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CLERGY NOTES

BLAGE, A. R., of the diocese of Oklahoma, is in temporary charge of St. Thomas' Church, Malverne, Long Island.

BOSSHARD, EVERETT, professor at the Church Divinity School of the Pacific, is on a year's absence to complete work for his doctorate. He is enrolled in the Philadelphia Divinity School.

BROWN, R. R., priest-in-charge of All Saints' Church, San Benito, and rector of St. Albans, Harlingen, both in Texas, has accepted a call to be assistant to the rector, the Rev. Harry Lee Doll of Trinity Church, Houston.

HARRIS, C. U. JR., of the diocese of North Carolina, is in charge of Trinity Church, Roslyn, Long Island, until June 1.

NOCE, W. S., was instituted as rector of St. Thomas' Church, Port Clinton, Ohio, on April 14th. The Rev. B. B. Comer Lile, canon missionary of the diocese of Ohio officiated for Bishop Tucker and preached the sermon. Mr. Noce was formerly rector of St. Mark's Church, Erie.

REAMSNYDER, R. W., was advanced to the priesthood by Bishop Tucker on March 18th in Grace Church, Toledo, Ohio. The Rev. Benedict Williams preached the sermon; the Rev. Theodore L. Rynder presented Mr. Reamsnyder.

SHIRES, DEAN HENRY, of the Church Divinity School of the Pacific, has been elected president of the association of theological seminaries of the Pacific coast and the mountain area.

WOOD, HORACE W., is taking services at the Church of St. Mary of the Angels, Hollywood, Calif., during the absence because of illness of the rector, the Rev. Neal Dodd.

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OBJECTIVES FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING

By

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IN NEW England the other day a clinical psychologist told me that nearly half the people he deals with are suffering neurotic disorders due to a growing sense of individual helplessness before the magnitude of modern social events. This is one of the tragedies of the present day human situation.

And yet, from the vantage point of our Christian faith I should say that this personal tragedy need not be. In our Christian faith we have the key to constructive control of social processes. In God and in Christ, His Carpenter Son, we have the power to gain and wield that control toward human success and social achievement.

The stuff of social relations is human nature in the last analysis. How then does our human nature relate itself to our collective welfare as well as to our individual welfare?

Men are creatures of God and therefore incapable of lifting themselves by their own moral or spiritual bootstraps. Every individual is dependently related to three fundamental realities. These realities, named in the order of our moral experience of them (not in the order of their ultimate value) are Nature, Man and God. These realities condition and determine the development of human personality.

Man's relation to Nature is the economic aspect of human life. Man's relation to man is the political aspect. Man's relation to God is the religious aspect. Each of these three phases is part of the fundamental reality of human living.

The economists warn us that we must "get right" with nature if we are to find the Good Life. For example, we must escape the present social predicament of increasing starvation in the midst of increasing plenty. The political scientists tell us we must "get right" with each other. For

example, we must eliminate sooner or later the artificial barriers between neighbors, as in the case of state sovereignty at home and national sovereignty abroad. Then the parsons come along and tell us we must "get right" with God, who is the source of our being, the author of all creation and ultimate reality itself. Life apart from God is not only un-Christian but inevitably sub-human.

All these demands go together to make a single integrated whole of the Good Life. Failure to achieve success in any one of them brings about failure in the others. "Religion" is no more important, when we get down to the fundamentals, than "politics" or "economics."

The history of these aspects of human living reveals a constant natural tendency toward a socially-organized form. The social organization of these basic relations we call "institutions." The institution of man's relation to God we call the Church. The institution of man's relation to man we call the State. The institutions of industry, commerce and finance represent man's relation to Nature. At the same time, we also see a constant struggle in these institutions toward democracy, that is to say, the attempt to make them serve the welfare of people rather than make people serve them. Thus it was that Jesus said of the Sabbath, an important religious institution in his day, that the "Sabbath was made for man and not man for the Sabbath." When, as in the case of Fascism, men are made subservient to the state we have unnatural and un-Christian developments. When, as in the labor markets of capitalism, men become subservient to economic processes we have an equally unnatural and un-Christian situation.

Here in America we have achieved a relatively

high degree of democracy in the Church. Our whole history is one of struggle away from religious authoritarianism.

Likewise in the state, we Americans have achieved a very real degree of democracy. The principle of universal suffrage and self-determination has been accepted in our governmental and political structure.

However, compared with the democracy we have achieved in Church and state, the American people are dangerously behind in the struggle for economic democracy. Remember that failure in one of these phases of life inevitably causes failure in the others. We cannot keep our religious and political democracy if we do not establish equal economic democracy. Fascism abroad is fundamentally the result of inconsistency between political democracy and economic oligarchy. The privileged economic classes sooner or later have to choose which they want: economic equality for the sake of political equality, or the destruction of political equality for the sake of continued inequality. When they make their decision in favor of the latter they have Fascism.

THE question before us is whether we American people have enough social genius to establish economic democracy before democracy of religion and state is destroyed. In the Church we must constantly resist authoritarianism. In the state we must struggle for civil liberties and the Bill of Rights, supporting democracy with safe-guards like the National Labor Relations Act and the Wage and Hours Act. In the economic system, we must insist upon social control of our social credit to maintain such things as W. P. A. and adequate relief standards. But we must also recognize that "work relief" is here to stay and that society must continue to subsidize private enterprise as it fails in the task of providing material security for the American people. Therefore, we must also demand control over economic enterprises in order to change the wage system from its present function of narrow income service to a broader service of distributing purchasing power to all men and women. We cannot long continue to let the plentiful standards of living made possible by modern technology lie unutilized.

The chief danger point, therefore, in our scheme of things is the lack of democracy in our economic relations. There is a time limit in any situation in which (as at present) one-half of one per cent at the top have an income equal to the share received by 42% at the bottom. We have a dangerous economic oligarchy. They control

prices, as may be seen in the case of Nebraska schools which cut down their electric light consumption by fifty per cent because they could not afford the rates charged by the public utilities. These same utilities, at a public school festival, offered to buy glasses for the school children whose parents were too poor to afford them! This oligarchy also controls wages. Two or three years ago we found four of the largest tobacco manufacturing concerns paying their officers and stockholders an income which was greater than that received by all the tobacco farmers in the whole nation!

The tragic war raging in Europe and the Far East today is a direct or indirect result of this internal contradiction in modern society. Industrial nations with this kind of economic system must have larger and larger colonies and monopoly markets in order to sell their "export surpluses" and in order to "export their unemployment." This conflict of interest can never possibly be settled by force of arms. The Church should join all other social forces in demanding that America keep out of the war in order that we may build a real and genuine democracy as an encouragement to the struggling elements of a new and just order everywhere.

