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RELIGION SUPPORTS DEMOCRACY

By

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IN THE generation in which some of us were reared, we assume that as knowledge increased mankind would accept ever more universally the democratic faith. Instead, democracy stands now in peril. Democracy has done an incalculable service, and now in her hour of need democracy asks us what we can do for her. What kind of religion ought ours to be if it is to support the democratic faith and practice?



Democracy cannot be merely inherited. It must be reborn with every generation. Unless the inner spiritual factors that created democracy in the first place can be constantly renewed, its outward forms decay. What kind of religion ought ours to

be if it is to support a government of, by, and for, the people?

In the first place, obviously it must be a religion that dignifies personality. Democracy springs from a high estimate of persons. It trusts people with freedom to think, to say what they think, to hear all sides of public questions discussed, to balance opposing arguments and to decide. That is an astonishing confidence in people. The Fuehrers and the Duces would say that it is an insane confidence. The founding fathers themselves were not unanimous about it. Said Alexander Hamilton, "The people is a great beast." Yet that faith in people is the soul of democracy. Nowhere is the contrast between democracy and dictatorship more evident than here. Dictatorship herds persons like sheep, hypnotizes them by

mass propaganda and coerces them by mass pressure; democracy trusts persons as the ultimate sources of decision in the commonwealth.

IN THE second place, the kind of religion that will support government of, by, and for, the people is one that recognizes a higher loyalty than the state. That seems to a dictator a weird tale. Yet behind it is an essential democratic faith that there is something higher than any government, the truth yet to be discovered, and that the only way of getting at it is to say to the people, "You are not the slaves of government; think for yourselves; if need be, differ from the government and oppose it; there is a higher loyalty than the government to which you must be true." It is as though democracy essentially were saying, "We must obey God rather than man."

All too common is the idea that the essence of democracy is the rule of the majority. That is not true. Dictatorship also can be and often is the rule of the majority. But the unique distinction of democracy they utterly lack, not the rule of the majority, but the rights of the minorities. We set up a government and then actually pay salaries to opposition party members in the legislatures to criticize and obstruct the government. Looked at in cold logicity, that's an insane idea! Yes, but it is magnificent too, one of the greatest political faiths ever ventured on in all history.

Even in this country, with its Communists and Fascists, it is not easy to hold hard by the democratic idea. Yet though the rights of minorities be abused and though the impatience of dictatorial minds be understandable, still the democratic faith remains the best hope of mankind,

and without it, I measure my words, Christianity may not survive. For to the Christian no human government can ever be the highest loyalty. The rights of minorities were, as a matter of history, created in the first place by the religious conscience obeying God rather than men. There, in a religious idea, this element of democracy was first produced and there it must find its perennial renewal. For the Christian conscience and civil liberties are done up in one bundle of life.

IN THE third place, the kind of religion that will support the democratic faith and practice must genuinely care not only for the liberty but for the equality and fraternity of the people. Our attention in these days is concentrated on the external enemies of democracy, the dictatorships that threaten war. Only a fool would minimize the peril. But the deeper danger to democracy is still within. It lies in the inequalities among our own people that spoil fraternity, destroy loyalty, divide us into economic classes, and make real democracy impossible.

We must face the fact that ultimately there is no such thing as a successful political democracy without economic democracy.

Finally, the kind of religion that will support government of, by, and for, the people, must create responsible personal character in the individual citizens. Our American scene displays the lamentable lack of this.

Put it this way. A great population must be controlled. No sentimentality should blind our eyes to that realistic fact. If there is to be order and not chaos, discipline not anarchy, people must be controlled. And there are only two ways of controlling them. Coercion from without—that is one. Voluntary, responsible, public-spirited character spiritually engendered within—that is the other. Now, a dictatorship stakes its very existence on the method of coercion, while a democracy remains a democracy only insofar as voluntary, responsible, public-spirited character takes coercion's place. In any nation, the more we have of one, the less we have of the other. Is not this the very crux of the matter in America? We cannot go on forever in the republic neglecting those character-building faiths and incentives from which personal quality and moral integrity spring.

Here, too, Christ and democracy are at one. Whatever else Christianity at its best has done, it has produced self-starting, self-motivating, self-driving character. Church of Christ, this day

of crisis is also the day of your opportunity if democracy is to be saved. A republic must be built, not on coercion but on voluntary, inwardly right, responsible, personal character, to produce which should be your specialty. And you who have been careless of religion, negligent of the Church, thoughtless of Christ, in general separated from the character-building faiths and motives of mankind, but who do care about government of, by, and for, the people, have we not a right to appeal to you to rethink your attitude?

They tell us that the devotion of youth in Europe to the mass movements of Stalin, the Fuehrer, and the Duce, is thrilling and that we in America have nothing to match it. I wish we could feel an equal thrill born of an equal devotion to democracy and to the kind of religion that sustains it. The dignifying of personality, the giving of conscience to God above all human institutions, the achievement not of popular liberty alone but of popular equality and fraternity, the erection of human society on transformed, responsible personal character—that is the cause on which the highest hopes of humankind depend.

The Language

YOUNG Ben Somers sells fish in Judson's Market and he is a square-shooter. Although he is not a churchgoer, there is probably no better-living man in town. Aunt Hattie Pollitt, who is always looking for a chance to do a little missionary work, cornered him in the market, yesterday, and began, "Benjamin, I want to say a few serious words to you—I know that you have been trying, in your weak, mortal way, to lead the Better Life but, is it not high time for you to cast off the things that are carnal and cleave to the things Eternal? There would be joy in the flock of the Faithful if you would enter the Fold and share with them the peace of the Saving Grace." Ben knows fish, but he doesn't understand poetry, so this was all Greek to him and he was fairly stumped for an answer.

Fortunately, Bill Tupper, the Manager, who had overheard, came to his rescue. "She is just trying to tell you, Ben, that you are a good guy and ought to join the Church." "Well," said Ben, "I have been thinking of that, but I am afraid I couldn't ever learn the language."—THE CHURCH-MOUSE.

