it would be false to isolate family ethics. God's will cannot be done when it is confined to one of life's relationships alone. Wars destroy families. Bad housing, insufficient in-

come kill families. Strikes, racial persecution, hurt families. Trailers break up family life. Social and ecclesiastical divisions bring discord into families. The will of God for the family, therefore, is only a part of the larger problem of letting Him rule in every field of life.

This leads to two further observations. The first is that the home should be a secure center of life. It should be protected from political and economic disturbance from without, and from the instability that results from bad divorce laws and practice within. Its members should be able to rejoice over being in this center. It should provide them a place where life is worth living, give them trust in life itself, with the assurance that here if nowhere else they truly "belong."

But finally, family life is to be the stepping-stone to wider Christian service. It is not God's plan that it be a barrier to the individual's larger usefulness to the world. "Except a man hate his father and mother, he cannot be my disciple" is a clear warning against the ingrowing family, against a narrow loyalty which though good in itself prevents a better. As a wise parent allows the child learning to walk to test his strength, even though it may mean a fall, so later he trusts him to make decisions, he refuses to coddle him, he sends him into the world to play his part. The family breaks up. New families are formed. But the truth of Christ for the individual applies no less to the family: "He that loseth his life for my sake and the Gospel's shall find it." The family in which God's will is done follows Christ to His cross, and dies, and rises again.

## Talking It Over

By

WILLIAM B. SPOFFORD

BISHOP PARSONS of California, characteristically, had things to say when he addressed the convention of his diocese last week in San Francisco. He stressed the stake that the Christian Church has in democracy, warned against fascism and against the use of force in settling questions. "The Church has a definite responsibility toward the social order. As long as we pray 'Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven' we are committed to the task of making that order more Christian." Declaring that fascism is our greatest danger he said: "'Drive out the communists,' says one group; 'Crush the unions,' thinks another. 'Set up a strong government, stop freedom of speech, muzzle the press'; in short do all the things which move toward fascism on the one hand and on the other promote revolution. The end of all that is Russia or Germany, but either is the negation of Christian freedom. . . . Our democracy is inadequate enough, but some sort of democracy is at least nearer the Christian ideal."

CONSERVATIVE CHURCHMEN are giving us a demonstration of knocking their own arguments into a cocked hat. It wasn't so long ago that they



used to shout "The Church has no business in politics" whenever a few liberal Churchmen got together to declare that child labor should be abolished or old age pensions provided. Now however with the trend seemingly (and I use the word "seemingly" deliberately) toward liberal legislation, our conservative brothers go into huddles out of which come public statements warning the country against the political trends which they apparently fear are to deprive them of their privileges. Thus last week the standing committee of the diocese of Long Island, headed by Bishop Stires, handed the press a document expressing strong opposition to President Roosevelt's proposal to reorganize the federal judiciary. Not only did they send their resolution to the press but also sent copies to the senators from the state of New York, to each Long Island member of the House of Representatives, to the chairmen of the judiciary committees of both houses and to the bishops and members of standing committees of every diocese of the Church. All of which is as it should be, as far as I am concerned. Let's have free discussion of everything and let the will of the Church be known on all questions, political, social and industrial, if it can be determined. The policy, fairly well established, of "Keep the Church out of politics" is no more and it is a matter of record that the conservatives are the ones so to determine.

IT IS WORTH recording that Mr. William Draper Lewis, Churchman of Philadelphia and one of the foremost law authorities in the country, feels rather differently about Mr. Roosevelt's proposal, though he too speaks as a conservative. He declared to a friend of mine the other day: "Mr. Roosevelt's message was a very wise one—more practical than anything else that has a chance of getting the United States out of the box that she is in. It will be decried by a minority, those who do not want anything done, who can't realize the size of the liberal majority in this country, It will preserve our present system more than any other plan that has been proposed. If something isn't done promptly our whole system will blow up, hence time is an element."

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TWENTY YEARS AGO IN THE WITNESS: Churchmen throughout the country gathered in their Churches on Quinquagesima Sunday to hear about the Church Pension Fund and rally to its support . . . Bishop Edsall of Minnesota underwent a serious operation on February 12 . . . The children of the church school at the Redeemer, Chicago, agreed to give up ice cream and to donate the money to the suffering children of Belgium . . . The Rev. H. E.

W. Fosbroke was presented with books by the students of the Cambridge Seminary before taking up his new duties as dean of the General Seminary . . . Bishop Theodore Irving Reese of Southern Ohio called upon all churches to place the American flag in the chancel in view "of the present national crisis and to teach the relation of the Church to patriotism and its Christian expression" . . . The Rev. William E. Gardner, secretary of the general board of religious education, on the way to Sioux Falls, S. D., to deliver an address, was snow-bound in Minnesota so that his part in the convocation program had to be cancelled . . . Twenty-five forums in New York City organized as the Congress of Forums with the Rev. Percy Stickney Grant of the Church of the Ascension as president . . . The synod of the Southwest province, meeting at Little Rock, Arkansas, passed the following resolution unanimously: "We heartily approve THE WITNESS and promise to give it every assistance possible" . . . And the circulation manager announced a campaign in five column type, setting as the objective "One thousand subscribers before summer comes."