Let us never forget that the Christian truth, when it is genuine faith, changes life. Jesus did not say that the Christian truth would make us merely wise or intelligent or expert or educated or any of these things. The important point about it is, as He said, that the "truth will make you free!"

And yet our public affairs policy, if it is to bear fruit, must insist on a statement of principles. It must also have a concrete program related to specific social issues like the social security, fair labor standards, the Bill of Rights, public utilities control, defense of collective bargaining and similar realities. If we have broad principles without concrete programs we are apt to become merely opportunistic and therefore in practice actually "unprincipled."

The same may be said about "directions for living." We must have directions, of course, but we also must have goals. No matter what direction we may take we are apt to lose the way unless we fix the goal we seek along the road. We do not have to be dogmatic or doctrinaire and unrealistic in order to set up for ourselves social objectives which are reasonable and worth the loyalty of Christian men and women.

Our world today is in a grave crisis. As Christians we can face this fact without fear of discouragement, or defeat. The lot of our genera-

tion is cast in the midst of one of those great social convulsions which occur from time to time in human history.

It is important to recognize the fact of "crisis." As a psychologist has recently remarked we are only ripe for "insight" when we are in the midst of crisis. This is as true for our social life as it is for our personal life. But there is a time limit involved. The trouble with liberals always has been that they ignored the time factor. We do not have forever to solve our common problems. In order to do the right thing we must understand the problem but it is not enough to understand it. We can only solve our problems if we understand them soon enough. Let us remember the warning implied in a title to Max Lerner's recent book "It Is Later Than You Think." We stand between the death of an old world order and a new world order struggling to be born. Let's be midwives.

A Creed for Today

By

WILLIAM ADAMS BROWN

Professor Emeritus of Union Seminary

THIS is a meaningful world because the living God is at work in it.

We know that God is at work in the world because He is speaking to us in nature, in history, in the institutions of human society, in our own souls, but specially through the living Christ—the story of whose earthly life, sacrificial death and triumphant resurrection has been preserved for us in the Bible and whose continuing influence is being mediated to us through the Church.

Through this revelation God is telling us some things we need to know about Himself, about ourselves and about our world.

He is telling us about Himself, that He is Christlike, that is, that He is at once uncompromising and tender, at once wise and patient, but above all that He is all-sufficient, able to do for us exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or even think.

He is telling us about ourselves, that in spite of our limitations and failures, our weakness, our selfishness, our ineffectiveness, our restlessness, it is His purpose to make us over into the kind of person Jesus Christ was in His human life, that is, strong, God-centered, effective, unified.

He is telling us about our world, the part which we can see and science can describe for us, and that larger part that is unseen, of which science

can tell us nothing; that in spite of all its mystery and tragedy it is God's world and that He is making it over into the kind of place that is fit to be a home for His sons and daughters.

He is telling us further that the agent He has chosen for this transforming work is His Church, not the imperfect institutional approximation which we see today, but the company of men and women who have been made alive by Jesus Christ and are living in His fellowship; those who are still on earth and that larger company who have gone before and who are to come after—what the Creed calls the communion of saints.

So much in general. But God is telling us something in particular. He is telling us, that however often we have failed in the past and however helpless and blameworthy we may feel in the present, there are resources in God which can make us all that He would have us be and that the way to lay hold of these resources is through simple faith that works by love.

What is true of us as individuals is true of all of us together. There are resources in God that can make over His Church. More than this, and better than this, there are resources in God that can make over our world. And the way to lay hold of these is through faith that works by love.

Finally, how can we be sure that we are right when we say of God, "We know that this is His plan for us, for His Church and for our world." Because in the measure that we live by any other gospel we become weak, ineffective, disorganized, unhappy; in the measure that we live by this Gospel we become strong, effective, unified, happy. And what is true of us as individuals is equally true of the church and of the world.

Music of the Gospel

O COME AND MOURN WITH ME

FEW CONTEMPORARY rural parsons fast and write poetry to keep from being too comfortable and lazy. Frederick William Faber strenuously visited and preached and disciplined himself. He wrote the lives of the saints and tried to equal them in holiness and austerity. A saint himself, his hymns are among the most widely used. Many a service begins with the solemn yet joyous invocation:

O come and mourn with me awhile;

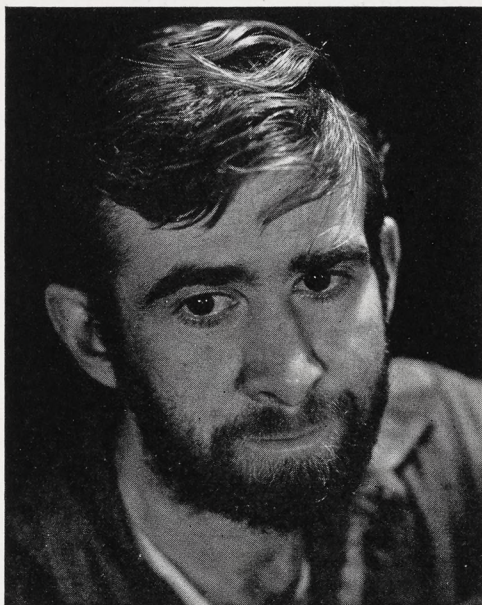
And tarry here the cross beside;

O come, together let us mourn;

Jesus, our Lord, is crucified.

—CHARLES G. HAMILTON.

The Antioch Mural



PICTURED on the cover is one section of the mural recently dedicated at Antioch College, Yellow Springs, Ohio. The concept of a society so organized that all men may be assured of the physical necessities of life is portrayed. The colors are light and cheerful; the motif is the circle. Resting on a foundation of beautifully precise machinery, the various races of mankind are grouped around a circular table, on which are plates. Above in a circle is represented man's scientific control of nature—the mysterious process of photosynthesis, by which the sun's energy is transformed into food; and corn, wheat and vegetables stand in delicate, stylized array in the sun's light. Huge cables carry the sun's energy down to the machinery which will do man's work.