PROTECTION OF CIVIL LIBERTIES

By

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THERE is a most important reason why the prosecutor should have, as nearly as possible, a detached and impartial view of all groups in his community. Law enforcement is not automatic. It isn't blind. One of the greatest difficulties of the position of prosecutor is that he must pick his cases, because no prosecutor can even investigate all of the cases in which he receives complaints. If the Department of Justice were to make even a pretense of reaching every probable violation of federal law, ten times its present staff would be inadequate. We know that no local police force can strictly enforce the traffic laws, or it would arrest half the driving population on any given morning. What every prosecutor is practically required to do is to select the cases for prosecution and to select those in which the offense is the most flagrant, the public harm the greatest, and the proof the most certain.

If the prosecutor is obliged to choose his cases, it follows that he can choose his defendants. Therein is the most dangerous power of the prosecutor: that he will pick people that he thinks he should get, rather than pick cases that need to be prosecuted. With the law books filled with a great assortment of crimes, a prosecutor stands a fair chance of finding at least a technical violation of some act on the part of almost anyone. In such a case, it is not a question of discovering the commission of a crime and then looking for the man who has committed it, it is a question of picking the man and then searching the law books, or putting investigators to work, to pin some offense on him. It is in this realm—in which the prosecutor picks some person whom he dislikes or desires to embarrass, or selects some group of unpopular persons and then looks for an offense, that the greatest danger of abuse of prosecuting power lies. It is here that law enforcement becomes personal, and the real crime becomes that of being unpopular with the predominant or governing group, being attached to the wrong political views, or being personally obnoxious to or in the way of the prosecutor himself.

In times of fear or hysteria political, racial, religious, social, and economic groups, often from the best of motives, cry for the scalps of individuals or groups because they do not like their

views. Particularly do we need to be dispassionate and courageous in those cases which deal with so-called "subversive activities." They are dangerous to civil liberty because the prosecutor has no definite standards to determine what constitutes a "subversive activity," such as we have for murder or larceny. Activities which seem benevolent and helpful to wage earners, persons on relief, or those who are disadvantaged in the struggle for existence may be regarded as "subversive" by those whose property interests might be burdened or affected thereby. Those who are in office are apt to regard as "subversive" the activities of any of those who would bring about a change of administration. Some of our soundest constitutional doctrines were once punished as subversive. We must not forget that it was not long ago that both the term "Republican" and the term "Democrat" were epithets with sinister meaning to denote persons of radical tendencies that were "subversive" of the order of things then dominant.

In the enforcement of laws which protect our national integrity and existence, we should prosecute any and every act of violation, but only overt acts, not the expression of opinion, or activities such as the holding of meetings, petitioning of Congress, or dissemination of news or opinions. Only by extreme care can we protect the spirit as well as the letter of our civil liberties, and to do so is a responsibility of the federal prosecutor.

Talking It Over

By

WILLIAM B. SPOFFORD

VICTORIES are not always what they seem to be. Here are a few authentic stories from Nazi Germany, most are from letters to Americans smuggled through the rigid German system set up to prevent news from reaching the outside world. A Vienna informant states that Hitler, no longer able to boast of bloodless victories, has suffered in prestige. "There is very little applause when his picture appears in newsreels. The populace even hopes that Goering might some day arrest Hitler." . . . Arrest of women is rapid-

ly increasing, now outnumbering the arrest of men three to one. Reason: they are unable to restrain themselves when they go to market and are unable to buy food for their families. "During the short time that Mr. L. was in jail last month in Leipsig two dozen housewives were brought into the station house with their market baskets still on their arms." Reporting that the older classes, men up to 48, are being called for military service, a letter from the Rhineland states that officers "look upon the older men with suspicion, convinced that they are anti-Nazi and worse, anti-militaristic. They say they are much better under control in their workshops and should stay there where they can be expected to stay quiet longer and, more important, are kept apart. In the army they are thrown together in large masses. Who shall keep them in check and under control, when all of the reliable, younger troops are on the front lines?"

FROM Berlin: "Nothing characterizes the severity of the food shortage better than the fact that now, after the first war winter and before the spring crops are available, Germany's chief staple food, potatoes, are being rationed. Vegetables and rice are practically not to be had at all." "If you want to buy a new metal frame for your glasses, made of ordinary metal, not gold or silver, you have to turn in your old ones. Newspapers carry articles describing the virtues of wooden shoes for women, how snappy they are and how romantic the clip-clap sounds in the streets. Really the people are dead sick of it all. The daily shopping has become the major problem. Women stay away from work because when they go shopping at the end of the day everything is sold out. People who refuse to work on Sunday are being punished." Another letter is from a family whose American relative visited them last summer. Leaving things behind, he wrote to ask them to pack the belongings and send them to him in America. The reply: My dear, that is entirely impossible. You assume that I could get a man to pack for me but they are all in the army. You assume that you can get wood to make packing cases. That is out of the question and even if there was wood, where would we get the nails? Even if the cases were ready, how could I ship them, since the railroads practically refuse to take private freight." . . . "The stacks of newspapers and cartons that we have been saving all week to heat the water for our Sunday baths are cleared away. You know how Grandma is, the slightest untidiness upsets her so and she keeps fussing about having piles of trash accumulated

in the hallways, but we are so glad that we have found a way to insure the children of having at least one warm bath a week." And so the stories go on endlessly; a strict rationing card system for the repairing of tires, as well as for the purchase of new ones; shortage of leather; no coffee; construction of new buildings forbidden; disappointment because the conquest of Denmark failed to bring the supply of eggs, butter and bacon that had been expected. A final letter, written just a month ago by a person who left Germany late in April: "People become more and more light-headed, full of hope today and terribly afraid of tomorrow. As I crossed the German-Italian border a customs official said to me, 'This is a vicious circle. Need drives us into expansion; expansion drives us to more need, so we have to have more expansion'."

And so are the masses made to run the squirrel's cage, in Germany flushed with victory no less, and perhaps even more, than in nations that have felt Hitler's iron heel. "When wilt thou save the people, O God of mercy, when? The People, Lord, the People; Not thrones and crowns but Men."



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MONTHLY REVIEW OF THE NEWS OF ALL THE CHURCHES

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The Presbyterian Church approved on May 28, in its General Assembly in Rochester, a proposal permitting conscientious objectors to war to file their positions with their respective state assembly clerk. In an action-packed day the Assembly also referred to the committee on bills and overtures a motion to petition the President and Congress to "lend the nation's moral and economic weight against the aggressor in the present conflict." It reaffirmed "our unqualified opposition to anti-Semitism in any form" and "our purpose to continue our efforts to secure aid for refugees." The Assembly voted a request for recall of Myron C. Taylor as President Roosevelt's personal envoy to the Vatican. The policy-makers of the Church overwhelmingly adopted a resolution which reaffirmed the 1939 assembly's stand on separation of Church and state.

