

**JOSEPH F. FLETCHER** WRITES FEATURE ARTICLE THIS WEEK

# **Technology and Social Change**

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STORY OF THE WEEK-

# Diocese of Missouri Censures Officials of Sewanee

# Bishop Lichtenberger Hits Congressional Investigations That Create Fear

★ The chancellor and vicechancellor of the University of the South were censured in a strongly-worded resolution that was approved by the convention of the diocese of Missouri. Instruction was also given to the Missouri trustees of Sewanee to work for the abolition of segregation when the board meets in June, and to report to the council of the diocese following that meeting.

The resolution was passed after the circulation of a study made of the Sewanee situation by the social service department of the diocese. The report states that the chancellor and vice-chancellor should have called an emergency meeting of the Sewanee trustees in February, 1953 "to reassure the faculty members whose resignations had been submitted that further action on the question of the admission of Negroes to the seminary would be taken immediately in an effort to permit them in good conscience to continue at the University."

The resolution states further that Bishop Mitchell of Arkansas, chancellor of the University, "acted in violation of article 13 of the constitution of the University in failing to call a special meeting of the board of trustees on February 5, 1953, as requested by ten of the trustees."

Commendation of the resigned professors "for their courageous and forthright action" was also contained in the resolution.

Bishop Lichtenberger, who was installed as diocesan at a service held at Christ Church Cathedral, St. Louis, deplored the current investigations of communism in education in his address. He quoted a letter by a Roman Catholic priest which said, "As a result of that experience (being arrested and



BISHOP LICHTENBERGER "...an atmosphere of suspicion mistrust and fear"

tried in China), I cling desperately to a principle that is one of the foundation stones of our democratic way of life, the principle that a man is innocent until he is proved guilty. God help us if we ever abandon that principle. If you must betray democracy in order to save it, why bother?"

The bishop went on himself, "The principle that one is innocent until he is proved guilty is deliberately turned about in the proceedural methods of zealous investigators. some Guilt is assumed or implied; an accusation is taken as a fact. As a result there is in this country an atmosphere of suspicion, mistrust and fear. If by such methods we could root out and immobilize those who would destroy our liberties which is doubtful - we would have, when the end had been achieved, not a nation of free people, but a people enslaved by their suspicion and mistrust and fear of one another.

"We are, I believe, seriously threatened now from within, threatened with the loss of freedom of opinion, freedom of press, freedom of education, freedom of the pulpit. And because the threat comes in the guise of an effort to maintain our free institutions many fail to see that we are in any way threatened. But freedom cannot be maintained by methods and means which are in themselves a denial of freedom. The right of Congress to investigate is not an absolute right; it seems to be regarded by some Senators and Congressmen whose disregard of the considerations of justice and prudence is, in the deepest sense of the word, immoral."

The convention ordered copies of this part of Bishop Lichtenberger's address sent to President Eisenhower and to the Congressmen and Senators from Missouri.

## DISCUSS STANDARDS OF SOCIAL WORK

 $\star$  Seeking further cooperative ways in which the social service agencies of the Church may be strengthened, five representatives of the National Council division of health and welfare services met with equal representation of the Service for Youth in Greenwich, Conn., May 1. Dean Leffler of St. Mark's Cathedral, Seattle, and Bishop Sherman of Long Island headed the two delegations which met at Seabury The conference dis-House. cussed standards of work for Church-related social agencies, the recruiting and professional training of social workers, and the need for religious conferences of the board and staff members of the more than 200 social services of the Church. Clergy and social workers need to have a better understanding of each other and learn how to work together, it was emphasized. The group went further to say that the Church as a whole needs to understand more clearly the place of social service agencies in its total program.

### TRADITIONAL HOUR IS CHANGED

 $\star$  St. John's Church, Delafield, Wis., has changed the hour for its Sunday morning service to 9:30. Sunday school is at that hour and the new nursery for small children enables persons with families to attend service while their children are otherwise occupied.



FREDERICK J. WARNECKE will become Diocesan of Bethlehem on February 1, 1954 when Bishop Sterrett retires. The announcement was made May 12 at the convention held in Scranton

## ANTI-NEGRO INCIDENT IS DECRIED

★ Threats of violence that caused Negro delegates to a church convention to cancel their reservations in an oceanfront hotel were decried as "extremely unfortunate" by the Rev. Edward R. Ullrich, president of the Greater Miami Council of Churches. He said that the Council's executive board will take up the matter at its next meeting.

Exclusive use of the Betsy Ross Hotel, two blocks from Miami Beach's shopping center, had been offered the 500 delegates to the national convention of the Church of God in Christ, and about 160 of them had booked reservations there.

The Negro churchmen cancelled the reservations and sought accommodations in two already overcrowded hotels and private homes in Miami Beach's Negro district after George Rone, lessee and manager of the Betsy Ross, told them he had received "scores" of telephone threats to himself, the hotel and the proposed guests.

Mr. Rone said the threats came after a local newspaper published a story calling attention to the fact that the Betsy Ross would be the first hotel on the oceanfront to be occupied exclusively by Negroes.

"If we hadn't received all this advance publicity, we might have been able to quietly perform a service needed down here in the South," the hotel manager said.



BISHOP MOODY of Lexington administers oath of conformity to Edwin W. Taylor and Robert W. Estill in presence of Dean Charles L. Taylor of the Episcopal Theological School

### PLANNED PARENTHOOD **GROUP WINS**

 $\star$  New directors pledged to admit the Planned Parenthood Committee of Mothers Health Centers to the Welfare and Health Council of New York was elected May 8th, by a vote of 317-259. The action followed the threat of Roman Catholic agencies to withdraw from the Council unless the planned parenthood agency was excluded.

### **COURT REFUSES TO DEFINE**

★ The Iowa supreme court reversed the ruling of a district judge who held, in effect, that it is impossible to define what is a Christian. In a 7 to 2 decision, the high court upheld the will of Dr. W. B. Small of Waterloo, who left a \$70,000 trust fund to "persons who believe in the fundamental principles of the Christian religion and in the Bible and who are endeavoring to promulgate the same."

