

October 7, 1937

5c a copy

THE WITNESS



CHRIST CHURCH, CINCINNATI
Scene of Many Convention Events

FIRST GENERAL CONVENTION NUMBER

SCHOOLS

The General Theological Seminary

Three-year undergraduate course of prescribed and elective study.

Fourth-year course for graduates, offering larger opportunity for specification.

Provision for more advanced work, leading to degrees of S.T.M. and D.Th.

ADDRESS

THE DEAN

1 Chelsea Square New York City

For Catalogue Address the Dean

Episcopal Theological School

CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS

Affiliated with Harvard University offers unusual opportunities in allied fields, such as philosophy, psychology, history, sociology, etc.

For Catalogue Address the Dean

The Protestant Episcopal Theological Seminary in Virginia

For Catalogue and other information address the Dean

REV. WALLACE E. ROLLINS, D.D.
Theological Seminary Alexandria, Va.

Berkeley Divinity School

New Haven, Connecticut
Affiliated with Yale University
Address DEAN W. P. LADD
86 Sachem Street

TRINITY COLLEGE

Hartford, Conn.

Offers a general cultural education, with special emphasis on the Classics, Modern Languages, English, Economics, History, Philosophy, Chemistry, Mathematics and Physics, Biology and Pre-Medical, or Pre-Engineering. For information apply, The Dean.

FORK UNION MILITARY ACADEMY

An Honor Christian School with the highest academic rating. Upper School prepares for university or business. ROTC. Every modern equipment. Junior School from six years. Housemother. Separate building. Catalogue. Dr. J. J. Wicker, Fork Union, Virginia.

Virginia Episcopal School

Lynchburg, Virginia

Prepares boys for colleges and university. Splendid environment and excellent corps of teachers. High standard in scholarship and athletics. Healthy and beautiful location in the mountains of Virginia.

For catalogue apply to
Rev. Oscar deWolf Randolph, D.D., Rector

St. Faith's School

Secretarial, Art, Music, French, Winter Sports. Regents Examination. Tuition \$550 yr. Protection, Care, Health. Some scholarships available.

Apply to

REV. DR. F. ALLEN SISCO, Principal
Saratoga Spa, N. Y.

CLERGY NOTES

BLODGETT, FRANCIS B., dean of St. Paul's Cathedral, Erie, Pa., has been elected dean of the Convocation of Meadville, succeeding the late Rev. Martin Aigner.

CHOWINS, LAWRENCE, Kansas City, Kansas, is now in charge of Grace Church, Galveston, and St. George's, Texas City, Texas.

CRAIG, JAMES L., has resigned as rector of Emmanuel Church, Miles City, Montana.

FOULKES, EARNEST W., vicar of the Nativity, Newport, Pa., and rector of St. Stephen's, Thompsonstown, Pa., has resigned, effective October 18th. He is to retire and will make his home in York, Pa.

GAST, STUART F., rector of St. Paul's, Bloomsburg, Pa., diocese of Harrisburg, has accepted the rectorship of Christ Church, Williamsport, Pa.

GRINDON, HOWARD A. L., has accepted rectorship of the Church of St. Philip the Apostle, Cleveland, Ohio.

HORSFIELD, GEOFFREY, has resigned as rector of St. Paul's, Savannah, Ga. His address is now 630 Maxwellton Court, Lexington, Kentucky.

MERFIELD, GEORGE A., in charge of St. Luke's, Ferndale, Michigan, has accepted the rectorship of Grace Church, Mt. Clemens, Michigan.

MEZICK, FRANK, Arrington, Nelson County, Va., has resigned as rector of the parish, effective October first, to retire. He is to make his home at Anne Arundel, Maryland.

PURTON, CECIL C., rector of Grace Church, Mt. Clemens, Michigan, for the past fifteen years has resigned because of ill health.

RANTZ, ARTHUR J. was ordained deacon by Bishop Paul Jones, acting for the Bishop of Ohio, at Trinity, Toledo, Ohio, on September 19th. Mr. Rantz is a curate at St. John's, Youngstown, Ohio.

SPURR, Archdeacon B. M. of the diocese of West Virginia, died on September 25th of a heart attack.

URQUHART, KENNETH, in charge of St. Matthias', East Rochester, N. Y., has been granted a leave of absence to do missionary work in Liberia.

WELSH, STANLEY L., formerly rector of Christ Church, Calumet, Michigan, is now in charge of the Glasgow-Scobey field in Montana.

WOOLVERTON, HARVEY L., was advanced to the priesthood on September 21 at St. Paul's Cathedral, Oklahoma City, by Bishop Casady. Mr. Woolverton is a curate at St. Paul's, Des Moines, Iowa.

ZIADIE, WILLIAM, an associate of the Cowley Fathers, is now in charge of St. Paul's, Butte, Montana, and is assistant at St. John's.

BARGAINS IN BOOKS

While they last the following books and pamphlets are offered at these prices:

THE WICKET GATE

By Studdert-Kennedy

Originally \$2 Now 75c

WORD MAPS OF THE OLD TESTAMENT

By George Parkin Atwater

Originally 50c Now 25c

ESSAYS TOWARD FAITH

By A. Q. Bailey

Originally 50c Now 25c

EVOLUTION: A WITNESS TO GOD

By George Craig Stewart

Originally 35c Now 20c

THE BIBLE AND EVOLUTION

By W. P. Witsell

Originally 50c Now 25c

WITNESS BOOKS

6140 Cottage Grove Avenue
CHICAGO

SCHOOLS

KEMPER HALL

KENOSHA, WISCONSIN
Episcopal Boarding and Day School. Preparatory to all colleges. Unusual opportunities in Art and Music. Complete sports program. Junior School. Accredited. Address:

SISTERS OF ST. MARY

Box W.T.

Kemper Hall Kenosha, Wisconsin

CATHEDRAL CHOIR SCHOOL

New York City

A boarding school for the forty boys of the Choir of the Cathedral of Saint John the Divine. Careful musical training and daily singing at the cathedral services. Small classes mean individual attention and high standards. The School has its own building and playgrounds in the Close. Fee—\$300.00 per annum. Boys admitted 9 to 11. Voice test and scholarship examination. Address The Precantor, Cathedral Choir School, Cathedral Heights, New York City.

HOLDERNESSE

In the White Mountains. College Preparatory and General Courses. Music and Crafts. For boys 12-19. All sports including riding. 200 acres of woods. New fireproof building. Individual attention. Home atmosphere.

Rev. Edric A. Weld, Rector

Box W Plymouth, N. H.

Stuart Hall

An Episcopal girls' school of fine old traditions and high standards in the beautiful Valley of Virginia. College preparatory, general courses, and secretarial courses. Two years beyond high school. Music, art, expression. Graduates successful in college. Well-equipped buildings. New gymnasium, pool. Outdoor life. Riding. Founded 1843. Catalog. Ophelia S. T. Carr, A.B., Box A, Staunton, Va.

MARGARET HALL

Under Sisters of St. Anne (Episcopal) Small country boarding and day school for girls, from primary through high school. Accredited college preparatory. Modern building recently thoroughly renovated includes gymnasium and swimming pool. Campus of six acres with ample playground space, hockey field and tennis courts. Rate \$650.

For catalog, address: Sister Rachel,
Box A., Versailles, Ky.

The Church Divinity School of the Pacific
BERKELEY CALIFORNIA
Dean, Henry H. Shires 2457 Ridge Road

CONFIRMATION INSTRUCTIONS

BY BISHOP JOHNSON

The book to use in preparing your class. Also an excellent book to place in the hands of an inquiring layman. 50c a copy \$4 a dozen

WITNESS BOOKS

6140 Cottage Grove Avenue
CHICAGO

Editor
IRVING P. JOHNSON
Managing Editor
WILLIAM B. SPOFFORD
Literary Editor
GARDINER M. DAY

THE WITNESS

A National Paper of the Episcopal Church

Associate Editors
FRANK E. WILSON
H. ROSS GREER
A. MANBY LLOYD

Vol. XXI. No. 49.

OCTOBER 7, 1937

Five Cents a Copy

THE WITNESS is published weekly from September through June, inclusive, and semi-monthly during July and August, by the Episcopal Church Publishing Company, 6140 Cottage Grove Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. The subscription price is \$2.00 a year; in Bundles for sale at the church the paper sells for five cents a copy, we bill quarterly at three cents a copy. Entered as Second Class Matter, June 29, 1937, at the Post Office at Chicago, Illinois, under act of March 3, 1879.

Circulation Office: 6140 Cottage Grove Avenue, Chicago. Editorial and Advertising Office: 135 Liberty Street, New York City.

CHURCH GOVERNMENT

By
BISHOP WILSON

THE Church has always conducted its affairs through some sort of representative body. What might be called the first Convention was held in an upper room in Jerusalem, as recorded in the first chapter of Acts, when a successor was chosen for Judas Iscariot—let us say, the election of a Missionary Bishop. More formal was the Apostolic Council reported in the 15th chapter of Acts when certain matters of policy were determined under the presidency of St. James.