Earlier in the sessions a report was submitted on the \$41,000,000 clergy pension system. Expressing confidence in its management the report said that there were two questions that remained unanswered; has the yield on investments diminished to the point where a change in the system is required; and must a clergyman retire from his pastorate in order to be eligible for a pension, which is the present rule. The report raised legal, moral and financial questions on this latter point. After considerable discussion it was voted to have a thorough investigation of the Pension System. The establishment of a Presbytery in Ethiopia was voted, after the mission board reported that Italy had recognized the right of free worship. Instruction of seminary students in matters of sex was voted in order to better equip ministers with the problems of family life.

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Writes About Life in War-Torn China

If you are looking for an exciting book on modern China read *News Is My Job* by Edna Lee Booker (Macmillan, \$3). Mrs. Booker traveled 50,000 miles gathering news for the International News Service, and saw all types of Chinese life from the highest to the lowest which she has put together interestingly in this new book. It is a personal, eye-witness account of one of the greatest dramas of the day.

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Methodists Meet in General Conference

Things churned at the first general conference of the Methodist Church held in May at Atlantic City. Anti-Semitism was assailed; a moral boy-



ROGER N. BALDWIN
Speaks at Presbyterian Meeting

cott on belligerents was asked; women were barred from the ministry; the Taylor-Vatican situation was aired; peace, war and Representative Dies were discussed. A committee report condemned anti-Semitism as "un-Christian" and as a rallying cry for essentially un-American forces. The report contended that a denomination of 8,000,000 can stand as a bulwark against the racial hatred now manifested in anti-Semitism. The general conference asked for a moral embargo on "aggressor nations," and also favored the extension of generous credits to invaded nations. It insisted upon the use of every "possible diplomatic means" toward the maintenance of the territorial integrity of the nations invaded by the aggressors. Another committee report, maintaining the position of the Methodist Church against war, was adopted and weakening amendments were rejected. The report urged that the United States remain out of present conflicts in Europe and the Orient. The stand of the church to support its members who are conscientious objectors was extended to include members seeking exemption from military training in schools and colleges. Representative Dies, who was an official speaker at the general conference, was the subject of controversy among the delegates. The police were forced to interfere with Methodist youth who sought to protest his appearance on the ground it implied endorsement of the Dies committee's methods. The Federation for Social Service called for restrictions on the Dies committee.

In the address of the Council of the Bishops to the conference, it was

asserted that although the Methodist Church was ready to cooperate with the Roman Catholic and other churches to promote world peace it unalterably opposed any diplomatic relations between the Vatican and the United States. The report urged Mr. Taylor's recall, and complete separation of church and state. The sentiment of the delegates of whom only a few were women, was in favor of granting full clerical rights to women but that the church was not ready for it. At present they may be ordained as elders and are employed as supply pastors.

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Social Reconstruction Conference Set for June 18-20

A conference on Christianity and social reconstruction will be held June 18-20 at St. Peter's Evangelical and Reformed Church, Lancaster, Pennsylvania. It has been arranged by the Council for Social Reconstruction, a voluntary and unofficial group within the Evangelical and Reformed Church that is affiliated with the United Christian Council for Democracy. Some of the headliners will be the Rev. O. Walter Wagner, David Baker and Fred Wentzel. The opening night speaker will be the Rev. Cameron P. Hall of the Presbyterian Church whose topic will be "The Church confronts the world." Speakers are asked to view such things as the war, the economic crisis and the political campaign through the eyes of Christian radicalism. The conference will issue a forthright statement on the sort of social action that is required today of Christians.

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On the Threshold of a Third Century

While the boasts of a "century of progress" are everywhere resounding, a quietly growing institution in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, approaches its third century of continuous educational service with characteristic calm, but deep, pride. The bi-centennial celebration in 1942 of the Moravian Seminary and College for Women is a milestone in the history of the education of women in America, and also a triumph for the tenacity of, and the abiding faith in, those educational verities of careful and balanced learning, character development, and spiritual growth.

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the fundamental attitudes and atmosphere while the curriculum and classroom methods have kept abreast with the best of current practice. A restricted group of congenial, busy, and happy girls know the joy of learning, living, and growing together. At alumnae homecoming the enthusiasm of the present student is blended with the poignant loyalty of those who return to what has been so definitely home as well as Alma Mater.

In the College which extends, and flourishes beside the Seminary, the culture of the liberal arts college has been maintained while the courses of study have been enriched to include such specialized training as teaching, journalism, medical technology, social service, secretarial skills, and the age-old arts of music, dramatics, fine arts, and home economics. Thus within the advantageous surroundings of a small liberal arts college the student prepares ably to take up the responsibilities of the woman of today. The graduates of every department carry the name of their Alma Mater into constantly widening fields; every technician has been placed in a position; countless teachers are passing on their learning in the classrooms; all recommended secretarial students receive placements, while others prefer to continue their chosen study in the graduate schools. Under the careful supervision of a small college for women, the individual is encouraged to develop her own sense of responsibility and initiative. Student Government acts with the faculty in the dormitories and in the many activities of the classroom and the extra-curricular life. Although Moravian is a college for women, the presence of four nearby men's colleges offers opportunities for interchange of ideas at various combined student activities, and for wholesome and natural friendships with college men.

Both Seminary and College are proud of their non-sectarian, but very real Christian background, and the ideals as expressed through student activities and individuals reflect the subtle but sincere training in Christian ethics.

The Moravian Seminary and College for Women is proud of the type of girls it attracts, and in the pride of the student for her institution lies the continuing strength of Moravian today.