AS WAS ANNOUNCED in the Anniversary Number of February 4th, an effort is being made, under the auspices of the WITNESS Advisory Board, to raise a fund to wipe out an accumulated deficit of twenty years and to double the circulation of the paper during 1937. A minimum of \$5,000 is needed to care for the deficit and it is hoped that twice that sum may be raised to take care of anticipated deficits during the next three years, and if possible to make improvements in the paper. At the time of writing these notes, February 10th, a total of \$808.60 has been donated, and donations are being received with each mail. The largest single donation so far received is \$250. The smallest is ten cents which came with a delightful letter from a dear lady in a Church home for the Aged telling us how much she looked forward to THE WITNESS each week and how much pleasure it gave her to do her bit. We are a long way from the minimum of \$5,000 but we hope that all those who have not yet responded will do so to the extent of their ability. As for the effort to double the circulation, in which we asked each reader to send in a gift subscription and if possible several, we have added 674 subscriptions during the past week. This too is far short of the goal but we know many others will want to act on the suggestion. One of the difficulties seems to be that subscribers are at a loss to know just who to enter the gift subscription for. Many have sent it to a member of their own family away from home. Several others have sent in a subscription for the public library in their town, and we pass on these suggestions to others. We propose to keep you informed as the campaign progresses, to urge response from those who have not yet helped and to thank cordially the many who already have. Incidentally the special acknowledgment we promised to those sending gift subscriptions will be mailed presently—just as soon as we know a bit more definitely how many we should order.



## Let's Know

By  
BISHOP WILSON  
AGRICULTURE

IN THE past few years the whole country seems to have become farm-minded. The question of restoring agriculture to its proper position in an industrial age has been injected into politics and everyone has become interested in the farm problem.

In the time of our Lord's ministry the Jews were an agricultural people and much of His teaching is couched in the language of those who till the soil. The fertility of Palestine in those days was remarkable. Since then neglect has greatly impoverished its productiveness but this was not true in our Lord's day. The Jordan Valley and the Plain of Esdraelon were exceedingly rich but farming was not confined to them. The hillsides were terraced and cultivated. They conserved their soil against destructive erosion. Virgin soil was reclaimed by clearing away timber and brushwood and removing stones to make it ready for the plough.

Ploughing began early in the fall—in late September or early October—and continued thru the winter months. Fertilizers were used both in orchards and farms. The principal crops were wheat, barley, spelt, millet, beans, and lentils. A little flax was grown but not much oats. Sowing began early in October, different crops being put in at different times until early summer when millet was planted as the last crop. Sowers carried their seed in a bag or basket, walking along a foot-path through the field and scattering the seed broadcast by hand. Then the seed was ploughed in or a light harrow was used to cover it. Such sowing encountered obvious hazards. Birds ate some of it, some of it fell on the hard-trodden path, some in briar-patches. The picture is given in Christ's parable of the Sower.

The summer months were very dry. Early in the fall came the "early rains" which softened the ground for ploughing. Other rains followed during the winter until the "latter rains" in March and April. The rainfall, however, was not uniform throughout the country and in some places irrigation was resorted to.

The barley harvest usually began by the first of May—other grains following. Cutting was done with a sickle by the reaper. The binder followed the reaper, gathering the cut grain "in his bosom," tying it in bundles and piling them up. Then they were carried by beasts of burden to the threshing floor. This consisted of a circle of level ground, pounded hard and flat and enclosed with a row of stones. It was situated on a hill or some exposed place where the wind blew freely. Cut grain was spread over the floor about a foot deep. Then cattle were driven round and round over it to break the husks and free the kernels. What was left was a mixture of grain, chaff, and straw. The grain was winnowed with a "fan," a kind of pitch-fork with which the mixture was cast into the air allowing the wind to blow away the lighter chaff and straw while the heavier grain fell again to the floor. The chaff was burned and the straw was cut up and fed to the cattle.

Winnowing left the grain mixed with small stones

and bits of clay. It was therefore sifted with sieves made of wooden hoops and a mesh of camelhide which allowed the grain to fall through. Finally the grain was collected in heaps and stored in granaries which might be caves or dry wells where it could be kept for a long time in good condition and used as need demanded.

## A Fable

THE branches of a tree once complained of the roots. They said that the roots, buried way down there in the earth, were entirely out of date and useless, while the branches, out in the open with their broad, green leaves gave grateful shade to the people. Then the roots, being offended, refused to send up their life-giving sap and the branches withered and died and, finally, the great tree crashed down. Sometimes we hear people who are interested in hospitals and schools, fraternal orders and rotary clubs, big brother societies, boy scouts and all that, find fault with the Church. They say it is behind the times, ineffective and useless while they, in their various activities, are left to accomplish all the good work that is done in the world. The Church, however, having heard all this for so many centuries, is not discouraged. It goes on sending out its message to men and trying to inspire them with the spirit of brotherly love, without which all their altruistic activities would never have been begun and surely would perish.

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## BOOKS FOR LENT RECOMMENDED BY SEVERAL CLERGYMEN

By GARDINER M. DAY

We have asked several of the younger clergymen of our Church to commend books for Lenten reading. We have taken the liberty of eliminating duplicates from their lists. The numeral in front of certain of the books therefore means that they were commended several times.