After a trial at Waterloo District Judge B. Charlton ruled that "only by unpermissible assumption of omniscience can the trustees purport to execute" that provision. He said that the question of what is a Christian required venturing into a metaphysical field that is "out of bounds for the courts of an organized society of human beings founded upon the principle of separation of Church and State."

The supreme court disagreed. The majority opinion, by Justice W. L. Bliss of Mason City, stated: "The trustees are not required to have absolute knowledge that the beneficiaries of the trust are persons who believe in the fundamental principles of the Christian religion. They are only to earnestly, diligently and intelligently seek to ascertain and to in good faith believe that the

beneficiaries chosen are endeavoring to promulgate those principles."

Dr. Small, who died in 1939, had stipulated that the income from the trust fund be distributed by four trustees to "such persons and for such purposes as they may feel are directed by God the Father, Jesus Christ the Son, and the Holy Spirit and as they believe would be acceptable to me and meet with my approval."

Dr. Small's heirs, nieces and nephews, asked the district court to declare the will's provisions invalid.

## **ITALY'S SUPREME COURT** UPHOLDS PASTOR

★ Italy's supreme court rejected an appeal by the state prosecutor that it overrule a provincial court's decision revoking the sentence imposed in 1951 on a Waldensian minister for holding a church service without "proper authorization."

It was the first time a case involving a Protestant clergyman had reached Italy's highest tribunal. The supreme court's action was considered an important precedent by Protestant leaders in Italy.

The Waldensian pastor, the Rev. Franco Sommani, had been sentenced by a local court in Avola, Svracuse Province,

in April, 1951, for "having opened to the public an evangelical church rite without previous authorization by competent autthorities." The sentence was revoked in March, 1952, by a provincial court.

In opposing the state prosecutor's appeal before the supreme court, Mr. Sommani's attorney argued that Italy's postwar constitution "recognizes the right of citizens to associate freely and, therefore, to gather for religious purposes so long as no offense against the penal code is contemplated or committed."



**BEFORE** AND AFTER: St. Luke's, Merced, Cal., changes old exterior (below) to new (above)



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# BISHOP OF NEW HAMPSHIRE DEFENDS INVITATION

★ A plea that the Episcopal Church avoid "standing apart from other Churches in sober isolation in these days of world-wide threat and peril" was made by Bishop Charles F. Hall of New Hampshire.

He told 1,200 clergymen and laymen attending the convention of Massachusetts that "only by a growing unity in worship and witness shall we prevail against the godless forces of the world."

"Where we may find deeper unity with Orthodox Churches, we must move on together," Bishop Hall said. "Where we are able to witness for Christ with Roman Catholics, we must so apply ourselves. Where we may worship and work with all Protestants, we must do so with grateful hearts."

The New Hampshire bishop said there are too many perils and threats throughout the world for Episcopalians to "degenerate into self-contained and embattled units of faith."

"By prayer and witness together, we shall advance the purpose of God's kingdom," he said, "while we shall only hinder it in ranging stolidly against each other. It is one thing to call our Episcopal Church and the Anglican communion the final frontier of true faith and see it as a fortress to preserve our particular Christian treasures. It is another thing to understand that we hold no monopoly on the heritage and faith of the Christian Church.

"This Christ, whom we worship as the savior of mankind and the son of God, died for all of us and not merely for one special group. In his life and death and resurrection, all Christians are united by faith." Bishop Hall added that the desire for "ultimate Christian unity is manifest throughout the world" and that Christians are "keenly aware that the world is too strong for a divided Church."

The American Church Union recently criticized Bishop Hall for administering Communion to members of Protestant bodies at an ecumenical gathering held at Manchester, N. H., May 9-12.

### **Bishop Nash Speaks**

Congress has a duty to investigate subversion but it also has a duty to distinguish between "gossip and truth," Bishop Norman B. Nash said in his report to the convention.

"A few reckless political leaders are ready to violate the commandment against false witness," Bishop Nash said, "and to give circulation to rumor and falsehood."

As a result, many citizens who are already alarmed over the totalitarian menace have become ready to believe the worst of any who are defending "our great American political tradition" of the right to differ, he added.

Bishop Nash said that Congress, by its methods, should "protect, not destroy, good reputations a n d individual rights, particularly the right to express unpopular opinions. Otherwise, in defending our liberties we shall lose them. In this matter the very foundation of government and of morals is indeed at stake."

Bishop Nash further warned against "turning against the United Nations or depreciating and raising the old standards of isolationism" because that

organization has not accomplished more in its first years. "It is time for all of us who see in the United Nations the best hope of a brotherly and peaceful world to fight this criticism and build a more widespread understanding and appreciation of an organization through which alone we can hope to avoid world war three. and to build the structure of durable peace and organic human brotherhood. Patriotism is not enough. We must pray and strive for one world, a world of true brotherhood and enduring freedom."

The delegates approved a resolution on congressional investigations which concluded that "the greater the importance of safeguarding the community from incitement to the overthrow of our institutions by force and violence, the more imperative is the need to preserve inviolate the constitutional rights of free speech, free press and free assembly in order to maintain the opportunity for free political discussion, to the end that government may be responsive to the will of the people and that changes, if desired, may be obtained by peaceful means. Therein lies the security of the Republic, the very foundation of constitutional government."

The convention also urged amendments to the McCarran-Walter immigration act so as to provide a more flexible quota system; removal of all discrimatory provisions; a system of fair hearings and appeals; passage of emergency legislation to enable additional refugees to enter the United States.

### WOMEN DELEGATES APPROVED

★ Admission of women as delegates to annual conventions of the diocese of Pennsylvania was approved at its 169th yearly session by a vote of 132 to 104.

The action reversed the stand which the diocesan body has taken several times in past years. Next year's convention must endorse the proposal for it to become effective.

A resolution criticizing statements and policies of the National Council of Churches as "being out of harmony with the faith and order of the Episcopal Church" was introduced by a lay deputy, Spencer Ervin, who is president of the American Church Union.

It was objected to by Thomas B. K. Ringe, who represents the diocese on the National Council, as "unfair and unjust," and was referred by Bishop Oliver J. Hart to a special committee.