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New York Methodists Hold Meeting

The New York East Conference of the Methodist Church held in Brooklyn, New York, voted to condemn war as un-Christian. The anti-war resolution was adopted after its sponsor, the Rev. Ralph E. Davis of Brooklyn had replied to objections by saying



EDNA LEE BOOKER
Writes of Life in China

that he knew of no one "in the British Cabinet or elsewhere" who said that war was right or that allies expected to "bring the kingdom of God on earth." He added that "we must do this or we might as well adjourn and go home." In a making-no-bones-about-it report of the social service committee, the F.B.I., the Dies Committee, anti-Semitism, Father Coughlin and the Christian Front were flayed. The alarming growth, it said, of anti-Semitism and anti-democratic movements centers in the Rev. Charles E. Coughlin and his storm-troop organization, the so-called Christian Front. The report declared that after Christian Front meetings, Jews have been insulted, assaulted and even stabbed. Catholics who repudiate Father Coughlin were commended but notice was made that no word of rebuke or disavowal has come from the Catholic hierarchy. The report tersely added that because of the silence, "and because its membership is 90 per cent Catholic, the Christian Front well merits the title of Catholic Klan."

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Federal Council Acts for Conscientious Objectors

At the May meeting of the executive committee of the Federal Council of Churches an interdenominational committee on conscientious objectors was approved without a dissenting vote. The committee will give aid to those who wish to register as C.O.'s, and will promote fellowship between the various denominational groups working on this matter. William Adams Brown, Union Seminary professor, called for a statement on the war which would be satisfactory to both those who want to stay out of the war and those who want to get in. After some discussion the matter

was referred to a committee to draft, with power to call a special meeting of the executive committee to consider it.

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Methodists Want to Stay Out of War

A resolution calling upon the United States "to preserve democracy within our own borders" and to "remain out of the present conflicts in Europe and the Far East" was passed at the Northern New York Conference of the Methodist Church, meeting in Watertown, New York.

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Catholics Organize to Promote Social Justice

Roman Catholics from thirteen southern states met recently in Atlanta and organized for the purpose of applying the principles of social justice to the problems of the South, particularly in the field of industry, race and education.

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American Tract Society Moves to New Headquarters

There is news in the fact that a century-old, debt-free society, in the midst of a financial depression, is renewing its youth and moving into larger and more commodious quarters. This is what has happened to the American Tract Society which is now located at 21 West 46th Street, New York. The organization distributes each year millions of tracts, the most scholarly and popular evangelical literature in English and other languages. Over \$50,000 of free literature was distributed last year to immigrants, visitors to the world's fair, at revival meetings in various parts of the country, in camps, hospitals and prisons. The director of the Society is the Rev. Edwin Noah Hardy.

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Professor Accuses Students of Muddled Thinking

Professor Arnold Whitridge, grandson of Matthew Arnold and great-grandson of Thomas Arnold, famous British school master, accused Yale students of muddled thinking when they circulated a petition stating that the United States should "grant no credit, give no supplies and send no men" to aid the Allies. The petition had 1,500 signatures by May 25th and more were being added each day. Men responsible for it said they were doing it on behalf of the Yale Christian Association. Professor Whitridge said that the United States should send to Europe whatever is necessary to enable the Allies to win the war.

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Lutherans Seek Half Million

Endorsement of the effort of the Lutheran Church to raise a half million dollars to carry on the mis-

sionary work formerly supported by the churches of Finland, Norway and Denmark was voted at the recent meeting of the Iowa conference of the Augustana synod. While expressing great sympathy for their brethren of these countries the synod nevertheless passed a strongly worded resolution that the United States should remain neutral.

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Youth Meets in New York

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt was given the silent treatment by the 1,500 young people who attended the closing session of the New York Youth Congress on May 26th. They listened politely but silently as she advocated preparedness in typically vigorous style, and then greeted Congressman Vito Marcantonio with cheers when he declared that the administration program for rearmament was bound to lead directly to war "for the defense of the British pound and the American dollar." The conference adopted a resolution criticizing the new armament program as "a step to war" and it was clear that all those attending were determined to do all in their power to stay out of the war in Europe.

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German Clergy Face Conscription

Although France conscripts the clergy, and Trappist monks with their vows of silence are serving at the front, Germany, like most other nations, has always exempted ministers. Such exemption was a part of the agreement concluded between the German government and the Vatican in 1933. However it now appears that all this is to be changed since announcements have recently been posted calling up all citizens born in 1904 and 1905, with the order concluding "this applies as well to the ecclesiastics."

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Governor Finds Religion Essential to Democracy

Religion and democracy are so deeply-rooted in the same basic concepts that neither can survive without the other, Governor Herbert H. Lehman of New York said recently at a dinner in honor of Mrs. Stephen S. Wise, president of the Woman's Division, American Jewish Congress. Against "the menace of force and the poison of hatred and paganism," he said, "all sincere believers in God should stand together."

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Conference On Constitutional Liberties

Leading citizens from all parts of the country are to meet in Washington on June 7-9 for a conference on Constitutional Liberties. Ways and means of maintaining democracy and the Bill of Rights in war time will be

OFF-MOMENTS



It is an Off-Moment because he is generally swinging the broom is useful work, rather than gazing into a camera. It is three-year-old Walter Peasant 2nd, generally considered the assistant sexton of St. Mary's-on-the-Highlands, Birmingham, Alabama. His father, Josie Peasant, is the top sexton. Please send us your Off-Moment snapshots.

discussed. On June 11th a national conference on religious liberty is to be held, also in Washington. The stated purpose of the meeting is "to define and to defend religious liberty, and do this without prejudice toward any group and with good will toward all men, whatever may be the views they hold." It is indicated that the appointment of Mr. Myron C. Taylor to the Vatican will be one of the most important matters considered.

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Pacifist Publications Banned in Canada

The American Friends Service Committee (Quaker) has announced that its publications, together with those of the Fellowship of Reconciliation, an organization of religious pacifists, have been banned from Canada.

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Some Okies Are Not Profane

Led by a Quaker camp director, a group of young church people of Los Angeles went into the "Grapes of Wrath" country to get some first hand information on the accurateness of the book by John Steinbeck. They pronounced the language of the par-

ticular "Okies" they met as anything but startling. One old-time migrant said that with but one or two exceptions, he could vouch for incidents set down in the novel.

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Thumbs Down on "Christian Front"

Reporting that Father Coughlin's so-called "Christian Front" is "most unchristian in its attitude toward the Jews, and in its doctrines," the executive council of the Los Angeles church federation has recommended that the churches absolutely disavow any relation to it.