The Rev. Arthur Lee Kinsolving, rector of Trinity Church, Boston, recommends: *The Redeemer* by the Rt. Rev. James De Wolfe Perry, Presiding Bishop; (2) *Asking Them Questions* by R. S. Wright; (2) *Christianity and Our World* by John C. Bennett; *Christ and His Cross* by W. Russell Maltby; (3) *In the Steps of St. Paul* by H. V. Morton; *Making Friends With Life* by James Reid; (2) *Return to Religion* by Henry C. Link; and *Reason and Emotion* by John MacMurray.

The Rev. Elmore McKee, rector of St. George's Church in New York, recommends: *The Making of a Man*, by the Dean of Windsor; *The Relevance of the Church*—Barry; *The Story of the Bible*—Bowie; *The Bible to Be Read as Living Literature*—Case; *The Testimony of the Soul*—Jones; *What It Means to Grow Up*—Kunkel; *Missions Tomorrow*—Latour-ette; (2) *Creative Society*—MacMurray; *The Fool Hath Said*—Nichols; (2) *Worship*—Underhill.

The Rev. H. Woolfall, rector of Saint Peter's Church in Saint Louis says: "In the field of psychology I would very highly recommend, *Modern Man in Search of a Soul*, by Dr. Jung, and *Conquer Yourself* by Dr. Kunkel. These are both excellent books and tend to emphasize the conviction on the part of the modern psychiatrist that Christianity must be the last court of appeal for the cure of sick personalities. Also (3) *Man the Unknown*, by Alexis Carrel, and *The Purpose of God*, by W. R. Matthews, dean of Saint Paul's. I have found all of these books intensely illuminating and helpful and have no hesitancy in commending them for Lenten reading."

The Rev. Everett Jones, rector of St. Paul's Church, Waco, Texas, says: "I believe that Lenten reading should include certain devotional classics as well as certain more recent works. Therefore, I suggest: St. Augustine's *Confessions*; Fenelon: *Spiritual Letters to Women*; Baron Von Hugel's *Letters to a Niece*, edited by Gwendolyn Greece; Berdyaev: *The Fate of Man in the Modern World*; Albert Edward Day: *Jesus and Human Personality* (a modern classic!)"

The Rev. Oliver J. Hart, rector of

Saint John's Church in Washington, D. C., suggests the following: *In the Steps of the Master* by H. U. Morton; *Sons of God* by W. E. Lutyens; *Christian Fact and Modern Doubt* by George A. Buttrick; *What You Owe Your Child* by Willard A. Sperry; and *An Apostle of Reality* by Bishop Bratton.

The Rev. Alexander Zabriskie of the Virginia Theological Seminary recommends the following: *Creative Prayer* by Hermon, "a classic full of profound insights"; *Temple Gairdner of Cairo* by C. E. Padwick (S. P. C. K.). "A superb biography of a great Christian. Not a new book but no new ones are any more valuable." *The Church and Society* by E. S. Johnson. "A thoughtful and most suggestive study of a vitally important subject." *That Strange Man on His Cross* by Richard Roberts. "Four lectures, exquisitely written, from the historical and devotional rather than the theological standpoint."

The Rev. F. C. Benson Belliss, rector of St. Paul's Church, Chicago, recommends the following: *Ecce Homo*. "No Lent is complete without refreshing ourselves on a life of the Master." *Healing in the Name of Jesus* by John Maillard. "Probably the No. 1 book in this all-important field." *The Heritage of the Cathedral* by Sartell Prentice. "Fascinating to anyone interested in the development of the Church. Well illustrated."

In addition to the above list, I shall add only the following which I have found helpful: *Why Do Men Suffer?* by Leslie D. Heatherhead—helpful for everyone; *The Lord's Prayer* by James Thayer Addison—for daily meditation; *A Preface to Racial Understanding* by Dr. Charles S. Johnson—on the negro problem.

Any of these books may be ordered from the following Church Book Stores: Morehouse, 1801 West Fond du Lac Avenue, Milwaukee; Morehouse, 14 East 41st Street, New York; Edwin S. Gorham, Inc., 18 West 45th Street, New York; George W. Jacobs & Co., 1726 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia.

## SPECIAL PREACHERS IN ALBANY

Among the out-of-townners to preach this Lent in Albany, New York, are the Rev. Harold H. Donegan of White Plains, N. Y.; Dean High-Moor of Pittsburgh; the Rev. Hamilton Kellogg of Danbury, Conn.; Dean Emerson of Cleveland; the Rev. David Montgomery of Morristown, N. J.; Bishop Fiske; the Rev. J. DeWolf Hubbard of Saranac Lake, N. Y.; the Rev. Luther Tucker of Cambridge; the Rev. R. L. Howe of Elsmere, N. Y.; the Rev. Daniel M. Welton of Schenectady and the Rev. William D. Orr of Amsterdam. Services are to be held noondays at St. Peter's and on Wednesday evenings at St. Paul's.

## NEWS NOTES OF THE CHURCH IN BRIEF PARAGRAPHS

Edited by W. B. SPOFFORD

As announced last week, the Rev. Noble C. Powell, rector of Emmanuel Church, Baltimore, is the new dean of Washington Cathedral and warden of the College of Preachers. His picture is on the cover—sorry to be late with it but it takes time to have these halftones made. Biography: born in Alabama, 1891, from a line of Southern ancestors. Four years at the Alabama Polytechnic Institute; then an investigator for the department of agriculture of the federal government, studying the advance of the boll-weevil—no doubt something could be made of that by a person with the proper turn of mind. He then graduated from the University of Virginia, 1917, and from the Alexandria Seminary in 1920 and immediately was placed in charge of St. Paul's Memorial Church at the University. A year later he was made rector of that parish and chaplain of the Episcopal students. He became the rector of Emmanuel, Baltimore, in 1931, where he has done a top job, not only in the church but as a community leader.