# WASHINGTON DIOCESE DEPLORES PROBE METHODS

★ The convention of the diocese of Washington endorsed the recent statement of the National Council of Churches' General Board deploring "certain methods" of Congressional committees investigating Communist infiltration. A resolution approved by the delegates commended the National Council statement for "thoughtful study."

Sponsor of the resolution was the Rev. Charles W. Lowry, pastor of All Saints Church, Chevy Chase, Md., who recently announced that he was resigning his pastorate to spend full time lecturing on the Christian answer to Communism. Lowry's resolution was adopted only after spirited debate. A group of lay delegates, seeking to table the measure, argued that the Church should stay out of politics.

Supporters of the resolution were led by the Rev. Leland J. Stark, of the Epiphany and coadjutor bishop-elect of Newark, who declared that "the whole of life is the concern of the Church."

In another action, the convention criticized the spirit of racial discrimination in Episcopal institutions in the Washington area. The resolution was introduced by the Rev. Dillard Brown, rector of St. Luke's and a Witness editor when he was a rector in Newark, N. J.

It authorized Bishop Angus



BISHOP DUN Pleads for an end of segregation in the Church

Dun, an outspoken foe of segregation within the Church, to appoint a commission to study the problem.

The commission was directed to "consult with representatives of the Episcopal institutions within this diocese ministering to the needs of our white people to determine with them how our Church may minister fully to all people regardless of color."

In a sermon at services opening the convention, Bishop Dun appealed for an end to segregation within the Christian Church.

The convention also called for more adequate chaplaincy in District of Columbia penal and correctional institutions and approved a program to expand the Church's ministry. The program involves establishment of new chapels and parishes and a building program costing \$1,000,000.

A budget for \$178,000 for 1954 was adopted. This represents an overall increase of \$30,702 over 1953, a major item being \$16,145 more for the department of missions. This will be used for outreaching work and to raise salaries of married clergy in smaller parishes and missions to a minimum of \$3600 a year plus housing and auto allowances. Bishop Angus Dun in presenting the budget urged this consideration for the men who serve so selflessly "in the leaner fields" of the Church.

### BAPTISTS IN RUSSIA SHOW 800 PC. GROWTH

★ Baptists in Russia have increased 800 per cent under Communism, it was reported to the pastors' conference of the Southern Baptist Convention. The report was given Dr. F. Bredahl Petersen of Copenhagen, Denmark, president of the European Baptist Federation.

He said that despite the Soviet control of children under the age of 18, the number of Baptists in Russia has grown from 400,000 a generation ago to 3,200,000 as of last year.

Petersen said the sources of these statistics was the secretary of the Baptist Union in Russia whose figures were checked by the Russian Ministry of Cults.

# E D I T O R I A L S

# Speaking with Tongues

THE narrative of the first Christian Pentecost is plain enough in its essential meaning, that the good news of the life and person of Jesus Christ is universal, a blessed reality for all men of every race and nation, and that the Church, which is his living body, is designed to be the home of every human soul. But the strange details of this remarkable story are puzzling enough. The curiosity and imagination of scholars have been exercised ever since in trying to explain them.

"Speaking with tongues"; just what does it mean? Eleven unlettered men so inspired by the Holy Spirit that their story of Jesus was understood by a motley crowd of refugee Jews, speaking and understanding only one each of a dozen different languages? The answers have been various and ingenious and mutually contradictory. We suspect that none of them will ever satisfy the whole body of Christian believers. Whatever may or may not be true about the mode and method of this miracle, we find the heart of it in some of the quite familiar experiences of groups of people today.

Spoken words are only one way of transmitting ideas and emotions so that they are comprehended by a group. There are gestures, in themselves an eloquent language, familiar to us religiously in the ceremonial of public worship. And there are the expressive tones of the voice which can make the very same words take on completely different meanings. You may say to your child: "You're a very bad boy" and he will run to you with glee or cringe before you in fear, all depending on the tone of the voice in which you speak to him. There is also that much-less-understood phenomenon of thought-transference or telepathy which is being so carefully studied today by psychol-There seems to be little reason to ogists. doubt that, under conditions of shared conviction and an intense emotional quality, the substance of one's thoughts may be transmitted to another without physical means.

All these factors were present in that Jerusalem audience on the day of Pentecost. The eleven Apostles and those to whom they spoke were all of them Jews, fired with intense patriotic ferver and longing for freedom from the hated oppressor that had driven so many of them into exile, but who had returned for this visit to the holy city. It is quite conceivable that they got the general drift of what was being said with such passionate conviction, perhaps catching a word now and then that was common to their various Oriental languages. There may, of course, have been supernatural aid in all this, but even without this assumption, the tale is by no means incredible.

For us present-day Christians on this anniversary of the first Christian Pentecost, the lesson of this "speaking with tongues" should not be lost. We are living in a time of oppression and fear, with organized religion too often made the handmaid of, or the apologist for, the forces of greed and terror. So we are doubly challenged to speak with passionate conviction the Gospel message of our Lord's transforming love for every sort of sinful, bewildered and struggling man, of every people and race and nation, and to pledge the Christian fellowship to labor for that more abundant life for all men which it is God's will to bestow.

If we refrain from mixing with this Gospel message our political fears and our social and economic hesitations, we shall be understood by the so-varied multitude which longs for freedom from fear and for an assurance that God is present in his world, to do his business and to work his will through the channels of his disciples' witness and works, even as that earlier multitude listened and understood the inspired eloquence of the first Pentecost.

# When

SAYS a secular paper: "When a man can dote on religion and not condemn those who do not share his zeal, or be indifferent to religion and not sneer at the devout".

To which we add:

When a man can speak proudly of being a "Churchman" and not deny the use of that word to those outside Episcopal authority; or can say "I am a Christian" and not sneer at those who prefer to say "Churchman".

When a man can pray in a bare and ugly church and worship through the voice of a man in a white tie shouting denunciations, and yet not think that those who use crosses and incense and vested choirs are "going to Rome"; or else prefer a rich and ornate service without despising a Methodist chapel as uncultured.

When a man can be a Catholic and not think that he has all truth tucked away in his breviary beside his pass to heaven; or be a Protestant and not think the Christian Church between the first and sixteenth centuries was Pope-ridden and immoral. When a man can believe in modern science and not despise the blind, untutored faith of simple minds, or be a fundamentalist and not think modern Christianity is going to the bow-wows.