Since the time of the Apostles the Church has regularly faced its problems; developed its discipline, and expanded its organization through meetings of synods, councils, convocations, and conventions.

This has been the rule for the Episcopal Church ever since 1785 when the first General Convention was assembled in Philadelphia. It is an interesting question as to whether that gathering should be ranked as the first General Convention or whether the honor of the title belongs to the later meeting in 1789. There were no bishops present in 1785 and the Church had no Constitution or general organization. This was also true of the assembly held the following year. It was not until 1789 that the three bishops sat as a House of Bishops, that a Constitution was adopted, and a revision of the Prayer Book approved. Obviously the first two conventions were tentative and preparatory for purposes of discussion rather than legislation. Yet the first two proved to be so very important that they have by popular consent been counted as General Conventions, leaving that of 1789 to be reckoned as the third.

Thus the Convention which is now meeting in Cin-

cinnati will be the 52nd in the history of the Episcopal Church. It is interesting to note that twenty different cities have been hosts to General Convention, spreading the sessions all the way from Boston to Portland, Oregon, and from Minneapolis to New Orleans. The most frequent and persistent entertainer of all has been Philadelphia where the Convention has met no less than 18 times. New York comes next with 13 to its credit. Three times the Houses have assembled in Baltimore and twice each in Boston, Richmond, and Washington. This will be the third time for Cincin-

nati. The following have entertained the Convention on one occasion — Wilmington, Trenton, New Haven, Chicago, Minneapolis, San Francisco, St. Louis, Detroit, Portland (Oregon), New Orleans, Denver, and Atlantic City.

Some of our mathematically minded readers will probably count up these figures and jubilantly notify us that the total makes 55 while we have just said that the present Convention is the 52nd. Before they pounce upon us we will

deprive them of their glee by reminding them that three of the Conventions have consisted of double or adjourned sessions, which accounts for the apparent discrepancy. The second Convention met in Philadelphia in June, 1786, and adjourned to re-convene in Wilmington the following October. The third Convention met in Philadelphia in August of 1789 and adjourned to meet again in the same city the following October. The thirteenth Convention was called in Philadelphia in May of 1820 and took a recess to re-assemble the next year, in November of 1821 also in Philadelphia. Otherwise the meetings have been held at regular three-year intervals. Where will the next one be?



BISHOP HOBSON AND BISHOP PERRY
Going Over Final Plans for Convention

THE CONVENTION OPENS

By

WILLIAM B. SPOFFORD

GENERAL CONVENTION is in session, having opened yesterday at 7:30 with a corporate communion for Bishops and Deputies at Christ Church, Cincinnati, followed by the great outdoor service at eleven in the stadium of the University of Cincinnati at which Bishop Edward L. Parsons preached to a congregation estimated at 25,000 persons. In the afternoon the two houses of the Convention organized, with Presiding Bishop Perry in the chair in the House of Bishops and the Rev. ZeBarney Thorne Phillips of Washington presiding over the 600 members of House of Clerical and Lay Deputies. At the same time the meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary was called together in the beautiful Scottish Rite Room of the Masonic Temple, meeting place of Convention. Last night, October 6th, there was a reception for delegates and visitors, held at the Art Museum, Eden Park, with Presiding Bishop Perry and other Church dignitaries at the head of the receiving line. The missionary mass meeting at which the United Thank Offering is announced, is to be held this evening, October 7th, in the Music Hall of the Temple, with Bishop Perry presiding and Mrs. Harper Sibley of Rochester as the speaker. On Thursday also is the first session of the open forum of the Church League for Industrial Democracy, about which there has been so much to-do, with Mr. Norman Thomas giving the address and with Bishop Brewster of Maine in the chair.

The first hours of Convention are given of course to the formation and reporting of committees, with a number of them standing out because of the importance and public interest in the matters on which they are to report. Foremost of these perhaps is the committee on Program and Budget of which Bishop James M. Maxon of Tennessee is the chairman. Whether there will be entrenchment of the missionary and departmental work carried on under the auspices of the National Council or an expansion of it—what effect the war in the Far East will have on the budget—whether there is to be a curtailment of departmental activities—these are some of the questions that will be faced when the committee reports tomorrow, October 8th, at a joint session of the House of Bishops, the House of Deputies and the House of Churchwomen.

The committee on the Status and Work of the Presiding Bishop, of which Bishop McElwain of Minnesota is chairman, is also to submit a report which will bring forth debate sure to consume many hours. The committee is recommending that the office be made a permanent one, with a Bishop elected for life, with an age set for retirement, rather than for six years as at present. "That the Church could be thus assured of a consistency in attitude and opinion over a period of years" is given by the committee as a reason for the change, a statement sure to be vigorously opposed by those who feel that no one man should determine the attitude and opinion of the Church on vital matters. The question as to whether or not national

Church headquarters should be moved to Washington also will be discussed under this report, with the committee apparently favorable to the idea. Whatever happens in regard to moving headquarters, the Convention is almost sure to require the man elected to the office to give up diocesan jurisdiction in order that he may devote his full time to the work of the National Council.

THE thorny question of title for the Presiding Bishop likewise comes up for discussion under this report, with the committee maintaining that "The Presiding Bishop, by virtue of the duties which he now performs, is Primate and Metropolitan whatever title he holds," and suggesting that he be given these titles. One may be sure there will be opposition from those who fear a loss of democracy by the concentrating of authority in the hands of one man.

Another important commission is that which was appointed to evaluate the activities of the National Council, with Bishop Irving P. Johnson of Colorado as the chairman. In the report they pass the problem back to the National Council by stating that "the National Council is a more competent body to determine its own internal arrangements than is such a large group as General Convention, which is not cognizant of details involved in the work of the National Council." However there will be a considerable amount of discussion of this subject, with the proposal apt to be made that a thoroughgoing investigation of the entire National Council set-up be made by competent outsiders.

Bishop Page's commission on Marriage and Divorce will of course get the headlines in the daily press since it has greater reader interest than issues involving merely the internal affairs of the Episcopal Church. This is going to be a Marriage and Divorce convention. The commission recommends that the present canon be so modified as "to bring to many good men and women that spiritual help and power which we believe it is the function of the Church to give" by making it possible for each diocesan bishop to judge cases of divorce to determine whether or not the parties involved may remain communicants of the Church. This report will be opposed by those who would make the present canon still more stiff by omitting the exception in favor of adultery and never allowing re-marriage, or the blessing of the marriage of divorced persons, by a clergyman of the Church. There will be hours of oratory on the subject with Bishop Page leading the forces desiring the changes recommended by the commission and Bishop Manning of New York leading the forces opposed.

Another week and things will be sufficiently under way to enable us to report to you something of the debate on these important matters. Likewise we shall be able to give you further information about the many side-shows and the interesting personalities that are attending this 52nd triennial General Convention.

THE MEETING OF CHURCH WOMEN

By
MRS. FRANK E. WILSON

INTEREST of all churchwomen is centered on Cincinnati where the Triennial meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary to the National Council, the largest church organization for women's work, is meeting concurrently with the General Convention. The Woman's Auxiliary furnishes the means through which the women of the Church may serve the Church in all its general work, and seeks to help every Churchwoman realize the privilege of such service. The late Bishop Lloyd truly expressed the spirit of the organization when he said: "It is the Woman's Auxiliary which keeps constantly before the Church its reason for being."

Headquarters of Convention are in the beautiful Masonic Temple, the meetings of the Auxiliary held in the Scottish Rite Room. The fact that practically all Convention activities are housed under one roof means a great saving of time and foot work. The Executive Board has nominated as Presiding Officer, Mrs. Edwin A. Stebbins of Rochester and Mrs. Harold E. Woodward of Missouri as Vice Presiding Officer. Approximately 450 women delegates have registered and many visitors. Membership of the Triennial is composed of five delegates (and five alternates) from each diocese and missionary district. Hundreds of visitors also attend and a part of the program is planned with their interests in mind.

The theme of the meeting is "Fellowship in Faith and Work." Again as in the past two Triennials, subjects will be presented in speeches to the whole group after which sectional conferences will be held not only for the discussion of the subjects, but so that the delegates may have fuller opportunity to formulate a general program for the next three years. The four general presentation addresses will be made by the Rev. Elmore McN. McKee, the Rt. Rev. V. S. Azariah, the Rt. Rev. Efrain Salinas y Velasco, and the Rev. Paul Roberts. The first is to be on the faith needed today, the other three on the fellowship in faith and work of the Church coming from the Church in Asia, in Latin America, and in North America. After hearing the addresses, the delegates will divide into fifteen conference groups for discussion. The results, summarized and adopted by the delegates, are taken home by them to their respective diocesan and district branches as a general outline for the next three years. Other more informal talks and reports will include reports from the Oxford and Edinburgh Conferences, talks on Personnel, Types of Work in the Church, Money and Property, the United Thank Offering, and Supplies. Instead of missionary luncheons as in the past, there will be several teas every afternoon providing contacts with the missionaries, who are always one of the most thrilling groups at Convention.