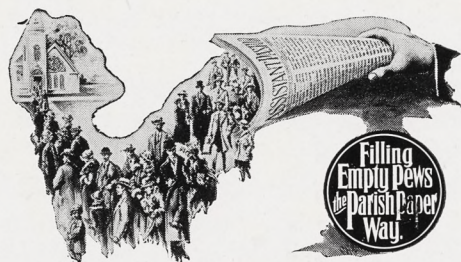
Gilbert Wilson, the artist, pictured above, was born thirty-three years ago in Terre Haute, Indiana. He seeks to be an itinerant painter and says that he will paint a mural wherever a college or city will provide a suitable wall, freedom to express himself, materials, and room and board.

The Mystery Bus

NOT long ago, just before Morning Service at St. Peter's, a strange bus pulled up at the door and discharged a full load of men, women and children, who filed into the church. Immediately after the service, an energetic-looking individual stepped up to Rector Bronson, extended his hand and explained—"Our crowd is from Millberg, over at the other end of the state. There is no Episcopal Church within fifteen miles of

our town and there is not money enough among us to support a mission, so we take mystery trips. Every Sunday we start out for a different church and no one knows which one, except the driver—that's me. On the way back, we stop somewhere for a picnic lunch and a good time is had by all." "Fine idea," commented Rector Bronson, "but how about the children? Shouldn't they be in some Church School?" "That did bother us a little at first," admitted the energetic-looking individual, "but we soon found that they were so excited about the trips and asked so many questions about churches that their parents just had to give them a lot of religious instruction." "What do you do when it looks like rain—postpone the trip?" queried the Rector.

"We do not," declared the energetic-looking individual. "While it is a fact that a one-in-a-thousand chance of a shower keeps a lot of people away from church, our crowd is different. Churchgoing has got to be so much fun for us that we would start out in a downpour on the chance that it might let up. Well, I'd better step along and give the others a chance to speak to you, so we can get going. Hope that nobody has taken our picnic spot."—THE CHURCHMOUSE.



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MONTHLY REVIEW OF THE NEWS OF ALL THE CHURCHES

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An interfaith conference of unemployment is to be held in Washington, June 4-6, under the auspices of the National Catholic Welfare Conference, the Federal Council of Churches, the Central Conference of American Rabbis and the Rabbinical Assembly of America. The Rev. James Myers, secretary, announces that upward of 1,000 Church people, representing all denominations and all geographical areas, plan to attend, and that the purpose of the conference is to prevent political leaders from diverting attention from our many pressing domestic problems toward a war psychology and armament economics.

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Webber to Lead Study of the South

The Rev. Charles C. Webber, secretary of the Methodist Federation of Social Service, affiliated with the United Christian Council for Democracy, is leading a travelling seminar to study southern problems this summer. The first stop is Washington, where interviews will be given by heads of various governmental agencies. The group will then visit Arthurdale Resettlement Projects; Harlan County in Kentucky; the TVA in Tennessee; Highlander Folk School; the sharecroppers of the South, including a visit with the Rust Brothers, inventor of the cotton picker; Arkansas and finally the Delta Cooperative Farm in Mississippi.

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Methodists Seek Ten Millions for Missions

One of the first tasks of the 776 delegates to the General Conference of the Methodist Church, now in session in Atlantic City, is to ratify a proposed budget of \$10,000,000. The fund, if raised, will be distributed among thirteen missionary, educational, benevolent and reform boards. There are over 5,000 persons attending the conference.

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Friends Consider Bid to World Council

The Society of Friends (Quakers) of New York and New Jersey met recently to consider the invitation to join the World Council of Churches, which has belief in the divinity of Christ an essential to membership. The Quakers on the other hand do not require of its members the acceptance of any formula of belief. A committee recommended that the World Council be asked to add to its membership religious organizations



CHARLES WEBBER
To Lead Southern Seminar

that hold that the basis of fellowship is an inward experience, and to include in its statement of principles "that the essentials of unity are the love of God and of man conceived and practiced in the spirit of Christ." The proposition will be further discussed at the General Conference of Friends to meet at Cape May, New Jersey, for a week commencing July 8th. At this same New York meeting Mary S. McDowell, chairman of the peace and social order committee, declared that the main points to be followed were to keep America out of war, to oppose militarization, to refuse help to any nation to carry on war, to preserve American neutrality, to maintain civil liberties at home, to cultivate good-will and immunity to war propaganda, to refuse conscientiously to fight and to offer continuous mediation of neutrals.

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Presbyterians Seek Educational Fund

The board of Christian education of the Presbyterian Church is seeking \$200,000 to endow student work at Columbia, Cornell, Syracuse and Alfred Universities. The fund is a memorial to John H. Finley, editor of the New York Times, who, at the time of his death, was co-chairman of a committee seeking \$10,000,000 with which to maintain Presbyterian colleges and student work generally. The \$200,000 being sought will be added to this fund.

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Luccock Points to Dangerous Delusions

Professor Harold E. Luccock of Yale Divinity School, speaking recently at DePauw University, declared that we need to be freed of "the popular and dangerous delusions that we can get back to pros-

perity without making a single change in conditions that brought about the depression; that we can stay out of the war and at the same time get the emotional satisfaction of getting into it; that we can defend democracy by abolishing the Bill of Rights; and that prosperity can be isolated to one group or locality. The modern church must honestly work for the welfare of the whole mass of people if it would give a word of hope that is more than fatuous optimism." He said that it is time to abandon the apologetic attitude about the social and economic realism of Jesus. He assailed our "fantastic preparations for defense;" the "great onslaught against the power of labor now under way in the opposition to the National Labor Relations Board" and declared that "now that labor is getting somewhere by legislative means, those who want to break its power are hitting the Wagner act."

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Catholic Editor Speaks On Unemployment

"Real democracy owes every man an opportunity to earn a living which will sustain him as befitting his dignity as a man," said Richard Reid, Roman Catholic editor, in addressing the 600 delegates attending the annual conference of the Southern Association of Colleges, meeting at Atlanta, April 11th. Declaring that "economic security is and ought to be a fruit of the fundamental

TO UCCD MEMBERS

MEMBERS of the organizations affiliated with the United Christian Council for Democracy for a number of months have been receiving THE WITNESS. This first issue each month carries a Review of the News of All the Churches, with emphasis on the work of the organizations affiliated with the UCCD. It also carries each month an article by an outstanding non-Episcopalian. It is our hope that this effort will be supported by you in order that this Once-a-Month Number may be a means of informing members of the UCCD of the activities of the affiliated organizations. There is enclosed a pre-paid postal card for your own annual subscription and for any gift subscriptions, at only fifty cents each, you may care to make. Weekly subscribers to THE WITNESS who may care to send this Once-a-Month Number to their friends of other churches are invited to send in subscriptions, which will be accepted at the same rate.

equality of democracy" he at the same time warned that "while there can be no true democracy and no true liberty without an economic guarantee as its support, economic equality alone does not mean democracy and liberty—it may mean slavery."

