

The Committee of Conference on the Prayer Book in Foreign Lands, reporting through the Rev. Mr. Demery of Central America, on the Eleventh Day, presented the following report:

The Committee of Conference requested by the House of Bishops in regard to message No. 137 of the House of Deputies reports that it has met and proposes the following amendment to message No. 2 from the House of Bishops as a substitute for the original amendment:

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, that in those editions of the Book of Common Prayer and Administration of the Sacraments and Other Rites and Ceremonies of the Church, according to the use of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, together with the Psalter or Psalms of David, published for use in missionary jurisdiction of this Church *outside the continental United States of America*, whether such editions are in English, or in some other language, the following alterations be authorized; to wit

#### THE TITLE PAGE

The words "The Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America" shall be omitted, so that the Title Page shall read as follows:

The  
Book of Common Prayer  
and Administration of the Sacraments  
and Other Rites and Ceremonies  
of the Church  
according to the Use of  
(The Protestant Episcopal Church)  
or  
(the Canonical Title of the Church in that District)  
Together with  
The Psalter or Psalms of David

The Resolution was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 147].

The House concurred.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 179].

#### Prejudice Inconsistent with Gospel

The Rev. Mr. Gosnell, of West Texas, on the Eighth Day, for the Committee on Christian Social Relations, presented Report No. 13:

WHEREAS, prejudice is inconsistent with the Gospel of Jesus Christ; and

WHEREAS, God in His providence is leading this country towards a desegregated society; therefore be it

*Resolved*, The House of Bishops concurring, that this Church, expressing penitence for marks of racial discrimination and segregation both in her past and present life and structure, take what steps she can to conform

herself to the reconciling comprehensiveness of the Body of Christ, specifically by recognizing ability in whomever it may be found, for example in considering persons for positions at national, diocesan and parochial levels here and abroad, and by encouraging studies in race relations and in the integrated society; and be it further

*Resolved*, The House of Bishops concurring, that dioceses and parishes be encouraged to establish worship and study programs in this area.

This was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 99].

The foregoing Message was placed on the table. Upon motion, it was removed from the table on the Ninth Day.

The House concurred.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 129].

#### Presbyterian Invitation

The Bishop of Virginia, on the Third Day, offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, The United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America in its General Assembly of May, 1961, adopted the following resolution:

"1. The 173rd General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America meeting in Buffalo, New York, May 17-24, 1961, being convinced that in obedience to the Lord Jesus Christ the unity of His Church should be made more than fully manifest that it may be renewed by the Holy Spirit for its mission to our nation and to the world 'that the world may believe,' invites the Protestant Episcopal Church, meeting in General Convention in Detroit, Michigan, in this same year, to join us in an invitation to The Methodist Church and the United Church of Christ to explore the establishment of a united church truly Catholic, truly Reformed, and truly Evangelical.

"Each Church giving or accepting the invitation is asked to authorize by its own procedures a committee of nine persons to negotiate a plan of union and further to authorize these representatives in cooperation with those of the several negotiating Churches to invite other Churches to appoint representatives, either to join them in the development of the plan or to sit with them as observers and consultants as they do their work together.

"It is understood that each Church will review the progress of the work at each meeting of its plenary body and that when a plan of union is agreed upon by the joint negotiating Committee, each Church will then decide whether to adopt it.

"2. The Stated Clerk of the General Assembly is directed to forward the terms of the resolution to the Right Rev. Arthur Lichtenberger, Presiding Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church.