Besides the regular business meetings at which the speeches and reports are made and all other business transacted, today in Music Hall which holds more than 6,000 persons, the Corporate Communion of the

Women of the Church will be celebrated, at which the United Thank Offering will be presented in the famous gold alms basin, a gift made in 1852 by members of the University of Oxford "to the Church in America" when the English Society for the Propagation of the Gospel was celebrating its jubilee. The Presiding Bishop is celebrant assisted by many missionary Bishops. Mrs. Harper Sibley, well known to all churchwomen will give the address at the Mass Meeting in the evening, to which the announcement of the total offering is the climax.

Exhibits, the product of much enterprise and perseverance on the part of countless groups, form an iridescent background to all the events of the Convention. One of the chief attractions is Southern Ohio's cathedral on wheels. This auto trailer, furnished in churchly fashion, with altar, Bishop's chair, organ and pews, is called St. Paul's Wayside Cathedral and will be used to extend the Church's contacts to the isolated.

YOUR correspondent attended, as a delegate from Wisconsin, the National Convention of the League of Women Voters in May, 1936, held in Cincinnati, and thereby was treated to a foretaste of the hospitality and entertainment offered by the "Queen City." She has been looking forward with keen anticipation to revisiting beautiful Eden Park, overlooking the Ohio River with its stately Art Museum where the Opening Reception was held last evening to meet the Presiding Bishop and Mrs. Perry, leaders of the Church and Woman's Auxiliary. In this park one sees a stone memorial given to the city by the children of Rome because Cincinnati, like Rome, is built on seven hills, and is named for a Roman, "Cincinnatus," a noble one, no doubt! Beautiful Taft Museum, former residence of the late Charles P. Taft, who gave it to the city in 1932, with a million dollars for its maintenance. White wood work, pale pastel tinted walls, draperies over a hundred years old, reproductions of carpets of the period and Duncan Phyfe furniture form a fitting background for colorful Chinese porcelains and paintings by Gainsborough, Van Dyck, Hals and other famous artists. On Mt. Adams, the Rookwood Pottery, to which one ascends on a huge elevator accommodating an entire bus load, giving a view of gorgeously colored hills of "old Kentucky" across the river. This contraption is known as "McGinty," because of the old song "Down Went McGinty to the Bottom of the Sea." The zoological garden, one of the finest in the world. The \$42,000,000 Union terminal with its murals portraying the history of Cincinnati and the Midwest.

Located on the Mason-Dixon Line, Cincinnatians have the spirit of the old south as well as the energy of the new south and of the north. In the words of Mayor Russell Wilson: "It is said that every man has room in his heart for two cities, his own and one other. May we ask that Cincinnati be your other city, which you will regard as home once removed."

Convention Issues

FOR the past four numbers THE WITNESS has presented to its readers the results of a questionnaire sent this summer to all the clergy in charge of parishes or missions; to all deputies and alternates to General Convention; to all delegates and alternates to the meetings of the Woman's Auxiliary and to 2,500 additional lay men and women selected for their leadership in Church work. For the benefit of those who are receiving the paper for the first time with this first Convention Number, we present tabulations of the answers on these questions to come before General Convention. The discrepancy in total figures is due to the fact that additional questionnaires have been received during the publishing of the reports.

Question: Should we have an Archbishop?

The Boxscore:		More	No
Yes	No	than One	Opinion
Clergy750	644	36	62
Laymen196	296	14	20
Laywomen104	198	6	12
1,050	1,138	56	94

Question: If we continue with a Presiding Bishop should he be elected for life or for six years, as now?

The Boxscore:		Six	No
For Life	Years	Opinion	
Clergy538	832	124	
Laymen164	312	46	
Laywomen82	230	10	
784	1,374	180	

Question: Should the national headquarters of the Church be moved to Washington?

The Boxscore:		No	No Opinion
Yes			
Clergy774	560	160	
Laymen258	228	36	
Laywomen112	192	18	
1,144	980	214	

Question: Should there be more decentralization, with departmental work now done from New York assigned to the provinces?

The Boxscore:		No	No Opinion
Yes			
Clergy946	432	90	
Laymen274	192	64	
Laywomen178	105	70	
1,398	729	224	

Question: Do you think conditions warrant an increase in the budget?

The Boxscore:		No	No Opinion
Yes			
Clergy696	718	54	
Laymen256	220	54	
Laywomen150	174	29	
1,102	1,112	137	

Question: Do you think that the situation in your own parish is such as to justify the hope that there will be a marked increase in missionary giving next year?

The Boxscore:		Yes	No	No Opinion
Clergy382	1,032	54		
Laymen108	368	54		
Laywomen76	248	29		
566	1,648	137		

Question: Are you personally prepared to make a substantial increase in your missionary offering?

The Boxscore:		Yes	No	No Opinion
Clergy410	1,004	54		
Laymen106	370	54		
Laywomen66	258	29		
582	1,632	137		

Question: Do you think that too much of the money for missions goes for administration?

The Boxscore:		Yes	No	No Opinion
Clergy862	370	242		
Laymen292	114	124		
Laywomen235	80	38		
1,389	564	404		

Question: If there should be a shortage of funds should national departmental work (religious education, social service, publicity, etc.) be cut before cuts in missionary appropriations?

The Boxscore:		Yes	No	No Opinion
Clergy1,292	172	10		
Laymen344	148	38		
Laywomen269	64	20		
1,905	384	68		

Question: Do you favor a return to the Quota System (an assigned amount from each parish for missions based on current expenses of the parish) or should missionary giving remain on a voluntary basis?

The Boxscore:		Quota	Voluntary	No Opinion
Clergy422	968	97		
Laymen188	336	24		
Laywomen144	198	22		
754	1,502	143		

Question: Do you think that all the churches (denominations) should unite in their foreign missionary programs?

The Boxscore:		Yes	No	No Opinion
Clergy740	718	29		
Laymen276	216	56		
Laywomen226	120	18		
1,242	1,054	103		

The Convention Spirit

By
BISHOP JOHNSON

THERE are those who flout General Convention on the ground that it is expensive, argumentative and ineffective, but these critics lose sight of values which cannot be evaluated in these terms. It is of the nature of sheep that they require shepherding and their possession of wool and mutton can make such leadership very profitable to the shepherds who have charge of the fold. The result is that either for profit or for glory there are innumerable applicants for the job, who are very reluctant to abandon the privileges that they have acquired. History is full of bell wethers who have usurped the shepherd's office. Leadership, the sheep must have. The question is what kind? You may submit to the Pope, you may follow some ambitious prophet or you may go to the trouble and expense of having a General Convention in which regimentation is difficult and self-constituted infallibility is taboo.

If we evaluate General Convention in terms of constructive action it may not be worth the price, but if you evaluate in terms of a preventative it is invaluable. Our own General Convention is remarkable for the diversity of its opinions and the unity of its fraternity. No ram in shepherd's clothing can control it, and no black sheep can disrupt it. It is the greatest example extant of unity in diversity; of manifesting the unity of the spirit in the bonds of peace, rather than exhibiting the uniformity of opinion in the bonds of prejudice.

It furnishes a liberal education to all that attend along the following lines: first, the liberty of the Sons of God; second, the charity of the Household of Faith; third, the universality of the Church's vision even if there are many who are uninspired by the vision and unrelated to the task.

One is conscious that there are many bishops who regard the oversight of their dioceses as a property right, and many rectors who look upon their parishes as a private corporation, but gradually we are emerging from the conception that the Church is a collection of private parishes or of unrelated dioceses. Gradually we are learning that the clergy are not ordained to be the rector of St. Dive's parish nor the bishop consecrated to be the bishop of a little Vatican City.

Gradually we are learning that we are all members one of another and that there is neither blue nor red, neither kike nor genteel in the household of faith. And it is the General Convention that does it. If we had no General Convention we could have no bigger vision than the horizon of our own personal domains.

The Church is divinely inspired to depend upon General Convention to save us from little leaders directing petty people to trivial things. Anyone who is fortunate enough to be at Cincinnati can estimate the value of the great mass meetings, the personal contacts, the earnest debates, the catholic education which is compressed into a few days. As for the money spent, I question whether any money is spent less foolishly

and whether, if it were not for General Convention, as much money would be given ultimately to carry on the great work of the Church.

What Is It?