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Ministering to the Sharecroppers

The Council of Women for Home Missions reports that it has only six full time workers, including but one minister, to help the 300,000 migrants in California, the 35,000 in Arizona and the 50,000 in Oregon and Washington. Recently an interdenominational conference was held in San Francisco calling for the pooling of the resources of all the churches in this vital work among the sharecroppers and migrants.

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Dies Assailed At Southern Parley

Presided over by President Frank Graham of the University of North Carolina, the Council of Young Southerners met at Chattanooga, April 14th, and heard the Federal Bureau of Investigation assailed for stepping out of its real field, and the Dies Committee attacked as the enemy of real democracy. Among those addressing the council were President F. D. Patterson of Tuskegee Institute; the Rev. J. B. Thompson of the Presbyterian Foundation at the University of Oklahoma and President Mordecai Johnson of Howard University.

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Paul Tillich Gets Final Papers

Paul Tillich, professor of theology at Union Seminary, has received his final papers for naturalization as a citizen of the United States. Famous throughout the world as a theologian, he was forced to flee from Germany in 1933 because of his theological and political beliefs.

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UCCD Committee to Meet

The Rev. John Paul Jones, acting chairman of the executive committee of the United Christian Council for Democracy, has called a meeting of that body for May 3rd. Plans for future activities will be made.

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Urges a Better Understanding

About 700 Catholic and Jewish women heard Protestantism explained by the Rev. Harry Emerson Fosdick at a three day conference held in New York. The meeting was held at the Riverside Church, two meetings having been previously held at the Jewish Theological Seminary



PAUL TILlich
An American Citizen

and at Corpus Christi Roman Church. All the speakers pleaded for better understanding and closer cooperation between Roman Catholics, Jews and Protestants.

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Henry Sloane Coffin Probable Moderator

Henry Sloane Coffin, president of Union Seminary, is the likely candidate for moderator of the Presbyterian Church, the highest office in the denomination. The 152nd General Assembly is to open in Rochester, N. Y., May 29.

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Lutherans Deplore Fall in Birth Rate

A falling off in baptized membership is caused by a decline in the birth rate, the Rev. Samuel Trexler of New York told the United Lutheran Synod of New York, meeting at Utica on April 1st. The statement was made after the statistical secretary, the Rev. Edward T. Horn, has revealed a slight falling off of both baptized and confirmed members.

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Another Protest of the Taylor Appointment

Still another letter to President Roosevelt protesting the appointment of Myron C. Taylor as his personal representative to the Vatican was forwarded to the White House April 2nd over the signatures of eighty clergymen, educators and writers. The letter also urged the President to beware of regarding the European conflict "a holy war for religion and democracy."

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The Gibraltar of Methodism

Characterizing Bishop Francis McConnell "the Gibraltar of Methodism who has remained steadfast in a war-

torn world," Methodists of Central New York adopted a resolution on March 29th urging his retention as Bishop of the New York area.

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New York School to Allow Religious Education

Governor Lehman of New York signed a bill on April 9th permitting children to be excused during class hours to go to their churches for religious instruction.

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Sees War Against China Continuing

Bishop Ralph A. Ward, for thirty-one years a Methodist Bishop in China, told the Council of Bishops, meeting in Atlantic City on April 22nd, that the war in China would continue as long as does the war in Europe.

"The Japanese want the war to end now as early as possible," Bishop Ward said. "But the Chinese want to share in the international stabilizations which will follow the end of the war in Europe. The Chinese count on British and American influence in the final settlement to obtain for them a greater measure of justice."

"The formula of the Japanese militarists has been to force economic preferment for the Japanese and to exclude Chinese trade with other countries except through Japanese middlemen. Japanese maps of the Japanese Empire include all of China southward of the Yangtze River and inland to Hankow."

"If sizable parts of Chinese territory could not be formally included in the Japanese Empire, the next step is to have China nominally controlled by a Chinese government subservient to Japanese dictation. Failing this, the Japanese minimum, short of getting out of China, would be to perpetuate rival Chinese governments on the pattern of the war lords who have divided China for the last three decades."

If the general conference of the Church, now in session, accepts the recommendation of a committee, the Methodist Church will do something that no other church has yet done—fix the upper age limit for membership on the national council of Methodist Youth. They say that one can hardly qualify as "youth" who is over twenty-three.

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Religion and Labor Foundation Meets

The necessity for ministers to identify themselves with the underprivileged and oppressed and to inform their congregations of the needs of these people was stressed at a conference held in New York under the auspices of the Religion and Labor Foundation. "It is of primary

importance for men of the church to get to know labor leaders," declared the Rev. Jerome Davis, the founder of the organization. "It is due to labor that we have today free education, and social justice is more often identified with labor than with other classes." Others to speak were Gustave A. Streibel, president of the New York Industrial Union Council and the Rev. A. J. Muste, head of the Labor Temple.

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Baptist Establish Voluntary Pension Fund

Northern Baptists have established a voluntary pension system for ministers and missionaries, with seventeen state boards already co-operating. Under the rules the state organizations pay 7½% of the minister's salary into the fund and the minister an added 2½%.

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Norwegian Sailors Urge Neutrality

A rally of Norwegian sailors was held in Brooklyn last week at which they vowed not only to fight against the attempts of the Nazis to take over their country, but also condemned the Allies for "brazen violation of Norway's neutrality in laying mine fields which was a direct challenge to Germany to use the Scandinavian countries as a battlefield. We condemn the warring powers that have dragged our countries into the disgusting struggle for imperialist domination. A continuation of the war, which is made possible through the speculative sale of war implements from the United States and other big neutral powers, will only bring victory to those who are interested in imperialist greed. It will not bring peace either to the small nations or to the world as a whole."

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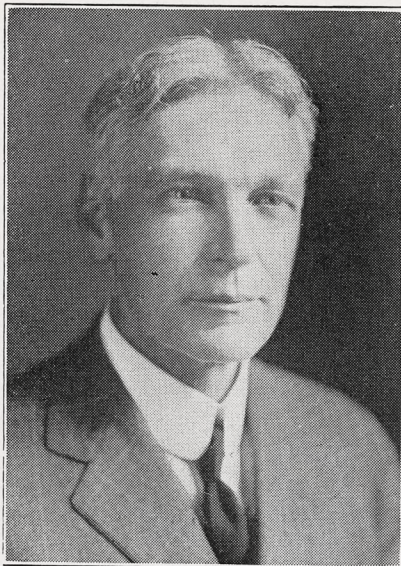
Roman Catholic Lecturer At Jewish Seminary

M. Jacques Maritain, Roman Catholic apologist from Paris, was a lecturer recently at the Jewish Theological Seminary in New York.