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### Won't You Become a Steady?

There are many who see THE WITNESS only during Lent. I shall not indulge in a sales talk at this time but I do want to make two suggestions. One, won't those of you handling Bundles make an effort during Lent to get your people to subscribe on a yearly basis? The price is \$2 a year and we are glad to allow a commission of 67 cents on each subscription sent in. Merely send the names with the check, the commission deducted. Two, if there is no one in your parish taking subscriptions send in your name and address with a check for \$2 and let us send you THE WITNESS each week for a year. Help in this way in our double circulation campaign.

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### Someone to Watch Out For

The Rev. C. C. Watkins of Fremont, Nebraska, recently got a crack on the chin for being a Good Samaritan. A man giving the name of Gordon, with a wife and two youngsters, called on him for relief and got it. He needed gas for his old model Willys-Knight, so Mr. Watkins called the gas station. But the attendant there, being less Christian but perhaps wiser, said that he would have to have evidence. So the rector wrote a nice note, all fixed up with the parish seal, requesting that five



gallons of super-gas be put in the man's tank, with the promise to pay. However Mr. Gordon, wife and two youngsters never showed up at the gas station. Instead he has been using the document, with the parish seal, to solicit funds and relief as they tour the country. Call the cops.

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#### **Bishop Manning Also Cracks Down**

Bishop Manning of New York, in his Ash Wednesday address at Trinity Church, New York, declared that Mr. Roosevelt's proposals in regard to the Supreme Court "if adopted would be a death blow to our constitutional democracy and would destroy the very foundation on which our government rests."

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#### **Shelton Bishop on the Negro**

The Rev. Shelton Hale Bishop, rector of St. Philip's, Harlem, New York City, addressed the Corner Clinic of the diocese of Newark on February 8th on "The Story of the American Negro." There were 75 people present, representing many parishes. He declared that "as a race the Negro has gotten beyond the stage where he can be looked upon as a good Christian cook and wants to be recognized as a person. The Negro in every walk of life has shown his potentiality for equality and desires the actual recognition." An article on "Doing God's Will in Race Relations" is to appear in THE WITNESS Lenten Series, now appearing.

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#### **Social Service Sunday in Glendale, Ohio**

Christ Church, Glendale, Ohio, observed social service Sunday on February 14th by inviting the social workers to hear C. M. Bookman, executive vice-president of the Cincinnati Community Chest.

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#### **Double Their Gift For 1937**

Sympathetic with Bishop Huston's desire to extend the missionary work of the diocese of Olympia, the Auxiliary pledged and raised \$1,000 for 1936 and have doubled the amount for this year.

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#### **Laymen Meet in Chicago**

A conference of laymen was held in Chicago, February 9-10, under the auspices of the National Laymen's Commission, to consider the task of reaching the millions of unchurched people in this country. Cooperating in the conference was the Federal Council of Churches, the national council of Federated Churchwomen and a number of missionary societies.



BISHOP CREIGHTON  
*Accepts Election to Michigan*

Mrs. Henry Hill Pierce, prominent Episcopalian of New York, was one of the speakers.

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#### **Offering for Memorial For Bishop Gailor**

Bishop Maxon of Tennessee set February 14th as the day for offering in the parishes of the diocese, the money to go to endow the deanship of the theological seminary at the University of the South as a memorial to the late Bishop Gailor.

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#### **Praise for Leader in Flood Crisis**

John J. Rowe was praised by his fellow Churchmen of Cincinnati the other day at a meeting of the executive committee on General Convention, of which he is chairman. His ability to direct activities are demonstrated during the flood disaster when he not only created but directed 5,000 volunteers in the housing, clothing and feeding of 40,000 refugees.

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#### **Mixing with Royalty and Industrialists**

The Rev. Walter F. Tucks, rector of St. Paul's, Akron, Ohio, is getting over an operation for appendicitis in a hospital at Miami Beach, Florida. He was stricken while the guest of his senior warden, Mr. H. S. Firestone, at his villa. It is the same villa which newspapers say may become the home of Edward and Wally.

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#### **Preaching Mission in Albany**

A preaching mission, covering practically every parish in the diocese, is being held in the diocese of Albany from February 14 to March 14. In addition to Bishop Oldham and the

diocesan clergy, missions are to be preached by the Rev. Arthur V. Bennett of Fitchburg, Mass., the Rev. R. T. McDonald of the Cowley Fathers, and the Rev. Father Sircon of the Canadian Cowley Fathers. The Rev. George F. Bambach is the chairman of the committee in charge.

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#### **Convention in Olympia**

Snowstorms, influenza and tough travel over snowbound roads did not prevent the convention of the diocese of Olympia, held at Seattle, from being a success. Bishop Huston asked the laity to study the great questions of the day and to do what they could to promote co-operation and to prevent war. A resolution was also passed praising the Church Pension Fund for its notable service of twenty years.