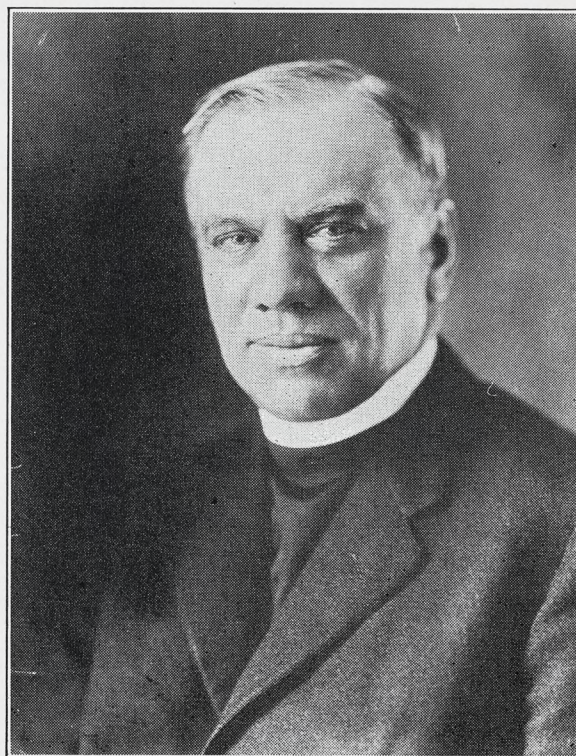
By
MARSHALL E. MOTT
Archdeacon of Western Massachusetts

WHAT is the General Convention?
What do we get out of it?

In a general sense, it is to the Church what Congress is to the United States. Our diocesan conventions correspond to the state legislatures; and our parishes to the towns and cities of the states, which regulate their own local affairs according to rights and privileges granted them by laws and canons.

The General Convention has for its task to set up rules and principles, to help regulate the life and work of the Church, to the end that the great purpose for which the Church exists may more effectively be carried out. The central purpose is religion as taught by Jesus Christ, and His commission to carry this to the whole world.

The General Convention gives us our Book of Common Prayer and Hymnal; sets forth the way and manner of choosing men for the ministry, the standard of education and other qualifications for ordination; how dioceses are set up and bishops chosen. It regulates in a general way the rights, privileges, duties



BISHOP IRVING P. JOHNSON
Presents Report on National Council

and responsibilities of both clergy and laity. It sets up standards of faith and morals, and emphasizes strongly the missionary objective. These are a few of the many things to which it gives attention, ever trying to find a more nearly perfect way.

The Convention meets once in three years. And it is necessary to meet in a large city in order to find accommodations for the many gatherings, and the great number who attend.

We have 106 dioceses and missionary districts. The House of Bishops is composed of all the Bishops of the Church and all make an earnest effort to attend. The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies numbers about 650 equally divided between clergymen and laymen. These are elected by the diocesan conventions. This is the official body.

At the same time there are meetings of a House of Women, who number several hundred; and who through the Woman's Auxiliary to the National Council carry out a very comprehensive program pertaining to women's work in the Church.

Then in addition to the men and women who come as regular delegates, there are thousands who come to see, hear and learn, for here are leaders in all phases of church work who have come from all parts of this country and from many parts of the world.

There are exhibits, many conferences, institutes, and forums, open to any who are interested. One gets a new vision of the breadth and depth of the Church's interests.

One of the most important considerations is the Missionary Program for the next three years. No one thing is given as much time and attention. How can we best arouse every congregation, every Churchman, to take a live interest in carrying the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the world? How can the Church do her work more effectively in parish, diocese, and missionary field at home? How give of her strength to answer the call which keeps coming to her from many nations, peoples and tongues outside our own borders?

Here is the very heart of the Convention, for this is the central object of all our effort. Those who go to the Convention, whether officially or unofficially, will find the atmosphere charged with this spirit, men and

women on fire to give, to do, and to dare, to answer Christ's call.

The official delegates are a select group of men and women chosen from practically every honorable profession and station of American life, from the highest to the humblest. You will find masters of industry, statesmen, financiers, educators, scholars, farmers, tradesmen, professional men and women from many fields, home workers, etc. They are select in the sense that they have been chosen on the basis of moral character, and religious interest and enthusiasm. They are one in the desire to help promote the Kingdom of God.

It is a great Convention, in the sense that the Church stands for a great ideal, and believes that Christians are called to great things.

Timely Tracts . . .

The following have been added to the Witness series of Timely Tracts. They sell for 5 cents a copy; \$3 for 100 copies, assorted if desired.

THE INNER LIFE by Bishop Cross

PRACTICAL SUGGESTIONS ON RUNNING A PARISH
by W. Appleton Lawrence

CHRISTIANITY AND WAR by Frederick C. Grant

THE CHALLENGE TO YOUTH by C. Leslie Glenn

THE CHRISTIAN AND HIS MONEY by Bishop Washburn

Tracts previously published:

Why Believe in God? by Samuel S. Drury

Why Believe in Jesus? by Albert H. Lucas

The Disciplined Christian by Charles L. Street

What Christianity Demands of Me by Edric A. Weld

What We Demand of Society by G. Gardner Monks

Why Missions? by Edmund J. Lee

Why Pray? By Oscar DeWolf Randolph

Why Worship? by Charles Herbert Young

The Meaning of the Real Presence by G. A. Studdert-Kennedy

Why I'm for the Church by Charles P. Taft

CONFIRMATION INSTRUCTIONS

by
BISHOP JOHNSON

A revised edition of these famous instructions, with several additional chapters on the history of the Church.

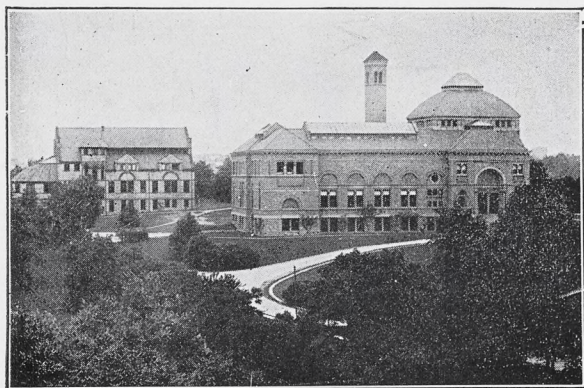
50c for single copies

\$4 for a dozen copies

THE WITNESS

6140 Cottage Grove Ave.

Chicago



THE ART MUSEUM
In Cincinnati's Eden Park

CHURCH AGENCIES HOLD MEETINGS AT THE CONVENTION

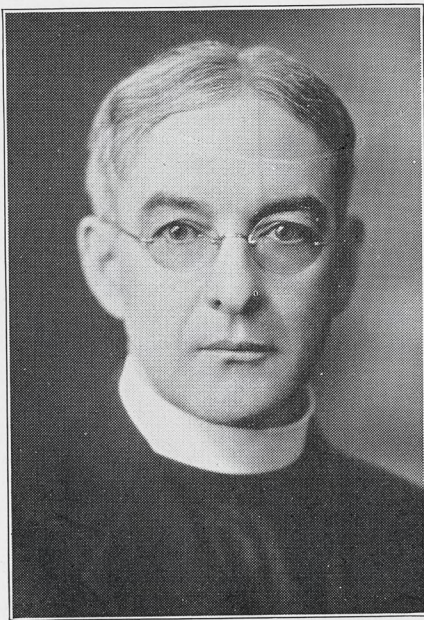
World-wide interests under many banners have gathered in Cincinnati. Missionary, social, industrial, educational enterprises are all having their side-shows and meetings, arranged so that delegates and visitors may learn more of their aims and achievements first-hand and get the inspiration of their far-reaching influence.

Oldest in organization and youngest in membership is the Girls' Friendly Society which is holding round table conferences on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of next week in the parish house of Christ Church, pictured on the cover, where so many Convention services and meetings are being held. In addition to their business meetings there are to be two conferences open to the public, one led by Mrs. Cleon Bigler and the other by Grace Loucks Elliott.

The Daughters of the King have already held their conference, October 1-5, meeting at the beautiful Church of the Advent. Among the outstanding leaders to take part were Bishop Hobson, host of the General Convention; Dean Elwood Haines of Louisville; the Rev. William C. Munds of Corpus Christi, Texas; the Rev. David Covell of Cincinnati; Bishop Morris of Louisiana; Bishop Maxon of Tennessee; Bishop Johnson of Colorado and Bishop Seaman of North Texas. In addition to these addresses there were round table conferences led by members of the society.

The 45th convention of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew likewise was held before the opening of General Convention, their sessions being held at Christ Church from October 2nd through the 5th. Among those to give addresses were Dean Chester B. Emerson of Cleveland; the Rev. Elliot F. Talmadge of Toledo; Mr. Charles P. Taft of Cincinnati; Judge F. W. Dallinger of New York; the Rev. Theodore O. Wedel, secretary of college work of the National Council; Professor Paul Rusch of Japan and Bishop Wallace Gardner of New Jersey. Several hundred Churchmen from all parts of the United States attended this convention.