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Catholic Paper Sails Into Methodists

A Chicago Catholic paper in an editorial, "Boardwalk Blunders," cracked down hard on the recent General Conference of the Methodist Church after paying its respects. "The Methodists," it said, "have formally asked for the recall of Myron C. Taylor. . . . In face of the childish arguments and lack of logic on which they based their decision, they can be accused of one of two things. Either they are bent on vicious publicity for their sect via the bigotry route or they are out and out crybabies, yelling bloody murder over their own shadow on the wall. . . . To bother with such sheer foolishness any longer would be inane. We only hope that President Roosevelt thinks more of world peace than he does of these he-got-more-candy-than-I-did caterwaulings."

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Rome Won't Be Bombed

It is announced from Vatican City that the Pope has been given assurance by the belligerent states that, in case Italy enters the war, Rome will not be bombed.

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Allan K. Chalmers Elected Moderator

The Rev. Allan K. Chalmers, pastor of the Broadway Tabernacle, New York, was elected on May 22, Moderator of the New York Congregational Christian conference.

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Lutherans to List War Objectors

Baptized or confirmed members of the Lutheran Church, "who feel unwilling for conscience' sake to take human life in war," may record their convictions in a register which will be set up in the near future by the United Synod of New York through its committee of social missions. The registry was adopted unanimously by church members at the 12th annual convention of the New York Synod. In an ordination sermon, the Rev. Herbert T. Weiskotten said, "Our catechism tells us that war is an exception to the Fifth Commandment.

But how can the most wholesale kind of killing be an exception to the commandment against killing? If that is an exception, let us throw out the whole commandment." Lending of spiritual and material relief to the oppressed peoples of Europe was voted. * * *

Sunday School Workers Meet

Over 150 delegates, representing indirectly about forty million Sunday School teachers and pupils, met at Lake Mohawk, N. Y., last month under the auspices of the World's Sunday School Association, which is a federation of fifty national and international associations. Speakers from various parts of the world indicated that there was never a greater opportunity for missionary work. It was also stated by several speakers that social religion was being more stressed in the mission fields than in the past. Governments in some instances are putting up barriers to the teaching of religion, notably Cuba, Mexico, Egypt and Iran. On the subject of peace the delegates approved a statement that "Peace education is now a 'sine qua non' of Christian education. Recurrent wars make peace a first concern of every Christian." The 13th quadrennial convention of the Association, which was to have been held this summer in South Africa, is to be held next year in Mexico City—"war or no war" according to the announcement. * * *

Five Rules for the American Christian Now

The Presbyterian Tribune in a recent editorial offered five rules for the American Christian in this hour of sorrow and confusion:

1. He shall remember that whatever the emergency, war itself accomplishes nothing that is good.
2. He will sustain the missionary forces at home and abroad for they represent the very frontier of Christianity in this hour. They are the only agencies now at work in cementing human brotherhood in the spirit of Jesus.
3. He will give aid to the Red Cross in its ministry to sufferers in all nations at war.
4. He will prevent any spirit of national, racial or class-hatred to creep into his own soul or the souls of his neighbors.
5. He will humble himself before God that he may preserve spiritual insight in a day of confusion. * * *

Of Different Race and Religion

A district superintendent of the Methodist Church recently submitted a report to his bishop on the state of Vermont. "Vermont," he reported, "is as distinctive as if we were an independent nation of different race and religion. It has been, and is, a

frontier. The sense of self-sufficiency of its pioneers from Massachusetts and Connecticut was strengthened by land-title controversies and the period of independence before admission to the union. They were able to achieve a life surprisingly secure and satisfying. They developed astonishing skills in making much out of little. Vermont leads the national trend in having more elderly people, in proportion, than almost any other state. Some 'towns' have lost two-thirds of their population. Vermont has remained rural. Yet our stock has not lost any of its native vigor.

"The original churches were called simply 'Christian,' or 'meeting-house associations.' I know of no other conference which has so many federated churches. Denominations have been weakened. Under our Methodist system, our predicament last spring, when three conference members at one time came out of federated pulpits, illustrates. Some believe that we must aim for one Church of Christ in Vermont. I believe that we should seek a union that conserves the best in each denomination. Federated churches are laboratories. They have their faults and weaknesses. After visiting every union field, I cherish a new hope. These federated churches are not failures!" * * *

Poteat Speaks On Taylor Appointment

The Rev. E. M. Poteat of Cleveland, speaking at the Northern Baptist Convention in Atlantic City, said that the appointment of Myron C. Taylor to the Vatican has resulted in a clamor out of proportion to its possible impetus for peace. He said Roger Williams, founder of the Baptist Church in America, would be "enormously pleased at the zeal with which the Taylor appointment has been challenged." The Rev. Elmer A. Fridell of Berkeley, California, president of the convention, said that all the world would suffer for many years even if the war was short, because of its tremendous financial burdens. Preaching at the concluding session on May 26th the Rev. C. W. Kemper of Denver said that the church as an institution is being driven underground by the "exaggerated nationalism of dictatorship." * * *

Inter-church Convention in Massachusetts

Issues resulting from the war threw the first inter-church convention to be held in Massachusetts into confusion when they met in Worcester on May 17th. Stanley High, speaking on the relationship of Christianity to democracy, urged the churches to scrap pacifism and to throw the force of the United States on the side of the Allies. He also ridiculed the criticism on the part of churchmen of the appointment of

Myron C. Taylor. The Congregational section of the conference nevertheless passed a resolution condemning the Taylor appointment; the Methodist section denounced both aggression and the war system and appointed a committee to stand by conscientious objectors to war, while students of the Yale Divinity School sent a telegram to President Roosevelt to say: "We regret your alarmist speech to Congress and as future ministers will oppose such unwarranted expenditures for a war machine. We hope that in the future you will not invoke the name of God to support such militarism." * * *

Spiritual Qualities Cannot Be Crushed

The cultural and spiritual qualities of nations will survive even if they are conquered, said the Rev. Ralph W. Sockman, pastor of Christ Church, Methodist, preaching May 26th. America's role, he said, is not to "jump in to pluck chestnuts out of a European fire, but to start planting seedlings for tomorrow's crop of world co-operative movements. Seeds are harder to see than ruins. Right now we are looking at the ruins of a world at war, and we are woefully depressed. But while a blitzkrieg may destroy fortifications and even change political institutions, it cannot kill the seeds of culture so quickly. We should remember that governments may fall while the national spirit still lives. A nation is more than a territory ruled by a government. It is a network of ideals, memories and reverences." * * *