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#### **Dangerous to Go to Church**

A bishop was invited to dinner. During the meal he was astonished to hear the little daughter of the family state that a person must be brave these days to go to church.

"Why do you say that?" said the bishop.

"Oh," said the little child, "I heard papa telling mamma that last Sunday there was a big gun in the pulpit; the canon was in the reading desk; the choir murdered the anthem, and the organist drowned the choir."

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#### **Lenten Program for Western Michigan**

"I Dare You" is the caption for a leaflet setting forth the program for Lent of the diocese of Western Michigan. This leaflet, providing a record for the Church member, is to be returned to the rector on the Sunday after Easter. The record blanks have been distributed throughout the parishes and missions in the diocese. "We grow by daring to do big things," says the message. "We accomplish big things by a definite program of little things. Jesus as a boy grew in wisdom, and stature, and in favor with God and man. The Lenten Season means the spring or growing season. You can grow as Jesus did by daring to do big things."

The record provides for a self-examination as to progress in corporate religion, mental religion, social religion, and personal religion. Under the heading Corporate Religion, the program is: I WILL (1) Attend church school every Sunday; (2) Attend church every Sunday; (3) Attend Holy communion three times in addition to Easter Day; (4) Attend a Lenten service each week. The program under Mental Religion



is: I WILL (1) Learn the collect for Ash Wednesday and each Sunday until Easter; (2) Make a scrap book on the work of the Church among the Negroes. Social Religion: I WILL (1) Bring one new person to church school or church; (2) Add to my other Lenten offering at least \$1.00 earned by sacrifice or work; (3) Say a kind word to some one each day.

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#### Rector Helps Promote Cooperative

The Rev. Ralph Bray, rector at Riverside, R. I., discovered that a number of merchants in his parish were being put out of business by the chain stores. He with others therefore have promoted a cooperative, with these merchants in charge. It gives them work; it brings dividends on purchases and hence lower prices to those purchasing through the store.

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#### Convention of California

The convention of the diocese of California was held at the Cathedral, San Francisco, February 2-4, with many meetings apart from the convention proper. Thus the Oxford Group (Buchmanites) held a meeting at the cathedral; the Church League for Industrial Democracy held a dinner, at which Edward Vandeleur, A. F. of L. organizer, and Attorney Ernest Bessac of the American Civil Liberties Union were the speakers; there was a missionary mass meeting at which Dean McAllister of Spokane was the top man. The Auxiliary also held their annual meeting and listened, among others, to the British consul, Cyril A. Cane. They also discussed plans for the young people of the diocese, the racial work in the diocese, and debated the question as to whether women should serve on vestries—the result being a draw.

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#### Utica Rector Has Anniversary

The Rev. James F. Root was honored by his parishioners of St. Luke's Memorial Church on February 5th, the occasion of his tenth anniversary as rector. There was a dinner at which a nice check was presented, and on the 7th the communicants turned out in force for a corporate communion.

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#### Hold a Miniature General Convention

The convention of the diocese of Southern Ohio was washed out. When it does meet the young people are to stage a miniature General Convention. They are to divide up into a "House of Bishops," a "House of Deputies" and the "House of the

Auxiliary" and debate questions that will come before their important elders in October; the status of the Presiding Bishop, work among Negroes, the Future of the Forward Movement. Sounds like a good idea—if it could be done generally we might be able to determine whether youth is more progressive than old age.

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#### Washington Church Federation Has New Building

The Federation of Churches of Washington, D. C., has been presented with a 24 room house by an anonymous donor for headquarters. The Rev. Worth M. Tippy, for many years the executive secretary of social service for the Federal Council of Churches, has taken up new work in Washington, looking toward more adequate cooperation between the religious forces and the community agencies of the city. His work is being financed by a group of interested laymen.

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#### New Jersey Parish Aids Flood Relief

Christ Church, Middletown, N. J., a parish with hardly more than fifty communicants, went to town on the matter of flood relief. There was a Sunday offering of over \$50 that was sent to Bishop Hobson; \$160 was donated to the Red Cross and, with the two other churches in town, a party was staged for the Red Cross that netted \$220.

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#### Choir Festival in Pasadena

The churches of Pasadena, California, joined forces on February 7th for a choir festival, held at All Saints'. Four choirs made up of 150 voices rehearsed for a month for the occasion and did a grand job. The Rev. T. Raymond Jones of St. James', South Pasadena, preached.

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#### New Jersey Parish to Celebrate

St. Stephen's, Beverley, N. J., is to celebrate its 100th anniversary in March. From a tiny beginning it has developed into a strong parish, housed in an adequate plant. The rector is the Rev. Hollis W. Colwell.

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#### On Spraying Empty Bottles

Sermons are too often like spraying empty bottles whereas the task of the preacher should be to fill each bottle. So declared the Rev. Samuel S. Drury, rector of St. Paul's School, at the mid-winter reunion of the Berkeley Divinity School, New Haven, in his lectures on preaching. Since religion is characterized by persuasion the sermon should be designed

to convince. Another prominent on the program was Dr. Mark May, head of the human relations institute of Yale, who said that religion is a vitally important solution of man's problems and an effective way out of his dilemma. It stresses future satisfactions in return for the unpleasantness of daily living and offers a great security in the midst of a changing world. Which sounds very much like "work and pray, live on hay, you'll eat pie, in the sky, bye and bye," though I can hardly imagine Dr. May defending that type of religion from addresses I have heard him deliver. Others on the program were Bishop Budlong, Dean Walter Gray of Hartford, Professor Wilbur Urban of Yale and the Rev. Horace W. B. Donegan of New York. There were about fifty clergymen present.