The Church League for Industrial Democracy is to launch its open forum meetings today, October 7th, at noon when Mr. Norman Thomas of New York is to give an address in the Mayfair Theatre in the Masonic Temple. He is to be followed on Friday with an address by the Rev. Sam Franklin, director of the Delta Cooperative Farm, with Lieutenant



BISHOP JAMES MAXON
Presents Report on the Budget

Laurence Oxley, Colored Churchman, who is a representative of the Federal Department of Labor, the speaker on Saturday. Meetings of the League are to be continued through the second week of the Convention, with the program as printed in the official Convention Program being followed, except that on October 14 the speaker is to be the Rev. Nevin Sayre, brother of the Under-secretary of State, in place of the Rev. A. J. Muste and Bishop W. A. Lawrence is to preside.

The Church Army is to hold outdoor services daily during Convention, in addition to their other meetings. The Church Periodical Club is in conference today (October 7th) and is to sponsor other conferences from time to time throughout the Convention. The Church Congress, being brought back to life under the leadership of the Rev. Don Aldrich of New York, is having an open meeting today in the parish house of Christ Church. The Church Mission of Help is holding several meetings, while the Liberal Evangelicals have a business meeting tomorrow and a public dinner on the evening of the 12th at the Hotel Gibson.

In addition to these organizations there will be many dinners; the Church colleges, all of the seminaries, the chancellors of the dioceses, the provinces and also several diocesan dinners or luncheons; friends of Washington Cathedral; St. Barnabas Guild for Nurses as well as other societies and groups.

The Young People of the Church are to have their week-end conference starting tomorrow and running through Sunday, under the direction

(Continued on page 15)

NEWS NOTES OF THE CHURCH IN BRIEF PARAGRAPHS

Edited by W. B. SPOFFORD

The Federal Council of Churches has issued a condemnation of Japan's aggression against China and expresses its horror of the deliberate bombing of civilian populations. Seven concrete proposals for Church action are recommended: 1, reaffirmation of the Church's renunciation of war. 2, condemnation of ruthless slaughter of men, women and children. 3, mobilization of opinion "to support the government in transforming a policy of irresponsible isolationism into one of active participation in the organizing of the political and economic forces of the world for the purpose of establishing justice and goodwill". 4, recognition of the difficult position in which Church members in Japan and China find themselves. 5, continued support for missionary enterprises in the two countries. 6, solicitation of relief funds. 7, declaration by the churches of the world of their faith in the power of the Gospel to transform the world.

* * *

Trinity Parish Comptroller Resigns

Mr. Lawson Purdy resigned as the comptroller of Trinity Parish, New York, at the regular meeting of the corporation on September 27th. He remains in his position as warden and a member of the vestry. Mr. W. Sanders Davies has been appointed acting comptroller.

* * *

China Also Is United

The Rev. Leighton T. Y. Yang of Trinity Church, Wuchang, China, just arrived at the Virginia Seminary for a year of study, declares that the Chinese people are united as never before, due to the invasion by Japan. The onrush of communism also has largely disappeared as a result of the war.

* * *

Bishop Tucker to Deliver Hale Lectures

Bishop Tucker of Virginia is to deliver the Hale Lectures at Seabury-Western Seminary, Evanston, October 21-29, on the history of the Church in Japan.

* * *

Clergymen Fight for Japan

According to Prof. Paul Rusch of St. Paul's University, Tokyo, here for General Convention as the deputy from Japan, several young men who have recently been ordained deacons have been called to the colors in Japan and have no choice but to go. He also declared in an address in Chicago that the

Japanese people are unitedly behind their government in the war upon China. He further said that it was his opinion that the war would end during the winter—supposedly with a Japanese victory.

* * *

Centennial Dinners in Western New York

Every parish in the diocese of Western New York is to have a dinner on the evening of All Saints' to celebrate the centennial of the diocese. At each a historical paper will be read and then the folks will listen to a radio address from Buffalo by Bishop Davis. Dean Whitney Hale of Buffalo is in charge of arrangements.

* * *

Colleges Are Open in China

According to the Associated boards for Christian Colleges in China, representing twelve colleges and universities, all of these colleges are open in spite of hostilities.

* * *

Wants Another Commission On Marriage and Divorce

Bishop Stewart of Chicago has announced his opposition to the proposed canon on marriage and divorce, one of the big issues before General Convention, and proposes that the whole matter be re-committed to an enlarged commission for further study.

* * *

Lectures Offered By Cambridge Parish

Christ Church, Cambridge, Mass., is offering a series of lectures, given by professors of Harvard and the Episcopal Theological School, on Outlines of Christianity.

* * *

Rochester Parish Remembered in Will

The Church Home, Rochester, N. Y., is to participate in the estate of the late Mrs. Blanche Andrews upon the death of Mr. Andrews. It is estimated at a quarter of a million dollars. The Epiphany receives \$500.

* * *

Clergy Conference in Rochester

Clergy of the diocese of Rochester held a conference September 22-24 under the leadership of Bishop Ferris and Bishop Reinheimer. The speakers were Bishop Kroll of Liberia; the Rev. William C. Compton and the Rev. Harry Longley who spoke on issues before General Convention; the Rev. H. Russell Talbot and the Rev. John G. Spencer who spoke on membership growth in the diocese; the Rev. Theodore O. Wedel of the National Council on religious education and Mr. William L. Richards, national field department representative, on the aims of the National Council. Following the clergy,



LEON PALMER
Leads Brotherhood Convention

the laymen of the diocese met for a two day conference with the same program.

* * *

Bishop Wise Is Consecrator

Bishop James Wise of Kansas was the consecrator of Bishop Goodrich Fenner as Coadjutor of Kansas in the absence of Presiding Bishop Perry who remained in Providence because of an infection. Bishop Moore of Dallas and Bishop Capers of West Texas were the co-consecrators. The service was held on September 29th.

* * *

Clergy Conference in North Texas

The clergy of North Texas held a conference at Lubbock on September 22, with General Convention issues and problems before the district the chief topics considered. The conference was unique in at least one particular—the wives had a session at the same time.

* * *

Clergy Conference in Connecticut

The Edinburgh Conference, The Forward Movement and labor problems were the principal subjects discussed at the annual clergy conference of the diocese of Connecticut, held at Wallingford, September 21-23. The Rev. Floyd Tomkins Jr., who is a leader of the Conference on Faith and Order, dealt with the Edinburgh Conference and did it in an entertaining as well as an instructive way. The Rev. Fleming James, professor at the Berkeley Divinity School, was the leader of the conference on the Forward Movement, while Mr. Joseph Tone, state's commissioner of labor, received pro-

longed applause for his address on the challenge of modern labor conditions. There was also discussion of the following topics; united services and pulpit exchange; fellowship with clergy of other churches; the disciplinary methods of other churches; the admission of outsiders to Holy Communion; the recognition of the breaking down of denominational bigotry thus making possible corporate acts of Christian endeavor. There were also addresses by Bishop Budlong, Bishop Brewster and the Rev. Frederick Sill, O. H. C.

* * *

A Missionary Takes a Holiday

"I left Japan the end of July for a nice quiet boat trip to Manila and back, a three-weeks' trip," writes Miss Helen Boyle, treasurer of the missionary district of the Tohoku, from Sendai, Japan. "I was gone four weeks and encountered typhoon, war, pestilence and earthquake. It was a very interesting holiday trip."

* * *

Clergy Meet to Discuss Sermons

The clergy of the convocation of Asheville, diocese of Western North Carolina, went into a huddle on September 21-22 with the interesting object of tackling their own sermons. The Rev. H. P. Scratchley talked on the sermon's message and contents; the Rev. Arthur W. Taylor of Canton spoke on its place in worship; the Rev. William C. Cravner of Asheville held forth on the preparation of the sermon while a mere layman, Mr. Harold V. Smedberg of Brevard, told the parsons what the man in the pew thinks of their efforts. In any case that was his subject—here's hoping he didn't muff the opportunity.

* * *

Church Clubs to Hold Meetings

The National Federation of Church Clubs is to hold meetings in Cincinnati October 15-16, with all members of Church Clubs invited, whether members of the Federation or not. There are to be corporate communions each day at Christ Church, followed by a breakfast. There are then to be meetings at 10:30 and 3 on vital Church matters. The Cincinnati Church club is to entertain members of the federation at dinner on Saturday evening.