Roger Baldwin Addresses Presbyterians

Roger Baldwin, director of the American Civil Liberties Union, was the speaker at the forum meeting held at the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, meeting in Rochester, N. Y. The meeting was held on May 27th under the auspices of the Presbyterian Fellowship for Social Action, which is affiliated with the United Christian Council for Democracy. His subject was "America and the War—Now and After." The Fellowship also had a dinner in connection with the General Assembly. * * *

Urges Defeat of Gag Bill

The American Civil Liberties Union is urging Church people and others to ask for the defeat of the Omnibus Gag Bill, now before Congress. "Such a bill, if passed, would open the way to wholesale violations of freedom of speech and press under the guise of protecting the armed forces. In these hysterical days the danger of the passage of such a bill is great." Write to Senator Henry F. Ashurst, chairman of the Judiciary Committee.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH NEWS PRESENTED IN BRIEF NOTES

Edited by W. B. SPOFFORD

Frances Perkins, secretary of labor, was the headliner at the Episcopal Social Workers conference, meeting in Grand Rapids last week in conjunction with the National Social Workers Conference. She spoke at the dinner and was introduced by Bishop Whittemore of Western Michigan. She stressed the need of religious education for children, and advocated religious instruction in schools as well as in the home. The Rev. Niles Carpenter of Buffalo University, also a speaker at the conference, said that "The twin dogmas of man's divine son-hood and divine brotherhood comprise a categorical imperative towards justice and honor in civic affairs, and tolerance, understanding and helpfulness towards the underprivileged, the handicapped and the delinquent." The Rev. Mark A. Dawber, executive secretary of the Home Missions Council, told the conference that the United States is "still wedded to the old economics of scarcity, involving competition and profit, with all the un-Christian implications that are inevitable. We are not ready to accept at its full value and meaning the economics of plenty that will require service and use as the motives, and cooperation as the method to achieve the desired ends. Such acceptance is the outstanding social need of the emerging situation. If the Church can receive the social challenge of this new economic situation with clean hands and a pure heart, then there is great hope for the future." He deplored the acceptance of unemployment as a permanent characteristic of our economic life and said that there was no reason why poverty should exist in a world where now we have all the facilities to meet all the needs of all the people, whenever we really set ourselves to do so."

One of the episodes in connection with the conference, attended by about 5,000 social workers from all parts of the country, was a local strike in the plant of the Grand Rapids Metalcraft Company. The right to picket being denied the strikers, their leaders called upon the Rev. Owen Knox of the Michigan Civic Rights Federation and myself as executive secretary of the Church League for Industrial Democracy to go into action for civil liberties. We called on the mayor, the chief of police and the attorney general of the state, and announced that pickets were to be placed in front of the factory on the afternoon of May 29th to make a test case. Hundreds of

LEARN OF EACH OTHER

THIS Inter-Church Number of THE WITNESS is issued with the hope that it may promote understanding and fellowship between Christians of every name. Pages are devoted to a review of the News of All Churches, and the first issue of each month also features an article by the outstanding non-Episcopalian. It is our hope that the paper will be widely distributed among members of all the Churches. To cooperate in this effort a number of clergymen have sent in gift subscriptions for their brethren of the clerical association, while a large number of readers have made gift subscriptions to their friends of other churches. These are entered for but 50c for an entire year. Won't you send your list at once to the Chicago office, 6140 Cottage Grove Avenue, in order that your friends may receive the Inter-Church Number for July, and thereafter once a month for a year.

citizens gathered to see what happened when a handful of parsons and social workers joined the workers to test the power of the mayor and a force of fifty policemen. The result was at least a temporary victory for the workers since the mayor, at the factory in person to direct his forces, refused to order arrests and picket lines were established and are continuing on a twenty-four hour basis.

Bishop Brinker Is Commencement Speaker

Bishop Brinker of Nebraska is the speaker at the commencement of the Philadelphia Divinity School, being held today, June 6th.

William Allan Neilson At Kenyon College

William Allan Neilson, retired president of Smith College, is the headliner at the commencement of Kenyon College, June 7-10. A demonstration of flying is to be one of the features, Kenyon being one of the first American colleges to teach aviation.

Bishop Lawrence Has a Birthday

Bishop William Lawrence of Massachusetts, retired, celebrated his 90th birthday on May 30th by releasing *A Narrative* which tells the story of the Episcopal Theological School where he was dean for twenty-seven years. Starting seventy-three years ago with two professors and three students, the school

has grown to be one of the largest and best of our theological seminaries. Concluding with a look into the future, Bishop Lawrence says that society needs a deepening of the sense of responsibility in personal life, clearer intelligence as to morals and religion and stability of character to stem the rush of attractive paganism and brutal mass force.

Churchman Writes Interesting Book

Churchman Thomas C. T. Crain, whose book *A Survey* is announced on the back page, has had a diversified experience and legal training which adds value to his interesting book. Born in New York City in 1860, he was educated here and abroad and as a boy was in France during the entire Franco-Prussian war. As a young man he served as United States Deputy and Vice Consul in Milan. Later he held in succession the offices of secretary to the Mayor of New York City, Chamberlain, Deputy Attorney General, Tenement House Commissioner, City Judge, Judge of the Court of General Sessions, Justice of the Supreme Court of New York, District Attorney of New York County and for the past six years has been Official Referee of the Supreme Court. For many years he was a helpful visitor in our public schools and is a member of the committee on religious education of the New York Federation of Churches.

Interesting Confirmation in Philadelphia

A class composed entirely of persons with impaired hearing was confirmed on June 2 by Bishop Taitt of Pennsylvania. They were presented by the Rev. Gustav C. Neckling, vicar of the Chapel of the Hard of Hearing. The oldest was an 84 year old woman, the youngest a 14 year old boy.

Commencement At Seabury-Western

The Rev. Theodore O. Wedel of the College of Preachers, Washington, and the Rev. Grieg Taber, rector of St. Mary the Virgin's, New York, are receiving honorary doctorates at the commencement of Seabury-Western Seminary, Evanston, today, June 6.

Hitler Is Conquering the United States

America is being conquered by Hitler, the Rev. Harry Emerson Fosdick told a large congregation on June 2nd. "It will take more than 50,000 airplanes to save democracy," he said. "It is going to take a profound moral and spiritual regeneration in our citizenship. In a sense Hitler already is conquering Amer-

ica; that is to say, there is an almost irresistible tendency in every realm to fight fire with fire. We copy the weapons of our enemies. Almost inevitably we tend to fight totalitarianism with totalitarianism, regimentation with regimentation, denial of minority rights with denial of minority rights, nationalistic gods with nationalistic gods."