When a man can live in the world, enjoy life, and not sneer at strict moralists, or be a Puritan and not condemn the hail-fellow-wellmet.

Then, ah then, will the kingdom of heaven have come on earth.

# **Technology and Social Change**

I SUPPOSE this is a kind of a busman's holiday for me and so for that selfish reason, as well as for another reason less selfish perhaps, I want to reduce what I have to say to a minimum. The less selfish reason for doing so is that this was advertised to us all as a conference. I myself very much covet the opportunity to get together with likeminded individuals in these safe surroundings so that we can pick each other's brains. Therefore I want to have less lecture and more conference.

The topic that has been assigned to me to open up for discussion is social change. Social change, of course, is a constant and not a variable faction in social action. Social change goes on unremittingly like death and taxes, but sometimes, as I am sure we all appreciate, the rate of change is abnormally rapid. It is just such periods of abnormally rapid social change which sociologists and social historians designate as revolutionary. We are living in a revolutionary era. As a matter of fact, in terms of the central problems of social structure, this period has been described by Arnold Toynbee in a recent essay in the Journal of International Affairs as a very revolutionary revolution indeed.

Now, personally, I throw out to you for your own discussion and rejection, if you find it is either irrelevant or invalid, my personal belief that the most decisive factor in the multiform causes of social change is technology. I believe

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that the great moral and spiritual and cultural issue which is being raised for men in modern civilization by technology is this: precisely how intense, how deep, how profound, how real and farreaching do we really want community to be? Because there is a principle of intimate, interdependent organization inherent in technology which imposes community sometimes to an almost intolerable degree of intimacy for people reared spiritually and morally in the western, bourgeois, individualistic system. I believe that this trend toward social interdependence in terms of the economic and political structures of modern civilization comes about and imposes itself upon us essentially without respect to, or reliance upon, ideological theories and abstract ideals. The "isms" are by no means as responsible for the collective trend in social organization as the objective, concrete, material modes of production, the historical circumstances in which modern men have to live.

This morning some mention was made of the fact that we ought to have, and that we ought to explicate, a theology of social action. I am sure that is true. I would repeat what I remarked this morning that the Christian engaging in social action explains his rationale not by way of justification so much as by way of witness. He doesn't give his theological convictions in order to justify himself but in order to make his witness.

All of us, I think, will be interested in the fact that recently the department of social

A tape-recorded address delivered at Seabury House

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relations of the National Council of our Episcopal Church has raised the question of publishing a symposium with perhaps some such inclusive title as "a theology of social action" —a joint enterprise in which the more competent people in biblical theology, historical theology and systematics will be recruited and mobilized.

Much of the new theological vitality which comes from Central Europe through the neoorthodoxies of one kind or another has persuaded a great many people that the classical incarnationally-centered theology is not as adequate for social action as an atonementcentered or atonement-oriented theology. This is one of several issues, things about which we ought to think very seriously. Recently at a committee meeting in New York, the "What about whole question was raised, Christian brotherhood?" Some reference was made to a manuscript which discussed "the Christian biblical idea that men are the children of God." The question was raised, "Is this, as a matter of fact, true?" In Christian social-action circles we like to speak about the brotherhood of man as being as genuinely a Christian principle as the fatherhood of God, but it might very well be that there are grounds for arguing, at least, that the biblical principle or ethos is sectarian brotherhood-that men only become the children of God through baptism.

#### Brotherhood

NOW, lest you think this is a purely theoretical matter, let me remind you of the fact that when the army and the state department got a group of the clergy together a few months ago, as they are doing periodically at the Pentagon, a chaplain told the clergy that were collected together not only to support the coldwar policies, but that there is nothing about the brotherhood of man in the Bible, and that it is a purely Stoic—a pagan—idea! In some of the correspondence about this little episode that appeared in the columns of the Christian Century, there were a number of letters giving vigorous support to this denial that brotherhood is a Christian idea, from men of considerable learning. This, too, is the kind of problem that Christians have got to consider.

Judge Delany spoke of the Sixth Commandment ,"Thou shalt not kill," but he vastly oversimplified the problem. Christian pacifists certainly would prefer it if the Old and the New Testaments alike condemned all killing, all slaying, but they don't! The terms in the original Hebrew and Greek are quite carefully chosen to indicate that what is forbidden is unlawful killing. There are a great many problems like these which have to be worked out by those of us who are engaged in Christian action. In trying to justify and inform and inspire social action with a redemptive theology we will have to put our heads together and think things through some more.

Reference in this conference has been made to despair and optimism. Some time ago the Student Christian Movement sent me a letter. They asked me to go to a conference of their's and give a talk along with some others on the theme that David Elton Trueblood has popularized in recent years, namely that the Christian gospel is the answer to man "living in an age of despair." I wrote back to say that I was very sorry but I did not believe that I could enter fully enough into the mood of the conference, if it had this as its theme. I believe that this idea of Trueblood, that this is an age of despair, is a pathetic example of culture-conditioning.

It is perfectly true that "bourgeois" man in the western world is feeling a very great deal of despair, whereas in the middle of the 19th Century he felt lots of hope. He was then riding the wave of the future, whereas out among the vast hordes of people victimized by western man's imperialism and colonialism a hundred years ago, people really were despairing because they could be easily and commonly degraded. Today they've got a gleam in their eye. They're going somewhere. It just simply is not true to say that this is an age of despair-not for the threefourths or the four-fifths of mankind living out in the "colonial areas" of the world and in the socialist bloc of nations.

We must struggle as a Christian group to act as a corrective element within the life of the Church, with all of the risks attendant thereupon. People like ourselves, social progressives within the bosom of the Church, have to constantly remind ourselves that we must have genuine compassion for the "muddleclass" people who worship in our churches. These people have a very hard time. They are being constantly threatened emotionally by the course of history. Instead of being contemptuous and irritated by them, we ought to recognize they feel very insecure, as though they had their backs to the wall. This is why we have McCarthyism and witch-hunts. There is, indeed, something called social change, and it isn't going to stand still for the benefit of any class, race or dominant power. Thus they feel frightened and unhappy and uneasy. I think we have got to understand this, with some kind of sympathy and some kind of compassion.