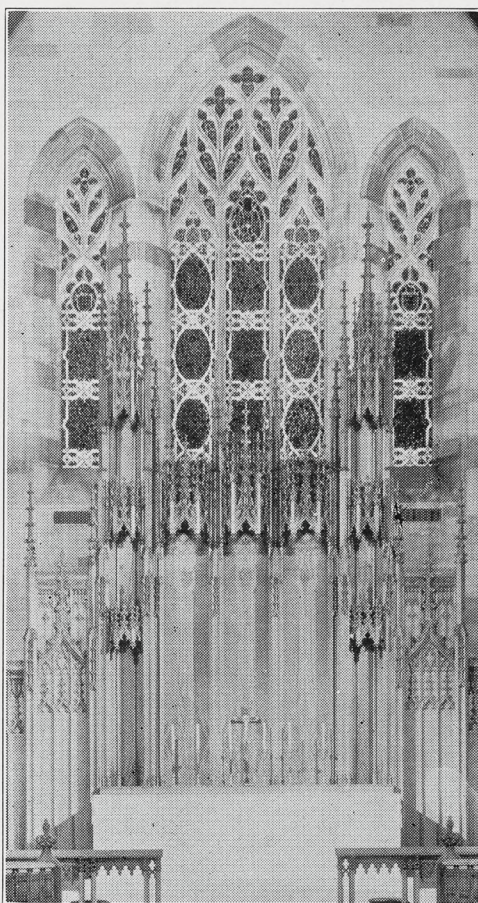
* * *

A New Window Calls for New Setting

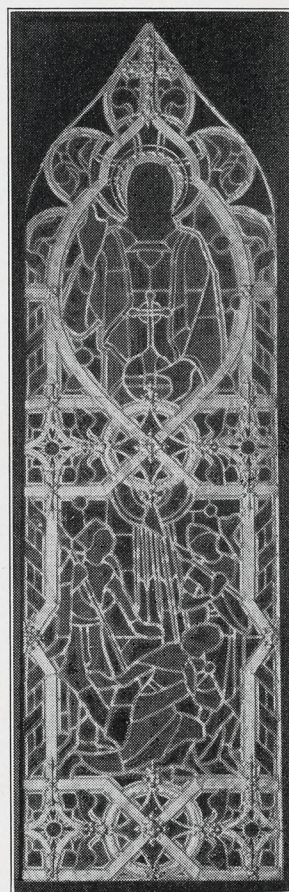
The Church of the Epiphany, Avalon, Pa., where the Rev. J. N. Warren is rector, is emerging from ten layers of Pittsburgh "smog", deposited during the many years. Here's how it all happened. A parishioner



The upper portion of the central lancet by day. The actual glass is of course revealed here. Christ is portrayed in an attitude of blessing, while the lower medallion illustrates the conversion of Saul.



The Chancel window of St. Paul's P. E. Church, Chestnut Hill, Pa., during evening service. Here is illustrated an entirely new method of window decoration, inasmuch as the usual antique window is devoid of interest at night. The gilding and decorating of the main lead lines gives an effect similar to a tapestry and is especially interesting in this particular instance.



The same detail at night. Notice the intricate design in the modeled and gilded lead. This magnificent expanse of stained glass should really be seen to be appreciated.

In addition

Our stained glass, mosaics, and mural decorations may be seen in the following buildings:

The Cathedral of St. John the Divine, New York City; The Chapel at Princeton University; Folger-Shakespeare Library, Washington, D. C.; The Washington Memorial Chapel, Valley Forge; St. Michael's Chapel, Canterbury School, New Milford, Conn.; The Unitarian Church of Germantown, Phila., Pa.; St. John's Cathedral, Denver, Colorado; The Church of the Holy Child, Phila., Pa.; Muhlenberg College Chapel, Allentown, Pa.; First Congregational Church, Columbus, Ohio; Rodeph-Shalom Synagogue, Phila., Pa.; The National Cathedral, Washington D. C.; The East Liberty Presbyterian Church, Pittsburgh, Pa.

The D'Ascenzo Studios

1604 Summer Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

recently donated a new East Window which is now being made in the D'Ascenzo Studios in Philadelphia. So the vestry decided that such a jewel called for a brighter setting and ordered a thorough cleaning of the church. Next it was found that a new chancel ceiling would be the cheapest investment in the long run, so a new ceiling of acoustical tile was installed. It then developed that the lighting was not good so a number of engineers were called in to go to work on that problem. News of the plans prompted a wave of giving with the result that sufficient money was subscribed in one week to cover the total costs of the renovations, a new reredos, credence table, chancel rug and two additional windows.

* * *

Sesquicentennial Celebrated in Diocese of Erie

Several parishes of the diocese of Erie celebrated the United States Constitutional Sesquicentennial last month. At Trinity, New Castle, Rector Philip C. Pearson preached on "Problems of 1787 and ours today" which certainly gave him an opportunity to branch out a bit, particularly since the service was attended by the mayor and city council; the four remaining G. A. R. veterans of Lawrence County, and all the patriotic societies of the city. Services were also held at St. James', Titusville; the Church of Our Father, Foxburg, and the Epiphany, Grove City.

* * *

Vestment Firm to Exhibit At Convention

There is an exhibition of clergy and choir vestments, stoles and linen, communion ware, stained glass and other Church appointments at General Convention by the firm of J. M. Hall, Inc., of New York. The exhibition is to be at 308 East Fourth Street in Cincinnati.

* * *

Episcopal Rector Acts As Chaplain

When a delegation headed by General John J. Pershing visited battle fields in Europe this summer to erect memorials to American soldiers they took along three official chaplains.

At the General Convention J. M. HALL, INC.

will display a unique and comprehensive collection of Church and Clerical requirements such as Vestments, Tailoring, Embroidery, etc., at 308 East 4th Street, Cincinnati, Ohio, from October 6th to 22nd.



PARISH PAPERS

Your church, school or ladies' society can make money with our parish paper plan. Stimulates all church activities. Fills empty pews. Samples and particulars free. National Religious Press, Grand Rapids, Mich.

The Rev. Perry Smith, rector at Roseburg, Oregon, was selected to represent the Protestant Churches. There was also a Roman Catholic priest and a Jewish rabbi.

* * *

Clergy Meet in Oklahoma

The clergy of Oklahoma held their fall conference this year in two sections; one for the missionary clergy on September 21-22 and the other for parish clergy the two days following. Work in the rural field, among college students and among Negroes were the chief topics discussed under the leadership of Bishop Thomas Casady.

* * *

Speakers Bureau On Spain

The American Friends of Spanish Democracy, of which Bishop Robert L. Paddock is chairman, maintains a Speakers' Bureau and is glad to furnish speakers for church groups, clubs, or forums. The speakers include university professors, writers, newspaper men returned only recently from Spain; they are prepared to discuss any phase of the Spanish situation which may interest your group most. For further information, write to Speakers Bureau, American

KNIGHTS OF STS. JOHN



has all the appeals of a College Frat — churchly, fraternal, educational, full of fun. Squires, age 10 to 14. Knights, age 14 to 18.

Ritual and Instructions \$1. 3012 West Coulter Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Splendor... Solemnity...Pathos

Whatever the range of emotions, you will find in a Pilcher Organ a fidelity of expression that surpasses expectation. . . . And withal a purity and balance of tone in keeping with the Anglican service. . . . Henry Pilcher's Sons, Incorporated, Louisville, Kentucky.

PILCHER Organs

EDWIN S. GORHAM, Inc.

Church Bookstore

Established 1900

Books of all publishers, Church and Parish Requirements, Catalogues and information supplied.

Vanderbilt 3-7563

18 West 45 Street

New York



Church Furnishings

Brass goods, Paraments, Paintings, Tablets, Chancel Furniture and Pews. Everything needed for the Church. Designs with prices sent on request. Mention requirements.

THE KLAGSTAD STUDIOS
225 Fifth St. S.
Minneapolis, Minn.

MARY FAWCETT CO.

New Address

640 West State Street
Trenton, N. J.

Fine IRISH LINEN specially selected for CHURCH use. Samples on request.

THE BISHOP WHITE PRAYER BOOK SOCIETY

Founded by Bishop White 1833

Donates to Missions, Institutions, and Parishes unable to purchase them, in limited grants.

The Book of Common Prayer.

The Combined Book (The Book of Common Prayer and Hymnal in one volume)
Pew Size

Apply to Rev. W. Arthur Warner, D.D.
Secretary, 1935 Chestnut St.
Philadelphia, Pa.

ALTAR BREADS—Orders promptly filled.
Saint Mary's Convent, Kenosha, Wis.

CATHEDRAL STUDIO—Church embroidery. Stoles \$6 up, Burse, veil, \$10 up, Surplices \$8 up. Exquisite Altar Linens. Cope \$70 up, Mass set \$50 up. Complete line pure Irish linens and Church fabrics by the yd. Embroidered emblems ready to apply. Altar Guild Handbook 50c. Address: L. V. Mackrille, 11 W. Kirke St., Chevy Chase, Washington, D. C. Telephone Wisconsin 2752.

When Children Need a Laxative

In children's little bilious attacks and common colds, a very important part of the treatment is to keep the bowels active. Mothers have found pleasant-tasting Syrup of Black - Draught very useful in such cases. In fact, whenever laxative medicine is needed, children will not object to being given Syrup of Black-Draught, and by its relief of constipation, recovery will be hastened. Sold at drug stores in 5-ounce bottles, price 50 cents. Also obtainable from the manufacturer—send 50 cents for one bottle to The Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn.