Memorial for Bishop Stewart

Laymen of the diocese of Chicago are contributing to a fund for a memorial to Bishop Stewart to be placed in St. Luke's, Evanston, where he was rector for many years.

Erie Opposes National Council

The convention of the diocese of Erie by a unanimous vote opposed the proposal of the National Council that lay employees be brought under the federal social security act.

Bishop Sherrill Authorizes Prayers

Bishop Sherrill of Massachusetts has sent to the clergy of the diocese a form of bidding prayer; for peace; for the nation; for leaders of wisdom and for every nation that stands for freedom and truth.

Meaning Exactly What?

I gave a talk at the Social Workers Conference meeting last week in Grand Rapids. It was generously reported in one of the local papers, but under the story appeared this "filler" which disturbed me a little: "Eggs are wrapped in banana leaves to keep them fresh in Venezuela."

San Antonio Rector Has Anniversary

The tenth anniversary of the rectorship of the Rev. Samuel O. Capers was celebrated at Christ Church, San Antonio, Texas, on May 19th. Bishop Capers preached and at a public reception the next evening the rector was given a gold watch

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No Recruiting From Canadian Pulpits

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Homer Martin Now a Grouper

Homer Martin, ousted CIO labor leader who brought vigorous criticism upon the Episcopal Church League for Industrial Democracy because that organization had him for a forum speaker at the last General Convention, has announced his membership in the Oxford Groups (Buchmanites). He is to take several months rest this summer after which, according to close friends, he is to be employed as one of their speakers.

2,500 Children Join Mission Parade

A procession of 2,500 children in colorful choir vestments was reviewed on May 25 by Bishop Manning of New York, at the annual service for the presentation of the mis-

sionary offerings of the children in the New York diocese. In the ceremony which followed in the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, Bishop Manning presented certificates and banner awards to representatives of church schools in the diocese. The

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Deems Speaks at Human Relations Mass Meeting

The Rev. Charles P. Deems, rector of St. Mark's was one of the speakers at a labor mass meeting on human relations sponsored by the Minneapolis Central Labor Union and the Minneapolis Round Table of Christians and Jews.

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Churchmen Honor a Cop

Major E. W. Brown, chief of police in Washington, D.C., has just been awarded the distinguished service of the local Federation of Churches. He is active in a boys' club for the sons of cops; teaches a large Bible class each Sunday and is ruthless in his war on the underworld.

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Albany Choir Festival Held May 25

The ninth Albany diocesan choir festival, held in the Cathedral of All Saints', May 25, was, as Bishop Oldham said in his greeting, an occasion that proved both a musical and religious inspiration for participants and congregation. Some forty choirs and choral groups participated in the festival. Six district festivals, held in Schenectady, Morris, Hoosick Falls, Ilion, Catskill and Ogdensburg preceded the combined festival in Albany.

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College Workers to Hold Conference

The commission on college work of the province of New England is to sponsor a conference for prayer at study, September 3-7, meeting at Adelynrood, the conference center in Massachusetts of the Companions of the Holy Cross. The leaders are to be President Kenneth Sill of Bowdoin College, the Rev. Stephen F. Bayne, Jr., Canon Bernard Iddings Bell, the Rev. R. S. Emrich, the Rev. Alden Kelley, the Rev. C. Leslie Glenn, the Rev. F. B. Kellogg, the Rev. George Langdon, the Rev. John Crocker and the Rev. Angus Dun, the latter holding a retreat the last thirty-six hours

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of the conference. The conference is open to those doing the work of the Church in colleges and schools, as well as to laymen, laywomen and clergy who might be considering entering this type of work.

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William M. Sharp Goes to Garrison

The acceptance of the Rev. William M. Sharp of Philadelphia of the rectorship of St. Philip's, Garrison, New York, was announced last Sunday following the farewell sermon of the Rev. E. Clowes Chorley, rector of the parish for thirty-two years. Mr. Sharp is the chairman of the Philadelphia chapter of the Church League for Industrial Democracy and has been a cooperator with the Rev. David Colony in developing cooperative hosiery mills in that city.

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Elmore McKee Speaks on Unity

If the Church in America fails to meet the war crisis with "faith, stability, fellowship and prophetic freedom" it will go the way of other churches of scant vitality—"into the common hopper of destruction," declared the Rev. Elmore McKee, preaching on Sunday at St. George's, New York, where he is rector. He said that it was a testing period for all the churches and they should press more vigorously than ever for Church unity.

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Young People Gather for Spring Rally

On May 19th, forty young people from various parishes and missions of the diocese of Northern Michigan gathered in the Church of the Transfiguration, Ironwood. Discussion

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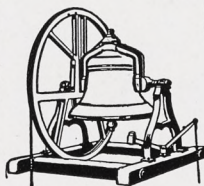
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Good Results From Baseball

In a down-home-way, Archdeacon Bulkley of Utah describes one of his baptisms. "I was asked to baptize a baby boy in one of the coal camps. The father made the arrangements and then issued an invitation to all the Episcopalians and interested people in the town to come to a chicken lunch afterwards. He prepared for 75 and most of them came. In making the plans I mentioned that though I had known his wife for some time, this was the first time that I had met him, yet he seemed most familiar to me. In talking it over we found that some 20 years ago when I was helping to found the Utah County baseball league he had been one of the young players that we developed and as one of the interested leaders I had come to know him well. Even outside interests bring results."

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Illinois Rector Is Honored

In a dinner at which Bishop Randall of Chicago was the principal speaker, the Rev. John Francis Plummer, rector of St. Michael and All Angels', Berwyn, Illinois, was felicitated for his successful leadership during the thirty years of his ministry and particularly for his seven and one-half years at St. Michael's. It was a chicken dinner and 200 attended.

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Sewanee Summer School Meets in August

The Sewanee Summer Training School will hold its session this year on the campus of the University of the South, Sewanee, August 1-15. On the program which the director of the conference, the Rev. Girault Jones, has announced is the school of Christian education which will have as its headliner, Miss Hilda Shaul of Southern Ohio assisted by Miss Elizabeth Yundt of Lexington.