They get very excited now-a-days. The editor of a quarterly journal asked me to prepare a paper on "Collectivism as a Problem in Christian Ethics," which he could publish and then invite criticisms from other people in the field of social ethics. I did a paper. He sent it among others to an economist out in one of the mid-western universities. This man wrote a criticism of my paper which was hysterical. He used highly emotional language and his terms were more epithets than descriptive. At first, my impulse was to be resentful. I had to remind myself, "No, you mustn't be resentful." Though I knew nothing about him then, I said to myself, "At this stage of events I can understand, in terms of his cultural context and conditioning, how frightened he is by my apparent approval, or at least acceptance, of pragmatic collectivism."

A little later on I discovered that he had every reason in the world to be really threatened by this kind of talk, when it is done by serious people, because he is employed with a retaining fee to plead for one of the biggest steel corporations. He didn't reveal this fact in his criticism of my paper but it was one of the factors in back of the scene. Interestingly enough, that material on "Collectivism as a Problem in Christian Ethics" has been subsequently reprinted in the Oekumenisches Central, which is the German-language edition of the publication of the World Council of Churches. When they took it out of the American journal, they lifted the whole of the material on collectivism and most of the criticism of my paper-and a very good criticism it was, because it advanced the discussion -by Professor Hoffman of Fordham University. Significantly, however, they left out all of the pure, private-enterprise idealogy of my antagonist as utterly irrelevant to the realities of life on the European continent.

#### **Ground For Optimism**

**PHE** masses of our people are learning—and this is another ground for what we can call optimism, if we want-that while we did not have enough to feed our people when it was a question of a war against poverty at home, we have plenty of "dough" with which to fight a war against an alien enemy abroad. They have learned to see through artificial scarcity. They have not yet learned that it is by means of warfare that we are keeping our economic system going, but they can learn this lesson. We can be optimistic about their ability to learn it. Already I discover among working-class people with working-class incomes and experience in the Boston area that they are beginning to feel the pinch. They are beginning to think a little about what it They are beginning to review the means. picture of the last fourteen years in the United States since 1938-the period of time in which the American economy has been kept going by defense spending. Why should it be, after all this time, that in 1949, as Michael Harrington has pointed out in a recent article in the Catholic Worker, 50 per cent of the families of the U.S. had an income of less than 3,100 a year whereas the budget for an urban family of four, according to the federal agencies concerned, was \$3,295? A fourth of the children in the U.S. were being reared in families that had annual incomes of less than \$2,000 a year and almost half of the children in the U.S. were being reared in families with incomes of less than \$3,000 a year. More than half of the non-white children were being reared in families that had an annual income of less than \$1,500 a year, and 77 per cent of the non-white children in the U.S. were being reared in families with incomes of less than \$2,500.These are cold, day-to-day, experienciable facts which are having their effect and will have more effect with the passage of time.

To summarize this subject of social change, let me put it this way. You may think this is an over-simplification. Technology, the application of science to the practical problem of wealth-production, has well-established the principle that the division of labor greatly increases the productivity of labor and therefore raises the standard of living. The consequence of technological methods of wealthproduction is that mass-production within the monetary policies of capitalist economy requires mass-capitalizing-in short, big business. Big business inevitably brings into existence big unionism. Big business and big unions, both of them proceeding to the problems of collective bargaining and the struggle for power within the domestic economy on the basis of assuming the present class-structured social system, being devoted entirely to special interest and thrashing about in their struggle with each other, inevitably create the necessity for big government. Structurally-regarded, there is no way of reversing the trend. In terms of any realistic view of social change as a process and as a describable trend, it is fair and indeed necessary to say that this is an irreversible development. In terms of policy, as Archbishop Temple always pointed out, our problem in the future is not collectivism or individualism, planning or private initiativethat is a dead issue. The only real problem for the future is whether we are going to have good or bad collectivism.

Now I realize that the word "collectivism," at the level of journalese, is more an epithet than a descriptive term. Let us forget it. Use any other term that you want to describe this structural interdependence which is characteristic of a technical civilization. Its reality does not depend upon what term you use for it.

#### **Church Groups**

FINALLY, the dynamism of the small group is a subject I should like to throw out for discussion. I believe that the structures of modern society have become so big that the only way that Christians can exert any decisive control over their development is by combining with secular forces going the same way. When we want to act as Christans under Christian auspices, within the limited terms of Christian reference, we then have to content ourselves with the dynamics of the small group and local action and limited objectives. In the Episcopal League for Social Action, without in any way losing interest in, or concern for, broad political and economic objectives, I think we have got to turn our attention, in programatic and practical terms and far more seriously than we have ever done in our history, to the question of small-scale, manageable units of associative action. Our pattern, like Ezekial's "wheels within wheels," may have to be cell-groups within parishes, and such things as the work being done by Kim Myers, Paul Moore and Bob Pegram in Grace Church, Jersey City, and by others. The Episcopal League for Social Action can determine its relation to these movements by the terms of its own program. I think also of what I call the "Umpers"—the Urban Mission priests and their ministry to the most depressed parts of our great urban communities. Also there are the "Eufers" — the Episcopal Urban Fellowship, which is a broader association of people concerned that the Church as a whole should be socialogically realistic about the trends of population movement and life within the patterns of urban America. Still again there is the experience of the "Spimmers," the Society for the Promotion of Industrial Missions, which is developing in a great industrial diocese like Pittsburgh and is bound to spread out into other parts of industrial America. These are all signs of the times. There is no sense in people being too pessimistic today. If they are pessimists to the extent that they paralyze their own capacity for revolutionary and redemptive action, this reveals that they are not really realistic, not really objective. They are engaged in defeatist tactics and are probably unconsciously reactionary people. I don't mean to over-simplify this problem in social psychology but I personally think that most people who become radically pessimist about the possibility of redemptive action in history are unconsciously reactionary.

I would not agree with our chaplain, Father Denis, that sometimes we ought to be concerned with "being" rather than with "doing." I could agree with him if he would rephrase it —we ought to be as concerned with our "being" as we are with our "doing." It is not an eitheror; it is a both-and proposition. Words have lost their power today. When we just want to "be" usually we just talk, dont we?