Friends of Spanish Democracy, 70 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

* * *

Church Consecrated in Southwestern Virginia

Bishop Jett of Southwestern Virginia consecrated St. John's Church, Bedford, on September 19th. The church was erected in 1924, with the parish house added a few years later. The people of the parish recently raised the funds to pay off the indebtedness on the property.

* * *

Mass Meeting On War in China

William E. Dodd, American Ambassador to Germany, took part in a mass meeting held in Madison Square Garden, New York, on October 1st to protest the invasion of China by the Japanese. The Rev. Harry F. Ward, professor at Union Seminary and chairman of the American League against War and Fascism, under whose auspices the meeting was held, was the chairman. Others to address the meeting besides Ambassador Dodd were Dr. Chao-Tsing Chi, Chinese writer; Rabbi Stephen S. Wise of New York; the Rev. D. Willard Lyon, for many years a leading missionary in China and a Chinese girl who was an eye-witness to the Japanese bombardment of Shanghai. The meeting was endorsed by a large number of clergymen, editors, professors and public figures.

* * *

Here Is a Sad Tale

And it is from the Los Angeles Churchman. Last month a member of one of our local churches was out hunting, when a terrible storm came upon him. He looked for shelter, but there was none. It began raining, so he crawled into a nearby hollow log. It fitted snugly. The rain lasted for hours and the water soaked through the wooden log. Then the log began to contract.

When the storm was over the man could not get out. The log held him tight. He knew that if he could not free himself he would die of starvation. His whole life flashed before him, especially his mistakes. Suddenly he remembered he had not paid his pledge to his church for his vacation time in advance. This made him feel so small that he was able to crawl out of the log without any difficulty.

Next day the treasurer of his parish received a check for three months' pledge in advance. Selah!

* * *

Tacoma Parish Receives Bequest

Christ Church, Tacoma, Washington, has received \$5,000 by the will of the late Mrs. Hugh C. Wallace, who died this summer in New York. Mrs. Wallace was the widow of Hugh

Campbell Wallace, ambassador to France in the post-war period of Woodrow Wilson's administration, and the daughter of Chief Justice Melville W. Fuller of the United States Supreme Court. She and Mr. Wallace made their summer home in Tacoma and she continued to do so after his death, always attending services at Christ Church where the Rev. Sidney T. James is rector.

* * *

Houston Church Women Have Training School

In Houston, Texas, women of the various churches are united in the Council of Federated Church Women. Last week they opened a leadership training school at Trinity Church, with six courses offered to equip them better for Church service in the community.

* * *

Death of San Francisco Churchman

William H. Crocker, for many years a leading Churchman of San Francisco, and a national figure because of his political activities, died on September 24th in his seventy-sixth year.

* * *

Texas Clergy Hold a Conference

The clergy of the diocese of Texas held their annual conference September 21-22, following an interdenominational conference that had been held the two previous days. At the first conference the subject under consideration was "The Present Challenge to the Church" with two Episcopalians on the program; the Rev. Thomas N. Carruthers of

ST. HILDA GUILD, Inc.

147 E. 47th St., New York
CHURCH VESTMENTS
ECCLESIASTICAL EMBROIDERY
Conferences with reference to the adornment of Churches
Telephone EL-dorado 5-1058

Sunday School Literature

following the
INT. UNIFORM LESSON TOPICS

Samples on application

Address

UNION GOSPEL PRESS
Box 6059 Cleveland, Ohio

MENEELY & CO.
BELLS
WATERVLIET, N.Y.



Stained Glass Windows and Mosaics

Franz Mayer of Munich, Inc.

1616 Woolworth Building
New York, N. Y.



PARKER'S HAIR BALSAM
Removes Dandruff—Stops Hair Falling
Imparts Color and
Beauty to Gray and Faded Hair
60c. and \$1.00 at Druggists.
Hiscox Chem. Wks. Patchogue, N. Y.

LESLIE H. NOBBS

536 Madison Avenue, New York
Special Designs and Estimates
prepared for all Church
Appointments in
WOOD STONE
MARBLE METAL

FOLDING CHAIRS

Brand-New Steel Folding
Chairs. Full Upholstered Back
and Seat. Rubber Feet. Write
for Details. \$16.00 a dozen.
Redington Co. Dept. 93 Scranton, Pa.

Wilbur Herbert Burnham

Designer and Master
Craftsman

Stained and Leaded Glass

Studios 1126 Boylston Street
Boston, Massachusetts

The D'Ascenzo Studios

1604 Summer St., Phila., Pa.

Respectfully refer you to their
stained glass in

The Cathedral of St. John the Divine.
New York City

The Washington Memorial Chapel.
Valley Forge, Pa.

The National Cathedral, Washington, D.C.



R. GEISSELER, INC.
450 SIXTH AVE. NEAR 10th ST. NEW YORK
Church Furnishings
IN CARVED WOOD AND
MARBLE · BRASS · SILVER
FABRICS + WINDOWS

THEOLOGICAL BOOKS
SECOND HAND

Send for Bulletin of Episcopal and Anglican Books just issued. Correspondence and "Want Lists" invited.
Please mention The Witness when writing.
SCHULTE'S BOOK STORE
26 & 82 Fourth Ave. New York City

Houston who spoke on "The Church Must Act" and the Rev. Everett H. Jones of Waco who spoke on "Communism". Bishop Quin was the leader of the diocesan clergy conference when "Objectives for 1938" was under consideration.

* * *

Conference for Women in Michigan

The annual conference for women of the diocese of Michigan was held September 22-23, attended by 160, representing most of the 125 parishes and missions of the diocese. There were addresses by Bishop Page, Bishop Creighton, Archdeacon Hagger, the Rev. Ernest Piper, the Rev. Robert W. Woodroffe Jr., and the Rev. I. C. Johnson, all of the diocese.

* * *

Normal School for Church School Teachers

The diocese of Western New York opened a normal school for Church school teachers on October 4th, the sessions being held in Trinity Church, Buffalo. It is to meet each Monday for seven weeks, with the teachers from the State Teachers College in addition to religious leaders of the diocese.

* * *

Southwestern Virginia Adopts Budget

At a meeting of the executive board of the diocese of Southwestern Virginia this month a missionary program calling for the expenditure of \$37,632 was adopted for 1938. Chief items in the budget are \$10,500 for the National Council, \$14,000 for diocesan clergy salaries, \$3,150 for salaries for diocesan missionaries and \$3,500 for the diocesan department of social service.

* * *

Congregational Minister Is Ordained

Frederic H. Young, Congregational minister and son of a Congregational minister, was ordained deacon on September 25 by Bishop Washburn of Newark.

* * *

No Red Scare in Luxemburg

The little Grand Duchy of Luxemburg was recently the scene of a remarkable event. A so-called "anti-Communist" law had been adopted by the Chamber of Deputies with 34 against 70 votes and by the State Council without any dissent. But the people rejected the law in a referendum which resulted in 72,000 votes opposed to the law and 70,000 for it.

The two government parties, Catholics and Radical Liberals, had insisted that this law was indispensable for the maintenance of public order. Since Luxemburg has no army, they declared, it would be easy for a handful of armed men, with

the aid of volunteers from abroad, to overthrow the existing order by violence. Therefore the Communist organizations — and Fascist also, should they come into existence — must be dissolved.

The plebiscite showed, however, that the Luxemburgers will not tolerate the slightest limitation of their rights and liberties and that they do not want the world to believe that they are adopting the anti-Bolshevist tactics of the Nuremberg Nazi congresses.

There are very few Communists in Luxemburg and the people are not at all sympathetic to Bolshevist experiments. They are good democrats and dislike any measures which limit the freedom of speech, of the press and of assembly. Those who voted for the law are also good democrats, but they believed that they were voting for or against Communism.

The referendum resulted in the resignation of the Government, although it still had a majority of seven in Parliament. The new coalition Government will probably include Catholics, Radical Liberals and Socialists. The trade union movement is strong and the Socialists and Christian Labor Unions have already secured a considerable increase in wages in the mining and steel industries.

* * *

Presiding Bishop Preaches in Cincinnati

Presiding Bishop Perry was the preacher at a service on October 3rd, at Christ Church, Cincinnati, sounding a keynote for General Convention about to open. He said: "What has the Church of Christ to say to a world that is suffering from the deadly instruments of war and peace, from selfishness, ambition, lust and pride, the ravages of destruction? In the first place the Church must teach from sure conviction, the absoluteness of divine law. God's Kingdom is a realm which is not governed by the shifting standards that men may write or not into their statute books. The principles of righteousness, justice and mercy

which He inspires are not shaken by men's violation of them. His peace lives in the hearts of men who themselves are forced to live in a war-swept world. His law of love prevails in spite of hatred that may wreck a home, a community or a nation. His reign does not wait until the Kingdoms of this world become the Kingdom of His Christ. Above all the Church will show by precept and example that the weapons of this world can have no place, and cannot avail, in the Kingdom which Christ rules. His victories are won through the means that He has blest. These never have and never shall have gone down to defeat. They may seem at times to be lost in the noise of battle and the strife of tongues, but silently, inevitably they come to their fulfillment through the ministries which He ordains 'not to destruction but to salvation, not to hurt but to help.'"