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And Romance Is Not Enough

An institute on marriage was held at Simmons College, Boston, March 25-27, sponsored by the Marriage Study Association, a small group of men and women that have been meeting regularly for a number of years. Led by Professor Ernest R. Groves of the University of North Carolina and Rabbi Sidney Goldstein of New York, it seemed to be agreed that romance was not enough; that money will not insure a successful marriage but that economic instability intensifies the problems of the home. "Young people, denied mar-



JOHN W. WOOD
His Retirement Is Announced

riage, are caving in," according to Groves, who went on to say that "social perversion cannot carry human nature further away from its fundamental values than by making parenthood a liability rather than an achievement."

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Union of Churches Is Completed

The constitution of the newly united Evangelical and Reformed Church is to go into effect on June 19, with exercises being held at the convention of the church which will then be in session at Lancaster, Pa. The Council for Social Reconstruction of the church, which is affiliated with the United Christian Council for Democracy, is to sponsor an open forum at the convention, similar to the one always sponsored by the Church League for Industrial Democracy at the General Convention of the Episcopal Church.

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Pastor Sails On Peace Mission

The Rev. Erroll Elliott, Quaker pastor of Indianapolis and president of the ministerial association, has sailed for Europe on a mission for the American Friends Service Committee. During the last war he was a conscientious objector and was one of the founders of the service committee. He is considered an authority on rehabilitation work.

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Churches Sponsor School for Democracy

Congregationalists and Unitarians joined forces for a school for Democracy which met at Baptist's Andover-Newton Theological Institute on March 27-30. They studied the contemporary problems which religious

people must face in our democratic order, and attempted to provide adequate training for the leaders of the churches. Among the subjects discussed were labor organizations, civil liberties, racial good-will, housing.

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T. Z. Koo Speaks On China

T. Z. Koo, Chinese Christian, was the headliner at a meeting in Chicago on April 23rd under the auspices of the Church Committee for China Relief. The committee is seeking a million dollars for the relief of war and flood victims. On the 25th the Rev. Henry S. Leiper was the chief speaker at a meeting held for Christian Refugees held at the University of Chicago.

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Silver Jubilee of Miraculous Medal

The 25th anniversary of the Central Association of the Miraculous Medal was observed in Philadelphia on March 31st. Cardinal Dougherty presided and the announcement was made that during the 25 years 300,000 favors have been granted through the intercession of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal.

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Council Head Condemns Anti-Alien Bills

The president of New York's city council, Newbold Morris, speaking before an organization of Jewish women, declared that the anti-alien bills now before Congress are sponsored by "the most reactionary political groups in our country today, who do not understand the first principles of American democracy. These bills are the forerunner of legislation which would discriminate against minority groups. The next flock would prepare the way for persecutions similar to those which swept Germany."

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Roman Priest Speaks for Labor

Father Boland, chairman of the Labor Relations Board of New York, recently declared that the movement to discredit organized labor through use of the Sherman Anti-Trust law is now in full swing. "The originators of the propaganda," he declared, "are the same old opponents of labor who seek to maintain economic domination."

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Unitarian Condemns Anti-Alien Bills

Addressing the civil liberties luncheon held in connection with the biennial convention of the YWCA, the Rev. John H. Lathrop, Unitarian pastor of Brooklyn, labelled all anti-alien legislation as a denial of

America's traditional freedom. He stated that present-day alien-baiting is an attempt to stimulate war hysteria.

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Baptist Paper Attacks the Press

After speaking of the refusal of a Boston paper to print letters having to do with the appointment of Myron Taylor to the Vatican, the Watchman-Examiner, Baptist weekly, declared that the press of America is afraid of the Roman Church.

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Missionaries Write Letter to Viceroy

India was startled recently by the publishing of an open letter by four Methodist missionaries, addressed to the viceroy, in which they said war is inherently wrong and futile as a method of settling international disputes.

"We hold that, on principle, Jesus was and is against all forms of the will to power over others, against all oppression, all hypocrisy and all war. If Jesus urged his people not to fight against the Romans with their own violent weapons, would he not urge them also not to fight for the Romans with those weapons?"

"The pacifist issue is heightened by the fact that the India which we love, the nation which has produced the noblest example in history of the non-violent method of effecting political and social change on a wide scale—an experiment which has been described as the hope of world politics and a bright spot in an age that is dark with the clouds of war—this India of ours is being dragooned into war against the will of the vast majority of her citizens. Failure to protest against this coercion would brand us as false prophets."

One of the signers was immediately called home and the others are expected soon to follow.

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Millions Given By Americans

Over forty million dollars was sent abroad last year by Americans for charitable, religious and relief purposes, according to the department of commerce of the federal government. The country to receive the largest amount was China with about \$10,000,000.

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Methodists Oppose Annual Appointments

Pastors are appointed to Methodist Churches annually. The northwestern edition of the Christian Advocate, Methodist weekly, recently polled its readers on whether this method should be continued or ministers appointed "as necessity arises, all appointments to be renewed every four years." The editor reports that 93%

of the ministers and 64% of the laity were in favor of the latter.

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Church and State in Kentucky

Governor Keen Johnson of Kentucky has signed a bill which provides free bus service to children attending parochial school. It was opposed by a number of Protestant ministers on the ground that it links Church and state and was therefore unconstitutional.

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Presbyterians To Aid Migratory Farmers

The Board of Missions of the Presbyterian Church, meeting in New York on April 25-26, voted \$25,000 for use among the migratory farmers. It was granted after the Rev. W. P. Shriver reported that it represented one of the greatest needs in America. He has just completed a study of conditions among the sharecroppers and migratory workers. The board announced the balancing of its missionary budget for the year ending March 31, 1940, and adopted a budget of \$2,713,000 for this year.

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Ku Klux Klan Attacked By Journal

Dubbing the revived Ku Klux Klan, "Hatred, Inc.," on the basis of a hate count, Equality, a journal published in New York, to combat racial and religious intolerance, devotes the leading space in its April issue to an article entitled, "Catholics, Jews, Negroes, Labor, the Klan Hates Them All." Groups

against which the hooded order of 1940 directs its hatred are listed as 21,000,000 Catholics, 12,000,000 Negroes, 4,000,000 Jews, 14,000,000 foreign born, 8,000,000 A. F. of L. and C. I. O. members and their families. In the same issue, Harry Elmer Barnes recounts the 1915-16 mission of Col. Edward M. House, which he asserts, "is worth its weight in platinum today as a warning to Americans against being involved in carnage by any secret and arbitrary acts of the President and his personal envoys."