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#### Life Job for Presiding Bishop

The convention of the diocese of Chicago passed resolutions favoring life tenure for the Presiding Bishop and the establishment of a primatial see. Also resolutions were passed attacking mob violence and lynching, introduced by a Colored Churchman, Mr. H. H. Pace of St. Edmund's. Bishop Stewart announced that he

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was not to ask either for a coadjutor or a suffragan but indicated that he would appoint another Archdeacon and an item of \$5,000 was placed in the budget for that purpose. Deputies to General Convention: clergy—Alfred Newbery, Harold L. Bowen, Edwin J. Randall, G. Carlton Story. Laymen—Austin J. Lindstrom, Wirt Wright, Joseph T. Ryerson and Stewart A. Cushman.

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#### Young People Meet in Bethlehem

Two hundred young people representing 17 fellowships of the diocese of Bethlehem held a conference at St. Luke's, Scranton, Pa., on January 29th.

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#### A Pig for the Red Cross

Miss Ora Harrison is in charge of St. John's-in-the-Mountains, Endicott, in the far southwest corner of Virginia. The other day she had several men of the neighborhood kill and dress a pig for mission consumption. When it came time to pay for it the men asked that the money be given to the Red Cross for flood relief. Another man in the mission voluntarily handed her \$8, a lot of money for these people, for the same cause. He had collected it from members of his family.

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#### Philadelphia Parish Celebrated

St. Nathaniel's, Philadelphia, celebrated its 40th anniversary last Sunday. The parish owes its beginning to the Biddle sisters, of the Philadelphia Biddles, and Miss Annie Buchanan, niece of President Buchanan. It all started in a small house but today is housed in a beautiful plant and is one of the most thriving parishes in the city.

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#### Bequests to Rhode Island Institutions

St. Paul's, Wickford, R. I., has received a bequest of \$5,000 by the will of the late Mary A. Rodman. Mrs. Rodman also left \$3,000 to St. Mary's Home for Children and \$5,000 to St. Elizabeth's Home for Incurables.

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#### United Church Front for Slum Clearance

Announcement was made on February 4th of the formation of a co-operative union of all the Church organizations of New York City, welfare groups and public officials for the purpose of pressing for slum clearance. Their first public appearance will be a conference and mass meeting to be held February 28-March 1 at the synod hall, Cathedral of St. John the Divine. Among

those on the program are Bishop Manning, Mayor LaGuardia, Langdon Post, Rabbi Sidney Goldstein.

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#### Bishop Creighton Accepts Election

Bishop Creighton, suffragan of Long Island, has announced his acceptance of the election to be the Bishop Coadjutor of Michigan. He plans to begin his work there the middle of April, pending the consent necessary.

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#### Asheville Clergy Hold Retreat

The Rev. William S. Stoney, rector at Morganton, N. C., conducted a quiet day for the clergy of the Asheville Convocation of the diocese of Western North Carolina, held the other day at Brevard.

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#### Berkeley Dean Is Guest of Roosevelts

Dean and Mrs. W. P. Ladd of the Berkeley Divinity School were the guests of the Roosevelts at the White House over a recent week-end.

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#### Sixty Years a Priest

The Rev. Gustav A. Carstensen, in charge of St. Andrew's, New York City, recently celebrated the sixtieth anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood.

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#### Young People Meet in Detroit

Canon Gilbert Symons of Cincinnati was the speaker at the meeting of the young people of the diocese of Michigan, held recently at Christ Church. There were 50 present.

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#### Noted Preachers in Philadelphia

Noonday preaching services are held at the Chestnut Street Opera House, Philadelphia, during Lent. Then for the benefit of those who find it difficult to get to these services there is a preaching service each Thursday evening at Holy Trinity. Noonday services are also held at Old Christ Church and at St. Stephens. Among those to preach at the various centers are the Rev. John W. Suter Jr. of New York; Bishop Strider of West Virginia; the Rev. L. Bradford Young of Brooklyn; the Rev. Walden Pell of Middletown, Delaware; the Rev. Spence Burton, superior of the Cowley Fathers; Bishop Ludlow of Newark; Bishop Bennett of Rhode Island; Bishop Sterrett of Bethlehem; Bishop Fiske, formerly of Central New York; Bishop Woodcock, retired bishop of Kentucky; Bishop Darst of East Carolina; Bishop Moreland, former bishop of Sacramento; Dean Kirk

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#### Bishop Clingman in Cincinnati

Bishop Charles Clingman of Kentucky addressed the Auxiliary of Cincinnati yesterday, February 17, on the subject of missions. Mrs. Walter Tangeman, his sister, presided.

#### Florida Clergyman Is Deposed

The Rev. James Theodore Young, deacon, was deposed from the ministry on February 2nd by Bishop Juhan of Florida "for causes affecting his moral character."