* * *

Missionaries Are All Safe

A cable from Bishop Graves of China to the national department of foreign missions, dated September 30th, states that he is to return to Shanghai on October 11th from Tsingtao. He reports that all the twenty-two missionaries now in Tsingtao, and their children, are safe

M. P. MÖLLER

Presents a Newly Designed
Portable Pipe Organ



The ideal instrument for small churches, homes, etc.

No special preparation required. Priced low. Liberal terms.

We build organs of every size, specially designed for a particular use.

Möller organs are endorsed as the highest grade by leading organists everywhere.

Catalogs, specifications and full particulars on request.

M. P. MÖLLER, Inc.

Hagerstown

Maryland

DeLong Furniture Co
MAKERS OF FINE CHURCH WOODWORK

50 E 42ND ST. NEW YORK 1505 RACE ST PHILA. PA

Pewes - Chancel Furniture - Fonts
THE FACTORY - AT TOTTEN PA

and well. An air mail letter from the Rev. Lloyd R. Craighill, from Kuling, informs the department that he has been commissioned by Bishop Huntington to evacuate women and children of the diocese of Anking to the Philippines.

* * *

Churchmen Honor Bishop Tucker

Bishop Tucker of Virginia was honored at a dinner last week in Richmond, attended by 250 clergymen and lay people. Bishop Francis of Indianapolis, Bishop Freeman of Washington and Bishop Goodwin of Virginia were the speakers. The occasion was the 25th anniversary of Bishop Tucker's consecration.

* * *

Edwin N. Lewis Executive Secretary

Edwin N. Lewis, for thirteen years associated with Washington Cathedral, has been appointed executive secretary of the cathedral offices and director of publicity.

* * *

Support for New Marriage Canon

The social service department of the diocese of Western Michigan on September 27th passed a resolution approving in principle the modification of the canon law to permit the remarriage of divorced persons.

CHURCH AGENCIES HOLD MEETINGS AT THE CONVENTION

(Continued from page 9)

of Miss Hilda Shaul, educational director of the diocese of Southern Ohio, with various Church organizations cooperating in the program. Among those to address this conference are Bishop Azariah of India; the Rev. Joseph Fletcher of the School of Applied Religion; Bishop Hobson and Bishop Quin. There will also be panel discussion in which the young people themselves will take part.

The Church Training Institute is to open next Tuesday and will be in session at Christ Church Parish House through the 15th, with outstanding leaders of the Church giving lectures on all phases of Church activity. On the same days there will be a seminar for leaders in religious education, under the direction of the Rev. D. A. McGregor, secretary of the national department. Likewise on these days the clergy training institute in social service is to be held under the joint auspices of the Graduate School of Applied Religion and the National Council's department of social service, with courses given on marital relations; child welfare; mental hygiene and psychiatry; family case work; labor relations and delinquency and crime.

Motion pictures play a larger part in this Convention than in any previously held. Pictures of Miss Margaret Marston's trip to the Orient are to be shown several times; the CLID is to show pictures of the Delta Cooperative Farm and of the present Spanish war before its forum meetings; a picture of college work done at St. Francis House, Wisconsin University, is to be shown; there is another of the work of the American Church Institute for Negroes, while on the afternoons of October 8, 11, 13, 15 and 18 pictures are to be exhibited in the Mayfair Theatre to demonstrate the use of motion pictures in the Church.

There will be the usual exhibits, with sixty-nine agencies of the Church having booths. And if there are those looking for fun and recreation a large number of sightseeing tours have been arranged by one of the many committees of the diocese of Southern Ohio that have done such a thorough job in arranging the many details for this great General Convention.

"I AM A VESTRYMAN"

A Study Outline for Vestrymen, Organization Leaders, and Churchmen.
By the Rt. Rev. Theodore R. Ludlow, D.D.,
Suffragan Bishop of Newark.

A timely booklet on Church History, the General Convention, the National Council, and information about the diocese and parish that every vestryman should know. 30 cts. each; \$3.00 a dozen.

STRETCHING FORTH THINE HAND TO HEAL

By the Rev. R. A. Richard Spread.
Foreword to the American Edition by the
Rt. Rev. Philip M. Rhinelander, D.D.

A new book on Spiritual Healing based on personal experiences. It is clearly and courageously written. Every priest will want to read it and add it to his library. \$1.50.

MACKAY OF ALL SAINTS'

A Biographical Sketch of Canon H. F. B. Mackay.
By Sidney Dark, Editor, "Church Times," London.

"An engaging and brilliant picture of this great priest by one who knew him intimately . . . Don't miss **Mackay of All Saints'**."—**Holy Cross Magazine.** \$2.00.

During General Convention
See these books at our Book Store
4th & Sycamore Sts., Cincinnati

MOREHOUSE PUBLISHING CO.

14 E. Forty-first St.,
New York City



1801 W. Fond du Lac Ave.,
Milwaukee

Just Published

LIVING EVERY DAY

By Joseph Fort Newton

For years Dr. Newton has been enriching the lives of men and women through the medium of a syndicated newspaper column. Now three hundred and sixty-five of these inspirational sermonettes have been gathered in a pocket-size volume, characterized by high faith, simplicity of style, common sense and directness of appeal.

573 pages, \$1.90.

THE SPIRITUAL LIFE

By Evelyn Underhill

The spiritual life is here considered, not as an intense form of piety peculiar to saints, but as the living heart of all religion. The author of *Worship* and *Mysticism* writes in this book to answer the questions of ordinary men and women in regard to the life of the spirit. \$1.25.

On Display at the
Convention

HARPER & BROTHERS

Announcing
Something New And Unusual
I WENT TO CHURCH IN NEW YORK—Bomar

This Book Is A Veritable *Spirit of America In Religion*. It Is A Book
You Will Not Want To Miss *IF* You Would Be

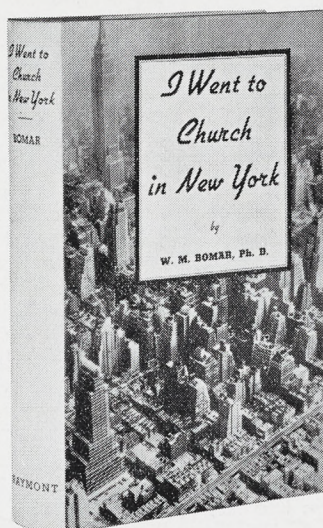
Informed

On Religious Life In America's Metropolis, Which Has Been Called
"The Largest, Tallest, Richest, Liveliest, Most Entertaining
Spot In The Known Universe."

❧

"A compilation of notable sermons and lectures by church leaders of every denomination, from the Adventist to Universalist. Many charming illustrations of beautiful places of worship dot its pages."—*Westchester Features*.

❧



❧

"Here is a novel and unique way of describing the religious activities in a cosmopolitan city. . . . The entire work is highly absorbing and can be read with great profit by others than religious leaders. . . ."—*Pulpit Digest*.

❧

Of this objective, non-partisan presentation of "what the people in New York are thinking so far as church services are concerned," distinguished critics who are leaders in widely differing fields of thought have said:

" . . . A lovely volume. It amazes me that such a wide range of services have been covered with such evident faithfulness and accuracy. It is certainly unique in its field." Finis S. Idleman, D.D., Pastor Central Christian Church, New York.

"It is one of the most unusual and interesting volumes I have read." W. A. Smith, D.D., Pastor First Methodist Church, Birmingham, Alabama.

"It is a real contribution to the study of the churches and their message in a great city." Gordon Palmer, President Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Philadelphia.

"It is the most enlightening, intimate insight into what the actual trend of religion is today that it has been my good fortune to study." Frank J. McKay, Roman Catholic Church of St. Angela Merici, New York.

"It is an excellent book—full of meat of general interest and of exceeding value for reference." Dr. Emanuel Sternheim, Radio Lecturer on Books, Chicago.

"It is a MIDDLETOWN in religion." Dr. Charles Francis Potter, Founder and Leader First Humanist Society, New York.

12 Illustrations — Over 300 Pages — \$3.00

Mail This Coupon Today for Your Copy

THE GRAYMONT PUBLISHERS,
438 West 116th Street,
New York, New York

Please send me a copy, prepaid, of I WENT TO CHURCH IN NEW YORK—Bomar, for which I am inclosing \$3.00.

Name
Street
City State