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Methodists Urge Move for Peace

The Episcopal address delivered on April 25th at the General Conference of the Methodist Church, now in session at Atlantic City, expressed eagerness to join with all other religious organizations in a move for peace. It condemned however, amid the cheers of several thousand Methodists attending the Conference, "any establishment of diplomatic relations between the Vatican and the United States." The address, read by Bishop Francis McConnell of New York and said to be largely his work, condemned totalitarian systems; stated that technical experts must create new fields of labor if our present economic system is to go on; maintained the right of conscientious objectors to refuse military service and declared that "the Church itself is under obligation to do all it can toward finding employment, especially for its young people."

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JAMES T. ADDISON IS ELECTED HEAD OF MISSION WORK

Reported by W. B. SPOFFORD

The big news of the meeting of the National Council, in session April 23-25, was the announcement by the Presiding Bishop of the retirement on December 31 of Dr. John W. Wood as secretary of foreign missions and the election of the Rev. James Thayer Addison, professor at the Cambridge Seminary, as first vice-president of the National Council to succeed Dr. Wood in charge of foreign missions.

The Council took a second step in setting up facilities for the registration of conscientious objectors to war by adopting a statement to be distributed through the Church which provides a blank for those desiring so to register. Defending the right of any Churchman to refuse to take human life in war, the statement is careful to state that "It should be clearly understood by anyone registering as a conscientious objector that the mere registration of this fact carries with it no assurance that he will not be subject for conscription for military service or some form of non-combatant military service." Previously the Council had joined with leaders of other churches in pressing the claim of conscientious objectors before officials of the government.

On the matter of money the Council voted to recommend to General Convention a budget of \$2,350,000 for 1941; \$2,450,000 for 1942 and \$2,500,000 for 1943. Dr. Franklin, treasurer, reported that the project plan for personalizing missions is growing rapidly in popularity, with 319 thus far assigned in 1940 against 159 in 1939. He asked for permission to invest up to 30 per cent of the Council's funds in stocks, which was granted.

The resignation of Mr. William G. Mather of Cleveland as a member of the Council was announced, and two new members were elected; Mr. Dean Vincent of Portland, Oregon, and President Kenneth C. M. Sills of Bowdoin College. Vice-President Sheerin reports on completion of two years in that office and announced progress in coordination of the work at the Church Missions House. Presiding Bishop Tucker also said that it is not new machinery that is needed, but the effective use of the machinery that the Church already has.

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Bishop Darst Pleads for Church Unity

Preaching at the service of consecration of the Rev. John Long Jackson as the Bishop of Louisiana, Bishop Darst of East Carolina pleaded for



JAMES DE WOLFE
New York's New Dean

Church Unity. The service was held in Christ Church Cathedral, New Orleans, on May first. "Surely God must deplore and condemn our unhappy divisions, wasteful, bitter divisions, quarreling over our man-made customs and practices while millions die. Today the Church is a broken, divided thing, and until it comes back to unity with Him and in Him, it can never save and restore a broken and divided world."

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James DeWolfe Elected New York's Dean

The Rev. James P. DeWolfe, rector of Christ Church, Houston, Texas, and a former associate editor of THE WITNESS, was elected dean of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, New York, by the trustees on April 23rd. He is forty-five years of age, a graduate of Kenyon College and of Bexley Hall, and received a doctorate from Kenyon in 1932. Prior to going to Houston he was the rector of St. Andrew's, Kansas City, which he served from 1922 to 1934. He has been a deputy to five General Conventions. He is married, has three children, and is to commence his work in New York in June.

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Letters Received from Kimber Den

The many people of the Church who have aided the work in China directed by the Rev. Kimber Den will be glad to learn that two letters have just been received from him. One is dated March 12th and the other March 15th. He writes: "You have done a great work in keeping up such

a good record. I want to assure you that China will never forget what her friends in America are doing for her in this nightmare we are going through. And we thank you especially for aiding in this present urgent cause of saving her next generation—the war orphans. They are coming to us every day and I could never expect to carry on without the support of my friends in America. I must say that this home for Chinese war orphans will ever stand as a living memorial to the great service of America to China during this period of her trials and affliction." Please read the back page of this paper.

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Little Falls Rector Ministers to Victims

The Rev. Frank L. Titus of Little Falls, N. Y., was among the first to reach the scene of the wreck of the Lake Shore Limited. With others he used ladders to contact those injured and dying. There were 25 Episcopalians among the victims and the Church's ministrations were precious and timely.

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Urges Negro Member for Institute

A recommendation that a Negro be made a member of the board of trustees of the American Church Institute for Negroes which supervises nine church schools and colleges in the South, was made by the Rev. Charles W. Sheerin. The recommendation was made by the vice-president of the National Council at the suggestion of the Joint Commission on Negro Work.

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Shipler Addresses Relief Meeting

The Rev. Guy Emery Shipler, editor of the Churchman, was the speaker at a public meeting for the relief of Spanish refugees, held at Christ Church parish house, Cincinnati, on April 26th.

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Pacifist Society Reports Gains

Slow but steady growth in membership since the founding last Armistice Day of the Episcopal Pacifist Fellowship, an uncompromising anti-war group, was reported at its first annual diocesan luncheon held April 23 in New York. The luncheon was given in honor of Bishop Lawrence of Western Massachusetts, national chairman of the fellowship. "Peace is possible," Bishop Lawrence said, warning that the fellowship must not become discouraged because of the spread of the war into new countries. "We must do our best to offset the defeatist attitude that Europe is a whirlpool and eventually we'll get sucked in. Get rid of your ideas of the inevitability of war. The cause.

is not lost until the last of us give up." At another meeting, the same day, the executive council of the fellowship discussed plans for the immediate registration of all conscientious objectors on a national scale. This would be done in cooperation with the National Council which is at present considering a proposal for such registration.