#### Union Services in Houston, Texas

Episcopal churches of Houston, Texas, combine for services held at Christ Church each day during Lent. The preachers are: Bishop Quin, Bishop Capers of West Texas, President Peirce of Kenyon College, Bishop Spencer of West Missouri; the Rev. Arthur McKinstry of San Antonio, the Rev. DuBose Murphy of Tyler, Texas; Bishop Wilson of Eau Claire and Bishop Sturtevant of Fond du Lac.

#### The Primate Becomes a Gangster

When the Primate of All Canada, the Most Rev. Derwyn Trevor Owen, was in Wichita Falls, Texas, to conduct a mission at the Good Shepherd and to address the diocesan convention he became a gangster, according to reports that reach this office. He was inducted into the Chuck Wagon Gang, an organization of Texas cowboys which has for its purpose the entertaining of visitors in the old time manner. He was pre-

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sented with a two-gallon hat—whoa, wait a minute, ten gallon—and also a medal inscribed with his name and the insignia of the organization. Other members are Carveth Wells and Fan-dancer Sally Rand.

#### Dean Grant at Cincinnati School

Dean Frederick C. Grant of the Seabury-Western Seminary gave a series of lectures on February 15-16 at the Graduate School of Applied Religion, Cincinnati. His subject was "The Kingdom of God."

#### Services in Savannah

If it is true that names make news—which I somehow or other have never been willing to accept as good reporting—then this number of THE WITNESS is full of news, with all these lists of Lenten preachers. Here's another, this time for Christ Church, Savannah, where they have noonday services: Bishop Barnwell, the Rev. David Cady Wright Jr. of Athens, Ga.; the Rev. John A. Wright of Raleigh (both sons of the rector,

the Rev. David Cady Wright Sr.), the Rev. Carey Montague of Richmond, the Rev. W. W. Memminger of Atlanta, and the Rev. Karl Reiland, formerly of St. George's, New York.

#### Springfield Churches Suffer Severely

Churches in the southern part of Illinois, diocese of Springfield, suffered severely in the flood. Places



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especially injured were the churches at Harrisburg, Cairo, Mound City and Mounds, with the building in the latter town completely swept away. Bishop White has appointed a rehabilitation committee that is now seeking funds. The Rev. Jerry Wallace of Springfield is the secretary.

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#### Parish House Cleared of Debt

The parish house of the Good Shepherd, Wichita Falls, Texas, where the Rev. Claude A. Beesley is rector, has been cleared of a \$10,600 debt during the past year. It was done by Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Burns, parishioners, challenging the other members to match them dollar for dollar up to the sum of \$5,000.

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#### Quiet Day for Ohio Clergy

The clergy of the diocese of Ohio held a quiet day on February 8th at Trinity Cathedral, Cleveland, conducted by Bishop Rogers.

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#### Call for Amendment in Security Law

Two amendments to the social security law—one to include farm labor and household domestics under old age insurance, and one to prevent discrimination on account of race or color in any administration of the benefits of the law—were urged in a telegram sent February 5th by the department of race relations, Federal Council of Churches, to Hon. John G. Winant, chairman of the Social Security Board. He replied that he is calling the matter to the attention of the Board.

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#### Bishop Fiske in Pennsylvania

Bishop Fiske is assisting Bishop Taitt of Pennsylvania with confirmations during Lent. He addressed the clergy of the diocese at a meeting last Monday.

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#### Lenten Preachers at Binghamton

The preachers of the Thursday noonday services at Christ Church, Binghamton, N. Y. are Bishop Coley of Central New York; the Rev. Franklin Joiner of Philadelphia; the Rev. B. Z. Stambaugh of Akron; the Rev. Russell S. Hubbard of Providence; the Rev. S. Thorne Sparkman of Baltimore; Bishop Ludlow of

Newark and the Rev. Reginald E. Charles of Ithaca, N. Y. The services are under the auspices of the Episcopal Churches of Binghamton, Johnson City and Endicott. A series of devotional services are being conducted each Sunday evening at the Good Shepherd, Binghamton, by the Rev. Paul Olver of Rome, N. Y.; and Thursday evenings a course of instructions is being given at Trinity, Binghamton by the Rev. J. Lawrence Ware of Scranton.

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#### Head of Jersey City Hospital Dies

The Rev. Thomas A. Hyde, superintendent of Christ Church Hospital, Jersey City, N. J., died on February 7th at the age of 56 after an illness of ten days. He performed a notable work as the head of the institution.

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#### Glad He Learned to Row

When at Yale Bishop Hobson of Southern Ohio was manager of the crew, and knowledge acquired then came into service the other day when he visited Pomeroy, Ohio. Arriving there at 2 A. M. he set out soon after daybreak in a motorboat to make calls on the people of the parish. The boat was caught in the swift current

of the flood while on the way to inspect the submerged church. It looked rather bad for a moment, but Bishop Hobson rolled up his sleeves, grabbed an oar and went to work, along with three others who were with him. By their combined efforts they carried the boat with its stalled engine to safer waters.

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#### Protest Against Musical Festival

The executive committee of the district of Eastern Oregon, headed by Bishop Remington, has sent a strong protest to the Musical Editors of the country who have announced plans for a national conference in Portland, Oregon, March 28 - 31. The letter points out that "the three great forces which have moulded American democracy, the school, the Church and the home" must cooperate if a crisis in American life is to be prevented, and that the musical people are hardly giving cooperation by having a conference at Easter time when young people singing in



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choirs "will be torn between their allegiance to their churches in fitting observance of its greatest Christian festival, and their desire to take part in a musical festival." Since the Church cannot change the date of Easter the communication asks that the educators set their conference for some other time.