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Bishop Washburn Pleads for Calm Thinking

In his address to the convention of the diocese of Newark, Bishop Washburn warned of "insidious and subtle propaganda of industrial or financial interests" for personal profit through war and declared "it is time for clear, calm and conscientious thinking." Speaking on the war he said that perhaps at some future time there would be reason for this country to enter the European conflict but that time was not yet. Commenting on Empire acquisition, Bishop Washburn said, "It is not yet clear to me that our existence as a free nation would be definitely endangered by the defeat of Britain and of France. When by

force of arms, a conqueror extends his unwelcome sway over great areas of unwilling peoples, history reveals the instability of his empire. There is a definite limit to the extent of territory which having won, he can still securely hold."

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Michigan Delegates to General Convention

At the annual convention of the diocese of Northern Michigan, the following were elected as deputies to the General Convention: Clergy—Messrs. Ziegler, Langley, Knapp and Weiser; Laity—Messrs. Wood, McBean, Stakel, and Stanford.

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California Urbanites Gather at Wayside Cross

Between the Salinas River Valley and the Cholame Creek Valley in Monterey Co., California, the Cholame Hills rise to an elevation of 2,578 feet where the Vineyard Canon road crosses the summit. Here stands a massive Celtic cross, erected fifteen years ago in memory of Bishop Nichols, of California, and known as The Wayside Cross. Recently a large congregation from the countryside gathered at the foot of the cross and heard a sermon preached by Bishop Parsons. From the ranches and towns they were joined by a caravan of pilgrims from the San Francisco Bay region of the diocese. It was a

unique treat for the visitors from the urban area and it showed the potential power within the rural field. The Wayside Cross, situated as it is, stands as a challenge and an invitation to the agricultural folk whose journey from ranch to town leads them past it. The Rev. Lloyd B. Thomas is in charge of the work in this large area.

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300 Singers at Choir Festival

Three hundred singers from about seventeen choirs participated in the annual adult choir festival held in St. Paul's Cathedral, Detroit, Michigan. The massed chorus was directed by Mr. Francis A. Mackay, the Cathedral's director of music, and the organist for the service was Mr. Melvin Zeidler of All Saints' Church, Detroit.

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Graduation Exercises at Cincinnati School

The graduation at the Graduate School of Applied Religion at Cincinnati, Ohio, were held on May 30. After the Holy Communion and De-

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votions there was an address by the Rev. Jesse K. Halsey of Wyncote, Pennsylvania, and the presentation of diplomas by Bishop Hobson of Southern Ohio.

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Repeat Exhibit for World's Fair Visitors

The Church Society for College Work is repeating its exhibit for World's Fair visitors in the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, New York City. To call attention of church people to the exhibit which was well patronized last year, the society is distributing a poster in full color, showing the completed and incomplete parts of the cathedral building. There will be a caption, "The College Today is the World Tomorrow," and the invitation "The great interior of the Cathedral is now nearing completion. . . ." The exhibit is a development of the one shown at the General Convention in 1937, with elaborate mechanical devices, lighting arrangements and photographs.

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Church Union Meets in Louisville

The first regional conference of the American Church Union to be held in the South met in Louisville, Kentucky, on May 30th. The Rev. Edward L. Souder of Cincinnati preached and the Rev. W. P. S. Lander, secretary of the organization, spoke on the principles and program of the union. The Rev. A. J. Du-bois of Washington read a paper on "The Catholic Life." About 150 persons, representing five dioceses, attended.

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Baptist Turns Episcopal

The Rev. Placido E. Palmejar, Filipino clergyman in the Baptist Church, has announced his decision to enter the General Theological Seminary, New York, next fall, to prepare for ministry in the Episcopal Church. His reason: "I believe the genius, the beauty, and the efficacy of the Episcopal Church and the Anglican Communion have something to offer to satisfy the hunger and thirst, and solve the problems and needs of the Filipinos in this America." From his own personal experience, Mr. Palmejar declared that Filipinos in this country in general have not yet found any satisfaction in their religious life in any of the Protestant Churches.

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Try New Use for Missionary Offerings

The dean of Nashotah House reports that the men of Nashotah House, Nashotah, Wisconsin, are trying out a new scheme for the disposal of missionary offerings. They are now concentrating their offering on one man whereas in the past the offering was divided between gradu-

ates of the House working here and there in the field. The first missionary representative to go out under the new idea is John F. McLaughlin of the class of 1940. Nashotah will support him for two years and at the end of that period a second man will be sent out into the same field from the class of 1942. In this way more interest has been aroused because the missionary will never be a stranger to the student body.

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Bishop Creighton Speaks at Saginaw School

Bishop Creighton of Michigan was the after-dinner speaker at the concluding session of the Saginaw Valley School of Religion. The school has met bi-weekly for five sessions this spring in parishes in Midland, Saginaw, and Bay City. The Rev. C. C. Jatho, rector of St. John's Church, Royal Oak, led a teacher training section on How to Teach Juniors at the last evening session.

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World's Future Depends On America

The future of the world's civilization will depend on the United States, said the Rev. Ralph S. Meadowcroft, preaching on June 2 at All Angels', New York, where he is rector. He declared that, regardless of the outcome of the war, both England and Germany will be too exhausted to give leadership.

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Nazis Take Over Christian Techniques

The Nazis have taken over Christian techniques according to Bishop Gardner of New Jersey. Preaching to 1,500 people at New York's Cathedral of St. John the Divine on June 2 he said: "We must realize anew the importance of the techniques of the Church, three elements of which have been used so

effectively in Germany. German children are made to feel they are serving a great cause; the folklore and history of the German people have been emphasized and the nation has been made to believe that everything is one man, one personality." He declared that Christians must again regard themselves as a super-race, endowed with supernatural life and power to be representatives of the Prince of Peace.

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Death of Missionary to Japan

Miss Dorothy F. Hittle, 48 years of age, died in St. Luke's Hospital, Tokyo, last week after an extended illness. She had been a missionary in Japan for nineteen years.

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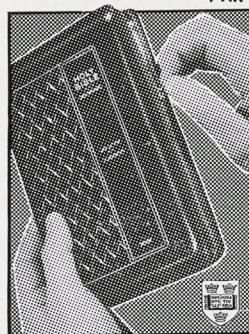
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