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British Bishops Tour the Balkans

More than religious issues are involved in the visit of the Bishops of Gibraltar, Gloucester and Southwark through the Balkan states. The Bishop of Gibraltar declared in Belgrade, Yugoslavia, on April 21, that the purpose of the tour was "to reaffirm the Christian spirit where it was threatened," but it is generally believed that the real reason is that recently there have been contacts between leaders of the Greek Orthodox Church and the German government. For a number of years there has resided in Berlin a number of Russian Orthodox Bishops, some of whom are keen supporters of the Nazi regime, and it has been their function to aid Germany in stirring up discontent in the Russian Ukraine. Lately there have been reliable reports that these Bishops have been in touch with the Orthodox Bishops at Istanbul, presumably for the purpose of enlisting their aid in this undertaking. Whatever the purpose of the visit of the British Bishops it is thought to have a strong political flavor.

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Life Goes On in China

If one pound of cod liver oil costs as much as 26 days of corn meal rations, and there are 400 families in dire need of both, which should be bought? This has been a flood relief problem in north China. Cornmeal mixed with soy bean flour has been the standard relief diet. Once for a really tremendous joyful treat it was possible to buy 2,400 pounds of cabbages. An observer notes, "I noticed one child of four years with an armful of cabbage as big as she was. Her blind father's hand rested on her little shoulder as they went away, his other hand carrying the bag with their ration of cornmeal."

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A Lecture on Democracy

St. Paul's Cathedral, Los Angeles, is having a series of forum meetings on the general theme of Democracy. A recent speaker was Professor M. H. Neuweyer of the University of Southern California, who is likewise an ordained minister. Bishop Gooden was the chairman. The speaker at the meeting on May 7th is to be Professor Mildred Struble of the same

university who is to speak on the methods used by propaganda agencies. The forums are sponsored by the women of the cathedral parish.

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A Tribute to Howard Melish

A testimonial dinner was given to Rector J. Howard Melish of Holy Trinity, Brooklyn, by members of the Trinity Club, which is a club of boys and young men, open to all, started by the rector thirty-six years ago. This club, incidentally, turns out some of the best hand-ball players in the country.

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New Parish House Is Dedicated

Bishop Dallas dedicated a new parish house on April 16th for Christ Church, Exeter, New Hampshire. The building is a memorial to Miss Caroline E. Harris who was formerly the treasurer of the parish.

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Notables at Washington Reception

When Bishop and Mrs. Freeman observed their golden wedding anniversary the other day there were many notables at the reception: Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt; Mrs. Woodrow Wilson; Secretary of Labor Perkins and a number of foreign ambassadors. Conspicuous among the flowers was a vase of golden roses from the White House. Two gold bon-bon dishes were gifts of the Washington clergy.

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A New Bishop for China

The Rev. Y. Y. Tsu, consecrated assistant Bishop of Hong Kong on

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Concordat Discussed in Long Island

Two public meetings for discussion of the proposed concordat with Presbyterians were lately held in the diocese of Long Island. At each one of them the Rev. William L. Griffin spoke in favor of the proposal and the Rev. William L. Dunphy against it. The first meeting was in the Cathedral House, Garden City, and the attendance was about 160; the second was in St. Paul's Church, Flatbush, with 400 present. Much interest was shown in the presentation of the arguments, and there were questions from the floor at the close of the discussion.

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San Antonio Deanery Met

The San Antonio Deanery met recently at St. Andrew's Church in Seguin, Texas, and was presided over by the Rev. Benjamin Smith, rector of the parish. An interesting program followed by discussions was the order of the day. The Rev. Everett H. Jones, rector of St. Marks, San Antonio, spoke on The Ministry of the Printed Word. He stressed the need of church people making use of our own literature. Other speakers were Mrs. G. G. Thorne, diocesan president of the Woman's Auxiliary, the Rev. Samuel O. Capers, rector of Christ Church and Bishop Capers.

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Secretary Perkins to Address Conference

Secretary of Labor Perkins will address the Episcopal Social Work Conference in Grand Rapids, Michigan, on May 29th. Secretary Perkins will speak at a joint luncheon meeting with the Church Conference of Social Work, taking as her subject, "Children and the Moral Fibre of the Nation." Her interest in this subject is in line with her recent chairmanship of the White House Conference on Children in a Democ-

racy. The conference will meet May 25-30. Bishop Whittemore of Western Michigan, president of the conference, will act as general chairman.

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Prize to Eleanor Kramar for General Convention Poster

The Kansas City General Convention publicity committee, headed by Wesley Loomis, Jr., announces the winner from the many who submitted General Convention Posters in their recent contest. First prize is awarded to Mrs. Eleanor Kramar of Kansas City. It is being reproduced in full color and will be distributed throughout the country.

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British Societies Hold Cathedral Service

Prayers for a "speedy recovery" of the British peoples were offered on April 21st by fraternal and patriotic British societies at the annual St. George Day service in the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, New York. Decrying pure or undifferentiated pacifism, the Rev. Thomas Ayres Sparks said: "Very recently we have seen the pacifistic lamb devoured by the militarized lion with one crunch of its mechanized jaws. . . . Pacifism is not the way to peace. It all comes to this: We are all agreed that war is a great evil. We ought to see that undifferentiated pacifism is also an evil and can be a very great evil, as it is under existing circumstances." Mr. Sparks also said that "The democracies have no alternative but to put down the wanton forces that seek to destroy their hearths, their hearts and their honor. Unprovoked force must be met by greater force, but force includes not only material force but force of character, force of

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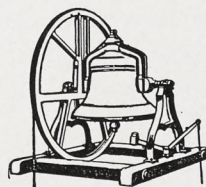
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mind, of heart and of will." A cablegram to King George VI notifying him that the representatives of the societies prayed for the welfare of the King and Queen and rapid victory was read to the gathering, with an appreciative answer by the King's secretary.

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Manning Confirms Six

Bishop Manning of New York conducted a confirmation service on April 21st at the Church of the Incarnation, New York, and urged the group of six whom he confirmed to study the New Testament and find their true relationship to Christ. He said that all the real help one receives from Christ depends on the realization of Him as the living and loving eternal Son of God. He also praised the parish for its vigor and said that it was one of the most progressive parishes of the diocese.

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Minister Introduces Bills in Mississippi

Fifty bills have been introduced by an Episcopalian minister-legislator in the Legislature of Mississippi. A few are: free school books, poll tax repeal, workmen's compensation, forbidding drinking in classrooms, putting governors on cars, abolishing bank nights, providing free medical care for poor children, forbidding liquor advertising. A Lutheran legislator introduced a bill providing for a Roman Catholic, as well as a Protestant chaplain at the state penitentiary.