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#### News from Flood Areas

The following communication comes from Bishop Clingman of Kentucky: "I am unable at present to give an accurate account of flood conditions in the diocese of Kentucky. I can only say that the situation is desperate with the loss of life apparently not great. Health conditions are very good under such terrible circumstances. The property loss is very great. At least ten or twelve churches, parish houses and rectories, with their contents, have been seriously damaged and the clergy have sustained great personal losses. The same is true of probably two-thirds of the communicants of the diocese. For this reason the Church and the clergy must accept financial assistance from generous friends throughout the land."

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#### Admiral Byrd to Lead Campaign

The Rev. George Lyman Paine, Episcopalian of Boston, announced at the mass meeting addressed in that city recently by Maude Royden and Sherwood Eddy, that Admiral Richard Byrd had accepted the chairmanship of a "no-foreign-war crusade" which will be launched in April under the auspices of the Emergency Peace Campaign.

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#### Senior Warden Is Honored

William Tell Butz was honored at a dinner held at Trinity, New Castle, Pa., the other day, as well he might be. Mr. Butz, 84 years of age, has been the warden of the parish for a large part of these years. Bishop Ward, the mayor, the rector and others paid tribute to the man, and telegrams were read from many distinguished people, including the Presiding Bishop.

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#### Bishop Tucker to Visit Japan

Church people in Japan have been wanting Bishop Tucker of Virginia, formerly Bishop of Kyoto, to come and help them celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of the organization of the Nippes Sei Kokwai, which is the Japanese Church in the Anglican Communion. As Bishop Tucker is a member of the National Council, the Council would also be delighted to

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7:30 A.M.—Holy Communion (8:00, Advent to Easter).  
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receive the benefit of his visit to Japan, and his own diocese of Virginia has been glad to acquiesce in his going. So he expects to sail from Vancouver April 3 and return in June.

Bishop Tucker was consecrated in Kyoto March 25, 1912, and is therefore keeping his twenty-fifth anniversary this year. He first went to Japan in 1899 directly after graduating from the seminary.

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#### Stresses Needs of Missions

Bishop Barnwell, back in his diocese after weeks of illness, pleaded the missionary cause before the convention of the diocese of Georgia, held at St. John's, Savannah, January 27th. The deputies elected to General Convention: clergy, Royal K. Tucker, David Cady Wright, Joseph Burton and James B. Lawrence; laymen, J. Randolph Anderson, George T. Cann, J. A. Setze and Frank D. Aiken.

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#### Baltimore Wants Next General Convention

The convention of the diocese of Maryland, meeting on January 27th at St. Michael and All Angels, Baltimore, voted to invite the General Convention to meet in that city in 1940. Bishop Helfenstein reported

that the year had been closed with all bills paid and with money in the bank, and that pledges had been received to cover the 1937 budget of \$80,000. A resolution was offered by the Rev. Don Frank Fenn urging an amendment to the state law so as to provide for a delay of 72 hours between the application for and the issuance of a marriage license. It was designed, the rector said, "to wipe out the scandal associated with the marriage market in Maryland." The following were elected deputies to General Convention: Clergy, Don Frank Fenn, Arthur B. Kinsolving, Noble C. Powell, Philip J. Jensen. Laymen, Henry D. Harlan, Carlyle Barton, Garner W. Denmead and James A. Latane.

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#### All Bills Are Paid

A letter sent from National Council Treasurer Lewis B. Franklin to diocesan authorities on January 29th states that the year 1936 is closed with all bills paid. Out of 98 dioceses and missionary districts which reported "expectations" all but 12 paid 100% or more.

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#### Wants National Fund for Flood Relief

Bishop Stewart of Chicago has suggested to Presiding Bishop Perry

that a national Church fund be raised to aid churches and communicants in the flood areas. Parishes in his own diocese have been asked to take up offerings to be sent to the various dioceses involved in the floods.

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#### Turn to God to Settle the Strike

The Rev. Sam Shoemaker, New York leader of the Oxford Group (Buchmanites), declared last Sunday that the strike in the General Motors could be settled if Mr. Alfred Sloan and Mr. John Lewis would listen to God. "He knows how to settle the strike. He has the wisdom no human arbiter has. God has a plan for the motor industry in America. He will reveal it to obedient men."

#### SECOND THOUGHTS

(Continued from page 2)

Gellhorn writes about people on the "relief" in "The Trouble I've Seen." Here again we find a true picture of life in this 'great Christian country.' If they have not been in your parish you are indeed lucky. No, these people are not in our Church, no kind of Church ever touches them, they are among the millions of "untouchables." One has to dress to go to Church, one has to be good, or at least in 'good standing' in the community. Once upon a time the Church was for the poor, the exploited, the harlot, but today it is only for the established, the respectable. Southern bishops might take an escape into a time which has "Gone With the Wind," but I only hope they would also look into "A Stone Came Rolling" by Fielding Burke, and "A Sign for Cain" by Grace Lumpkin. The Bishop of California probably is familiar with "A Dubious Battle" by Steinbeck, at least I hope so.

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