#### Words Lose Power

THERE has never been a time in the history of human culture when words had less meaning and less power. Radio! Television! Blat-blat-blat-blat! All day! George Orwell's picture is not overdrawn. I find young people—my own children and their friends don't believe things people tell them any more. In my parents' generation there was a tendency to be almost fetishistic about the printed word. If they saw anything in print they were inclined to accept it quite uncritically. Now this is all changing. They don't believe what is printed. They don't believe what is spoken. They don't believe words! Never has there been such a pragmatic temper as there is today. Why should young people believe what they hear? A man whose tongue is for hire on the radio says that such-and-such a soap is absolutely the best soap that was ever made in the world. On the following night he makes the same extravagant claims for a competitive product. The same man! His tongue is for hire! From the point of view of communication, this man is a spiritual mercenary. His real convictions have nothing to do with his speech or his verbal communication.

Nobody today believes in words. That is why the slogan, "By their fruits shall ye know them," is perhaps more relevant today than at any time in the past. It is what we do. "In the beginning was the deed," as Goethe said, not the "word." The "word" really means deed, you see. The "word," the "Logos," isn't speech; it's spirit, it's drive, it's commitment, it's energy, it's power, it's force, it's doing. The Word of God is action, including social action.

# Water and Wine

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**I**<sup>T</sup> IS sometimes difficult to realize that as the incessant spring rains saturate the soil and our patience as well, we are witnessing the first scene of a mighty act of God. The second scene will be manifest a few months hence, when autumn has transformed this "water" of earth into the "wine" of the grape.

Once in human history God caused his providence to be made known in a single act. It happened at a wedding feast in Cana of Galilee. Seeing there, how Christ turned water into rich wine for the guests, the witness said, "It is a miracle." This work of the Son of God is far too great in its implications to be confined in our thought to one supernatural act. It is a living illustration of the way God works always in our behalf. It is evidence of his consistent purpose — to give us life more abundantly.

Perhaps there were those at the Cana wedding who observed that the greatest transformation was not in the water turned to wine, but in the fact that a poor and somewhat drab

Never of Christ into an occasion resplendent with per as spiritual beauty and unprecedented joy.

Whenever we reflect upon the divine love in human experience, we see that God, by his presence is forever changing the water of the commonplace and meaningless into the wine of great purpose and rich experience. Barren fields come alive with golden grain. Casual acquaintance becomes spiritual fellowship in the Church; a simple family supper becomes through Christ, the Holy Eucharist. Humdrum existence becomes a vital surge to possess eternal life. The instinct to survive is transfigured through faith into a passion to save and convert all lives.

family festival was changed by the presence

Today, the greatest evidence of Spiritual transformation is to be found where Christ is invited to be the permanent guest in a Christian home. What happened at Cana has been occurring ever since. "Water has become wine" wherever men have come to know that it takes God's purpose for their family lives to insure the deep satisfactions of which they dreamed They have seen beyond bank in courtship. accounts-that love is a spiritual thing, which has no purchase price. No quantity of acquired luxuries can possibly express it; no lack of them can destroy it. They have found that love for children must be more than a mere instinct if it is to be healthy and creative.

A "biological accomplishment" places no such responsibility upon us as a divine trust. The home that is left without any other resource for settling differences than a bargain between two combatants will never be refreshed by sweet forgiveness. A union that began with selfish deception and is sustained by threats of separation or reprisal is utter waste of human talent and life. To find happiness under such conditions would be nothing short of a miracle.

It is to this miracle that the Church calls our attention. Christ as a real and living member in our homes will change water into wine.

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# SERVICE FOR YOUTH HAS MEETING

★The meaning of Christian faith for the individual church social worker provided the focus for discussion at the annual meeting of the Episcopal Service for Youth, at Seabury House. May 6-8. More than forty representatives of Episcopal case work agencies in dioceses as widely scattered as Tennessee, Arizona, Louisiana, and Western New York were present for the conference and business meeting. Presiding over the conference was Bishop Sherman of Long Island, president of Episcopal Service for Youth. Bishop Richards of Albany served as program chairman.

The Episcopal Service for Youth is a national federation of Episcopal case work agencies



which offer the services of trained and experienced case workers, the counsel of clergy, and other consultation with psychiatrists and other specialists. The work is planned to meet the problems of young people.

In an address on the religious philosophy of social work. the Rev. Thomas J. Bingham, instructor in Christian ethics at General Seminary, stated that social work must be based. not on humanitarianism, but on the basic principle of brotherhood. He spoke of the dangers inherent in the have and havenot relationship of the social worker to the person in need of help. "The danger of giving is always that it makes the giver act like God," he said. He contrasted this with the Christian doctrine that the good deed done apart from God is not a good deed, but an evil The Christian social one. worker, because he acts in a spirit of humility before God, can escape the danger of giving a service of patronage. Bingham affirmed. "We are not our brother's keeper, but we are asked to be our brother's brother," he concluded.

These thoughts were echoed by the Rev. M. Moran Weston,

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14 E. 41st Street, New York 17 29 E. Madison Street, Chicago 2 261 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco 2 executive secretary of the division of social education and community action of the National Council, who addressed the men and women on the following day on the future of social work with youth. The Church social work agency is in a special position to tackle the problems of people beset by the moral insecurity and spiritual isolationism of our times, he claimed.

Throughout the conference there ran an undercurrent of concern for the shortage of trained social workers in both Church and secular agencies. Katherine Duffield, secretary for college work in the second province, estimated that 150,000 students must be trained in social work in the next ten years to meet the continuing demand. She announced plans for a vocational conference in the fall to interest Episcopal college women into entering social work.

### MORRISTOWN PARISH SPLITS GIFT

 $\star$  When Mrs. Sylvia Green Wilks made bequests of \$70, 000,000, St. Peter's, Morristown, N. J., received about \$1, 200,000. The Rev. C. P. Trowbridge and his vestry have announced the disposition of the money as follows: \$150,000 for extensive repairs to the plant: \$150,000 to the perpetual maintenance fund to make future repairs: \$200,000 to the endowment fund, to offset loss in pew rent, since the vestry abolished the system; \$700,000 for a special fund to be used for non-parochial purposes.