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One of These Is Quaint

Young men of New York might be surprised to learn that one hundred years ago the Church had an enterprising group with the official title: "Young Men's Auxiliary Education

and Missionary Society of New York." They gave \$200 one year for the support of a missionary in Africa and pledged themselves to give \$500 each year thereafter. Their fate has been lost in the mists of time. Contemporary with them was "The New York Female Society for the Promotion of School in Africa." Their work too was associated with the Church's earliest efforts to establish its own foreign mission fields.

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Women Plan for Triennial Meeting

"Witnesses to the power of God" is to be the theme of the triennial convention of the Auxiliary, to meet in Kansas City in October at the time of the General Convention, according to an announcement made following a meeting of the national executive board in New York on April 19-22. The chief addresses are to be made by President William Eddy of Hobart College; Presiding Bishop Tucker; Mrs. James R. Cain of Columbia, S. C. and Mrs. Howard F. Bigelow of Kalamazoo, Michigan. Each address will be followed by dis-

cussion in smaller groups, with a dozen discussion leaders having been selected. In addition there will be four missionary luncheons, in addition of course to the service at which the United Thank Offering will be presented. Practically all of the time at this meeting of the national executive committee was devoted to working out the final program for Kansas City.

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Hold 150th Convention of Diocese of S. Carolina

"Christian civilization with its foundation of human brotherhood is being denied by the world today," Bishop Thomas told the 150th convention of the diocese of South Carolina meeting at St. Michael's Church, Charleston. The Bishop reminded the convention that "God is all powerful and the only side that He is on is the side of the brotherhood of man in Christ and so we may hope that Christian civilization will survive." A feature of the convention was a moving picture in colors of the work of the church in South Carolina. A private Communion serv-

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ice was presented to the diocese for the use of the successive bishops. The Rev. Oliver J. Hart, rector of St. John's Church, Washington, D.C., was the special preacher at the service commemorating the 150th convention. The convention passed a resolution requesting the committee on constitution and canons to draft a possible canon to limit Church indebtedness in accordance with the action taken in other dioceses recently. The following deputies were named for General Convention, Clerical: Rev. Albert R. Stuart, Rev. H. D. Bull, Rev. W. W. Lumkin, Rev. Sumner Guerry; Lay: Mr. B. A. Moore, Mr. W. W. Ball, General C. P. Summerall, Mr. Wyndham Manning.

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Jenkins Commends

Bexley Hall Continuation

Bishop Jenkins of Nevada has this to say about the recent action to continue Bexley Hall, Gambier, Ohio: "Having been among the first of the alumni of Kenyon to protest against the rumored plan of the trustees to either close Bexley Hall or to so vitiate its curriculum of studies as to reduce it to something less than a standard Seminary, I should like to have been among the first to commend the recent action of the Trustees in not only deciding to continue the life of the Seminary as a standard institution but, also, to enrich and expand its mission . . . I rejoice with the '999' others whose training has been there, that our hope for its future has been renewed and our

MEMORIAL

A DEEP well on the barren Dakota Prairie to supply pure water for a number of Dakota families for generations to come and a beautiful Altar cross as a witness to the living Christ are indeed a fitting memorial to one of the Lord's dear saints. This memorial was given at St. John's Church in Pine Ridge, South Dakota, as an expression of their gratitude to God for the sweet and high privilege of being the parents of Marjorie Bowerman whose unselfish life of holy influence has made this a better world. Thus will this choice life continue to bear fruit in the lives of the far away Dakota Christians as it bore richly in her home Parish of Saint Bartholomew, Baltimore, where in the Woman's Auxiliary and the Altar Guild and Sunday School she was a workman who needed not to be ashamed. We thank God for this vessel of His grace.

MEMORIAL

AT A MEETING of the Executive Council of the Diocese of Connecticut held in the Diocesan House on Thursday, April 18, 1940, the following Minute regarding the death of the Rev. John N. Lewis, D.D., was adopted unanimously by a rising vote:

"Dr. Lewis was elected a member of the Executive Council by the annual Convention in May 1924 and re-elected seven times for a term of two years each. He had served for sixteen years. His personality, his sincerity, his courage, his singleness of heart, his consecration to the service of his Master through the Church which he loved gave him an influence in his parish, his city and his diocese which made him a tower of strength in Church and State. We have met with a great loss; but even in our loss we give to God high praise and hearty thanks for the wonderful grace and virtue declared in this His servant.

John F. Plumb,
Executive Secretary.

confidence in the administration greatly fortified by this recent decision."

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Mission Offerings Planned by Many Dioceses

Some twenty-five dioceses are using a special Whitsunday Offering for Missions to raise sums for the missionary program above former expectations, on a voluntary basis. The result is that the National Council is counting upon nearly \$50,000 from this source as part of the 1940 missionary budget. In a few dioceses a special "Missions Sunday" in May will be used for the taking of a special offering.

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Students Discuss Their Vocations

Representatives of California colleges and universities met at Redlands recently, under the auspices of the Church Society for College work, to discuss vocations. Bishop Stevens of Los Angeles led off by declaring that a vocation is not that which we choose but that which chooses us. "Vocation," he declared, "is destiny; the call that comes from God to do something for God in God's way." The Rev. Randolph Miller led a discussion of ap-

titudes required in various fields of service. Others to speak were Dean Shires of the Pacific Divinity School, President Anderson of Redlands University, Dean Ethel Springer of St. Margaret's House, Miss Margaret Williams who is the associate secretary for college work in the province, Miss Ethel Livesley of the University of Washington, and a number of clergy of the province. Prior to this conference college workers of the Pacific coast met at Riverside, California, under the leadership of Miss Williams to discuss the needs of college students. Most problems and adjustments that face students tend to center around questions of security, self-sufficiency and social relations, and Bishop Sanford of San Joaquin dealt with the ways in which the gospel answers these needs. It was pointed out at the conference that a recent survey shows that only 6.6% of college students have no interest in religion; 33% recognize its value but not its vitality in the college period; 35% consider it helpful and essential; 15% think it interesting academically while the rest are indifferent. The conference ended with an address by Bishop Stevens on the place of worship in the college program.

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A CALL FROM CHINA



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A letter has just been received from him, dated March 15th:

"You have done a great work in keeping up such a good record. I want to assure you that China will never forget what her friends in America are doing for her in this nightmare we are going through. And we thank you especially for aiding in this present urgent cause of saving her next generation—the war orphans. They are coming to us every day and I could never expect to carry on without the support of my friends in America. I must say that this home for Chinese war orphans will ever stand as a living memorial to the great service of America to China during this period of her trials and affliction."

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