A c c u m u l a t e d in t e r e s t amounted to \$30,000 and so \$5,000 went to a settlement house for under-privileged people in Morristown; \$5,000 to assist aged and needy parishioners; \$10,000 for advance work in Haiti, since Bishop Voegeli was formerly a member of the parish; \$5,000 to the International Missionary Council; \$2,000 to assist candidates for the ministry in the diocese of Newark; \$2,000 to St. Mark's, Basking Ridge, N.J., founded by St. Peter's more than a century ago; \$1,000 to Youth Consultation Service of the diocese.

### BETTER BUSINESS METHODS URGED

 $\star$  Criticisms of the revised parochial report blanks, parish cash books, and diocesan report blanks were considered by a group of seventeen men interested in promoting good business methods in Church affairs, meeting on May 7 at Church Missions house. The group suggested that minor changes be made in these blanks so that they can be used more easily by parishes and dioceses, especially in the explanatory texts. This same group of men made the original recommendations which were approved by the General Convention of 1952 for revising report blanks to provide greater accuracy.

Since the new blanks have been put into use, numerous favorable and unfavorable criti-



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cisms have been received in the treasurer's office, and it was felt necessary to review these, and to make adjustments within the authority of General Convention as might be necessary.

All comments were considered, and in the opinion of the group, real progress has now been made in enabling parishes and dioceses to make accurate reports easily.

#### OBJECTION MADE TO HOUSTON

 $\star$  The convention of Massachusetts went on record against holding the 1955 General Convention in Houston, Texas, as was voted at the 1952 Convention. The delegates stated that "this resolution was passed for the reason that Negro delegates and clergy would face segregation in that city. In 1940 a resolution was passed stating that if General Convention were to be held in a city that practices racial segregation, every effort would be made to accord equal privileges to white and colored delegates."

### OPEN CENTER FOR MIGRANT WORKERS

★ The Minnesota Council of Churches has opened a center at Fisher, Minn., to aid the Spanish - speaking migrant workers who are arriving here from Texas.

Although the work of weeding and thinning sugar beets does not start until late May, the workers come early to take advantage of credit bills for food issued by state growers, the Rev. John Wilson, associate secretary of the Minnesota council, explained.

Before June 1, some 2,000 migrants are expected to be in the Red River Valley area around here.

The Rev. William Lorenz, Cincinnati, representing the National Council of Churches' home missions division, is in charge of the center. He will be assisted later in the month by Darwin H. Lumley, graduate of McCormick Seminary, Chicago.

Two other centers will be opened later this year in southern Minnesota. The center here provides leisure time and religious services for the migrant workers.

#### NUMBER HOUSES FOR CHURCH

★ Members of St. Luke's Church in Ewing, N. J., are using a municipal drive to get all houses in the district numbered as a means to raise funds for a new church building.

The young couple's guild of the church decided that it could help both the township and the church by selling and installing house numbers. Church officials said the campaign met with excellent results. It won the endorsement of township officials.



### EUROPEAN TRAVEL THIS SUMMER

★ A travel agency reports that there will be heavier travel this summer in Europe than any time in history. Dean Sturgis Lee Riddle, dean of the Pro-Cathedral of the Holy Trinity, Paris, states that American Episcopal Churches abroad "are ready and eager to welcome all churchmen and visitors." Besides Paris there are churches at Nice, Geneva, Rome and Florence.

### INVESTIGATIONS HIT BY OHIO

★ The social relations department of the diocese of Ohio passed a resolution congratulating Dean Francis Sayre for his sermon condemning current Congressional investigations — which appeared in the Witness in full March 12th. The resolution condemns "the techniques and implications of any Congressional committee which misuses its authority."

#### THE CLERGY ROLE IN SICKNESS

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 $\star$  A hospital chaplain and its superintendent told 3,000 psychiatrists that hospitals should make every reasonable effort to enlist and train local pastors as members of their therapeutic teams.

Dr. Archibald F. Ward, resident chaplain, Eastern State Hospital, Williamsburg, Va., and Dr. Granville L. Jones, superintendent of the institution, gave this advice in a



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paper delivered before the annual meeting of the American Psychiatric Association.

"When one member of a family becomes mentally ill, the other members constitute the most immediate concern of preventive mental hygiene," the two said. "If they are not helped, many of them will experience severe difficulties in living, some to the point of becoming sick themselves, and the home environment may work against the patient's eventual recovery."

The doctors said that the family minister is in a "strategic position" to influence the family and the community in matters of mental health. They noted that most psychiatrists have neither the time nor the opportunity to meet with the family of the sick person and discuss their problems with them.

"Even when social workers, members of mental hygiene clinics, and local physicians do all that they can, the need is by no means met," they said. "Other resources must be discovered and developed."

The two doctors suggested that the hospital staff may discover, in the person of the pastor in the patient's home community, a considerable human resource in meeting this need.

#### PARISHFIELD Brighton, Michigan YEAR'S TRAINING FOR CHRISTIAN LAYMEN Parishfield provides a course of training for men and women from October through May at a cost of \$300 for tuition and board. The course is designed for those wishing to strengthen their Christian insight in the workaday world. This is an opportunity for growth and study through sharing in Christian community life and through Bible and Prayer fellowship. For further information write PARISHFIELD

"When the pastor is properly trained he may make a significant, and in many ways a unique, contribution, in helping the family and the community," the psychiatrists were told.

"The minister's historic role imposes upon him a helpful concern for his people, in sickness even more than in health. His intimate, personal association with his people makes possible a natural expression of this concern in ways that make for good mental health.

"Some ministers already have sufficient training to assist the families in these ways, and they would welcome this opportunity to make their ministry more useful. Others will respond to an invitation from the hospital, especially when a trained chaplain is on the staff, to prepare themselves more adequately."

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# THE NEW BOOKS

One Christ; One World; One Church. A Short Introduction to the Ecumenical Movement. By Norman Victor Hope. Church Historical Society, Philadelphia. \$1.

This is a valuable little book. especially for clergy and laity who have not followed closely the worldwide growth of the movement for Church unity. Especially important for such readers is the description in chapter II of the beginning and growth of Protestant missionary work and the reasons for the complete lack of it until the end of the 18th Century, when the Baptist, William Carey, became the ardent pioneer of all subsequent missionary work. It is made very clear that Protestant missions, when they finally hit their stride through the XXIX Century, demonstrated the crying need for Christian unity.

The steps in the progress of the Ecumenical Movement are clearly described, beginning with the "World Missionary Conference" held at Edinburgh in 1910 and being followed by the "Faith and Order" conferences inspired by Bishop Brent and the "Life and Work" conferences which were first held at Stockholm in 1925. The author makes clear the logical merger of these two movements that created the present World Council of Churches which held its first Assembly at Amsterdam in 1948.

Not the least valuable part of this book is the author's analysis of the nature of the very serious theological and social difficulties which beset the Ecumenical Movement at the present time, one of the most



Psychology, Religion, and Healing. By Leslie D. Weatherhead.

Abingdon-Cokesbury, \$5.00.

This is almost a life-work; at least it sums up the mature reflections of a pastor who has been interested in the application of psychology to problems of health, and to pastoral work, all his life. He first became interested in the subject while a chaplain in the British Army (Baghdad and India) in World War I. The book also incorporates the substance of his doctoral dissertation at the University of London. It has obviously been worked over and revised and brought into better shape through the years. As a result, here is an important volume for the pastor, not primarily for the clinician. It is an interesting quotation that opens the book: "This is the great error of our day, in the treatment of the human body, that physicians separate the soul from the body" (Plato speaking!). But today the error is dual, and many pastors undertake to heal the soul without realizing the importance of the body, its states, its drives, its lacks, its incessant importunities, its enormous effects upon the soul within. This book will be very revealing to many a reader. -F.C.G.



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## **Clergy Changes:**

- CHESLEY V. DANIELS, formerly of St. Philips, Cumberland, Md., is now rector of St. Stephen's, Catasauqua, Pa.
- ROBERT F. KLINE, rector of Calvary, Wilkes-Barre, Pa. since 1919 has retired and is now living in Allentown, Pa.
- CHARLES H. BUCK, JR., professor of Episcopal Theological School, becomes dean of St. Paul's Cathedral, Boston, in the fall when EDWIN J. van ETTEN retires.
- CHARLES H. BEST, associate rector of All Saints, Chevy Chase, Md., becomes rector of Trinity, Red Bank, N.J., June 30.
- CHARLES A. GRIER, recently ordained deacon after being an engineer for 40 years is now director of the Bishop McLaren Foundation of the diocese of Chicago.
- ROBERTSON EPPES, JR., is now canon missioner of St. Mary's Cathedral, Memphis, Tenn., and will serve churches at Collierville, Bolivar, LaGrange and Somerville.
- GLION BENSON, formerly rector of St. Andrew's, La Junta, Colo., is now in charge of the mission at Sedro Wolley, Wash.
- CARINGTON R. CARISS, formerly of the Good Shepherd, Woodstock, Ontario, is now rector of St. Thomas, Buffalo, N.Y.
- RONALD S. MORISSEY, formerly rector of St. Michael's. Oakfield. N.Y., is now rector of St. Mary's, Salamanca, N.Y.
- MERWIN A. GARLAND, formerly rector of Trinity, Warsaw, N.Y., is now rector of Trinity, Fredonia, N. Y.
- A. ROBERT CHIDWICK, formerly rector at Ishpeming, Mich., becomes rector of St. Paul's, Modesto, Cal., in June.

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- JOHN W. HAYNES, formerly rector of St. Michael and All Angels, Rumford, R. I., is now rector of Calvary, Hillcrest, Del.
- CHARLES R. LEECH will be installed as canon of St. John's Cathedral, Wilmington, Del., May 31.

#### **Ordinations:**

MAURICE A. M. GARRISON was ordained priest by Bishop Boynton, March 21, at the Holy Apostles, New York, where he is assistant. He is also a fellow at General Seminary.

#### Lay Worker:

CAROLINE CUMMINS, headmistress of Bishop's School, diocese of Los Angeles, for 33 years, has resigned effective July 1.

#### Death:

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#### KENNETH R. FORBES Executive Director of ELSA

The following letter was authorized

by the executive committee of ELSA. There has been called to the attention of the Episcopal League for Social Action an editorial attack in Episcopal Churchnews, entitled "ELSA and the Bear".

ELSA may be a "weak little girl" as the editorial describes her, but at least she knows the facts of life. Also she is aware of the example and the precepts of her Master, which are sufficient to arm her against contamination by whatever company she keeps. Our blessed Lord did not hesitate on occasion to foregather with publicans and sinners, with unbelievers and rank outsiders. He chose the manifestly "unfit" of 'the community to be his intimates, so that he might make them fit to be members of the holy family. By the respectable and conservative of his day he was scorned and maligned. ELSA cherishes the belief that he would have his disciples follow his steps in this pattern of behaviour, as in all else that he said and did. We are trying to hew to the "Christian line" and are quite undisturbed if it brings us into conflict with some policies of the state department, the Pentagon, or any other secular point of view, in this or in other countries.

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ELSA has confidence in the American tradition of democratic freedom, as applied to education, race relations and political action. That 24,796 Communist party members (Mr. J. Edgar Hoover's 1953 report to Congress) among 160,000,000 American citizens constitute a menace to our institutions - in this day when government is in the hands of big business and has a huge military establishment-is an absurdity which Episcopal Churchnews should be able to recognize as such. Insofar as Communists, and other left-wing radicals and progressives, fight for the things we believe in, we of ELSA shall have no hesitation about working with them as allies, precisely as our American government chose to do in the second world war against the common menace of Fascism.

As of the present moment, Congressional leaders are running wild in a mindless fear of "communists" and "subversives". They are trying their utmost to imprison the thoughts and actions of American citizens within the narrow cabin of their own prejudices. And by this sort of performance they are diligently sawing off the branch on which they are sitting-the precious heritage of democratic freedom of thought, speech and assembly-only by the virtue of which can we logically and effectively help in preventing the spread of totalitarian methods in a world struggling heroically to become free and to attain that more abundant life which we Christians believe it is the will of our Lord that all men should have.

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